SEPTEMBER 29, $2024 - 26^{TH}$ SUN. IN ORDINARY TIME

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SUNDAY MASSES 9 am and 11 am WEEKDAY MASSES – 7:30 am (check bulletin)

"If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna."

(Mk 9:43)

INTRODUCTION

Today's Gospel contains harsh teachings. We don't read the words of this gospel literally but rather look for the meaning Jesus wishes to convey. The hand, foot, and eye are all singled out as possible causes of sin. We are given these tools to help build the kingdom of God, yet we sometimes use them for purposes that go against God's plan, such as stealing, looking upon another with envy or contempt, or causing bodily harm to others. Jesus seems to be inviting us to consider what situations or possessions tempt us toward sin in our everyday lives. Are there ways that we might remove these events or items from our lives to live in greater freedom and holiness?

SCRIPTURE READINGS



Nm 11:25-29 Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets! Ps 19 The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart Jas 5:1-6 Come rich, weep and wail Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 Whoever is not against us is for us

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Lector: Dn. Bill Gaydos 11:0

11:00 am – Lector: Dn. 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 – Fr. Joseph

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: Fr. Marian Tarnowski, Dante

Pasquale, Edward Lazor, Michele Lazor, Pat Lenart, Alexandria Sytsma, Dante Domicolo, Monika Lukowiak, Barbara Koscinski, Fay Goglia; Michael Piascik, Floyd Vivino, Devin D. Lopez, George, Pat, Maria, Tadeusz Sobstyl, Steven O., Roy Zebrowski, Declan, Erik. 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.

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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

George and Dorothy O'Brien – 9/11 - 53rd Ann. Cesar and Christina Colon – 9/23 – 18th Ann. Edward Lazor/Michele Gula 10/8 – 47th Ann.

<u>Holy Cross Church Face Book – link</u> <u>www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com</u>

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. **687** people are following our church Face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our Facebook.

BUSINESS ADVERTISING Year 2024

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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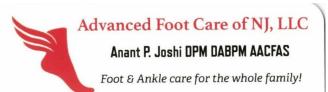
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 - 26-TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME

9:00 AM The Holy Mass for +Vincent O'Rourke; Off. by James and Susan

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After Mass – HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR

10:10 am - First Holy Communion Class

11:00 AM – The Holy Mass +Jacek Grzbiela; Stefania Daniewska,

Włodzimierz Daniewski, Maria Głogowska, Kazimierz Głogowski, Michal Golabek; Off. by Rafal, Ewa Daniewski (All Souls)

11:00 am - Sunday School in the parish hall

After Mass – HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR

After Mass – Confirmation Class

Monday, September 30, 2024 – St. Michael, Archange

7:30 am – Holy Mass for peace in the world

Tuesday, October 1, 2024 – St. Remigius, Bp.

7:30 am – Holy Mass for growth of our parish

Wednesday, October 2, 2024 – Feast of Guardian Angels

10 AM - Funeral Mass for Nancy Lee Ryan

Thursday, October 3, 2024 – St. Theresa of Lisieux, V.

7:30 am – Holy Mass for the sick and shut ins

Friday, October 4, 2024 – St. Francis of Assisi, Mo.

7:30 am – Holy Mass for Benefactors

Saturday, October 5, 2024 – St. Placid, M.

9:00 am - Holy Mass for Parishioners Living & Deceased (First Saturday of the month)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024 - 27-TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME

9:00 AM The Holy Mass for +Lucy Daum; Off. Richard Daum and family

After Mass – HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR

10:10 am - First Holy Communion Class



Confirmation Class

Blessing

of the Pets

11:00 AM - THE HOLY MASS IN THE PARISH HALL WITH THE BLESSINGS OF PETS

for deceased Hernando Saldarriaga, Imeko Saldarriaga, Junior

Rivera, Lidia Contreras, Familia Osorio, Familia

Ramos; Off. by Diana Saldarriaga (All Souls)

11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall **After Mass – HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR**

After Mass – Confirmation Class













ENROLMENT FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL HOLY COMMUNION and

CONFIRMATION are OPEN – CONTACT parish office at 201-247-4832 (you can text) or email church office holycrosspncc1@gmail.com. THANK YOU.

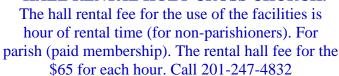
IF YOU WISH TO DONATE YOUR BEAUTIFUL GARDEN FLOWERS TO DECORATE THE SANCTUARY IN THE CHURCH – YOU ARE WELCOME TO DO SO. PLEASE CONTACT PARISH OFFICE – 201-247-4832. Flowers will be placed by the main altar and side altars of Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph. Bring your flowers without or in your own vase. Vases will be given back to you.

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!



Upcoming Events:Tricky Tray – Saturday, October 19, 2024 – see flyer

HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH.



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.



FOOD PANTRY – Each Sunday you can donate nonperishable food items to benefit Fr. English Food Pantry located in Paterson, NJ. Please bring your donations 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

- Parishioners who support parish in different ways. 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.
 - Richard Daum for his work as a treasurer
 - 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!

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



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. Sunday School materials - \$240 (.....) / Two Years website renewal (blue host) HOLYCROSSSITE.ORG - \$400 - Paid by Fred & Marietta Erhardt. Thank you.



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.



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

<u>MASSES OF HEALING</u> – 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: September 27, 2024 @ 6:30 PM. The Lord listens to our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit. WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS



<u>Sanctuary Candle - Adoration Society is</u> 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 August 11, 2024 - In memory of Jeff Chin by Charlyene McCart For more information, please call parish office at 201-247-4832 or Penni Lazor,

Adoration Society President, at 973-768-7917 Thank you.

<u>ALMS BOX</u> – 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)

50/50 RAFFLE Dear and Friends, Holy Cross Parish is having a 50 /50 raffle. raffle drawing will be held during our Tricky Tray event on Saturday, October 19, 2024. We kindly ask that each parishioner or family unit be responsible for the sale of tickets at \$5.00 each. The Parish

Committee will be overseeing the progress of ticket sales. Ticket stubs with money and unsold tickets are to be returned to the parish



office or collection basket by Oct. 9, 2024. This fundraiser is licensed to be sold to the general public. Please sell them to family members and friends. More tickets are available by contacting parish office holycrosspncc1@gmail.com cell: 201-247-4832. Thank you and God bless you. To Date - \$2,035.

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 Lebanon, Ukraine, Palestine and Israel, and other countries in the world. We pray for peace in our country, for peaceful elections. We pray for

protection from natural disasters. 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 wisdom and guidance for the medical staff 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.



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. 201-247-4832





NEW EXIT DOOR – PROJECT COMPLETED ON SEPT. 20, 2024

Before we can install a stairlift connecting the church and the parish hall, we needed to fulfill Woodland Park Planning Board code requirements – the installation of a new emergency exit door in the parish hall.

The Installation of Chairlift will take place on Monday October 14, 2024.

This project is covered by the Central Diocese as part of Enlivening Program for the parishes in our diocese

Welcome to Holy Cross Sunday School Classes
Dear Parents and Children



We are happy to see children attending Sunday School classes on Sundays at 11 am. Sunday School classes will benefit the spiritual growth of your children.



Two wonderful and skilled teachers, Ms. Natalie L. and Mr. Paul M. are ready to dedicate their time and talents for the benefit of your children. Sometimes we will have teachers aid helping such as Ms. Christine Murphy. You can register your children on Sunday between 10 am and 11 am during coffee hour in the parish hall. You can register at the beginning of 11 am class. Also, for your convenience the registration form is attached.

Children will have class in the parish hall and would go to the church for distribution of Holy Eucharist or blessing at the end of the Mass. The TV set is available allowing to follow the Mass

Classes are offered for children ages 4 through 8th grade. Older students can attend if they desire to do so. Parents with children under the age of four can accompany their children in the parish hall, if desired and they can watch the Mass being televised on TV while children are occupied doing drawings and simple lessons.

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 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, preparing Thanksgiving Food Baskets for needy families, Christmas gifts for needy children, planting plants for seniors, providing food and clothing for the homeless. By participating in these activities, the youth have the opportunity to give back to the community by helping the less fortunate.

You are welcome to join us by enrolling your child in this program.

Children will receive certificates for perfect and good attendance and may be rewarded with a gift card.

Looking forward to seeing you on Sundays beginning tomorrow!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS FATHER JOSEPH R. CYMAN

TRICKY TRAY

"Fall, Foliage, Fun"

At: St. George Orth. Church 237 Long Hill Rd. Little Falls, NJ 07424 Oct. 19, 2024

> Doors Open: 4:00 pm Callings begin: 6:00 pm MUST be 18 to enter



HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

Approximately 5 Platinum Trays-over \$200 – (We have 6)
Approximately 25 Grand Trays - over \$100 (We have 13)
Approximately 75 Super Trays - \$50 plus (We have 20)
Approximately 100 Regular Trays - \$35 plus, (We have 45)
Scratch Offs / Door prizes and other great prizes
50/50 raffle (ID No. 543-136174) need not be present to win

Pre-Paid ADMISSION - \$15 payable to:

Holy Cross Church, 220 Browertown Rd., Woodland Pk, NJ 07424 Pre-Paid ADMISSION includes coffee / tea and an array of desserts & TWO sheets of 26 regular prize chances. Purchase prepackaged raffles

ADMISSION FEE ON DAY OF THE EVENT (If available) - \$20 includes coffee / tea, sweets & ONE sheet of 26 regular prize chances.

Buy HOT DOGS, PIZZAS, EMPANATAS, WATER, SODA Bring your own food if you wish

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

Deadline for tickets: Oct. 12, 2024

Contact: Fran francuccinello@gmail.com Office holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

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

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Our Mission - 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.



<u>HELP FOR PARENTS & SMALL CHILDREN</u> 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.**



