

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT– NOV. 27, 2022

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 96 Years of Service

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

The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor

The Deacon William Gaydos

“ Therefore, stay awake!” Matthew 24:42

As we begin this Advent season, we focus on the universal spiritual practice of being awake—deeply aware. It’s not that we’re sleeping, but that it’s so easy to become distracted by the ordinary demands of life—especially in this holiday season. It is so easy to overlook what is truly most important, but staying alert is hard. God is always present to us; Jesus comes in many ways. If we’re not alert, we miss it all. What will it take to keep us focused? Lord Jesus, you urged your disciples to stay awake: Lord, have mercy. Christ

Jesus, you told them to watch for the Son of Man’s return: Christ, have mercy.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 2:1-5 God’s word brings amazing transformation

Psalms 122 Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord

Romans 13:11-14 Stay awake for Christ’s coming

Matthew 24:37-44 Be vigilant for the coming of the Lord

WE THANK LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Lector: Edward Obsuth 11:00 am Lector: Mark Kosciński

9 am Mass lectors meeting - Nov. 27, 2022 after 9 am Mass

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES - The profit of shopping certificates sale was \$75,000.



Please continue to support our Building Fund by purchasing weekly shopping certificates after 9 am Mass. You can buy them in the parish hall.

THANK YOU!

We continue to pray for peace and safety in our streets and schools. We pray for the end of war in Ukraine.

Please remember me and my family in your prayers. I remember you each day in my prayers.



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, Mi Sun Lim; Josephine Porcoro, 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...

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.



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



Stephen Morgan / Karen Jarmarkowicz. – 11/01 – 13th Ann.

Russell Paulison and Karen Pettegrew – 11/ 22 – 30th Ann.

Jose Acosta/Paola Perez – 12/3 – 16th Ann.

John Lazor / Alexandra Jaxon – 12/16 – 50th 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



Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 575 people follow our church Face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our Facebook.



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, thank you. **Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.**

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NOVEMBER 27, 2022 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Advent Wreath Lightening Ceremony before Masses



9:00 AM HOLY MASS for +Thomas Kaynak, Deceased members of Smolnik Family and Kaynak Family, Bertha Craig and Judy Lorincz; *Off. by Joan Kaynak (All Souls)*
10 AM – HUGHIES COFFEE HOUR



11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall

11:00 AM HOLY MASS +Hernn Victoria, Rosalba Gutierrez, Luz Stella Victoria; *Off. by Victoria Harold (All Souls)*



Monday Nov. 28, 2022 – St. Stephen the Younger, Mo., M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for peace in the world

Tuesday Nov. 29, 2022 – St. Saturninus, M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for our youth

Wednesday Nov. 30, 2022 – St. Andrew, Ap.

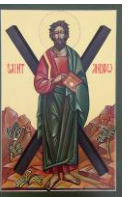
8:30 am - Holy Mass for our youth

Thursday, Dec. 1, 2022 – Advent Weekday

8:30 am - Holy Mass for our parish

Friday, Dec. 2, 2022, 2022 – St. Eligius, of Noyon, Bp.

8:30 am - Holy Mass Benefactors of Holy Cross living and deceased



DECEMBER 4, 2022 – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Advent Wreath Lightening Ceremony before Masses



9:00 AM HOLY MASS for All Parishioners

10 AM – HUGHIES COFFEE HOUR

11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall

11:00 AM HOLY MASS for All Parishioners



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS – All parishioners are asked to make a donation to the Christmas Flower Fund. Special envelopes are enclosed in the envelope box and also are available in the vestibule of the church. You would be asked to please return your donations by Sunday, December 18, 2022. **Your donation including names of your departed loved ones will be printed in the Christmas bulletin.** Any later donations will appear in the consecutive bulletins.



Confirmation Class



Confirmation Classes –The lessons are held on Sundays after 11 am Mass students who are in the 7th grade and older and adults are eligible to take confirmation lessons. To register please ask Fr. Joseph or call parish office 201-247-4832. _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)*

Sanctuary Candle Adoration Society is sponsoring sanctuary candles that are lit for a week in memory/honor of your special intentions for \$10.

Nov. 27, 2022 – Adele and John Sincavage; By Beverley 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

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.



MASSES OF HEALING – The Masses for the Sick and Home Bound are celebrated on the last Thursday of the month at 6:30pm (in Winter). **WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS TO PRESENT PRAYERS FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR OTHERS. Dates of Healing Masses: December 29, 2022 at 7:30 pm.** The Lord listens our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit. **WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS**



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)



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.**

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS - We welcome all our visitors who are



present with us for worship this Sunday. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor, Father Joseph after Mass. Please sign your name in “Our Church Guests” book located in the vestibule of the church. You are always welcome to join us in worship.

HOLY CROSS PARISH DAILY PRAYER CHAIN Dear friends, please join our parish in DAILY PRAYER CHAIN. We pray for the safety in our streets and schools; for the propel gun control in our country and in the world. We pray for peaceful resolutions in and reconciliation especially in Ukraine. **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.

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



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 receive the college stipends, students have to be at least five years member of this organization. Ask Fr. Joseph for further

information. 201-247-4832

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



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.



LASTING GIFTS - “Lasting Gifts, a guide for gifts to the Holy Cross Church.” Copies of these pamphlets are in the vestibule of the church. Please consider yourself to participate in this project. **OUR PARISH CELEBRATES 96 YEARS OF SERVICE.** Let us consider the future of our parish as it continues

blessings for its members and for the community.

Obituary Jeffrey S. O'Brien, 49, Captain of Woodland Park Police Department,



passed away at home with his family by his side on Monday, November 21, 2022. Born in Paterson, Jeffrey was raised in Clifton where he was a 1991 graduate of Clifton High School. He then earned a Bachelors Degree from Montclair State University. In 1995, Jeffrey moved to Woodland Park where he has lived since. He became a dedicated member of the Woodland Park Police Department in 2000 and rose to the rank of Captain.

Captain O'Brien was a member of the Woodland Park P.B.A. Local 173; the New Jersey State P.B.A. and the Passaic County Emerald Society. He was also a member of the Living Water Church of God in Woodland Park. Survivors include: his beloved son, Sean V. O'Brien; his stepson, Victor Trzuskot; his parents, George F. and Dorothy (nee Lekston) O'Brien; his grandmother, Jeanne Lekston; his sister, Charlotte O'Brien; his brother, Daniel O'Brien and his wife, Caryn; and his nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held Sunday November 27, 2022 from 2:00 to 6:00 pm at Bizub-Quinlan Funeral Home, 1313 Van Houten Avenue, Clifton. The funeral service will be held Monday, November 28, 2022 at 11:00 am at the funeral home. Private cremation to follow. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to National Brain Tumor Society, 55 Chapel St., Suite 006, Newton, MA 02458 <https://nbtsevents.braintumor.org/CaptainOBrien127>



HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH There is a limit of people in attending the hall rentals according to CDC requirement. The hall rental fee for the use of the facilities is \$125.00 for each hour of rental time (for non-parishioners). For members of the parish (paid membership). The rental hall fee for the use of facilities is \$65 for each hour. Call 201-247-4832

THANK YOU

- Parishioners who sent donations by mail or electronically using Venmo or PayPal.
- Fran Cuccinello for her help in the parish office
- Ed Obsuth for selling shopping certificates in the parish hall.
- Adoration Society for all activities in our parish
- Renata Cyman for changing the church altar

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- We thank anyone for sharing time, talent and treasure for the good of Holy Cross Church. God bless you all!

DAILY MASSES are held as announced in the bulletin. Examples of the Mass intentions are: For the Sick, In Remembrance of the Faithful Departed, To Beseech God's Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries. Please contact Father Joe.
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Arrangements at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.
ACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.
EMERGENCIES, SICKNESS should be reported to the rectory office immediately. 201-247-4832

WINTER COATS, SCARFS, GLOVES, SWEATERS...



PLEASE DONATE NEW or LIGHTLY USED AND IN GOOD CONDITION COATS, SCARFS, GLOVES, SWEATERS. Please bring your donations to the parish hall. Donations will be

given to Fr. English Food Pantry and Eva's Shelter respectfully in Paterson, NJ.

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38

My Time With Mary
a Spa For The Soul.
Next Service on Dec. 8, 2022 - @ 7:00 pm
 Beautiful Candlelight Prayer Service
 With Special Music
Everyone Is Welcome



THANKSGIVING BASKETS



We thank all those who brought nonperishable food items and Shop Rite gift certificates for Thanksgiving Baskets. Total of 7 baskets were delivered to Passaic Valley Regional High School on Nov. 21ST and three other baskets delivered to needy families. May the Lord reward your generosity.

God bless you all.

ANNUAL ADVENT TREE PROJECT – HELP THE NEEDY

Today, on the first Sunday of Advent we begin annual Advent Tree project. All gifts will be due on Sunday, December 18, 2022.

In the vestibule of the church you can find Advent tree with tags for EVA'S SHELTER senior WOMEN (Penguin and scarf list) MEN (Believe in the magic of Christmas list). Please donate warm clothes, gloves, hat, scarf, sweater, sweatshirt, underwear. Any items (Medium or Large), you feel would be suitable, to give.

1. Take a tag from the tree.
2. Place a ball on the tree.
3. Please put your name in the registry next to the number of the tag you took. This will help us at the end if there is a missing

gift. Many thanks. This year's Advent Tree project is once again being coordinated by Pat Olsen to benefit the less fortunate of our society.

Christmas shopping parents' night out – See flyer

On Sunday Dec. 11, 2022 from 5 pm to 8 pm parents can leave their children at the parish hall while going Christmas shopping as we successfully did last year. The children will have activities such as assembling Christmas baskets for residents living at Hinchliffe Manor. At the end they will be treated with a tasty light dinner. Children will be supervised by Sunday School teachers.

Please let us know how many children will attend RSVP by Wednesday Dec. 7, 2022. Donations are welcome.



CHRISTMAS DINNER

“With Santa”

Holy Cross Church

Dec. 11, 2022 after 11am Mass (12 pm)

Sing-a-long

Menu: Baked Salmon, Cavatelli with Broccoli, Burritos Ham, potatoes, salad, bread and desserts, etc.

Santa Claus will have gifts for children

Tickets - \$20 Adults

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Deadline for tickets Sunday, December 4, 2022

ALL ARE WELCOME



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DECEMBER 11, 2022

FROM 5 PM TO 8 PM

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ENJOY A SHOPPING NIGHT OUT**

**OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS
WILL PROVIDE SUPERVISION.**

**THE CHILDREN WILL BE BUSY ASSEMBLING CHRISTMAS
BASKETS FOR THE RESIDENCE OF
HINCHLIFFE MANOR, IN PATERSON.**

**CHILDREN WILL BE TREATED TO A TASTY LIGHT
DINNER**

**PLEASE LET US KNOW HOW MANY CHILDREN WILL
ATTEND**

RSVP - BY WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 7, 2022

CALL OR TEXT 201-247-4832

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DONATIONS ARE WELCOME

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



Click on the God's Field link at the top of the home page and follow the directions to access the recent issue.

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