

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 27, 2025

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 99 Years of Service

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SUNDAY MASSES 9 AM & 11 am

WEEKDAY MASSES – 7:30 am (check bulletin)

"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those... and believed." - John 20:29

INTRODUCTION



Dear friends, today's readings are about signs and wonders, doubters and believers and — once again — God's unending mercy. Peter was a doubter, and today we add Thomas to the list. Neither of them is condemned for doubting, and each becomes a powerful witness preaching the Gospel. St. Faustina, a 20th-century Polish nun, recorded revelations that she received from Jesus who, as she wrote in her diary, desired that "a Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls." With God's unending mercy, doubt becomes a pathway. Mercy is available to those of us who sometimes struggle, like the disciples. We thank for God's mercy and love.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 5:12-16 Many signs and wonders were done among the people
Ps 118 Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting
Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 I am the first and the last, the one who lives
Jn 20:19-31 Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed

EASTER SUNDAY LECTORS

9:00 am – Lector: Deacon Bill 11:00 am – Lector: Deacon Mark Koscinski

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES -ANOTHER RECENT \$2000 PROFIT FROM THE SALES OF GIFT CERTIFICATES HAS BEEN DEPOSITED IN THE BUILDING FUND. We 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 peace and end of war in the world.

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

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: Robert Sleece, Pat Olsen, Dante Pasquale, Pat Lenart, Dante Domicolo, Monika Lukowiak, Barbara Koscinski, Michael Piascik, Floyd Vivino, Devin D. Lopez, George, Pat, Maria, Robert Daniewski, Tadeusz Sobstyl, Steven O., 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.

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.

Name (husband) _____

Name (wife maiden name) _____ Date of Marriage _____

Tyler Ferrel & Megan Figueroa – 3rd Ann. – 4/22

Diego Ochoa / Iris Miola – 12th Ann – 4/27

Sebastian Wysocki / Ashley Burr – 6th Ann – 4/27

Daniel & Magdalena Brzyski – May 14 – 9th Ann.

Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 61st Anniversary – May 3

Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 62nd Anniversary – May 12



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

Visiting our website [Blog holycrosssite.org](http://Blog.holycrosssite.org) you can go directly to our church face book. 782 people are following our church Face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our Facebook.

BUSINESS ADVERTISING Year 2025

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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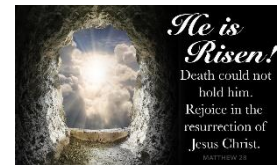
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SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025 – 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER



9:00 AM Holy Mass +Emanuele Triggiano

(13th Ann of Departure); Off by Claire Centrella

10:10 am – First Holy Communion Class

11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall

11:00 AM – Holy Mass Blessing & Growth for

business Noubess; Off. by Erica

After Mass – Confirmation Class

Monday April 28, 2025 – St. Vitalis & Valeria, M.

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

7:00 pm – Preparation First H. Communion (missing lessons)

Tuesday April 29, 2017 – St. Peter of Verona, M.

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

Wednesday April 30, 2017 – St. Joseph The Workman

7:30 am - Holy Mass for youth of our parish

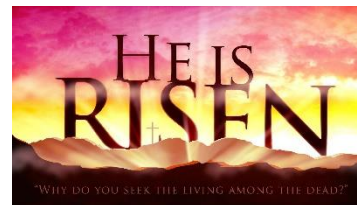
Thursday, May 1, 2025 – St. St. Philim and James, Apostles

7:30 am - Holy Mass for youth of our parish

Friday, May 2, 2025 – St. Athanasias of Alexandria, Bp. D.

7:30 am - Holy Mass for Benefactors of our parish Living and Deceased

SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2025 – 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



9:00 AM Holy Mass +Theresa Triggiano

(Ann. Of Death); Off. by Claire Centrella

10:10 am – First Holy Communion Class

11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall

11:00 AM – Holy Mass +Anne Piascik, Adela

Rackowski, Sophia & Joseph Piascik, departed members of Piascik, Rackowski, Hrabosky, Hess, Merson & Jones families; Off. by The Merson Family (All Souls)

After Mass – Confirmation Class

NEXT PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING – Monday – May 11, 2025 at 7:30 pm.

ENROLLMENT FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL HOLY COMMUNION and

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





THANK YOU

- We thank parishioners who support our parish in different ways. Each Friday the Holy Mass is celebrated for all benefactors living and deceased.
- Richard Daum, Marietta Erhardt – Financial Secretary and Paul Murphy, Treasurer for their service

- We thank Fran Cuccinello and Marietta Erhardt for their help in the parish office.
- We thank those who prepare Coffee Hour on Sundays
- We thank Natalie Lazar and Paul Murphy for providing lessons to our children attending Sunday School classes (School of Christian Living)
- We thank 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!

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:

May 4, 2025 – Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 11, 2025 - Mother's Day Breakfast at 10 am

June 15, 2025 – SOCL attendance awards

June 15, 2025 – Father's Day breakfast at 10 am

Oct. 25, 2025 – Tricky Tray door open at 4 pm, calling of trays at 6 pm

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 this is QR Code 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)



HELP FOR PARENTS & SMALL CHILDREN In the case when 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.

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 **99 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.

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 **99 years of service**. Let us consider the future of our parish as it continues blessings for its members and for the community. This pamphlet was prepared by the Stewardship Committee and approved by the Parish Committee.

MASS INTENTIONS - *In order to request the Holy Mass Intention such as For the Sick, In Remembrance of the Faithful Departed, To Beseech God's Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries, please contact Fr. Joseph 973-256-4888*

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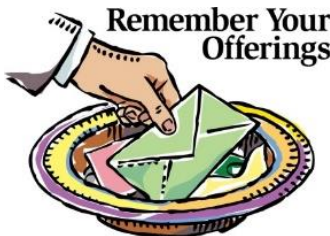
All Are Welcome!

- 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.

BLESSING OF HOMES Please contact Fr. Joseph if you wish to have your home or apartment blessed. 201-247-4832 or holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

MINISTRY OF GREETERS – Those who would like to serve as Greeters in our parish by giving out Sunday bulletins are asked to contact Fran Cuccinello. Ministry of Greeters is very important in the parish's life that makes people feel welcome to participate in our liturgies. Thank you for your service.

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



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 April 27, 2025 – Robert Mandelle by Deacon Mark
Week of May 4, 2025 – Dominick Bucci by Fran & Al Cuccinello
For more information, please call parish office at 201-247-4832 or Penni Lazor, Adoration Society President, at 973-768-7917 Thank you.

MASSES OF HEALING – The Masses for the Sick and Home Bound are celebrated **on the last Thursday of the month. In November it will be celebrated on last Wednesday due to Thanksgiving Day. WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS TO PRESENT PRAYERS FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR OTHERS. Dates of Healing Masses: May 29, 2025 @ 7 PM.** The Lord listens to our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit. WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS

Request for Volunteers



Our church property is in need of some minor touch-up projects, such as, painting the parish hall and maintenance on the exterior of the Day Care building. If you can spare a few hours on a Saturday to donate your time to help with these projects it would be greatly appreciated. Please call 201-247-4832 so that I know that you are available to help.

2025 SOME ADULT ENVELOPES are still available in the parish hall. Thank you for your financial support toward the Holy Cross Church. May the Lord reward your generosity.

HOLY CROSS PARISH DAILY PRAYER CHAIN

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



We pray to our Lord Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace for **peaceful conflict resolutions between countries of Russia and Ukraine, Palestine and Israel, and for end of conflicts in other countries.** 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. 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 pray for 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 our parish as we approach our 100th anniversary of service in 2026.

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THANK YOU - We thank all those who were carrying Easter Cross, Easter Statue, Paschal Candle at both Masses and Baldachino (Canopy) at 9 am. We thank children who helped in the procession by throwing flower petals and their parents for involvement and support at Easter Masses at 9 am and 11 am. Your help and participation were truly appreciated.



EASTER EGG HUNT – will take place on Sunday April 27, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. All children from our parish are invited to enjoy this event. The refreshment will follow in the parish hall. Please invite your friends. Come & Enjoy!

EASTER FLOWERS – An Easter Flower Fund Envelope is included in the Sunday Collection envelopes and is available in the parish vestibule. Thank you for your generosity.Continue.... Gail Restaino in memory of John Restaino and Peter Vetrone;





HOSPITAL VISIT. “Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him / her and anoint 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 Eucharist, please notify the office 201-247-4832.

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING – Dear Parents and Children - We are glad serving our children attending Sunday School classes on Sundays at 11 am. These classes benefit the spiritual growth of our children. **Two wonderful and skilled teachers, Ms. Natalie L. and Mr. Paul M. dedicate their time and talents for the benefit of your children.** You can still register your children on Sunday between 10 am and 11 am during coffee hour in the parish hall. **Classes are offered for children ages 4 through 8th grade. Older students can attend if they desire to do so.** **Looking forward to seeing you on Sundays**

- SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS / FATHER JOSEPH R. CYMAN, Pastor