

7 SUN. OF EASTER – MAY 17, 2026
100TH ANNIVERSARY OF HOLY CROSS CHURCH

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 100 Years of Service

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The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor
The Deacon William Gaydos / The Deacon Mark Koscinski
Organist – Jessica Muccilli

TODAY ONE MASS AT 12 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES – 7:30 am (check bulletin)

“Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you.” Jn 17:1

INTRODUCTION

On this 7th Sunday of Easter, Jesus prays for the unity of his disciples and all believers. He reminds us that unity is not an option; it is required of those who say they love the Lord. He delivers this prayer at the end of the Last Supper. Today, we celebrate with heartfelt appreciation the 100th anniversary of Holy Cross Church. For a century, this parish has served Paterson, Woodland Park, and beyond, bringing the message of peace, love, and service in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. We welcome His Grace, Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky, who will preside over this special Mass, concelebrated by local clergy

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Acts 1:12-14 All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer
Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord
1 Pt 4:13-16 Rejoice (...) when you share in the sufferings of Christ
Jn 17:1-11a - I revealed your name to those whom you gave me

WE THANK LECTORS SERVING TODAY

12 PM – Michael Cyman & Natalie Cyman

We need more lectors, especially for the 11:00 AM Mass. Please contact Father Joseph, Deacon Bill, or Mark if you are interested

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES - 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: Pat Olsen, Juliet Maher, Urbano Maher, Dante Domicolo, Monika Lukowiak, Devin D. Lopez, George, 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 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 _____

Daniel & Magdalena Brzyski – May 14 – 10th Ann.

Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 62nd Anniversary – May 3

Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 63rd Anniversary – May 12

**MEMBERSHIP
MATTERS**

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

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 788 people are following our church Face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our Facebook.

BUSINESS ADVERTISING Year 2026

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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**SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026 – 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER /
100TH ANNIVERSARY OF HOLY CROSS CHURCH**



IMPORTANT ONE MASS
**12 PM Holy Mass – Intention for
All Parishioners Living and Deceased**
Mass presided by Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky
Concelebrated with clergy of NY/NJ Seniorate
2:00 pm

100th Anniversary Banquet at Brownstone Restaurant

Monday May 18, 2026 – St. Venantius, M.

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

Tuesday May 19, 2026 – St. Dunstan Of Canterbury, Bp.

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

Wednesday April May 20, 2026 – St. Bernadine of Siena, C.

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

Thursday, May 21, 2026 – St. Andrew Bobola, M.

7:30 am – Holy Mass for the sick and homebound

Friday, May 22, 2026 – St. Julia, M.

7:30 am – For Holy Cross Church Benefactors living and deceased

7:00 PM – Rehearsal and Confessions for First Holy Communion class



**SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026 – SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST
CELEBRATION OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

9:00 AM Holy Mass – Intention for Deceased Judith

Randazzo; Off. by Kaynak Family

After Service – Hughie's Coffee Hour

10:30 Am – Meeting with First Holy Communion Class

Sunday School at 11 am in the parish hall



11:00 AM – Holy Mass for children receiving Holy

Communion for the first time



ORGANIST at HOLY CROSS We are looking for an additional part time organist to serve in our parish.

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 the 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 main celebration on May 17, 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 May 10, 2026 – In memory of Deceased Mothers and in Honor of the living Mothers

Week of May 17, 2026 – In memory of Deceased Members of Holy Cross Church

Week of May 24, 2026 – Todd and Helen Jackson by Penni Lazor

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:

May 17, 2026 – 100 Anniversary Mass (12 Noon) and Banquet

June 14, 2026 –Father's Day Breakfast at 10 am

June 17-19, 2026 – Men's Retreat at Bp. Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center

Parish Picnic – NEW DATE – SAUNDAY SEPT. 13, 2026

Tricky Tray Fundraiser – Saturday October 24, 2026

Monthly 50/50 In House Fundraiser

Our fundraiser is to help us with preparations for our 100th Anniversary on May 17, 2026. The tickets are available on Sundays in the Parish Hall. We thank you in advance for your anticipated participation.



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 in **2026**. You can send a donation by mail or place it in the collection basket.

The annual website and Facebook fees \$330 -

Annual Burglary alarm - \$450 donated by Joe Ruyzam in memory of Joan Ruyzam

The annual fire alarm system inspection: \$270 – In memory of Jozef, Agnieszka Andrzej Cyman; Off. by The Cyman Family

One monthly payment for copier - \$230 / Telephone and internet payment \$155 –

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





Holy Cross Church
 220 Browertown Rd., Woodland Park NJ 07424
100th Anniversary Celebration
And
35th Anniversary of Fr. Joseph's Ordination
Sunday, May 17, 2026
Special Mass @ 12:00 pm
 Presided by Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky
 Anniversary Banquet 2:00 pm
 The Brownstone, 351 W Broadway, Paterson, NJ
WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO CELEBRATE
THIS SPECIAL EVENT OF OUR PARISH



We are officially sold out! As of today, May 16, we have 137 guests registered for our banquet at The Brownstone. We can't wait to celebrate our 100th anniversary with all of you.

Feeding Our Neighbors: Support the Fr. English Food Pantry



Every Sunday, we collect non-perishable food to support our neighbors at the Fr. English Food Pantry in Paterson. Your generosity is appreciated. **How to Give:** Please bring your donations to the Parish Hall and place them by the door marked

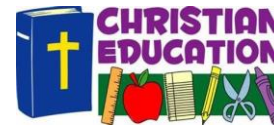
"Food Bank."

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40) . Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ in our community!

THANK YOU

- **We thank Fran and Al Cuccinello** for the donation of the new American flag now flying on the pole in front of the church.
- **We also thank Edward, David Obsuth** and Jim Cimmino for sharing their time and culinary talent in preparing our Mother's Day breakfast
- **We thank all parishioners** for sharing their time, talent, and treasure for the good of our parish.
- **We thank Richard Daum, Marietta Erhardt** (Financial Secretary), and **Paul Murphy** (Treasurer) for their dedicated service.
- **We thank Fran Cuccinello and Marietta Erhardt** for their invaluable help in the parish office.
- **We thank those who prepare Coffee Hour** on Sundays.
- **We thank our Altar Servers, Lectors, Ushers, and Greeters** for their ministry during our Masses. • **Each Friday, the Holy Mass is celebrated** for all our benefactors, both living and deceased. We are grateful to everyone who shares their time, talent, and treasure for the good of Holy Cross Church. God bless you all!

Dear Parents and Children



We are thrilled to be serving the children of our parish through Sunday School classes every week! These classes are designed to spark spiritual growth, build friendships, and help kids discover more about their faith in a fun and supportive environment.

Your children are led by two wonderful and skilled teachers who dedicate their time and talents to their spiritual education: **Ms. Natalie L. and Mr. Paul M.**

Classes for All Ages (Ages 4 through 8th Grade)

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 **100 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. With your help and continued support, we can accomplish our plans and goals.



Candlelight Prayer Service

“My Time with Mary - a Spa for The Soul”

May 20, 2026 at 7pm

WE PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE WORLD

Holy Cross Parish PNCC - 220 Browertown Rd, Woodland Park, NJ

A Prayer with Holy Rosary & Beautiful Sacred Music



All Are Welcome

Come along and bring a friend.

Please Come In - Rest In The Heart Of Jesus

And Receive His Blessing & Peace

SUNDAY ENVELOPES – 2026 – Boxes of envelopes with your names are



available in the parish hall. Please pick up on Sundays. May the Lord reward your generosity abundantly. If you cannot find your Sunday envelopes, please contact church office 201-247-4832 / holycrosspncc1@gmail.com.

Holy Cross Catholic Church PNCC /100 years of service



All Are Welcome at Holy Cross Church!

Imagine a church that is truly a reflection of Christ's original vision, while embracing modern democratic values. We invite you to experience a community built on rich tradition and open arms.

- **Catholic & Democratic:** We are a Church that is One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic, where the laity and clergy have an equal voice in the election of bishops and the management of parish material matters alongside their Pastor.
- **A Multicultural Family:** Our ethnic beginnings have blossomed into a vibrant, multicultural community that embraces all backgrounds.
- **Valid Sacraments:** We offer all valid sacraments, maintaining traditional spiritual and moral values.
- **Married Clergy:** In a tradition dating back to 1921, our deacons, priests, and bishops have the freedom to marry either before or after ordination.

Discover a place where you can belong and grow in faith.



ALTAR SERVERS Become a Holy Cross Hero! ✨

We want **YOU** to join the very important team in the parish: the **ALTAR SERVERS!** If you love Jesus and want to help Father Joseph during Mass, this is your chance to be a part of the action. **What do Altar Servers do?**

- Carry the cross in the procession.
- Help Father Joseph prepare the altar for the Eucharist.
- Ring the bells during the most special part of the Mass!

Attention, Parents! We are looking for eager children and young people to step up and serve. This is a great opportunity for them to grow in faith and responsibility. Please contact Deacon Bill to sign up. We are so grateful for our current Altar Servers and can't wait for new friends to join the team!



Poster Activity: Join us for our symbolic unity project! We invite all families to write their name on a cross and add it to our community poster in the parish hall. We can't wait to see our parish family represented together!

2026 PNCC Youth Convo – Retreat

Will be held from August 3-7, 2026 at Camp Monadnock in Jaffrey, New Hampshire. PNCC Youth age 8 and older are most welcome to attend. The Early Bird Registration fee is just \$150.00 per person due to the grant from our PNCC Supreme Council.

Completed registration and health forms with payment made payable to Eastern Diocese Youth Retreat should be sent by April 30, 2026 to:

2026 PNCC Youth Convo - Retreat

c/o Blessed Trinity Parish

37 Winthrop Street

Fall River, MA 02721

For those forms received after May 1st the registration fee will be \$250.

Registration forms will not be accepted after June 1, 2026.

Please follow us on Facebook at: Eastern Diocese Youth

If you have any questions, please email: RobNem21@aol.com

MESSAGE FROM PRIME BISHOP Anthony Mikovsky

The Enlivening Program will cover registration fees for members of the Central Diocese of the Polish National Catholic Church who attend KURS, CONVO, or both this summer. The program will subsidize the \$350.00 KURS fee and the \$150.00/\$250.00 CONVO fee.

If they have already registered for CONVO at the \$150.00 early bird rate, that amount will be reimbursed. For those who missed the early bird deadline, the \$250.00 registration fee will also be covered.

We hope this subsidy will encourage greater participation in these events. Please share this information with your parishioners.

Yours in Christ,

Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky

Dear Parents of the First Holy Communion Class,

Your children have reached the final stage of preparation for their First Holy Communion, which will take place on **Sunday, May 24, 2026, at the 11:00 AM Mass.**

Please read the following schedule and requirements carefully:

Prayer & Confession Preparation

As previously instructed, children must memorize the *Our Father*, *Hail Mary*, and *Glory Be* (in English or their native language, such as Spanish). Having completed their lesson on Confession, children should re-read the **Examination of Conscience** on pages 44–45 of their Catechism. Please have them mark their sins and write them on a separate piece of paper to use during Confession; these papers will be shredded and destroyed after confession. Additionally, they should practice reading the **Text of Confession** (pages 46–47) until they are fluent. Parents, thank you for helping your children with this preparation.

Upcoming Schedule

- **Sunday, May 17:** We will have one Solemn Mass at **12:00 Noon**. The children will sing the songs they have practiced during the liturgy.
- **Anniversary Banquet: At 2:00 PM on May 17**, we will celebrate our 100th Anniversary Banquet at the Brownstone Restaurant. The children will perform two songs and may attend free of charge. If parents have not yet purchased tickets and would like to join, please contact the parish office by tomorrow, Friday, Noon. holycrosspncc1@gmail.com 201-247-4832.

Rehearsal & First Confession

On **Friday, May 22, 2026, at 7:00 PM**, we will hold the rehearsal and the Sacrament of Confession. Please ensure children wear semi-formal attire (no jeans or sportswear).

First Holy Communion Day

On **Sunday, May 24**, please arrive at the Parish Hall by **10:30 AM**.

The children will receive their prayer books, candles, and certificates. To help defray the costs of the sanctuary flowers, corsages and boutonnieres, certificates, and prayer books, we kindly request a donation of **\$50 per child**, payable to Holy Cross Church. Please note that these prayer books are separate from their Catechism and study books.

Continuing the Celebration

Following their First Holy Communion, the children are asked to attend Mass on **May 31 (Holy Trinity)** and **June 7 (Corpus Christi)**. They should wear their First Holy Communion clothes and sit in the front pews with their parents.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. We look forward to celebrating this special day of your children with you and your loved ones!

With prayers, Fr. Joseph