# 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 27, 2022

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> The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor The Deacon William Gavdos

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

> "'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son." - Luke 15:21

#### INTRODUCTION

Today's readings focus on reconciliation, forgiveness and moving forward. Forgiveness is one-sided; one can choose to forgive, but reconciliation requires two people in the act of coming together.

God offers us both forgiveness and reconciliation and does not hold our sins against us once we have asked for forgiveness. Are we able to do the same with one another?

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Jos 5:9a, 10-12 They ate what they had grown in the land of Canaan Ps 34 Taste and see the goodness of the Lord 2 Cor 5:17-21 God entrusted to us the message of reconciliation Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Father, I have sinned against you and against heaven

WE THANK those who serve as LECTORS TODAY:

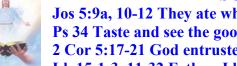
9 am – Richard Daum 11 am – Chirag Taylor

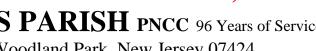
SHOPPING CERTIFICATES Please support our Building Fund is by purchasing You can buy them in the parish hall. May God bless

and reward you.

We continue to pray for the end of war in Ukraine and blessing upon Ukrainian people in this terrible time. Please support the suffering people of that country - see more information.







Please pray for the Sick of our parish.

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 pravers: 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

Out of respect for the privacy of the person who is ill we can only

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.

Wilian and Maria Matute – 21st Ann. – 4/4 Richard Daum & Lucy Piontkowski – 64<sup>th</sup> Ann – 4/6 Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 11th Ann. – 4/15 Edward and Beverly Obssuth – 31st Ann. – 4/21



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.holvcrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog 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**





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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 <a href="mailto:holycrosspnce1@gmail.com">holycrosspnce1@gmail.com</a>, thank you. **Parishioners and friends**, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



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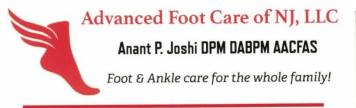
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## SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022 - 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 AM

# Holy Mass for PEACE and for Parishioners 10:00 AM – "HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR"

10:00 am – First Holy Communion Class 11:00 am – Sunday School class in the parish hall

11:00 AM Holy Mass for PEACE and All Parishioners

**After Mass – Confirmation Class** 

Monday, March 28, 2022 - St. Guntramnus, C.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for PEACE and end of war

7:00 pm – Preparation for marriage (Megan and Tyler)

Tuesday, March 29, 2022 – St. Rupert Bp.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for PEACE and the growth of our parish

7:00 pm - Preparation for marriage (Kathy and Richard)

Wednesday, March 30, 2022 - St. John the Ladder, Ab.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for PEACE and end of war

7:15-8:00 pm – Adult Bible Study Gospel of St. Luke (During Lent)

Thursday, March 31, 2022 - St. Balbina, V.

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

Friday, April 1, 2022 – Lent

8:30 am – Holy Mass for PEACE and Benefactors of Holy Cross

7:30 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS (LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE)

SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2022 - 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT /PASSION SUNDAY

9:00 AM Holy Mass for PEACE and for Parishioners Living and Deceased

10:00 AM – "HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR"

10:00 am – First Holy Communion Class

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

11:00 AM Holy Mass for PEACE and All Parishioners

**After Mass – Confirmation Class** 

Agape – Prayer Service at Heart of Jesus Parish, 290 Avenue E, Bayonne, NJ at 3:30 pm

BIBLE STUDY - LENT 2022 During Lent - The Bible Study classes will take place ON THE



FOLLOWING DATES: Wed., March 23, 30, and April 6, 2022 from 7:15 pm to 8:00 pm. STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FRIDAYS DURING LENT AT 7:30 PM This liturgy helps us to meditate on the sufferings of Jesus and better understand his greatest love for us by dying on the cross for our sins.













# 2022 ADULT ENVELOPES were sent by mail and some

**are**\_available in the parish hall. Thank you for your financial support toward Holy Cross Church.

#### Confirmation Classes – Enrollment is open.

To register please ask Fr. Joseph or call parish office 201-247-4832. <u>Students who are in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and older and adults</u> are eligible to take confirmation lessons. Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and important step in Christian religious education.



#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Enrollment is still open.



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)

<u>Sanctuary Candle</u> 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 March 20 - Dom. Bucci / David Bucci

Week of March 27 – Memory of Hughie Vickerilla

Week of April 3 – available

For more information, please call Penni Lazor, Adoration Society President, at 973-768-7917 or contact parish office – 201-247-4832

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.



GOD'S FIELD – (Rola Boza) ONLINE The latest issue of *God's Field* is now available online at <a href="http://www.pncc.org">http://www.pncc.org</a>. Click on the God's Field link at the top of the home page and follow

the directions to access the recent issue. We hope you enjoy reading about the life and work of our parishes.

# **Upcoming Events**

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



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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 - 220

#### 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 NEED TO PRAY FOR THE NATION OF UKRAINE IN UNGOING TIME OF WAR. We pray for peaceful resolutions in

and reconciliation. 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 still 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 recovery of the sick and for the medical staff for their 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 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.



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



## CHURCH."



HELP FOR PARENTS & SMALL CHILDREN If 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.



# THE NEW NATIVITY SET WILL BE DELIVERED IN MAY – JUNE 2022. THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS.



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 fount. 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 UKRAINE**

Parishioners. THANK YOU **FOR** Dear **DONATIONS** for the Ukrainian people. Please continue bring on Sundays HIGH PRIORITY ITEMS . Here is the list: First Aid - Kits and Supplies; Bandages, Homeostatic Bandages, Tourniquets, Diapers

for children - all sizes, Baby Wipes, Tactical Glasses, Walkie Talkies, Drones; Telephones (Iphone 6 and higher) new or used (if used, new batteries please); Thermal Underwear; Flashlights and batteries **Tactical feet wear (sizes 39-46 European)** 

Men's sizes 6-13 but mostly men's US sizes 10-12 **Ultraviolet Flashlights** 

Consider generously donate a monetary donation (payable to Holy Cross with MEMO - FOR UKRAINE). I am glad that last Thursday March 24, 2022 and Friday March 25th we had more people coming to pray with intention for peace in the world.

HOLY WEEK 2022

Thursday, April 14, 2022 – Holy Thursday

7:30 PM – Liturgy of the Lord's Supper.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament until 9:00 pm

Friday, April 15, 2022 – Good Friday

3:00 PM – Stations of the Cross with youth participation 4:15 PM - Liturgy of Good Friday/ Adoration until 6:00pm

Saturday, April 16, 2022 – Holy Saturday

3:00 PM – Liturgy of Holy Saturday

**After service - Blessing of Easter Baskets** 

NO EASTER VIGIL – SEE EASTER SUNDAY MASSES





SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2022 - RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - EASTER

"Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb." John 20:1

9:00 AM Easter Procession - Mass for All Parishioners

**Holy Mass of Resurrection** 

11:00 AM – Holy Mass of Resurrection - Mass for All Parishioners

# ST PATRICK'S LUNCHEON – SUNDAY MARCH 20, 2022

On Sunday March 20, 2022, the Holy Cross Church hosted St. Patrick's Luncheon. During this event we enjoyed music and joyful, laughable entertainment provided by well-known by "Uncle Floyd Vivino" The green grab bags donated by Ed and Beverly Obssuth were part of our annual celebration. The drawings of the basket of cheer donated by Adoration Society, "Basket of Surprise" donated by Cyman family and 50/50 took place at the end of our celebration. We thank Fr. David and Laurie Gaydos as well as David, Edward Obssuth and some other helpers for preparing the menu consisting of Corned Beef, Cabbage, Irish red potatoes, Baked Chicken - Variety of Vegetables, Assorted Breads / Irish Soda Bread, Homemade Desserts. We thank those who decorated the hall for the event and those who cleaned after the celebration. We thank everyone who in good number attended our annual celebration. Basket of cheer was won by Mary Farrar and 50/50 winner was John Murdok. Congratulations!!! St. Patrick, bishop, great and bold missionary of Ireland, pray for us!









EASTER EGG HUNT – will take place on Sunday April 24, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. All children from our parish are invited to enjoy this event. The party in the parish hall will follow. Please invite your friends.

**EASTER FLOWERS** – An Easter Flower Fund Envelope is included in the Sunday



Collection envelopes and will be available in the parish vestibule. All parishioners are asked to make a donation to the fund so that flowers can be purchased for the Resurrection of our Lord and part of the Easter season. Your offering can be made in memory of a departed loved one. All offerings will be acknowledged in the Sunday bulletin. Thank you for

beautifying our church.

# **Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations**

Pastor - Father Joseph R. Cyman 201-247-4832 / 973-256-4888 /

Deacon - William Gaydos973-239-4725Parish Comm. Chairperson, George O'Brien 973-809-7091Secretary -Fran Cuccinello973-303-3874Organist - Neil Estanislao201-966-9026

Organist - Ven Estansiao 201-900-9020
Organist - Jessica Muccilli 973-903-7273
Adoration Society - Penni Lazor 973-768-7917

Lectors Coordinator (9 am service) - George O'Brien 973-809-7091

Altar Servers - Deacon William Gaydos 973-239-4725

School of Christian Living (SOCL) Mr. Paul Murphy (201-463-7656),

Ms. Natalie Lazar - 973-653-6494

St. Nicholas Ministry – Two volunteer are needed

Advent Tree – Pat Olsen 973-696-6581

**Greeters** -

Maintenance - Dominick Bucci 973-785-2299
Shopping Certificates Sale - Ed Obssuth 201-233-6351

**Polish National Union of America** - Fr. Joseph Cyman – 201-247-4832



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

**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.



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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- Teaches traditional spiritual and moral values
- Marriage has been allowed before or after ordination for deacons, priests and bishops since 1921.
- The laity and clergy have equal voice in the election of bishops.
- The management of the material matters of each parish is performed by the Parish Committee along with their Pastor.

<u>2021 Contribution Statements</u> - 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 <u>DICKDAUM@gmail.com</u>. We thank Richard for his time and dedication in his service as Financial Secretary/Treasurer of Holy Cross Church.

Church that welcomes ALL who wishes to follow Christ