EASTER SUNDAY – MARCH 31, 2024 SINCE 1926 HOLY CROSS PARISH PNCC 98 Years of Service

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

SUNDAY MASSES 9 am and 11 am WEEKDAY MASSES - 8:30 am (check bulletin)

The one who arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. – John 20:8



Alleluia! Alleluia! God's love never fails! We rejoice today in the light and love of the Resurrection. From this day until Pentecost, our first readings will be drawn from the Acts of the Apostles, the book which offers insight into the formation of the early church and the thoughts and actions of the disciples

after the Resurrection. Let us rejoice and be glad that we are a part of that unfolding mystery.



Today's Scriptures

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Peter preaches the good news to the gentiles. Psalm 118 This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad. Col 3:1-4 The baptized will appear with Christ in glory. John 20:1-9 Mary of Magdala calls Peter and John to the empty tomb.

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am - Lector: Richard Daum 11:00 am – Lector :Mark Koscinski

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES - thank those who are involved in purchasing the certificates and those who make this project possible: Richard and Ed Obssuth.



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: Dominick Bucci, Edward Lazor, Michele Lazor, Monika Lukowiak, Barbara Koscinski, Fay Goglia; Michael Piascik, Floyd Vivino, Devin D. Lopez, George, Pat, Maria, Tadeusz Sobstyl, Steven O., Roy Zebrowski, Declan, Erik, Enrico, Josephine B. Carmen,. 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 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.



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. Name

(husband)

Name (wife maiden name) Date of Marriage

Frankie and Yaniris Maldonado – 6th Ann. - 4/4 / Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 13th Ann. -4/15Edward and Beverly Obssuth – 33rd Ann. – 4/21 Angel and Anna Maria Vargas -3^{rd} Ann -4/22Diego Ochoa / Iris Miola – 11th Ann – 4/27 / Sebastian Wysocki / Ashley Burr – 5th Ann - 4/27Daniel & Magdalena Brzyski – May 14 – 8th Ann. Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 60th Anniversary – May 3 Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 61st Anniversary – May 12

Holy Cross Church Face Book – link www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 665 people are following 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 <u>holycrosspncc1@gmail.com</u>, thank you. **Parishioners and friends**, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



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SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024 - 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 outside the church Holy Mass of Resurrection 11:00 AM – Easter Procession inside the church Holy Mass of Resurrection

Christ is risen! He is Risen indeed!

Fr. Joseph, family and Parish Committee

Monday, April 1, 2024 – Birth of Francis Hodur 8:30 am - Holy Mass for Peace in the world Tuesday, April 2, 2024 – St. Nicentius, Bp. 8:30 am – Holy Mass for the youth of our parish +Bob Kowalik - Visitation at the funeral home 2-4 & 7-9pm (Santangelo F.H.) Wednesday, April 3, 2024 – St. Pancras, M. 10:30 am – Funeral Mass for +Bob Kowalik Thursday, April 4, 2024 – St. Isidore, Bp., D. 8:30 am – Holy Mass for +Theresa Triggiano (birthday); Off. by Claire Centrella 7:00 pm – Preparation for Sacrament of Marriage Friday, April 5, 2024 – St. Gerald, Ab. 8:30 am - Holy Mass for Benefactors living and deceased of our RISEN parish Saturday, April 6, 2023 – First Saturday 9:00 am - Holv Mass



 SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024 – 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

 9:00 AM

 Holy Mass for all parishioners

 10:00 am – Hughie Coffee and cake Fellowship

 10:00 am – First Holy Communion Class in Sunday Sch. bld.

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

 11:00 AM – Holy Mass for+ Helena Michalska, Sofron Michalski;

 Off. by Susan Pelak

 After Mass – Hughie Coffee and cake Fellowship

EASTER FLOWERS DONATIONS TODATE:



Doris Kowalik in memory of Robert Kowalik; M/M Nurdjaja; K. Jarmakowicz; S. Morgan in memory of Kaczmarski, Jarmakowicz Families, Morgan Troiano; M/M Koscinski in memory of Anna Hornak, Walter Koscinski, Ernie Hornak; Penni Lazor in Memory of Jaxon and Lazor Families; C. McCart; in memory of David Tellers; Karen Hitchcock in memory of James Hitchcock, Eleanor Niedzwiecki, Bill and Carol

Mallanda; Diane Hitchcock in memory of Eleanor Niedzwiecki, James Hitchcock, Mallanda Family; Merson family in memory of Anne Piascik; Al & Fran Cuccinello in memory of Alphonse & Evelyn Cuccinello, Domenico & Anna Bucci; Dominick Bucci in memory of David C. Bucci; M. & Mrs. Cimmino R. Daum in memory of Lucy Daum; anonymous; Joan Kaynak in memory of Thomas Kaynak; Kathleen Krom in memory of deceased members of the Rozic family; Edward & Beverly Obssuth in memory of Helen & Joseph Mihok, Ann & Andrew Obssuth; David Obssuth in memory of Andrew & Ann Obssuth, Mary Margo; Joan & Joe Ruyzam in memory of Joan Ruyzam, Stella Ruyzam, Joseph Ruyzam, Edna Ringenberger and Edward Ringenberger; John Ruyzam in memory of Joseph & Kathryn Ruyzam, Konstanty & Cecylia Zaremba; Verna Swider in memory of John Swider; Fred & Marietta Erhardt; Susan Jakob in memory of Cyman Family in memory of Bujak, Cyman, Bronk and Domaszk families; Susan Jakob in memory of Richard Jakob, Jean and Joseph Zajac, Helen and Dawn Zajac, Ruth and Arthur Jakob.



CONDOLENCES FROM HOLY CROSS PARISH - It is with sadness to inform that Bob Kowalik, our parishioners passed away. We express words of sympathy to his wife, Doris, son, Jack Kowalik and daughter Kim Marie Muller grandchildren Christiana and Andrew Muller and Brayden, Channing, and Reese Kowalik.

Robert "Bob" Kowalik Obituary (Santangelo FH)

Robert "Bob" Kowalik, 81, of Woodland Park, passed away on March 27, 2024. He was born in Orange, NJ on June 14, 1942 to the late Michael Charles

and Wanda "Pauline" (Podszed) Kowalik. Robert proudly served in the US Army from 1964-1968 with an E3 PFC rank. He graduated from Kearny High School and then earned a degree from RETS for electronics. He later worked for UPS where he earned a Circle of Honor Award of Valor in 1992 and then worked as a custodian of Passaic Valley High School in Little Falls until his retirement. Bob was a proud Post Commander for the Woodland Park American Legion Post #238. He was an avid sports fan, especially of the Yankees, Giants, and Devils. Bob had a charismatic personality and people knew him fondly for his ability to make others smile wherever he went, for which he will be truly missed.

Bob was the beloved husband of Doris (Gagan) Kowalik. He was the adored father of Jack Kowalik and Kim Marie Muller, and her husband Robert.. He was the cherished grandfather of Christiana and Andrew Muller and Brayden, Channing, and Reese Kowalik.

Visitation will be Tuesday, April 2, 2024 from 2-4pm & 7-9pm at Santangelo Funeral Home, 635 McBride Ave., Woodland Park, NJ. A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, April 3, 2023 at 10:30am at Holy Cross Church, 220 Browertown Road, Woodland Park, NJ. Guests may meet at Santangelo Funeral Home at 9:30am. Burial will follow at East Ridgelawn Cemetery in Clifton.

Ground Level Floor Renovation

Our Holy Cross Church will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary in May 2026. As part of this celebration the parish committee agreed to renovate the ladies' bathroom. We are in the process of installing handicap fixtures and new flooring. While we are in the construction phase a decision was made to replace all the ground floor flooring, which includes the men's bathroom, the hallway, kitchen and meeting room as well.

We are asking parishioners and friends of Holy Cross to help with donations toward this project. By upgrading these areas, they will become inviting spaces for our fellowships, fundraisers and more appealing to renters.

We appreciate your kindness and generosity when considering donating to this project. Envelopes are available in the church vestibule and the weekly bulletins for your convenience. Donations may also be made by mail with Notation for Floor Renovations. We thank you in advance and Lord's Blessing in the upcoming Easter Season. DONATIONS TODATE - \$1,400

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!



ENROLMENT FOR CONFIRMATION CLASS IS OPEN – CONTACT Fr. Joseph or email church office <u>holycrosspncc1@gmail.com</u>, cell: 201-247-4832 **2023 Contribution Statements** - Any parishioner who wishes to receive information regarding their donations to the church for the year 2023 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.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Communion 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 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:

April 7, 2024 – Easter Egg Hunt & Party for School of Christian Living (SOCL)



May 5, 2024 – Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary May 11, 2024 10 am – NY/NJ Seniorate Council meeting May 12, 2024 - Mother's Day Breakfast at 10 am June 2, 2024 – Corpus Christi celebration at Holy Cross at 3 PM

July 4th July 13, 2024 - YOUTH CAMP - at Bp. Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center, Waymart, PA

September 22, 2024 – Adoration Society Convention at Church of Transfiguration, Wallington, NJ at 3 pm Tricky Tray – Saturday, October 19, 2024



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 all benefactors living and deceased.
- Adoration Society for their ministry and help in activities of our parish.
- Sunday School teachers, Mr. Paul Murphy, Ms. Natalie Lazar for their service
- Richard Daum for his work as a treasurer
- Fran Cuccinello and Marietta Erhardt for their helping in the office

- We thank those who prepare Coffee Hour on Sundays
- 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!

Before Holy Mass

Please observe some quiet time before Mass to prepare yourself for worship: meeting God in His Word, Confession, and Holy Communion



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





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

Praver 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



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 again, with no added cost associated with the transaction. For your convenience near or far – here is the link you can scan to access or find Holy Cross' Venmo account.



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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)

> MASSES OF HEALING – The Masses for the Sick and Home Bound are celebrated on the last Thursday of the month.

> WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS TO PRESENT PRAYERS FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR OTHERS. Dates of Healing Masses: March 28, April 18 (25 is not available), May 30; June 27, 2024 @ 7 PM. The Lord listens to our

prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit. WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS



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.



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.

Week of March 10, 2024 – In memory of Cherylene Lee and Rodney Latimer by

Charlyene McCart

Week of April 14, 2024 – In memory of Robert Mandelle by Mark Koscinski For more information, please call parish office at 201-247-4832 or Penni Lazor, Adoration Society President, at 973-768-7917 Thank you.

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HOLY CROSS PARISH DAILY PRAYER

CHAIN

Dear friends, please join our parish in DAILY PRAYER CHAIN.

We pray for peaceful resolutions and reconciliation in different parts of the world especially in Ukraine, Gaza and Israel, and other countries 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 OF LIFE MOMENT 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.

2024 ADULT ENVELOPES are still available in the parish hall. If you are missing



envelopes, please submit your name and address in the parish hall. Thank you for your financial support toward the Holy Cross Church. We believe that God blesses us and our families when we support His Church He established on earth to spread His message of salvation.

Dear Parishioners – We thank you for all generous donations to support your parish, for which parish committee and I are extremely thankful. Nevertheless, we ask you to prayerfully consider underwriting the cost of some essential operating costs of the parish. You can send a donation by mail or place it in the collection basket.

The annual fire alarm system inspection: \$260. -The annual fire alarm monitoring: \$400 -The annual website fee \$325 -Annual Burglary alarm - \$480 -Sunday School material - \$240 -



My Time With Mary a Spa For The Soul. We hope to have service on Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 7pm. **Candlelight Prayer Service** With Beautiful Music **Everyone Is Welcome.** Come along and bring a friend.



Please Come In

Rest In The Heart of Jesus And Receive His Peace Imagine a Church that is One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic



Welcomes ALL who wishes to follow Christ Teaches traditional spiritual and moral values Has Valid Sacraments. Allows its priests to marry. You don't have to Imagine anymore! **COME** to Holv Cross Church Worship with Us - Pray with Us Praise with Us - Witness with Us -

Build the Kingdom of God together in our daily Living and spiritual journey.

Our Wission - 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 98 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.

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

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FOOD DRIVE - Please bring nonperishable food items to parish hall on any Sunday. Your donation will be given to Fr. English Food Pantry. 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)



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.

SACRAMENT 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. 973-256-4888



