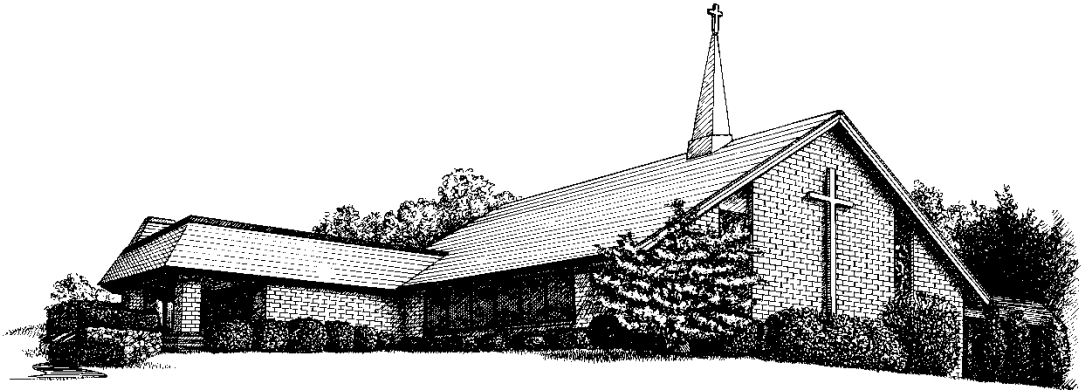


Holy Cross Parish ~ Župnija Svetega Križa



Welcome to Holy Cross Parish

750 Tahmore Drive, Fairfield, CT 06825-2519

We extend a warm welcome to all newcomers. May you find our parish a place where your faith will be nourished.

Parish Staff:

Rev. Alfred F. Pečarič, S.T.L., *Pastor*
Mrs. Clare Coyne - *Parish Secretary*
Mr. John Ertlmaier, CPA – *Bookkeeper*
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Mr. William Sekelsky - *Finance Board Chairman*
Patrick J. Walsh, Esq. - *President of Parish Advisory Board*
Mrs. Dorothy Fejes – *Catechist: 203. 259. 4905*

Organists:

Mr. Anthony Sagnella – *Sundays*
Mr. John Masi + Mrs. Lori Cellini-*Saturdays*

Sacraments:

Baptism: Preparation Class is by appointment only.
Arrangement for baptism will be made during the class.
Confession: Saturday, 3:45-4:15 pm and by appointment.

Mass Schedule:

Monday – Thursday 9:00 am
Vigil Mass: Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses: 9:30 and 11:00 am
Holy Day Masses as announced

Prayer Request Line:

Ann Marie Schiessl: 203. 255. 0866

Council and Societies:

Parish Advisory Board: *Quarterly – 7:00 pm*
Finance Board: *Quarterly – 7:00 pm*



MASS INTENTIONS

MAŠNI NAMENI

Sat. May 27 4:30 pm + Joseph Russo – Mr. & Mrs. Jason Wlochowski
Sun. May 28 9:30 am + Anne Colon – The Fusaro Family

11:00 am + Joseph Duh – The Duh Family

Mon. May 29 9:00 am + Mr. & Mrs. Orfeo Bacchiocci – Mr. & Mrs. DeCaro

Tue. May 30 9:00 am + Joseph Russo – Mr. & Mrs. James Pugliese

Wed. May 31 9:00 am + Ethel Wuennemann – Rich & Sue Kremheller

Thur. June 1 9:00 am + Bernard Skopp – Rosalie Pugliese

Sat. June 3 4:30 pm + Philip & Helen Goyette – Their Daughters, Pat & Louise

Sun. June 4 9:30 am + Rocco Pugliese – Josephine Cambareri

11:00 am + John, Rita and Michael Haray – The Koprivec & Haray Families

Sat. May 27 4:30 pm P. Stone/ T. Mitchell

Sun. May 28 9:30 am J. Piczko/ J. Csom

11:00 am M.E. Vollemans/ S. Cassone

Sat. June 3 4:30 pm J. Adams/ J. Adams

Sun. June 4 9:30 am J. Piczko/ B. Sekelsky

11:00 am W. Sullivan/ D. Paronich

ALTAR SOCIETY: Sat. June 3 M. Csom

Sat. June 10 Volunteer Needed

HAPPY EASTER/ VESELI VELIKONOČ
Our Redeemer is Risen from the Grave
Zveličar naš je ustal iz Groba
Alleluia, Alleluia



HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY

MEMORIAL DAY: is a national holiday established to commemorate the fallen soldiers who died in defense of our nation. As you gather for family cookouts, parties and outings, do not forget to offer a moment of silent prayer for the happy repose of the souls who have died for the freedoms we enjoy in our country. **REMEMBER:**

FREEDOM IS NOT FREE: SOMEONE PAID-WITH THEIR LIVES.

THE SECOND COLLECTION: this weekend is the Catholic Communication Campaign Collection.

FEAST OF PENTECOST: next weekend we will celebrate the feast of Pentecost, also known as the “birthday of the Church.” We pray for a spiritual renewal of all Baptized Christians throughout the world, and for a return of all lapsed Catholic and Orthodox Christians to the practice of the Faith, to receive the Holy Sacraments of Christ, and to the honor of Almighty GOD for the confession and forgiveness of sins, the salvation of souls, and preparation for Eternal Life.

PASTA DINNER: mark your calendars and plan to attend our all you can eat Pasta Dinner to be held on Saturday, June 3rd beginning at 6:00 pm. The meal includes meatballs, pasta, garlic bread, salad, desert, coffee and tea ALL for ONLY \$10.00 adults; \$5.00 children from 12 – 5; under 5 eat free. Tickets at the door will be \$12.00 adults. You are invited to BYOB. Advanced tickets will be sold before and after all Masses on weekends. This fundraiser is also a great way to socialize with your family and friends. Rather than go out to a restaurant, come to Holy Cross Eatery and enjoy good food.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL: to date, 47 gifts have been pledge to the value of \$16, 370.00, which represents 90.39% of the parish goal of \$18,000.00.

THANK YOU to everyone has made a pledge. If you have not yet made one, I ask if you would please consider making a pledge to help us meet the parish goal.

DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY: in recent years, people of faith have experienced pressing restrictions on religious freedom from both the federal government and state governments that receive federal funding. For example, in areas as diverse as adoption, education, healthcare, and other social services, widely held moral and religious beliefs, especially regarding the protection of human life as well as preserving marriage and family, have been maligned in recent years as bigotry or hostility — and penalized accordingly. But disagreement on moral and religious issues is not discrimination; instead, it is the inevitable and desirable fruit of a free, civil society marked by genuine religious diversity.

Let us pray that the revised HHS mandate protects the religious rights of the Catholic Church.

THE INFIRM: We pray for the healing & restoration of good health to all our infirm family members, friends, & Parishioners in particular:



Alan Bedwell, Dorothy Cassidy, Lori Cellini, Anthony Cilo, John Coletti, Terry D'Amico, Don DeMattia, Larry DiGiacomo, Madeline Doherty, Eileen Donohue, Don Donaldson, Melissa Doran, Mary Galich, Lee Gentile, Anna Knight, Mary Ann Koprivec, Margaret Kuharec, Pat Lenahan, Madalene Lennon, Gabriel Loeser, Anton Lukman, Paul Lytwyn, Lillian Makar, Patty Merola, Jackie Mitchell, Jim Motley, James Norris, Marc Pagnozzi, Gregory Parsley, Ilona Paul, Elizabeth Petrushonis, Lucille Piccirillo, Rev. Louis Pintye, OFM, Justina Pšeničnik, Edward & Diane Raschke, Stephen Ray, Darlene Raytar, Louis Rednak, Mary Ann Santolupo, Annette & Bernie Senderak, Micheal Sheets, Louise Tatangelo, Jaye Turner, Katherine Vallone, KJ Waller, Frank Us, and Fay Ann Zak.

We commend to our prayers the souls of all the recently deceased. May their souls and the souls of all the Faithful Departed through the Mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for World Peace, for an end to all unrest throughout the world-especially the Middle East, and for the protection of all our soldiers, troops, and Servicemen, may GOD BLESS & PROTECT THEM, from all evil, harm, & injury, and, return them safely home. Amen.

FEAST DAYS IN MAY/JUNE:

- Sunday, May 28
Seventh Sunday of Easter
- Monday, May 29
Secular Holiday: Memorial Day
- Wednesday, May 31
Feast of the Visitation
- Thursday, June 1
St. Justin, Martyr
- Friday, June 2
Ss. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs
- Saturday, June 3
St. Charles Lwanga and Companion Martyrs
In Honor of Our Lady
- Sunday, June 4
Feast of Pentecost

**Feast of the Visitation
May 31**



The event of the Visitation of the Virgin Mary to her elder relative Elizabeth is celebrated in the 2nd Mystery of the Most Holy Rosary. Its account is found in the Holy Gospel of St. Luke I: 36 – 56. Accordingly, the Angel Gabriel appeared to the young Virgin and announced to her that she was to conceive the Son of GOD who would save people from their sins. Additionally, he related to her that her kinswoman, the wife of the Priest Zechariah was in the 6th month of in anticipating a son as well:

“Know that Elizabeth your kinswoman has conceived a son in her old age; she who was thought to be sterile is now in her sixth month, for nothing is impossible with GOD.

Mary said: ‘I am the handmaiden of the Lord, may it be done to me according to your word.’ Then the Angel left her.

Thereupon Mary set out, proceeding in haste into the hill country to a town of Judah (Ein Karem), where she entered the house of the Priest Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leapt in her womb. Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and cried out in a loud voice: ‘Blest are you among women and blest is the fruit of your womb. But who am I that the mother of my Lord should come to me? The moment your greeting sounded in my ears, the baby leapt in my womb for joy. Best is she who trusted that the Lord’s words to her would be fulfilled.’ Then Mary said:

‘My soul magnifies the Lord; my spirit rejoices in GOD my Savior, for HE has looked kindly upon HIS lowly handmaid; from this day, all generations shall call me Blessed, for the Almighty had done greats for me, Holy is HIS Name; HIS mercy is from age to age on those who fear HIM. HE has shown the strength of HIS arm, HE has scattered the proud in their conceit. HE has deposed the mighty from their thrones and has lifted up the lowly. To the hungry HE has given every good thing, while the rich HE has sent away empty. HE has upheld Israel HIS servant ever

May 20/ 21, 2017

<i>Regular Collection:</i>	<i>\$ 1,555.00</i>
<i>Capitol Improvement:</i>	<i>\$ 1,324.00</i>
<i>Miscellaneous:</i>	<i>\$ 477.00</i>

*Seventh Sunday of Easter/ Sedma Velikonočna Nedelja
mindful of HIS mercy; even as HE promised to our Fathers,
to Abraham and to his descendants forever.' Mary remained
with Elizabeth for three months and then returned home."*

May 28, 2017