

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF PRE LENT - FEB. 20, 2022

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The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor  
The Deacon William Gaydos

**SUNDAY MASSES – 9:00 & 11:00 am**  
**WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am (check bulletin)**

*“Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.” - Luke 6:36*



Today’s readings seem especially pertinent to us living in a climate of sarcasm and insults, offensiveness and bullying, violence and hatred. Sparing — let alone forgiving and loving — one’s perceived enemies, or refusing to judge others is hardly “natural” to most of us. But God sees it differently, and we are faced with the choice of whether we will too. Considering what this requires of us is a good way to enter the immanent season of Lent.

**Prayer:** Jesus gives us this powerful task--which He Himself so often embraced--because it is a primary way by which we stay connected to the Father, wherever we are. To pray is just to have an open conversation with the One who loves us more than we can know. Concerning this, St. Gregory of Nyssa (335-384) writes that “prayer is the delight of the joyful as well as the solace of the afflicted. . . prayer is intimacy with God and contemplation

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 David spares his enemy  
Ps 103 The Lord is kind and merciful  
1 Cor 15:45-49 Live as spiritual, not natural beings  
Lk 6:27-38 Jesus’ challenge about loving and forgiving

**Lectors serving today:**

**9 am – Richard Daum                      11 am –**

**SHOPPING CERTIFICATES** Please support our Building Fund is by purchasing weekly shopping certificates. The shopping certificates you can use also as gift cards for any occasion. **GIFT CARDS** are available for **SHOP RITE**. . May God bless and reward you.



Please pray for the Sick of the Parish: Out of respect for the privacy of the person who is ill we can only publish the names of the sick with their consent. We review our list monthly. The following members of our parish community are in need of our prayers: Lucy Daum, Maria Sobstyl, Zaida Bueno; Annie Hornak, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, Ewa B., Jeffrey, Roy Zebrowski, Declan, Erik, Enrico, Josephine B. Carmen, Elsie. *If you would like to have your name on the list or your loved ones with their permission, please contact the parish office. We pray also for all those who asked us to pray and for those whom we promised to pray. Hail Mary, Glory...*



**ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE** Dear Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage.

**Cesar Gonzalez & Christine – Feb. 2 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.**

**Fr. Joseph Cyman & Renata (Bujak) – Feb. 21 – 24<sup>th</sup> Ann.**



**HOSPITAL VISIT.** “Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord...” (James 5:14). If you or a member of your family are ill and would like to receive the Holy Communion at home or at the hospital, please notify the rectory.

**Holy Cross Church Face Book – link** [www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com](http://www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com)

**Visiting our website Blog [holycrosssite.org](http://holycrosssite.org) you can go directly to our church face book. 543 people follow our church Face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our Facebook.**

**MEMBERSHIP 2022 . EXPLANATION:** The parish needs to send \$25 to the Central Diocese, and \$100 to the General Church; Total membership is \$125.00 per adult.



**BUSINESS ADVERTISING Year 2022**

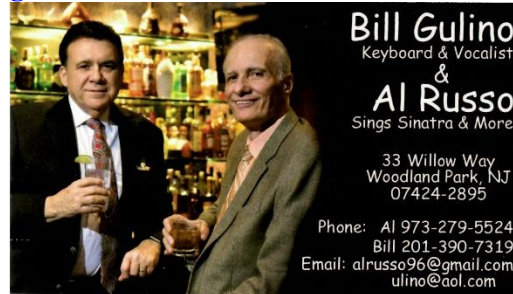
We thank businesses that gave donations for bulletin ads and thus helping us to defray the cost of bulletin printing. The donation for one year is \$125.00. If you wish to submit your ad, please contact the parish office at 201-247-4832 or send e-mail [holycrosspncc1@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com), thank you. **Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.**

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**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** – Will be held this Sunday, February 20, 2022 after



9:00 a.m. Mass with refreshments. **All the societies of our parish will give their annual report from year 2021 and their projects for the year 2022.** Also, will be the election of the Parish Committee. The Parish Committee is the council, which meets once

per month (usually for about 1 hour on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month) to discuss concerns and make decisions for the parish. Would you consider serving on this committee? Please contact Fr. Joseph or George O'Brien (Parish Committee Chairman) for additional information.

**SUNDAY, FEB. 20, 2022 – PRE LENT – 2**

**9:00 AM** Holy Mass +Thomas Kaynak; Req. by Wife Joan Kaynak and Family

10:00 AM - HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR" WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING

10:00 am – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WITH FREE BRUNCH

11:00 am – Sunday School class in the parish hall

**11:00 AM** Holy Mass +Richard Perez, Eduardo Gonzalez, Eddie Rodriguez; Offered by Melissa Rodriguez

After Mass – Confirmation Class

**Monday, February 21, 2022 - St. Severian Bp. M.**

8:30 am – Holy Mass for our nation

**Tuesday, February 22, 2022 – St. Thalassius & Limnaeus, M.**

8:30 am – Holy Mass for the growth of our parish

**Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2022 – St. Serenus, M.**

8:30 am – Holy Mass for peace and justice

**Thursday, Feb. 24, 2022 - St. Matthias, Apostle**

8:30 am – Holy Mass for the sick and homebound

**Friday, Feb. 25, 2022 – St. Caesarius, C.**

8:30 am – Holy Mass for Benefactors of Holy Cross Church Living and Deceased

**SUNDAY, FEB. 27, 2022 – PRE LENT – 3**

**9:00 AM** Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:00 AM - HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR" WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING

10:00 am – First Holy Communion Class

11:00 am – Sunday School class in the parish hall

**11:00 AM** Holy Mass for All Parishioners

After Mass – Confirmation Class





*Our Mission* - The parish of Holy Cross is a Catholic community with doors open to all and bringing them into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and thus giving comfort and purpose to a struggling world. "You are to go into the entire world and preach the Good News to everyone, everywhere! (see Mark 16:15)." We believe that we are a Church where the timeless message of Christ is communicated in a contemporary style. "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save those who are lost (Luke 19:10)." In the past **96 years of service** we feel that we became a strong and faithful community with unselfish service to God and all our brothers and sisters, giving unending praise and thanksgiving for the blessings and gifts bestowed upon us.



**2022 ADULT ENVELOPES were sent by mail and some are available in the parish hall. Thank you for your financial support toward the Holy Cross Church.**

**Confirmation Classes – Enrollment is open. So far, we have five students enrolled.** To register please ask Fr. Joseph or call parish office 201-247-4832. Students who are in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and older and adults are eligible to take confirmation lessons. Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and important step in Christian religious education.

Confirmation Class



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Enrollment is still open. So far, we have three students.**

**The classes are held Sunday at 10 am.** *The Holy Eucharist is Jesus Christ who is really present under the forms of bread and wine. In the Eucharist, Jesus Christ gives us Himself as a food for our souls. The bread and wine becomes the Body and Blood of our Lord during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass when the priest says words of consecration which Jesus used during the Last Supper: This is My Body... This is My Blood. (Catechism)*

**Sanctuary Candle Adoration Society** is sponsoring sanctuary candles that are lit for a week in memory/honor of your special intentions for \$10. **PLEASE SIGN up on the list in the vestibule of the church, use special envelopes and make your check out to Adoration Society.** Thank you for your donations.

**Week of Feb. 13, 2022 – Memory of Hughie Vickerilla**

**Week of Feb. 20 – In memory of Tom Kaynak**

**Week of Feb. 27 Repose of Harold Spencer (from Jan. 30)**

**Week of March 6 – Jeffrey “O”**

**Week of March 13 – Penni Lazor**

**Week of March 20 – Dom. Bucci / David Bucci**

**Week of March 27 – Memory of Hughie Vickerilla**

**Week of April 3 - available**



Please let Fr. Joseph know that you wish to have your home/apartment blessed by calling 201-247-4832 or email [holycrosspncc1@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)

**NEW PARISHIONERS –** If you are new to our parish, please submit your name and phone number to Father Joseph. Father will contact you regarding parish membership and answer the questions you may have.

**PLEASE DONATE GENTLY USED COATS, JACKETS, SWEATERS BY FEB. 13.** These items will be given to Fr. English Food Pantry in Paterson. Thank you



## Upcoming Events

March 2, 2022 – Ash Wednesday

March 20, 2022 – St. Patrick’s Luncheon after 11 am

April 3, 2022 – Agape at 4 pm, (location TBD)

April 12, 2022 – Clergy Conference, Chrism Mass, Cathedral, Scranton, PA

April 17 2022 – Easter – Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 19, 2022 – Easter Egg Hunt & Party for School of Christian Living (SOCL)

May 1, 2022 – Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 8, 2022 – Mother’s Day Breakfast at 10 am

June 12, 2022 – Sunday School awards Church picnic

June 19, 2022 – Corpus Christi celebration (place – TBD)

June 19, 2022 – Father’s Day Breakfast at 10 am

Week of July 4th 2022 - YOUTH CAMP – Kurs , Waymart, PA

For more information, please call Penni Lazor,

Adoration Society President, at 973-768-7917 or contact parish office – 201-247-4832



Dear Friends, the Holy Cross Church is now able to accept donations through Venmo. By using Venmo, parishioners, donors, and benefactors can utilize electronic giving that comes with no extra cost to the donor or to Holy Cross. For anyone looking to donate electronically, Holy Cross’ Venmo account is @holycrosspncc Electronic donations make it easy to donate whether they are near or far – again, with no added cost associated with the transaction. For your convenience here is the link you can scan to access or find Holy Cross’ Venmo account. **Last week donations**

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**HOLY CROSS PARISH DAILY PRAYER CHAIN**

Dear friends, please join our parish in DAILY PRAYER CHAIN. God is listening to our prayers when we address our needs. We pray for peace and unity in our nation and in the world. **IN OUR PRAYERS WE ASK FOR THE RESPECT OF THE SANCTITY OF EACH LIFE AND DIGNITY OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL SINCE THE**

**MOMENT OF CONCEPTION TO LAST MOMENT OF LIFE REGARDLESS OF RACE, NATIONALITY, POLITICAL PARTY, GENDER, ETHNICITY, STATUS OR CREED. MAY WE LIVE HARMONIOUSLY WITH EACH OTHER, RESPECTING DIFFERENCES, CHERISHING DIVERSITY, WITHOUT FEAR OF THE OTHER, HONORING THE IMAGE OF GOD IN EVERY HUMAN PERSON.**

We pray for all those who are affected by coronavirus disease. We pray for those who lost their loved ones and as well for those who lost their jobs and struggle financially. We pray for the sick for their recovery and for the medical staff for endurance, wisdom and guidance in their service. We pray for the end of this global pandemic. We remember persecuted Christians and for freedom of worship. We pray for peaceful resolutions in conflicts within our country and in the world. We pray for those who are addicted to drugs and alcohol, for their recovery and protection from illness. We pray for the victims of any sexual abuse and harassment. Our Polish National Catholic Church has a zero tolerance in that respect. Please pray for each other asking for God's blessing especially for our parishioners who are sick, home-bound and are in need of any kind of healing and support. We pray for the growth of our parish and for an increase of our dedication in the service for the Church established by our Lord, Jesus Christ. May the Holy Cross Church continue to grow in faith and in number as a place of prayer where people can worship God and accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Amen.

**LET US IMITATE THE WAYS OF GOD BY BEING MORE GENEROUS AND LOVING IN OUR SERVICE TO HIS MYSTICAL BODY, "THE CHURCH."**

Thank you for your support.



**NATIVITY SET (missing)**



Since we haven't had our Nativity statues of Holy Mary, St. Joseph and Baby Jesus returned, the majority of the parish committee members made a decision on Sunday Jan. 9, 2022 to ask parishioners to voluntarily donate toward the purchase a new Nativity set. We are installing new security cameras and other measures to ensure that the incident of Dec. 26, 2021 doesn't happen again. **THE NEW SET WILL COST - \$3000.**

**NEW REGISTRATIONS** - Our parish is leasing the Sunday school building to the tenant, **GOLDEN STEPS LEARNING CENTER, from Monday to Friday** providing PRE SCHOOL DAY CARE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS. Please see flyer for more information or contact Mrs. Gail at 973-812-8030. Discount rates are available for the members of Holy Cross Church.

**2021 Contribution Statements** - Any parishioner who wishes to receive information regarding their donations to the church for the year 2021 for their income tax purposes, please contact Financial Secretary, Richard Daum 973-694-9457 email [DICKDAUM@gmail.com](mailto:DICKDAUM@gmail.com). We thank Richard for his time and dedication in his service as Financial Secretary/Treasurer of Holy Cross Church.

**ALTAR SERVERS** This is an important ministry for our parish and your support and involvement is needed. Please contact Deacon - William Gaydos 973-239-4725 or parish office 201-247-4832 if your son /daughter are interested in becoming altar servers. We thank Deacon Bill for lessons preparing new altar servers.



**THE PRAYERS REQUEST** - The container "Prayer Request" is located at the side altar by the baptismal font. Fr. Joseph says the Holy Mass on Thursdays for the sick and shut-ins. If you have any sick members in your family and/or homebound, please write their names and place them in the container. Fr. Joseph will include these intentions at the Holy Mass on Thursday evening Mass.



**HELP FOR PARENTS & SMALL CHILDREN** In case when small children need more attention during the Mass, parents can now listen to the Liturgy of the Mass in the **parish hall** while the children can play or do the drawings. **The TV set is connected with camera in the church sanctuary. You can see mass in the parish hall.**







**DO YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS?  
FOR THE PARISH COMMITTEE TO  
DISCUSS AT THEIR MEETING?  
REQUESTS AND IDEAS MUST BE AGREED AND VOTED ON BY THE  
COMMITTEE MEMBERS  
DROP YOUR NOTE IN THE BOX  
(NO NEED TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME)  
LOOKING FORWARD FOR SUGGESTIONS, IDEAS, PRAISES AND EVEN COMPLAINTS.**

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<b>Organist - Jessica Muccilli</b>	973-903-7273
<b>Adoration Society - Penni Lazor</b>	973-768-7917
<b>Lectors Coordinator (9 am service) - George O'Brien</b>	973-809-7091
<b>Altar Servers - Deacon William Gaydos</b>	973-239-4725
<b>School of Christian Living (SOCL)</b>	Mr. Paul Murphy (201-463-7656), Ms. Natalie Lazar – 973-653-6494
<b>St. Nicholas Ministry – Two volunteer are needed</b>	
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