

31 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – NOV.2, 2025 ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCE (MONDAY)

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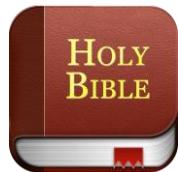
SUNDAY MASSES 9 AM & 11 am
WEEKDAY MASSES – 7:30 am (check bulletin)

"Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham." Luke 19:9

INTRODUCTION

God's mercy calls us to repentance. When we judge others for their behavior, no matter how unsavory it is, we need to remember that God's mercy is not just available to us — it's there for all people. Surprising things happened to Zacchaeus, the maligned tax collector who looked for Jesus. God's mercy is so much bigger than ours. Lord Jesus, you acknowledged Zacchaeus, who repented in your presence: Lord, have mercy. Christ Jesus, you brought salvation to the house of a sinner.

SCRIPTURE READINGS



Wis 11:22-12:2 God's mercy calls us to repentance.
Ps 145 I will praise your name forever.
2 Thes 1:11-2:2 Paul's prayer for and advice to the Thessalonians
Luke 19:1-10 The story of Zacchaeus, the repentant tax collector

WE THANK LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Lector: Deacon Bill 11:00 am – Lector: Chirag Taylor

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES - 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: Susan Koscinski, John Ruyzam, Robert Sleece, Pat Olsen, Dante Domicolo, Monika Lukowiak, Barbara Koscinski, Michael Piascik, Floyd Vivino, Devin D. Lopez, George, Pat, Irena & Robert Daniewski, Tadeusz & 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 font. 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 and mail it to us or place it in the collection basket.

Cesar and Christina Colon – 9/23 – 19th Ann.
Edward Lazor/Michele Gula 10/8 – 48th Ann.
Martin Maher / Donna Giardino 10/24 – 36 Ann.



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

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31 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - NOV. 2, 2025

9:00 AM Holy Mass for All Parishioners Living and Deceased
 After Service – Hughie’s Coffee Hour / 10:00 Am – First Holy Communion Class



Sunday School at 11 am in the parish hall

11:00 AM - Holy Mass for All Souls Departed

Sabeeh Quako, Mikhail Awad, Salma Aboudi, Najeeba Aboudi, Mazen Sami, Balkees Awad, Maysoon Awad; *Off. by Hilal Family*
 Departed Conor McLoughlin; *Off. by Cyman Family*

After Service – Hughie’s Coffee Hour / After Mass – Confirmation Class
ALL SOULS CEMETERY SERVICE at East Ridgelawn Cemetery, Clifton at 2:00 p.m.

The address of the cemetery is: 255 Main Avenue, Clifton, NJ.

Monday November 3, 2025 – All Souls Day (from Sunday)

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

Tuesday November 4, 2025 – St. Vitalis & Agricola M.

7:30 am – Holy Mass for safety on our country

General Election Day – in our parish hall

Wednesday November 5, 2025 – St. Zachary & Elizabeth, Parents of St. John

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

Thursday, November 6, 2025 – St. Serapion of Anthioch, Bp.

7:30 am – Holy Mass for sick and homebound

Mass intention for Departed Nancy Ysla

Friday, November 7, 2025 – St. Willibrord of Utrecht, Bp.

7:30 am – Holy Mass for Benefactors Living and Deceased

7:00 PM – Rehearsal and Confessions for Confirmation Class



31 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - NOV. 9, 2025

9:00 AM Holy Mass for All Parishioners Living and Deceased
 After Service – Hughie’s Coffee Hour / 10:00 Am – First Holy Communion Class
 Sunday School at 11 am in the parish hall

11:00 AM - Holy Mass – Sacrament of Confirmation administered by Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky



Candidates for Confirmation: Jazlyn Batista, Jaylin Batista, Roselyne Caceres, Sebastian Gomez and Sophia Vogel
 After Service – LUNCHEON WITH PRIME BISHOP
PURCHASE TICKETS TODAY (HOT MEAL - \$20)



MENU: Pepper Steak, Salmon, Pierogies (With Buffalo Chicken and Potatoes & Cheese) Lasagna, Rice & Veg., Chicken Tenders (for children)

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)



PRAYER CHAIN AT HOLY CROSS - Dear friends, please join our parish in DAILY

PRAYER CHAIN. We pray to our Lord Jesus Christ, the Price of Peace for peace in the world for **peaceful conflict resolutions between divided countries.** 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.



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 Oct. 12, 2025 in memory of Joseph Mihok; by Beverly & Ed Obsuth
For more information, please call parish office at 201-247-4832 or Penni Lazor, Adoration Society President, at 973-768-7917 Thank you.

Upcoming Events:



- Nov. 9, 2025 - SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION @ 11 AM with reception in the parish hall. Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. **PLAN TO ATTEND THE RECEPTION SEE MORE INFORMATION.**

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.

Dear Parishioners – For all generous supported for our parish, the parish committee and I are extremely thankful. Nevertheless, we ask you to prayerfully consider underwriting the cost of some needed supplies for the parish for some essential operating costs of the parish. You can send a donation by mail or place it in the collection basket.



- Annual Burglary alarm - \$440 -**
 - The annual website and Facebook fees \$325 -**
 - The annual fire alarm system inspection: \$260 -**
 - One monthly payment for copier - \$220 – Donated by Cyman Family in memory of John Plaxa**
 - Monthly telephone and internet payment - \$150 – Deacon Mark & Susan Koscinski**
- Monthly 50/50 In House Fundraiser**



50/50 Raffle
Our fundraiser is to help defray the cost of recent renovations including a new carpet in the church. This is our preparation for 100th Anniversary in 2026. The tickets are available on Sundays in the Parish Hall. Tickets may be purchased in the amounts of 1 for \$5.00, 3 for \$10.00. Drawings will be held on the last Sunday of each month and you need not be at the drawing in order to win. All we ask is that you provide your name and telephone number on the ticket in order for us to be able to advise you of your winning. We thank you in advance for your anticipated participation. In October, we decided to suspend our 50/50 in house fundraiser until November 2025 due to the fact that we have 50/50 drawing on October 25, 2025 at the tricky tray.

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





Next year 2026 we will celebrate our 100th Anniversary of our parish. In Christ we are one body... In the parish hall there is a special poster with crosses. Please write your family name, color it and place it on the board. With joy we celebrate our centennial anniversary on Sunday May 17, 2026. Mark your calendars.



ALTAR SERVERS We thank all Altar servers serving in our parish. We would like to continue the process of bringing on more altar servers at our Masses. Please sign-up on the sheet in the Parish Hall. Parents, please put your child's name in the Sunday that they can serve. You will be notified as a reminder prior to their Sunday Mass.

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the top of the home page and follow the directions to access the recent issue. We hope you enjoy reading about the life and work of our parishes.

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!

FROM PASTOR'S DESK – Dear Parishioners, I wish to inform you about the upcoming Solemnity of All Saints and All Souls Day. In the bulletin and in the vestibule of the church please



find an envelope with All Souls Day insert. You can write the names of your deceased loved ones on the insert and place the envelope in the basket or give it to Fr. Joseph. For those who are not able to attend the Mass, please use the attached form and send by mail. The deceased names will be placed on the altar during the month of November. In addition to that, Fr. Joseph will celebrate Holy Masses for their intentions in the upcoming weeks and months. You may indicate the date you wish to have the Mass celebrated such as on the anniversary of their passing or on another special date significant for you. These Masses will be listed as All Souls Day remembrances. **May they Rest in Peace.**

ALL SOULS CEMETERY SERVICE – will take place **Sunday, November 2, 2025**, at East Ridgelawn Cemetery, Clifton at 2:00 p.m.



When you come to the cemetery, go through the gate on Main Ave. and you will find people on the right. The address of the cemetery is: **255 Main Avenue, Clifton, NJ**. You are cordially invited to join us for this special annual service. As we pray for the deceased, we believe that they are praying for us as well. **After each Mass on Sunday Nov. 2, 2025 we will have a reading of all Souls Day Remembrances – the deceased names you submitted.** Envelopes with inserts are in the vestibule of the church.



THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS. On Saturday, November 1, 2025 we celebrated the Holy Day of obligation. There was a special Mass at 9:00 am with the reading of all Souls Day Remembrances – the deceased names you submitted

All Souls Day Remembrance

In the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, on All Souls Day, please remember the Souls of:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

My Name _____

My Address _____



Offering \$ _____



Dear Parents and Youth of Holy Cross Church

On Sunday, September 14th we welcomed our youth back to Sunday School, First Holy Communion and Confirmation at Holy Cross.

All our teaching staff members Ms. Natalie, Mr. Paul and substitute teachers here at Holy Cross are ready to begin a new season teaching and sharing God's Word.

The teachers continue to commit and share their time and talent for the spiritual growth of your children. However, they still need your commitment to regularly bring them on Sundays.

IN ORDER TO ACCOMMODATE FAMILIES AND CONTINUE TO INCREASE CLASS ATTENDANCE, WE WILL BE HOLDING CLASSES DURING THE SECOND SERVICE AT 11 AM.

Parents with children under the age of three are welcome to accompany their children in the parish hall during church service. There they can watch Mass being televised.

The Coffee Hour will still be available between and after service. Enjoy a variety of refreshments.

We plan to keep the "Youth Mass" on the last Sunday of the month with children participating as altar servers, greeters, choir members, readers of the "prayers of the faithful", and in the "offering of the gifts".

Sunday school students not only receive a religious education but also participate in a variety of enjoyable activities provided by the teachers and the parish. These activities include Pumpkin Picking, Apple Picking and Hayride, Christmas Luncheon, an Easter Egg Hunt and Party, a graduation ceremony, Parish Picnic and much more.

Youth also have the opportunity to give back to the community by helping the less fortunate and preparing plants for seniors, Thanksgiving Food Baskets for needy families, providing food and clothing for the homeless and collecting nonperishable food items.

We welcome substitute teachers to join us. Please join us by enrolling your child in this free of charge program. Parents whose children are already enrolled in Sunday School please complete the form as well.

Holy Cross Catholic Church PNCC 99 years of service

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.



SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN

LIVING SCHEDULE

FALL 2025

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

SEPTEMBER 2025

- 14 – Classes begins (Solemnity of Brotherly Love)
- 21 – Classes Meet
- 28 – Classes Meet

OCTOBER 2025

- 5 – Classes Meet (Blessing of Pets at 11:00 A.M. Mass in the parish hall)
- 12 – Classes Meet – Solemnity of Christian Family
- 19 – Classes Meet
- 26 – Classes Meet (Youth Mass at 11:00 A.M.)

NOVEMBER 2025

- 2 – Classes Meet
- 9 – Classes Meet (Thanksgiving Baskets for the needy)
- 16 – Classes Meet (Youth Mass at 11:00 A.M.)
- 23 – Classes meet – Solemnity of Christ the King
- 30 – Classes meet 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT Prayers / Advent Wreath at the Mass (Youth Mass at 11:00 A.M.)

DECEMBER 2025

- 7 – Classes Meet – 2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT Prayers / Advent Wreath at the Mass
- 14 – Classes Meet – 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT Prayers / Advent Wreath at the Mass
CHRISTMAS DINNER AND CHRISTMAS PROGRAM – after 11 am Mass
- 21 – Classes Meet – 4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT (practicing songs for Christmas Eve)
Prayers and lighting of Advent Wreath at the Mass
- 24 – CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS – Monday (4 PM with youth participation)
- 28 – Solemnity of Humble Shepherds (Youth Mass at 11:00 A.M.)

Have a Great School of Christian Program!



With Grateful Appreciation to
Organist, Neil Estanislao
For his 17 years of service at
Holy Cross Church
Fr. Joseph, Staff and Parishioners



We will miss Neil and we wish well
to him and his family.
God bless! With agreement of the parish
committee, we hired Brian Borowski as our new
organist beginning on November 2, 2025.
Jessica Muccilli continues to serve in our parish
as a substitute organist.
We are grateful for her service and dedication.

Congratulations to Jorge and Caroline Llanos on the baptism of their precious daughter, Luna Audrey Llanos on Sunday October 26, 2025 at 11 am Mass.

We congratulate proud godparents, grandparents, family members and friends.

The Sacrament of Baptism-Confirmation is the foundation of our Christian faith, is a gateway to new life in the Spirit, and the door that gives access to other sacraments. Through the Sacrament of Baptism-Confirmation we are regenerated and incorporated into Christ's body – His Church.

