

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 30, 2025

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SUNDAY MASSES 9 AM & 11 am

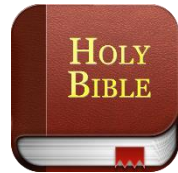
WEEKDAY MASSES – 7:30 am (check bulletin)

"His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?'" John 9:2

INTRODUCTION



Brothers and sisters in Christ, today we hear the second of three lovely stories from John's Gospel. Today it's the story of the healing of the young man born blind, and we are invited to think about what it is to be spiritually blind. We all have times when we are unable to see clearly, when our actions hurt ourselves and others. Let us ask God today for the gift of clear vision.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Jos 5:9a, 10-12 They ate what they had grown in the land of Canaan
Ps 34 Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

2 Cor 5:17-21 God entrusted to us the message of reconciliation

John 9:1-41 The healing of the man born blind (*Reading from Year A*)

9:00 am – Lector: Rosie Cascina

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 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 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 or send it by mail. Name (husband)_____

Name (wife maiden name)_____ Date of Marriage _____

Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 14th Ann. – 4/15

Robert Robles & Lisset Rojas – 10th Ann. – 4/18

Edward and Beverly Obsuth – 34th Ann. – 4/21

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

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

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



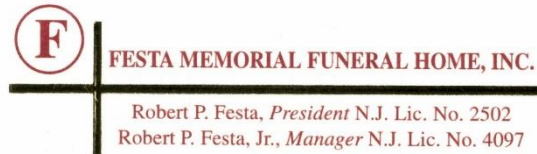
Holy Cross Church Face Book – link

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Visiting our website [Blog holycrosssite.org](http://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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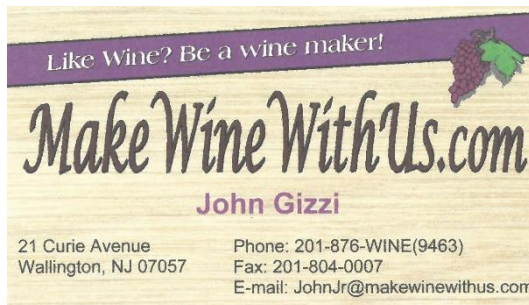
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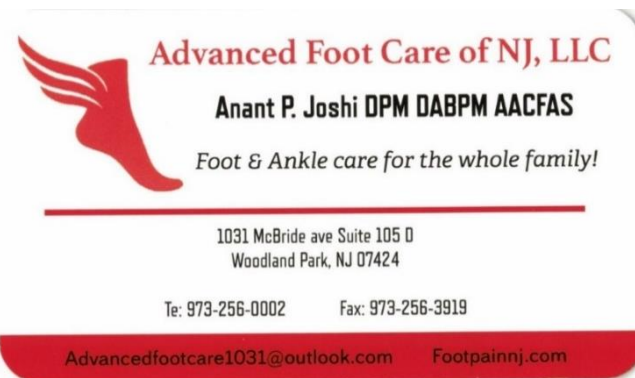
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4-RD SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 30, 2025

**9:00 AM The Holy Mass: For Blessing & Growth for business
Noubees; Req. by Erika**

10:10 am – First Holy Communion Class

11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall

**11:00 AM – Holy Mass +Fr. Marian Tarnowski; Off. by
Josephine Bednarz
+Alba Edith Andalia; Off. by Gisela Hill & Family Andrew
After Mass – Confirmation Class**



Monday, March 31, 2025 – Lent - St. Balbina ,V, M.

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

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 – Birth of Bp. Francis Hodur (1866)

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

Wednesday, April 2, 2025 – Lent – St. Mary of Egypt, H.

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

Thursday, April 3, 2025 – Lent – St. Pancras, M.

7:30 pm - Mass for the sick and homebound

Friday, April 4, 2025 – Lent – St. Isidore of Sevilla, Bp. D.

**7:30 am – Holy Mass for Benefactors of Holy Cross Church
+Theresa Triggiano (Birthday Ann.); Off. by Claire Centrella**

7:00 pm – Stations of The Cross

PASSION SUNDAY – APRIL 6, 2025

9:00 AM The Holy Mass For All Parishioners

10:10 am – First Holy Communion Class

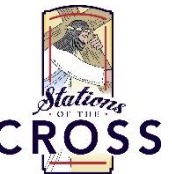
11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall

**11:00 AM – Holy Mass +Zofia, Józef i Stanisław
Lisowski; Henryk Wysocki, Teofilia Piorkowska;
Off. By Chris & Donna Wysocki**



**+Maysoon Awad, Balkees Awad, Mazen Sami, Najeeba Aboudi, Salma Aboudi, Mikhail
Awad, Sabeth Quako; Req. by Hilal Hana & Family**

After Mass – Confirmation Class



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.
- Those who came on Saturday and decorated the hall and prepared meal for St. Patrick's Luncheon; David and Ed Obssuth, Jim Cimmino, Penni Lazor, Fran Cuccinello, Elaine Rotsaert, Stacey Banta, Marietta Erhardt and anyone who served, cleaned after and in any shape or form helped to organize this great social event.

- Richard Daum, Marietta Erhardt – Financial Secretary and Paul Murphy, Treasurer for their service
- 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:

April 6, 2025 – Agape, Heart of Jesus Parish, 290 Avenue E, Bayonne, NJ

April 20, 2025 – EASTER - Resurrection of our Lord (Masses at 9 am and 11 am with Procession at 9 am (outside) and procession at 11 am inside of the church)

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 here is the link you can scan to access or find Holy Cross' Venmo account.



**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

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)



Stations of the Cross



During the season of Lent all parishioners are welcome to attend on Fridays Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM beginning this Friday. The prayer will give us the opportunity to reflect upon the redemptive sufferings of our Lord and Savior.

DURING LENT

With humble hearts we ask God to prepare us for the journey of spiritual renewal.

FASTING FROM MEAT:

During the Lenten time all of us should remember personal prayers, read the Holy Scripture and attend the liturgy of Sunday Mass.

We are called to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Fridays and Good Friday by those who are 14 years old and older. Those who are on medication or pregnant women are not obligated to abstain from meat. The members of the PNCC also abstain voluntarily from meat on Wednesdays.

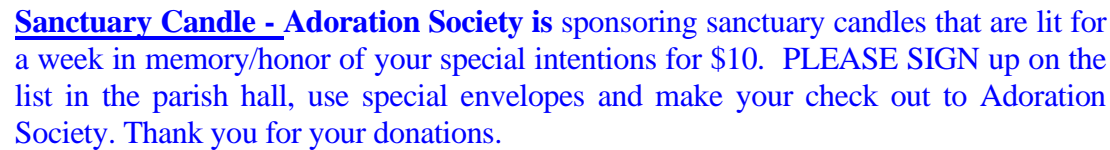
Our Mission - The parish of Holy Cross is a Catholic community with doors open to all and bringing them into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and thus giving comfort and purpose to a struggling world. *"You are to go into the entire world and preach the Good News to everyone, everywhere! (see 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.

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

Remember Your Offerings

An illustration of a hand placing a green envelope into a colorful, ornate bowl. The bowl has a purple rim and a yellow and orange interior. The hand is wearing a white sleeve with a cuff. The text "Remember Your Offerings" is written in a bold, black, serif font above the bowl.

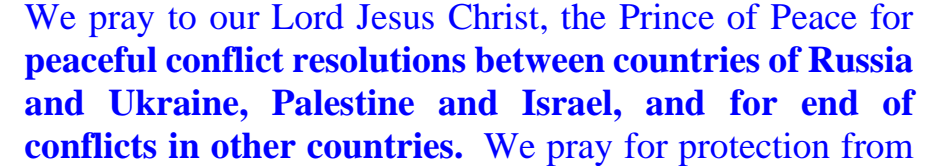
Week of April 6 – Lucy Daum by Richard Daum

Week of April 20 – Charlotte Mandellé by Deacon Mark

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: April 16, 2025 @ 6:15PM.** The Lord listens to our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit. WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS

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

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



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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On Sunday March 23, 2025 the Sacrament of Baptism was administered to Theodore Francis Lambright son of Nathan and Rachel. Proud godparents were David Merson

and Jill Mueller. We congratulate the Lambright and Merson families as well as grandparents, family members and friends on this special occasion. As God made the covenant with his people so through Baptism, Jesus makes a new and everlasting covenant with his followers. As Jesus won new life for us on the cross, with the symbol of the cross, Theodore was marked to receive the new life in the Lord. As the waters of the Red Sea led the people of Israel to freedom so the water of Baptism gave new life and led to Salvation. Parents, godparents and all members of our parish pledge to help Theodore to grow in Christian faith.

HOLY WEEK 2025

Thursday, April 17, 2025 – Holy Thursday

7:00 PM – Liturgy of the Lord's Supper.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament until 9:00 pm

Friday, April 18, 2025 – Good Friday

3:00 PM – Stations of the Cross with children and youth participation and Parishioners

4:00 PM – Liturgy of Good Friday/ Adoration until 6:00pm

Saturday, April 19, 2025 – Holy Saturday

2:00 pm - Blessing of Easter Baskets

6:00 PM – Liturgy of Holy Saturday (*without Easter Vigil*)

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025 – 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





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.



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.



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

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**

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