## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – MAY 11, 2025 +HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY+ SINCE 1926 HOLY CROSS PARISH PNCC 99 Years of Service

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The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor The Deacon William Gaydos / The Deacon Mark Koscinski

> SUNDAY MASSES 9 AM & 11 am WEEKDAY MASSES – 7:30 am (check bulletin)

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me." John 10:27



**INTRODUCTION** We hear again of the early church's struggle in spreading the Gospel. Though many were persecuted for their faith, the disciples pressed

forward and rejoiced in their successes. We don't have to endure the same consequences they did, or those of persecuted Christians in some

areas of the world today. But our challenge is to know how to live the Gospel in a secular age. We rely on the same Shepherd who has guided them.

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**



Acts 13:14, 43-52 Paul and Barnabas carry the Gospel to the gentiles. Psalm 100 We are his people, the sheep of his flock. Rev 7:9, 14b-17 The vision of the Lamb who will shepherd the suffering John 10:27-30 Jesus protects those who hear his shepherd's voice.

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

11:00 am – Lector: Natalie Cyman 9:00 am – Lector: Richard Daum WE THANK ALL LECTORS WHO SERVE IN OUR PARISH. WE NEED MORE **VOLUNTEERS. PLEASE CONTACT FR. JOSPEH.** 

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 I Maria 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) Jose Velez / Rachele Louis – May 6 – 8th Ann. Daniel & Magdalena Brzyski – May 14 – 9th Ann. Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 61st Anniversary – May 3 Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 62<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary – May 12

Date of Marriage





#### **Holy Cross Church Face Book – link**

www.holvcrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website 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.





**Bluejay** Pharmacy Blueiay Health LLC Chirag S. Taylor PharmD RPh. 377 Valley Rd. Clifton N.J. 07013 ctaylor@bluejayhealth.net Phone 973-278-8876

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GAITA MEMORIAL HOME Carmen Gaita, Jr., Manager NI LIC. NO. 3151 154 NEWARK POMPTON TURNPIKE, LITTLE FALLS, NEW IERSEY 07424 TEL: 973-256-2224 • FAX 973-256-3414 gaitamemorialhome@gmail.com

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# SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025 - 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY / MOTHER'S DAY



9:00 AM Holy Mass FOR MOTHERS LIVING & DECEASED +Regina Zaremba, Chester Zaremba, Chester Zaremba Jr., Theodore Zaremba; Off. by John & Joseph Ruyzam 10:10 am - FREE MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST (Free will donations from men) 11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall **11:00 AM** – Holy Mass

FOR ALL MOTHERS LIVING AND DECEASED

Monday May 12, 2025 - St. Pancras, M.

7:30 am – Holy Mass for peace in the world 7:30 PM – PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday May 13, 2025 – St. Valerian, Bp. 7:30 am – Holy Mass for growth of our parish Wednesday May 14, 2025 – St. Boniface of Tarsus, M.

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

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

Thursday, May 15, 2025 – St. Bertha & Rubert, C

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

Friday, May 16, 2025 – St. Brendan Ap. 7:30 am - Holy Mass for Benefactors of our parish Living and Deceased 7:00 pm – Rehearsal and Confessions for candidates receiving First Holy Communion

## SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025 - 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



9:00 AM Holy Mass for +Melissa, August Centrella, Emanuele & Theresa Triggiano; Off. by Claire Centrella **10:00 – Hughie Coffee and Cake Fellowship** 





11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall **11:00 AM – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION Intention for CHILDREN & ADULTS RECEIVING FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** 

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.
- 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 30-June 1, 2025 – Mission and Evangelism Workshop St. Francis of Assisi Parish, **Denver.** CO

JUNE 8, 2025 - PARISH PICNIC SUNDAY, 12-4 PM

June 15, 2025 – SOCL attendance awards

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

July 4-12, 2025 KURS – Camp will take place at the Bishop Hodur Retreat

and Recreation Center in Waymart, PA. Follow their social media pages for more information.

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

### CHURCH PUBLICATION: Our Church's official publication is available for viewing online as follows: God's Field (Rola Boza): https://pncc.org/godsfield/



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.

### Holy Cross Catholic Church PNCC 99 years of service

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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 holvcrosspncc1@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."





<u>Sanctuary Candle -</u> 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

Week of May 11, 2025 - available

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

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**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



**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.

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 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of service in 2026.



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## **THANK YOU – Happy Mother's Day!**





Sunday May 4, 2025 our Sunday

School students, teachers and parents prepared flowers for Mother's Day. About 40 plants were distributed to women living at Hinchcliff Manor in Paterson. Some flowers were given to homebound from our parish and some remaining plants will be given to mothers of our Sunday School children on Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Happy Mother's Day!



On Sunday, May 11, 2025 we celebrate Mother's Day and honor all our mothers with special prayers during both Masses. The Mother's Day Breakfast will take place in the parish hall at 10 am.

**<u>Prayer:</u>** Good and Gentle God, we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage

they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# May 11, 2025 after 9am Mass

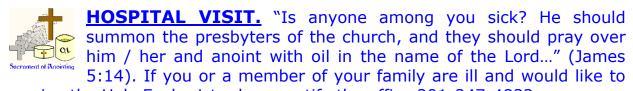


# Join us for our



Mother's Day Breakfast on Enjoy Scrambled Eggs, Turkey Sausage, Bacon, Pancakes, Juice, and Assorted Deserts, coffee, etc.

# Made especially for you by our men from the parish



receive the Holy Eucharist, please notify the office 201-247-4832.