6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER – MAY 22, 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) "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." - John 14:27



The early church struggled with a common problem: who was in and who was not. The requirements were related to the cultural and religious practices of Jewish converts. Similar questions plague us to this day regarding who belongs in our country, our neighborhoods, our schools, even our church. The answers are easily found in Jesus' call to keep his word of love and peace. You would think we would have figured it out

by now, but tribalism runs deep.

Today's Scriptures

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 The first church council resolves conflicts about Jewish practices

Ps 67 O God, let all the nations praise you! Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 The new Jerusalem will be a community for all Jn 14:23-29 Jesus assures the disciples of his continuing presence and love

WE THANK LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Lector: Dominick Bucci 11:00 am – Lector: Chirag Taylor **SHOPPING CERTIFICATES** Please support our Building Fund is by purchasing weekly



WE PRAY FOR UKRAINE

shopping certificates. 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 for humanitarian help to stranded Ukrainian people facing starvation and death. Please pray and support the suffering people of that country - see more information in the bulletin.



Please pray for the Sick of our 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: Sophie Gula, Inid Smith, Lucy Daum, Maria Sobstyl, Zaida Bueno; Annie Hornak, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, Steven O., 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... Hail Mary, Glory...

ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE Dear Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage. Daniel & Magdalena Brzyski – May 14 – 6th Ann. Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 58th Anniversary – May 3 Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 59th Anniversary – May 12 **Stephen and Pilar Bradbury – 10th Anniversary - May 16** Richard Minich & Mary Booker – 41st Ann. – May 18 Erick Urban & Fae Ludkiewicz – 22nd Anniversary – May 22

Troy & Mary Rose Hilton - 8th Ann. - May 24

Gale Galese/Patricia Carrigan – June 14 – 34th Ann.

Keith Rotsaert/Donna Clavelle – June 24 – 21st Ann.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:



Melissa Rodríguez – May 7; Manuel Rodríguez – May 10; Stivet Salcedo Jr. – May 8; Valerie Vance – 5/10; Aedan Vance – 5/12; Stefano Sung – May 13; Fiona Williams -5/15; Susan Hong -5/17; Rosa Rojas - May 18; Maria Matute -5/20; Miroslawa Zak – 5/20; Kimberly Matute- 5/21; John A. Lazor Jr. – May 23; Marie

Tarazona – 5/24; Ariana Rubio – 5/26; Maria Vasquez – 5/26; Nelly Cabrejos – May 27; Alberto Sanchez – 5/27; Sebastian Arias – 5/31; Francisco Menchon – 6/1; Jackson Rutch – 6/2; Merry Sleece – 6/4, Griselle Fernandez- 6/6; Jaylin Batista – 6/9; Hannah Joyce – 6/9; Jack Kowalik - 6/8; Donna Nowak - 6/11; (If you would like to include the date of your birthday or the member of your family in the bulletin, please call the parish office at (973)-256-4888.



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

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.

I remember you in my prayers each day. Please keep me and my family in your daily prayers. Fr. Joseph

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 <u>holycrosspnce1@gmail.com</u>, thank you. **Parishioners and friends**, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



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MAY 22, 2022 - 6[™] SUNDAY OF EASTER

<u>9:00 AM</u> HOLY MASS for +Anette Mazza; Requested by Al and Fran Cuccinello

10 AM – HUGHIE COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP 10 AM – TRICKY TRAY AND ADORATION SOCIETY MEETINGS

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

11:00 AM HOLY MASS for all Parishioners

Monday, May 23, 2022 – St. Desiderius, Bp. M.

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

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 – St. Vincent of Lerins, Mo. P.

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

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 – St. Urban of Rome Bp., M.



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

7:00 pm – Preparation for Confirmation

Thursday, May 26, 2022 – Ascension of Our Lord – Transferred to Sunday

8:30 am– Holy Mass of the sick and shut ins

Friday, May 27, 2022 – St. Bede, Mo., P.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for the Benefactors of Holy Cross Church

MAY 29, 2022 - ASCENSION OF OUR LORD / 7 SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 AM HOLY MASS for +Richard Jakob, Jean & Joseph Zajac, Helen

& Dawn Zajac; Off. By Susan Jakob (All Souls)

10 AM – Hughie Coffee and Cake Fellowship

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

The Preparation of gifts for Father's Day

11:00 AM HOLY MASS for departed +Lourdes Isabel Neris and Mercedes Nunez, Hugh Krone; *Off. By Stephanie Talia & Richard Neris*



2022 ADULT ENVELOPES Those parishioners who wish to have Sunday collection envelopes, please contact parish office by calling 201-247-4832. Thank you for your financial support toward Holy Cross

Church.

CELEBRATE O

Parish Picnic – June 26, 2022 - Free for Parishioners and Woodland Park Residents IT IS OUR JOYFUL OUTREACH PROGRAM. RSVP by June 16, 2022.

We would like our parishioners to invite their family and friends to our Picnic as guests. As you know there is no charge and we will have games for the children and food for all. Volunteers are

welcome to bring your favorite dish. Come and enjoy our celebration! SEE SPECIAL FLYER.



Confirmation Classes –The lessons will continue after Easter Sunday. Enrollment is open. To register please ask Fr. Joseph or call parish office 201-247-4832. Students who are in the 7th 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.

<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.

Week of May 22 – In memory of Tom Kaynak by Joan Kaynak

Week of May 29 – John and Adele Sincavage by Beverly Vickerilla

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.

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



GOD'S FIELD – (Rola Boza) ONLINE The latest issue of *God's Field* is now available online at <u>http://www.pncc.org</u>.

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

June 19, 2022 – Sunday School awards and Father's Day Breakfast at 10 am June 26, 2022 – OUR TOWN FREE PPICNIC Week of July 4th 2022 - YOUTH CAMP – Kurs , Waymart, PA July 2-9, 2022 October 15, 2022 (Saturday) Tricky Tray at Amalgamated Meat Cutters hall, Little Falls

SPOJNIA CREDIT UNION – Example - Need a new car; up to 36 months – 2.49% Information is placed in the parish hall and online https://www.spojniacreditunion.org/ Polish National Union of America, fraternal organization – Information available in the parish hall and online www.pnu.org

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 TERRIBLE TIME OF WAR. We pray for

peaceful resolutions in and reconciliation. WE PRAY FOR END OF WAR. 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 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.



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.

EASTER SEASON - During the 50 days season of Easter (until May June 5, 2022) we commemorate the life giving resurrection of our Lord. Fasting does not take place during this time. We say our prayers standing rather that kneeling. We stand during the Eucharistic Prayer at Mass. We greet one another with the words, "Christ is Risen! Indeed, he is Risen! This is the time of great rejoicing.



SUNDAY SCHOOL: CHILDREN – PLEASE JOIN OUR CLASSES ON SUNDAY AT 11 AM. WE ARE PREPARISNG GIFTS FOR FATHER'S DAY!



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

Donations on May 15, 2022 – \$2,875.

Venmo - \$120

TOTAL Week of May 15, 2022 - \$2,995.

INCOME – JAN. – APRIL 2022 - \$47,971.83

EXPENSES JAN.- APRIL 2022 - \$55,152.96

DONATIOS FOR BUILDING FUND: Hilal & Family - \$20: M/M O'Brien -\$25; Cyman Family - \$50; David Obssuth - \$50; Al and Fran Cuccinello - \$50; J. Andrews - \$20: M/M Koscinski - \$50

SPECIAL DONATIONS TO HOLY CROSS: Since the last newsletter: Candidates for Communion - \$160; Gustavo and Glenda Gutierrez in honor of baptized son, Mark Gutierrez - \$100; Jose and Eva Lopez in honor of their baptized daughter, Zoev Lydia Lopez - \$100; Sandro and Evelyn Lopez in honor of baptized daughter, Nathalie M. Lopez - \$150; Damaris Abdalla in honor of newlywed couple - Tyler James and Megan Farrell - \$150; Donna and Martin Maher in honor of Juliet Maher - \$100

BUILDING FUND – since last newsletter: Passaic Valley Unico - \$70; Donna and Martin Maher - \$50;

ST. NICHOLAS MINISTRY – J & A. Muccilli - \$20; Ed and Beverly Obssuth -\$25; David Obssuth - \$10; Al and Fran Cuccinello - \$50;



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 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.

POLISH NATIONAL UNION OF AMERICA - Fraternal Organization of our Church.



In the parish hall you can find pamphlets about PNU of A explaining different programs and benefits offered by this organization. One of them, to received the college stipends,



students have to be at least five years member of this organization. Ask Fr. Joseph for further information. 201-247-4832



FOOD DRIVE to benefit the Father English Food Pantry. You can bring your donations any Sunday to our parish hall and place them by the room "Food Bank" Won't you help the needy in the name of Christ the Savior? "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, you have done it to me." (Mat. 25:40)

THANK YOU TO:



- Candidates for First Holy Communion who donated flowers for the church sanctuary.
- Parish Committee members for attending monthly meetings.
- Adoration Society for their ministry and help in activities of our parish.
- Sunday School teachers, Mr. Paul Murphy, Ms. Natalie Lazar for their service
- Anyone who in any way shape or form supported our parish. God bless you all.

Holy Cross Catholic Church PNCC 96 years of service

220 Browertown Rd. Woodland Park, NJ 07424 /All Are Welcome!

- Imagine a Church that is One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic and yet democratic
- The ethnic beginning has grown into a multicultural community.
- The Church that has all valid sacraments
- 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.
 - Church that welcomes ALL who wishes to follow Christ

GRADUATES – Soon it will be graduation time for many schools in our area. We would like to salute the members of our parish who will be graduating from school in spring of 2022 and print their names in the Father's Day -JUNE 19 edition of the Sunday bulletin. Graduates or parents of graduates are asked to submit names and information to the church office no later than Sunday, June 12, 2022. You can send information by e-mail – holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS – SEE INFORMATION IN THE PARISH HALL AND ENCLOSED FLYER IN THE BULLETIN URGENT HELP FOR UKRAINE



Dear Parishioners, so far, we donated about 35 boxes, and \$3,625. As of May 1, 2022 we received \$4,321. of monetary donations to help the people of Ukraine who suffer cause by terrible war. We will send remaining donations to Samaritan Purse, an organization that directly is helping the

suffering people of Ukraine providing food and medical support. Please continue bring on Sundays <u>HIGH PRIORITY ITEMS</u>.

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 donate a monetary donations (payable to Holy Cross with MEMO – FOR UKRAINE)

Sunday School (School of Christian Living)

The Sunday School teachers dedicate their time and talent for the spiritual growth of our children. WE TO HOLD CLASSES IN THE PARISH HALL AT 11 AM.

Children are asked to attend the 11 am Mass sitting in the last pews with teachers. Before the readings children and teachers will go down to the parish hall for classes and return for distribution of Holy Eucharist. The TV set in the parish hall allows to follow the Mass.

Classes are offered for children ages 4 through 8th grade. Parents with children under the age of four can accompany their children in the parish hall, if desired. They can watch the Mass being televised on TV while children are occupied.

Our children are encouraged to serve as Altar Servers, and readers of the "prayers of the faithful" and after Sacrament of Confirmation as Lectors.

Sunday school students not only receive a religious education but also participate in a variety of enjoyable activities provided by the teachers and parents of the parish. These are some possible activities such as Apple Picking with Hay Ride, Ice skating, Christmas party, Youth Participation at Christmas Mass, an Easter Egg Hunt and Party, visiting the elderly at nursing homes, making holiday crafts, enjoying parish picnic and much more. Youth also have the opportunity to give back to the community by helping less fortunate in preparing Thanksgiving Food Baskets for needy families, Christmas gifts for DYFS children, planting plants for seniors, providing food and clothing for the homeless.

Please join us by enrolling your child in this program. Children with perfect and good attendance will be awarded with a gift cards.

<u>Memorial Day</u> (May 30, 2022) has come to mean the beginning of summer, a time for picnics and barbecues, and a holiday to gather around the family. That happiness and freedom, however, is a product of the real cause for the holiday: the sacrifice made by men and women who have fought and died for the freedoms and liberties Americans hold dear. Memorial Day is a time to remember that the American way of life is not cheap but rather has been purchased by the lives and blood of so many who have sacrificed for us to live free and happily now.

Remember those who served before.



Remember those who are no more. Remember those who serve today. Remember them as we eat and play. Remember our protectorswho are not home today.

Remember them all on Memorial Day.

Our Mission - The parish of Holy Cross, PNCC 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. *""Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation". (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 the 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.

On Sunday May 15, 2022 we witnessed the celebration of First Holy



Communion administered to Cameron Rodriguez, Marc Gutierrez,

and Stephanie Tapia-Nunez. We congratulate them and their families on this special occasion.

The new recipients of the Holy Eucharist are welcomed to participate in the life of the parish in different ministries such as members of Sunday School (School of Christian Living), serving as altar servers, and later as lectors reading the Word of God.

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 of the PNCC)







JULY 2ND-9TH

TRUST IN JESUS

Our theme for 2022, Trust in Jesus, is based on Philippians 4:6-7. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Jesus Christ.

State and State

\$350 PNCC MEMBERS | \$400 NON-MEMBERS

Independence Day Celebration will be Saturday, July 2nd with Mass being celebrated at 11am by the Most Rev. Anthony Mikovsky. Traditional Polish Picnic to follow.

BISHOP HODUR RETREAT AND RECREATION CENTER 611 HONESDALE RD, WAYMART, PA 18472 APPLICATIONS WILL GO OUT MAY 1, 2022 VIA MAIL OR ELECTRONICALLY

YOUTH CAMP - KURS 2022: Encampment will begin on July 2, 2022 at the Bishop Hodur Retreat & Recreation Center in Waymart, PA. If you would like your child to take part in Kurs, please fill in the details in the Registration Form below. Please submit separate а registration form for each child. The full cost for Kurs is \$350 per child for PNCC members and \$400 per child for non-members. A \$100 deposit per child will be due at time of registration unless the child's parish is paying the entire cost.

Kurs registration is open to PNCC members exclusively from May 1st through May 25th. Registration is open to all from May 26th through June 18th. Registration must be completed within these time frames. To ensure sufficient provision is made for all registrants, no late or on-site registrations will be accepted.

REGISTRATION ONLINE: https://www.kurscamp.org/kurs-registration.

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Picnic from 12 PM until 4 PM

Come and enjoy variety of hot dishes, salads, hot dogs, hamburgers, and desserts Fruit punch; popcorn; ice cream pops, water, soda, coffee, tea

Children will be enjoying games with prizes:



• 16' Water slide; Magician • Donut Eating; Watermelon contest

Other Games and Surprises

All Are Welcome

Free for Parishioners and Woodland Park Residents

(donations accepted) **RSVP** by June 16, 2022 holycrosspncc1@gmail.com / 201-247-4832 Looking forward to seeing you at the picnic. RAIN or SHINE the FUN is ON **COME AND ENJOY!**

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