

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

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**

**HOLY MASSES AT 9 AM AND 11 AM**  
**WEEKDAY MASSES – 7:30 am (check bulletin)**

*"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." - John 20:22-23*

## INTRODUCTION

The early Christian community knew that Jesus and the life-giving Spirit were with them. That conviction sustained and empowered them to deal with unimaginable challenges. We are given the same presence, peace and forgiveness when we come together, and we are called today to pass these special gifts on to others. How do we express it to others?



## SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Acts 2:1-11 The Spirit's presence is made manifest among Jesus' disciples

Ps 104 Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the Earth.

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 All the Spirit's gifts are equal and necessary for the whole body

Jn 20:19-23 Jesus' peace and forgiveness is to be shared with others.

## WE THANK LECTORS SERVING TODAY

**9 am – Deacon Bill 11 am - 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 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**Debbie & John Lenkel - June 7 – 38<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**Robert Muller/Kim Kowalik – June 9 – 24<sup>th</sup> Ann.**

**Gale Galese/Patricia Carrigan – June 14 – 39<sup>th</sup> Ann.**

**Keith Rotsaert/Donna Clavelle – June 24 – 27<sup>th</sup> Ann.**

Holy Cross Church Face Book – link [www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com](http://www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com)

Visiting our website Blog [holycrosssite.org](http://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](mailto: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 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

First Communion Class

**11:00 AM** – Holy Mass for children receiving Holy Communion for the first time

Intention Departed John Plaxa (*Ann. of Birth*), Joanne Plaxa; *By Cyman Fam. Melissa, August Centrella, Emanuele, Theresa Triggiano; Off. by Claire Centrella*

**Monday May 25, 2026 – St. Urban of Rome, M. MEMORIAL DAY - USA**

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

**Tuesday May 26, 2026 – St. Philip Neri, P.**

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

**Wednesday May 27, 2026 – St. John I, Bp. Of Rome M.**

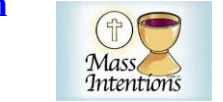
7:30 am – Holy Mass for youth of our parish

**Thursday, May 28, 2026 – St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bp.**

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

**Friday, May 29, 2026 – St. Cyril of Caesarea, M.**

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



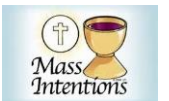
**SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026 – SOLEMNITY OF HOLY TRINITY**



**9:00 AM** Holy Mass – Intention for Parishioners Living and Deceased

After Service – Hughie's Coffee Hour

Sunday School at 11 am in the parish hall



**11:00 AM** – Holy Mass – Intention for Parishioners Living and Deceased

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

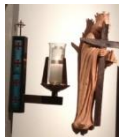


**Memorial Day prayer**

*God of power and mercy, you destroy war and put down earthly pride. Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears, that we may all deserve to be called your sons and daughters. Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died in the cause of freedom and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace.*

*We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

**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 100<sup>th</sup> 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 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 24, 2026 – First Holy Communion celebration at 11 am**

**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 100<sup>th</sup> 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.”**



## 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 all parishioners** for sharing their time, talent, and treasure for the good of our parish.
- **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 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!

### 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 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)**



**GRADUATES** – Soon it will be graduation time for many schools in our area. We would like to salute the members of our parish who will be graduating from school in the spring of 2026 and print their names in the Father's Day (JUNE 21) edition of the Sunday bulletin. Graduates or parents of graduates are asked to submit names and information to the church office no later than Sunday, June 11, 2023. You can send information by e-mail – [holycrosspncc1@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)

Thank you.



**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 97 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 /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.

Pictures from the 100th Anniversary of our parish held last Sunday, May 17, 2026, will be available in the next bulletin. We wish to thank everyone who helped with the preparations and made this celebration meaningful and enjoyable.



On Saturday, May 23, 2026, Arianna and Ryan Gonzalez received the Sacrament of Baptism. We congratulate their parents, Antonio and Pamela, and their godparents, Victor Sotelo Jr., Gabriella Sotelo, Victor Sotelo Sr., and Samantha Castanon. The Sacrament of Baptism is the foundation of our Christian faith, a gateway to new life in the Spirit, and the door that gives access to other sacraments. Through the Sacrament of Baptism and later Confirmation, we are regenerated and incorporated into Christ's body—His Church.

Today, Sunday May 24, 2026 we celebrate the First Holy Communion at 11 am. Here are those who will receive Holy Eucharist for the First Time. Congratulations!

- Liam Hunter Bautista  
Parents – Geovanny and Amanda .....
- Joseph Alejandro Caceres  
Parents – Fabian and Ximena Morales
- Jennelis Marie Garcia  
Parents: Joan and Jenny Gomez
- Nicolette Nayelis Garcia  
Parents: Joan and Jenny Gomez
- Arianna Gabriella Gonzalez  
Parents – Antonio and Pamela Rosario
- Eric Kurt Gonzalez  
Parents – Antonio and Pamela Rosario
- Ryan Angel Gonzalez  
Parents – Antonio and Pamela Rosario
- Cristiano Ciro Hernandez  
Parents – Sergio and Veronica Escobio
- Jestin Aled Hill  
Parents – Jermaine and Gisela Andalia Luna Audrey Llanos  
Parents: Jorge and Caroline De La Rosa
- Daniel Conor Rafferty  
Parents – Daniel and Bianca Raffery
- Gavin Preston Salvador  
Parents – Clifford and Yvette Ramos
- Leila Rose Schaefer  
Parents: Leonard and Lidia Aguilar





The latest issue of *God's Field* is now available online at <http://www.pncc.org>. Click on the God's Field link at 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.

**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](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com).



**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.

## 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](mailto: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



### 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!