

April 1, 2018

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of the Resurrection
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"Lord Jesus Christ, you have triumphed over the grave and you have won for us new life and resurrection power. Give me the eyes of faith to see you in your glory. Help me to draw near to you and to grow in the knowledge of your great love for us and your great victory over sin and death."



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Happy Easter

*Wishing all parishioners of
Holy Cross Church
a Happy and Blessed Easter!*



Easter Greetings



...During the Easter Vigil, we will celebrate once more the moving rite of the lighting of the Easter candle. Drawn from the “new fire”, this light will slowly overcome the darkness and illuminate the liturgical assembly. “May the light of Christ rising in glory

dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds”, and enable all of us to relive the experience of the disciples on the way to Emmaus. By listening to God’s word and drawing nourishment from the table of the Eucharist, may our hearts be ever more ardent in faith, hope and love.

Pope Francis

Holy Cross Men's Group

Join us on April 12, at 7:30 PM, our topic will be;

Session I: The Mystery of God - *The Paths to God*



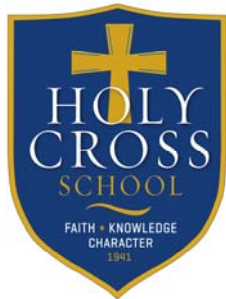
In the thirteenth century, St. Thomas Aquinas composed his famous five paths to God. His proofs do not depend on the Bible or divine revelation. They simply start from the world around us—trees, birds, buildings, and even ourselves. Thomas noticed that none of these things have to exist. But if that's the case, there must be some cause behind them, something grounding their existence. For Thomas and all Christians since, we know this source of all being by its ancient name, God. **New members are always welcome!**

Hymnals for Our Church



Bookplate dedications are available for new hymnals in Holy Cross Church.

Download the form from the Parish website or call the Parish Office to have a hymnal inscribed and dedicated. The donation amount is \$20 per hymnal.



Holy Cross School Open House

Exemplary Preschool for 3 - 5 year olds

2015 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL for Kindergarten - Grade 8

Open House

Friday, April 13th 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Call 732-842-0348 x 1129

Or visit www.holycrossschoolrumson.org



A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

Holy Cross Food Drive



Holy Cross Parish will have a Food Drive on the weekend of,

April 14/15, for Project Paul in Keansburg. Please help by donating non-perishable food, along with personal and household items. Monetary donations are also appreciated.



Holy Cross Scholarship

Attention High School Seniors!



The Holy Cross Scholarship Committee is pleased to invite you to apply for a scholarship. This is for high school seniors whose family is registered at Holy Cross, and who intends to pursue post secondary education. The primary criteria for eligibility are Mass attendance and the extent of service performed for Holy Cross Parish Community, between Confirmation and High School graduation. The objective is to affirm those outstanding secondary students who have demonstrated an understanding of their Baptismal call to share in Jesus Christ's Mission through service to others in the church community.

Applications are online on the Holy Cross website.

Submission are due by April 25th.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

We will resume our regular Wednesday schedule next week. Join us as we celebrate 9:00 AM Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:45 AM to 4:00 PM.

Upcoming Events

In May

Holy Cross will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, May 4th at 2:00 and 4:00 PM.



We will celebrate the sacrament of First Eucharist on Saturday, May 12th at 10:00 AM and 12 noon.

Please keep all in your prayers.

Diocese of Trenton – Young Adult Meeting

Bishop David O’Connell has designated October 2018 to June 2019 as Year of Youth for the Diocese of Trenton. We will discuss the vision that the diocese has for young adult ministry and will be planning some future events for young adults, ages 21-39 years of age, and we would like your input! We will meet on Thursday, April 12th at St. William the Abbot, Howell, at 7:00 PM. We encourage you to reach out to Cimpar@DioceseofTrenton.org to get on the mailing list. Also, please reach out to Colleen at youngadults@stjames-redbank.com. Please come and join us on this great journey towards a deeper relationship with Christ and His Holy Church!



Holy Cross Summer Camps



Holy Cross Young Sports Readiness Clinic: Ages 4-6 years old, 9:00—11:00 AM

June 18th - 21st and July 16th - 19th. Cost, \$110 per session, includes T-shirt & certificate of participation.

Holy Cross Basketball Clinic: Open to Grades K—6, 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM, Cost is \$175 per session.

June 25th - 28th, July 2nd, 3rd, 5th & 6th, July 23rd - 26th, July 30th - August 2nd and August 6th - 9th.

Holy Cross Soccer Clinic: Open to Grades K—6, 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM,

July 9th thru 12th, Monday thru Thursday, cost is \$175 .

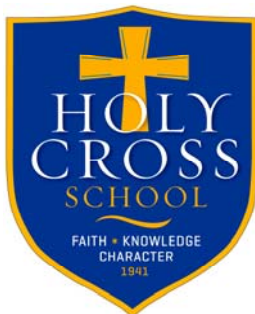
Please make all checks payable to: Holy Cross CYO.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Feerst at 732-842-0348 x1140 or email mfeerst@holycrossrumson.org .



Holy Cross School Community Heroes Mass

All are invited to join the Holy Cross School on Ascension Thursday, May 10th, at 9:00 AM, in the Church, for our Community Heroes Mass. All Police, Firefighters, Emergency Medical Technicians, and Lifeguards in attendance will be honored with a special blessing and cards from our students. Please invite family and friends who are community heroes!



So that we may reserve seats, RSVP to tmakin@holycrossrumson.org .

Holy Cross Poor Boxes



Our Poor Boxes are located in the Narthex of the church.

Donations are needed and appreciated all year long.

Remember to give to the poor.



Memorial Votive Candles

March 30 thru April 6



Deceased members of Leo Family (Family)

Memorial Votive Candles



Holy Cross Memorial Candles burn from Friday to Friday in our Prayer Garden, in front of the Blessed Mother Statue. Your intention is announced at the Saturday 9 AM Mass. Candles and Cards are available at the Parish Office and on our Parish Website.

A Memorial Candle donation is \$20.

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Our of respect for the privacy of the person who is ill and keeping in mind the HIPPA Laws, we can only publish prayer requests from the ill person or their guardian, with the permission of the ill person. We review the list every three months. Call with concerns!



*Catherine O'Malley, Ann Connor,
Eleanor Blass, Sophia Gonzales,
Joey Weikel, John Wizeman,
Marisa Murphy, Daniel Bonifacio,
Jennifer Denis, Dawn Lloyd, Sandra Foster,
Alessandra Giunta, Maria Incremona, Sean Ring,
Lori Lettieri and Frances Legge*

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 31

9:00 AM Morning Prayer and Blessing of Easter Food
8:00 PM RCIA Candidates and their Families

Sunday, April 1

8:00 AM M/M Anthony Giunco (Tony Gardella)
10:30 AM Gina Cesario (Family)
12:00 PM Susan Incremona (M/M Richard Incremona)

Monday, April 2

9:00 AM Rosalie C. Ramsey (Gary Sammon)

Tuesday, April 3

9:00 AM Special Intention (Living) (Ann Tricules)

Wednesday, April 4

9:00 AM George Kabash (M/M Joseph Kenney)

Thursday, April 5

9:00 AM George Kabash (M/M Paul Ryan)

Friday, April 6

9:00 AM Taylor Clark (Geiger Family)

Saturday, April 7

9:00 AM George Kabash (Makin Family)
8:00 PM Thomas S. Karlo, Sr. (Mary Ellis)
And Pierce Jarck, Jr. (Horan Family)

Sunday, April 8

8:00 AM Anne Hemphill (Joan McCue)
10:30 AM Carmen Mohamadi (John)
12:00 PM Tres Wagner (Modin Family)
5:00 PM Michael Lucey (Keavey Family)

He Is Risen!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



2017 Contribution Statements

Holy Cross Parishioners who would like to receive a 2017 Contribution Statement may request one by emailing

webmaster@holycrossrumson.org

We Welcome You To Holy Cross Church



It is our privilege to welcome you to Holy Cross Church. We hope our hospitality draws you into our midst and your time with us is comfortable, genuine and inspiring. Our church family has a great faith history together. We have been in this community for over 130 years. Our doors are open to all, and our hearts are open to receive those we meet. If you have been thinking, praying, searching and hoping for a place to belong, we welcome you to join our Parish family and make yourself at home at Holy Cross. **Families and Babies are Welcome!**

Calendar at a Glance



Monday, April 2

Holy Cross School and Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, April 3

Tuesday Prayer Group, 12:30—3:30 PM (St. Joseph Room)

Wednesday, April 4

Nocturnal Adoration, 11 PM—12 Midnight

Thursday, April 5

Bible Study, 9:45 AM (St. Joseph Room)

Holy Hour, 6:00—7:00 PM

Bereavement Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM (PO)

Saturday, April 7

Mass 9:00 AM, Confession and Novena after Mass

Sunday, April 8

Mass Sitters are Available

Monday, April 9

SOR 7th Grade Session, 6:15 PM

Healing Shepherd Prayer Group, 7:30 PM (HCS)

RCIA, Mystagogia, 6:30 PM

Tuesday, April 10

Tuesday Prayer Group, 12:30—3:30 PM (St. Joseph Room)

SOR Classes, 4:00 PM

Wednesday, April 11

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9:30 AM—4:00 PM

Elizabeth Ministry Faith Sharing, 10:00 AM (St. Joseph Rm)

Youth Ministry Meeting, 6:30 PM

Nocturnal Adoration, 11 PM—12 Midnight

Thursday, April 12

Bible Study, 9:45 AM (St. Joseph Room)

Holy Hour, 6:00—7:00 PM

Holy Cross Men’s Group, 7:00 PM (St. Joseph Room)

Baptism Prep Class, 7:00 PM (PO)

Friday, April 13

Holy Cross School Open House, 9:00 AM—10:30 AM

Saturday, April 14

Mass 9:00 AM, Confession and Novena after Mass

Food Drive For Project Paul

Holy Cross Pergola Column Donations



Consider helping us defray the cost of the pergola by dedicating a column in gratitude or prayerful memory of someone. Please contact the Parish Office for details.

Holy Cross Prayer Garden Memorial Bricks



Donate a Memorial Brick in the Holy Cross Prayer Garden in memory of a deceased loved one or in esteem of someone living. Pavers can be ordered online from the Holy Cross Parish Website, or you may stop by the Parish Office. Donations for Memorial Bricks are \$400 each.

Online Giving at Holy Cross Church



By using your credit card, checking or savings account, parishioners can make automatic contributions to

Holy Cross Offertory, Diocesan Assessment, Second Collections, Easter Offering, Christmas Offering and Capital Campaign Pledges.

To sign up, log onto the Holy Cross Website and click “*Online Giving*” in the left toolbar. You will be connected to a secure site where you may enter your information and decide how much and on what date per month to have funds transferred. Online Givers will be notified by email whenever a transaction has been made and can change or update their information as needed.

Thank you for your continued support of Holy Cross.

Diocese of Trenton—Blue Mass A Celebration of Law Enforcement

Our Annual Diocesan mass in Celebration of Law Enforcement will be on Tuesday, April 17th at 10:30 AM at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption in Trenton. Reservations are required for luncheon, fee of \$20 per person, immediate family of Law enforcement are free. Family and Friends are welcome. For details call 609-403-7199 or visit www.bluemass.org .