

15TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME – JULY 16, 2023

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The Deacon William Gaydos

SUNDAY MASSES 9 am and 11 am

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit." - Matthew 13:22

INTRODUCTION

Today's readings focus on the power of God's word for those who actually embrace it. This theme begs several questions for us who have heard the word proclaimed many times over. Does what we hear change our thinking or our actions in any way? Is the problem with the proclaimer or the homilist, or is it really with us? The promise is that God's word can make a difference in our lives ... if we are open to it.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Is 55:10-11 A prophetic teaching on the power of God's word

Ps 65 The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest

Rom 8:18-23 Paul professes hope in the face of suffering

Mt 13:1-23 God's word is powerful for those who really hear it

WE THANK LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am –Dominick Bucci 11:00 am – Mark Kosciński

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES - We thank those who are involved in purchasing the

certificates and those who make this project possible: Richard and Lucy Daum, and Ed Obsuth. Please continue to support our Building Fund by purchasing weekly shopping certificates after 9 am Mass. You can buy them

in the parish hall. We pray for the end of war in the world..



I pray for all parishioners each day. Please continue to pray for me and my family. Thank you



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: Pat Olsen, Barbara Kosciński, Annie Hornak, Lucy Daum, Zaida Bueno, Fay Goglia; Michael Piascik, Mi Sun Lim; Josephine Porcoro, Maria, Tadeusz Sobstyl, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, Steven O., 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. Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father..

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. Those who were married in another church, and we don't have your records, please write your name and the date of your marriage on the form below and mail it to us or place it in the collection basket or send it by mail.. Thank you for your cooperation.

Name (husband) _____

Name (wife maiden name) _____ Date of Marriage _____

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

David and Anna Adino – 7/6 – 4th Ann.

William Lamping /Judy Bartol – July 16 – 57th Ann

HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:

Jonathan Cruz – 7/12; Emily Fernandez - 7/15; Camillia Rodriguez – 7/15; Cynthia

Laporta- 7/15; Evalisa Centeno – 7/16; Angela Gulla – 7/17; David Merson – 7/17; Ailin Barahona – 7/18; Eva Harris – 7/18; Robert Parsons – 7/22; Adolfo Cuevas – 7/23; Mark Gaydos – 7/25; Julia Palman – 7/20; Ella Anaya – 7/20; Megan Figuroa – 7/20; Magdalena Brzyski – 7/25; Cindy Matute – 7/27;

Romeo Echevarría – 7/26; Andy Valer – 7/27; Jill Merson – 7/28; Judy Lamping – 7/30; Matthew Wiebe – 7/31; Justin Palman – 7/31;

(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 (201)-247-4832.

Holy Cross Church Face Book – link

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Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 608 people follow our church Face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our Facebook.



BUSINESS ADVERTISING Year 2023

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.**

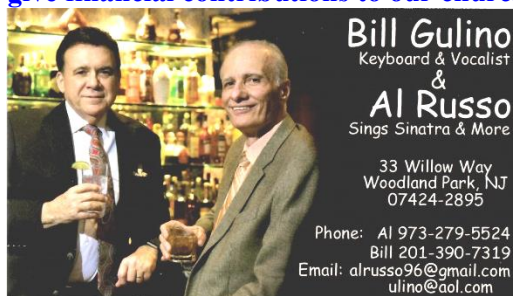
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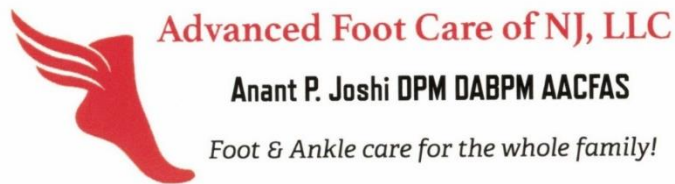
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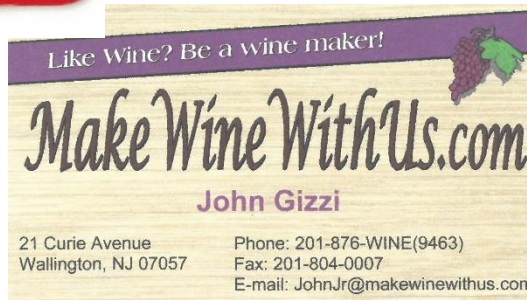
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SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023 – 15TH SUN. IN ORD. TIME

9:00 AM Holy Mass for +Victor Barber: Off by Valerie Levine, Joseph and John Ruyzam

10:00 am Coffee and Cake Fellowship

11:00 AM – Holy Mass +Maria i Tadeusz Sobstyl; Off. by Daniewski Family +Ruth Hudzik, Stanley Hudzik; Off. by parents (All Souls)

Monday – July 17, 2023 – St. Alexis, C.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for Parishioners Living and Deceased

Tuesday – July 18, 2023 – St. Frederick, Bp. M.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for children and youth of our parish

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 – St. Vincent de Paul, C.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for +Ramon Ramirez, Elena Ospina, Orlando Carrillo, Nora Gallego; Off. by Rubiela Carrillo (All Souls)

Thursday, July 20, 2023 – St. Joseph Barsabas, C.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for sick and homebound

Friday, July 21, 2023 – St. Praxedes, V.

NO MASS

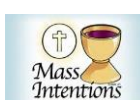
SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023 – 16TH SUN. IN ORD. TIME

9:00 AM Holy Mass for All Parishioners

10:00 am Coffee and Cake Fellowship

11:00 AM – Holy Mass +Melissa and August Centrella, Theresa and Emanuele Triggiano; Req. by Claire Centrella

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

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. Tentative date of Confirmation is October 1st or October 29th 2023.

Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and an important step in Christian religious education.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION –



Enrollment for 2024 is open. Communion classes are held Sunday at 10 am.
Next Class will be held on Sunday Sept. 10, 2023 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 become 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)

Upcoming Events:

Aug. 15, 2023 at 7 pm – Candlelight Service

Sept. 10, 2023 – Sunday School classes begin

Sept. 24, 2023 – Adoration Society Convention, Wallington, NJ

Sat. Oct. 21, 2023 – Tricky Tray at (NEW LOCATION) St. George

Orth. Church, 237 Long Hill Rd. Little Falls, NJ 07424; doors open 4 pm, callings begin at 6 pm

Sunday Oct. 1, 2023 – The Holy Mass with blessing of pets in the hall at 11 am

Sund. Oct. 29, 2023 – All Souls Day procession - East Ridgelawn Cemetery at 2 pm.

Sunday, Dec. 10, 2023 – Christmas Dinner after 11 am Mass



DO YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

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 LOCATED IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH. (NO NEED TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME)

LOOKING FORWARD FOR SUGGESTIONS AND IDEAS.



HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH. 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



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.

THANK YOU



- Parishioners who support parish financially and those who send donations by mail or electronically using Venmo or PayPal. Each Friday, the Holy Mass is celebrated for benefactors.
- 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
- Penni Lazor, for cleaning church linens.
- Altar servers who serve during our Masses / Lectors who read the Holy Scripture / Ushers who collect donations and Greeters who welcome people and distribute bulletins.
- We thank anyone for sharing time, talent and treasure for the good of Holy Cross Church. God bless you all!

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



DONATIONS July 9, 2023 - \$2,173.00 Venmo: \$1,000

Building Fund - \$ Total Donations: \$3,173.

EXPENSES Jan. – June, 2023 - \$97,649.12

INCOME Jan. – June, 2023 -\$94,362.09

Donations to St. Nicholas Ministry since last newsletter: Cyman Family - \$25; Ron & Helen Yuswack - \$25; Karen Hitchcock - \$25

SPECIAL DONATIONS TO HOLY CROSS: Walter Winslow in memory of Nayomi Winslow - \$400;

ENERGY NEEDS: Since last newsletter: Ron & Helen Yuswack - \$25; James and Susan Cimmino - \$100; M/M O'Brien - \$25;

DONATIONS FOR BUILDING FUND: Since last newsletter: Alvin & Carol Michinski - \$50; Ron & Helen Yuswack - \$125; M/M Muccilli in memory of Kwiatkowski /Muccilli families - \$50; Passaic Valley Unico - \$70;

Seminary Collection (donations sent to Diocese) – Zaida Bueno - \$20; Edward and Beverly Obsuth - \$25

SEMINARY COLLECTION – Prieto Family - \$10;

UPCOMING BAPTISMS:

Aug. 13, 2023 - Odette A. Baczyk – daughter of Robert & Maja Baczyk

Aug. 27, 2023 – Kora C. Ortega – daughter Of Kevin and Karyn Ortega

UPCOMING BLESSING OF MARRIAGE

August 13, 2023 **ROBERT & MAJA BACZYK**



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

Prayer for the Sick

O Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus’ name. Amen

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



Polish National Union of America

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 Information is placed in the parish hall and online <https://www.spojniacreditunion.org/> **Polish National Union of America**, Information available in the parish hall and online www.pnu.org



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.

ALMS BOX – Our parish traditionally uses the Alms Box in the vestibule of the church for the benefit of the poor. Please continue to support this great cause to help the less fortunate of our society. *“When you give alms, your left hand must not know what your right is doing – your almsgiving must be secret, and your father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you.”* (Matthew 6:3-4)



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 97 YEARS OF SERVICE.** Let us consider the future of our

parish as it continues blessings for its members and for the community.

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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 parish hall, use special envelopes and make your check out to Adoration Society. Thank you for your donations.



July 9, 2023 - in memory of Agnieszka, Jozef Cyman, Leon Bujak by Cyman family

July 16, 23, 30 - available

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

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HOLY CROSS PARISH DAILY PRAYER CHAIN



Dear friends, please join our parish in DAILY PRAYER CHAIN. We pray for the safety in our communities; for the propel gun control in our country. WE PRAY FOR ALL VICTIMS OF EARTHQUAKE IN TURKEY AND SYRIA

FOR INTERNATIONAL HELP IN THIS TIME OF TRAGEDY. We pray for peaceful resolutions and reconciliation especially in Ukraine. After one year of war, we pray that the suffering will end soon. WE PRAY FOR END OF WAR IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF 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 the recovery of the sick and for the medical staff for wisdom and guidance in their service. We remember persecuted Christians around the world 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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DEAR PARISHIONERS – Thank you in advance for your generous support:

You have all generously supported your parish, for which parish committee and I we are extremely thankful. Nevertheless, we ask you to prayerfully consider underwriting the cost of some needed supplies for the parish.

Also, please prayerfully consider underwriting some essential operating costs of the parish:

The annual fire alarm monitoring: \$400

One monthly payment for property insurance - \$630

The annual website fee \$325 – Donation by Passaic Valley UNICO - \$145;

The annual fire alarm system inspection: \$260 – Donation by Adoration Society

Annual Burglary alarm - \$480 – Donation by Marietta and Frederick Erhardt, Jr.

One monthly payment for Xerox copy lease - \$200 – Mark & Susan Kosciński

If you are interested in helping the parish, please send donation by mail or donate it in the collection basket on Sunday. May the Lord reward your generosity.

MASSES OF HEALING – The Masses for the Sick and Home Bound are celebrated on the last Thursday of the month. In June, July and August these Masses will be celebrated at 8:30 am. After summer, in September we return back to celebrate the Mass of Healing on the last Thursdays at 7:30 pm.

WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS TO PRESENT PRAYERS FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR OTHERS. Dates of Healing Masses: June 29, 2023 at 8:30 am. July 27 – Mass

cancelled – Fr. Joseph will be on vacation. August 24, 2023 at 8:30 am; September 29, 2023 at 7:30 pm; The Lord listens to 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)



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.

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 regarding our church. WELCOME!

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 to a camera in the church sanctuary. You can see mass in the parish hall.**

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Holy Cross,

Holy Cross Parish is having a 50/50 raffle. **TO DATE - \$310;** Tickets are \$5 each, whole book is \$50. We kindly ask that you participate this year to financially support our parish. The tickets were sent in the mail. If you didn't receive package, please contact church office. Thank you

The raffle drawing will be held during our Tricky Tray event on October 21, 2023 at 8 pm. Please send tickets with your donation no later than October 15, 2023. No need to be present to win though we would like you to be there in person to join us in the fundraiser.

This fundraiser is licensed to be sold to the general public. Additional tickets are available by calling or texting parish office 201-247-4832.

“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

Thank you and God bless you,

Parish Committee and Tricky Tray Committee



Candlelight Prayer Service

**“My Time with Mary
A Spa for The Soul”**

August 15, 2023 at 7pm



TRICKY TRAY



Dear members of Holy Cross Church family,
Our Tricky Tray, the largest fundraiser of our Parish will be held on **SATURDAY, October 21, 2023 at St. George Orth. Church 237 Long Hill Rd. Little Falls, NJ 07424.** Doors Open: 4:00 pm; Callings begin: 6:00 pm. We are thankful for all those who in the past dedicated their time, talents and treasures for our successful fundraisers. We need donations of a variety of trays or monetary contributions for this event. Please include your name, the value and the content of the basket / donation that could appear on the outside of the prize. You can wrap your prize or we will do that for you. Consider to purchase scratch offs for the gifts. We appreciate those who already brought donations to the parish hall. Please bring your donations on Sundays or call in advance 201-247-4832 to drop off your donation.

Value of TRAYS:

REGULAR TRAYS (\$35+)

SUPER TRAYS (\$50+)

GOLD TRAYS (\$100+)

PLATINUM TRAYS (\$200+)

The entrance Tricky Tray Tickets are for sale. Get your entrance tickets in advance at \$15, or at the door for \$20. You can purchase tickets on Sunday after Mass in the parish hall or call the church at 201-247-4832 or Fran at 973-303-3874 or Penni at 973-768-7917.

TICKETS: You can reserve a table for 8-10 participants. **BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, HAVE A FAMILY REUNION.** We would love you to join us for a fun filled evening with the opportunity to one of our great prizes. We really count on your support and hope you will attend. In the parish hall there is a sign-up lists for volunteers.

“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

Thank you and God bless you,
Parish Committee
Tricky Tray Committee

HOLY CROSS CHURCH TRICKY TRAY

“It’s a Small World”

At: St. George Orth. Church 237 Long Hill Rd. Little Falls, NJ



Oct. 21, 2023

Doors Open: 4:00 pm / Callings begin: 6:00 pm

Must be 18 to play

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Approximately 5 Platinum Trays-over \$200

Approximately 25 Grand Trays - over \$100

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HAVE a FAMILY REUNION!!! Reserve a table for 8-10 participants

Deadline for tickets: Oct. 14, 2023

Contact: Fran francuccinello@gmail.com

Office holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

Church cell phone 201-247-4832 - call or text

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**The passing of
Rt. Rev. Jarosław (Jerry) Rafalko**

It is with great sadness that we announce that the sp. Rt. Rev. Jarosław (Jerry) Rafalko, Bishop Ordinary of the Western Diocese, P.N.C.C., entered into the eternal rest of the Lord, on, July 13, 2023.

We give thanks to Almighty God for Bishop Jerry's years of ministry as a Priest within the Western Diocese and as the Bishop of the Western Diocese. We ask that you keep his wife, Leslie; the Western Diocese; and all the parishes of the Western Diocese in your prayers.

Details of the Funeral Mass will be released when available.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.