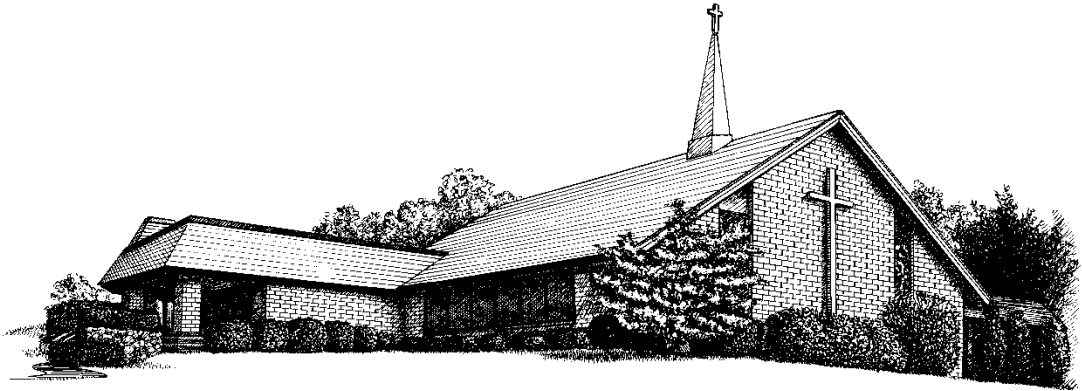


Holy Cross Parish ~ Župnija Svetega Križa



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.	June 10	4:30 pm + Andrew Kokorda – Rosalie Pugliese
Sun.	June 11	9:30 am + Anne Colon – Pia Lauren Oppedisano
		11:00 am + Intention of Rev. Alfred F. Pečarič
Mon.	June 12	9:00 am + Joseph Russo – Rosalie Pugliese
Tue.	June 13	9:00 am + Ethel Wuennemman – Joe & JoAnne Piczko
Wed.	June 14	9:00 am + Joseph Russo – Mr. & Mrs. Bernhardt Schindler
Thur.	June 15	9:00 am + Ethel Wuennemann – Mary Pintek & Family
Sat.	June 17	4:30 pm + Rocco Pugliese – Mr. & Mrs. Bernhardt Schindler
Sun.	June 18	9:30 am + Erwin Stalzer – Rosalie Pugliese
		11:00 am + Philip J. DeProfio & John F. Gurrieri, Sr. - Linda DeProfio

Sat.	June 10	4:30 pm D Fejes/ L. Selimović
Sun.	June 11	9:30 am B. Sekelsky/ J. Csom
		11:00 am M.E. Vollemans/ P. Walsh

Sat.	June 17	4:30 pm P. Stone/ M. Colon
Sun.	June 18	9:30 am J. Piczko/ B. Sekelsky
		11:00 am P. Sullivan/ W. Sullivan

ALTAR SOCIETY: Sat. June 17 C. & N. Conklin

Sat. June 24 C. & M. Coyne

FROM THE PASTOR:

RETURN TO “ORDINARY TIME:” with the celebration of the Solemnity of Pentecost the Easter Season draws to a close. Ordinary Time resumes with Week 9; Volume III of the Liturgy of the Hours; and, ferial Readings from Cycle I.

FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY: in the Western Church, the first Sunday after the Pentecost is celebrated as the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity-GOD the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

In the early days of the Christian Church, no special Office or day was assigned for the Holy Trinity. When the *Arian Heresy* was spreading throughout Asia Minor, the Early Church Fathers prepared an Office with canticles, responses, a Preface, and hymns, to be recited on Sundays. Pope Alexander II (1061 – 1073) refused a petition for a separate feast for the Holy Trinity, indicating that the Holy Trinity was honored in the praying of the GLORIA. Furthermore, that such a feast is not necessary, because every Mass celebrates the Holy Trinity, as every prayer is offered to the Heavenly Father, through the intercession of the Son, in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

Pope John XXII (1316 – 1334) ordered the feast to be celebrated in honor of the Holy Trinity for the entire Church on the first Sunday after Pentecost indicating that such a feast is good, as it reminds us of the need to contemplate the mystery and reality of GOD and not just routinely address HIM. *The Divine Liturgy* refers to GOD as “Ἁγίος - *Holy*, Ἰσχυρὸς-*Mighty*, and Ἀθάνατος-*Immortal*.”

“Holy” according to ancient Hebrew texts does not refer to GOD as sacred as one might think, but as absolutely, completely, and totally DISTINCT from the created world. “Mighty” is the adverb used to describe the power of GOD which is incomparable to any created force or power. “Immortal” refers to the essence or the substance of GOD which has no beginning, no confines, and no end. The Father revealed HIMSELF to Moses as “I AM WHO AM,” that is to say - I AM Pure Existence/Essence. Our Lord Jesus Christ revealed HIMSELF to St. John in exile as the “Alpha and the Omega,” “the Lamb once slain Who lives forever.” The Holy Spirit revealed HIMSELF as the Holy Paraclete “a strong driving wind Who empowered the Apostles” with gifts beyond their normal human abilities - the power to fearlessly witness to Jesus the Messiah, risen from the Dead in the languages of man.

THANK YOU: to everyone who worked at the Pasta Dinner last Saturday, and, **THANK YOU** to everyone who came to support the parish at the dinner. It was a bigger success than expected with 138 tickets sold. The dinner grossed \$1,857.00 and netted \$1,275.00 including Raffle and post dinner sales. **THANK YOU; THANK YOU; THANK YOU.**

THE SECOND COLLECTION: this weekend is the usual Monthly Collection.

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL: to date, 52 gifts have been pledged to the value of \$1, 8045.00 which represents 100.25% of the parish goal of \$18,000.00. **THANK YOU** to everyone who has made a pledge.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PARISH IN FAIRFIELD: invites you to enjoy their seasonal music series continuation of *Music For A Spring Afternoon*, featuring classical guitars and flute, next Sunday June 11, at 5:00 pm in St. Anthony Church. There is no charge for the concert. A cheese and wine reception will follow the concert with an opportunity to meet the musicians.

NEW CATHOLIC TELEVISION PROGRAM FOR YOU EVERY DAY: BE INSPIRED BY A NEW Catholic television program for everyday living that will motivate you to achieve your hope and dreams as you live a life of power, impact freedom and purpose. It provides practical ways of living lie to the fullest and helping you make faith a part of your daily life.

Bruce Downes: *The Catholic Guy Television* program is seen by millions of people whose lives have been changed by his down-to-earth approach. There are daily broadcasts every day at 8:30 am EST on the following companies:

DIRECTV Ch371; DISH Ch 258; AT&T U-VERSE Ch565; VERIZON FIOS Ch 288.

For further information access: www.BruceDownesTheCatholicGuy.com where one can also watch the program daily.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MUSEUM: recently opened a new exhibition entitled: *World War I: Beyond the Front Lines*, exploring America’s involvement in the “Great War,” including the K of C’s Catholic outreach to servicemen at home and abroad. A series of public lectures is planned throughout the show. The museum at 1 State Street in New Haven is open 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. Admission and parking are free. The exhibit will be on display throughout December 30, 2017. For more information, please access www.kofcmuseum.org.

BIRTHRIGHT: an emergency pregnancy service offering free pregnancy tests, friendship counseling, practical support, and clerical and clothing work, needs volunteers. It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every child to be born. Birthright has served in CT since 1972 and has ten locations. We help any pregnant girl or woman who calls us. If you would like to help, please call 1.800. 550. 4900 for the nearest local Birthright center. Training is provided.

DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY: according to Archbishop William E. Lori of the USCCB Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Freedom, evangelizing not only saves souls, it also preserves Religious freedom. When people’s minds and hearts been opened to the truth and beauty of God’s love and the love of God has been poured into their hearts – then the natural

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endowment of Religious Freedom comes alive and people are more likely to defend Religious freedom in society. As lawmakers move to revise the health care mandate, may they procure our religious freedom.

FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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 Grotti, Linda Grzegowski, Rhoda Harap, Colleen Horan, Peter John, Kathleen Johnson, Maureen Kelly, Ron & Alma 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, Ava Paronich, 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, Rose Savino, Annette & Bernie Senderak, Michael 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, esp. Jarod Herman and Joan McCann. 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 JUNE:

- Sunday, June 11
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
- Tuesday, June 13
St. Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor
- Saturday, June 17
In Honor of Our Lady
- Sunday, June 18
Solemnity Corpus Christi

<i>June 3/4, 2017</i>	
<i>Regular Collection:</i>	<i>\$ 2,429.00</i>
<i>Picnic Collection:</i>	<i>\$ 1,198.00</i>
<i>Miscellaneous:</i>	<i>\$ 967.00</i>



Today, Holy Mother the Church honors the 3 Divine Persons of the Holy Trinity: the Father; the Son, and, the Holy Spirit. The Venerable Christian Faith has 3 foundational Mysteries: The Holy Trinity; the Incarnation; and the Resurrection. We believe in God as the Supreme Being Who has revealed Himself by events as recounted in the Holy Scriptures-in both Old and New Testaments. The Revelation of 3 Divine Persons in One God-the Holy Trinity-was first manifested at Our Lord Jesus Christ’s Baptism. Up to then, pagans worshipped a plethora of gods while the Hebrews worshipped the One True God who manifested Himself to Moses by the elusive Hebrew Name which is rooted in the verb *to be* – יהוה. The Holy Name, known as “the *Holy Tetragrammaton*” has no vowels; its pronunciation was passed from High Priest to High Priest and uttered only once annually, on the Feast of *Yom Kippur*. For anyone else to take or attempt to take this Name on their lips was blasphemy and punishable by stoning to death. It was Our Lord Jesus Christ, who taught us to address the Ineffable God as “Father,” to Whom we hope to be united after our lives here on Earth.

At Our Lord’s Baptism the Three Divine Persons of the Holy Trinity were revealed. According to the Holy Scriptures: MT III: 16 – 17; MK: I: 19 – 11; LK: III: 21 – 22; JN I: 31 – 34. We “know” each of these Divine Persons by their Activity: the Father is the Creator; the Son is the Redeemer; and, the Holy Spirit is the Sanctifier

The Gospel of St. Matthew concludes with Our Lord’s commission of the Apostles XXVIII: 18 – 20:

“Full authority has been given to me both in Heaven and on Earth; go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations. Baptize them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Teach them to carry

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**out everything I have commanded you. And know that I
am with you always, even until the end of the world!"**