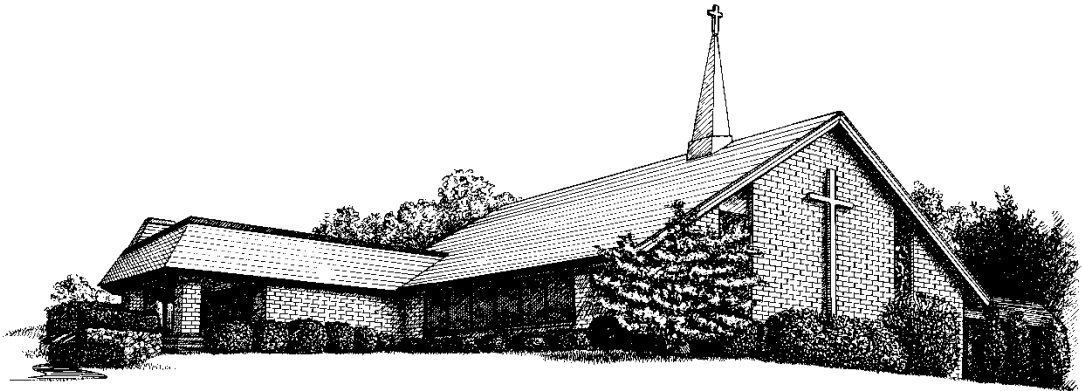


# Holy Cross Parish ~ Župnija Svetega Križa



## 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*  
Rector: 203. 372. 4595  
Parish Office: 203. 372. 4595; Fax 203. 372. 4668  
Parish E-mail: holy\_cross\_church@sbcglobal.net

### 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

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.*

### Council and Societies:

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



## MASS INTENTIONS      MAŠNI NAMENI

Sat. Aug 12 4:30 pm + Robert D. Kranyik – His Wife, Louise & Daughter, Mary Louise  
Sun. Aug 13 9:30 am + Frank DiGiacomo – A Friend  
11:00 am + John F. Gurrieri, Sr. – Linda DeProfio

Mon. Aug 14 9:00 am + John Joseph(Jack) Killoy – Linda DeProfio & Anna Gurrieri  
Tue. Aug 15 9:00 am + Franc & Marija Koprivec – Frank Koprivec  
Wed. Aug 16 9:00 am + Catherine A. O'Connor – Mr. & Mrs. Daniel O'Connor  
Thur. Aug 17 9:00 am + Intention of Conversion of Terrorists – Justina Pšeničnik

Sat. Aug. 19 4:30 pm + Narcisa Pecchiari – Her Nephew & Niece  
Sun. Aug. 20 9:30 am + Luisa E. Levai – A Friend  
11:00 am + Philip C. DeProfio – Anna Gurriei & Family

Sat. Aug. 12 4:30 pm T. Mitchell/ M. Coyne  
Sun. Aug. 13 9:30 am J. Piczko/ J. Csom  
11:00 am P. Sullivan/ D. Paronich

Sat. Aug. 19 4:30 pm J. Adams/ J. Adams  
Sun. Aug.20 9:30 am P. Stone/ P. Walsh  
11:00 am T. Mitchell/ L. Selimović

**FROM THE PASTOR:**

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS:** this Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> is the Solemnity and Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven.

**IT IS A HOLY DAY AND ONE OF OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS.**

**MASS TIMES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>-4:30 Vigil Mass; on Tuesday, Masses are at 9:00 am and 5:30 pm. Mark your calendars and don't forget to honor the Holy Mother of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, as Almighty GOD allowed her to fall asleep in Death, but assumed her into Heaven before the corruption of the grave could ravage her body as it was not right for her to undergo corruption as she was conceived without Original Sin, and, had conceived and given birth to GOD'S own Beloved Son.

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

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**PICNIC MEETING:** the final picnic meeting will be Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

**SARMA-STUFFED CABBAGE PRESALE:** the Parish Task Force will again be sponsoring a pre-picnic stuffed cabbage sale on Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, between the hours of 10:00 am– 2:00 pm. To place an order for the stuffed cabbage, please call the parish office, or, Mrs. Theresa Feranec at: 203. 259. 5366.

**THE LAST DAY TO PLACE AN ORDER IS FRIDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>.**

The date of the parish picnic is Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> following the close of the 11:00 Polka Mass. Mark your calendars and plan to attend the picnic to enjoy ethnic and national foods, music and camaraderie.

**A VOCATIONAL RETREAT FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:** will be held at Saint Ann Church in BPT on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 from 5:30-8pm. We are inviting all Confirmation Candidates and Youth Group members within Deanery A to attend. Please RSVP to [reled@stannblackrock.com](mailto:reled@stannblackrock.com) by August 28, 2017. If you would like more information, please contact Diane Scott at the above email or at (203) 368-1607.

**100TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA AND POLAND:** come and experience Fatima for the 100th anniversary year and receive a plenary indulgence, then onto Poland in the footsteps of St. John Paul I,I and St. Faustina with EWTN TV Hosts Donna-Marie Cooper O'Boyle and Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR on a grace-filled and life-changing pilgrimage from September 17 to 27, 2017. Spaces are limited. For details, please access: <http://www.donnacooper-boyle.com/blog/pilgrimages-2/>.

**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](http://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](http://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:** when revising the current federal health care bill, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is asking Congress to address the Affordable Care Act's (ACA) moral deficiencies and challenges with long-term sustainability. Problems with the ACA should be fixed with more narrow reforms and in a bipartisan way.

Miscellaneous:	\$ 351.00
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**THE INFIRM:** We pray for the healing & restoration of good health to all our infirm family members, friends, & Parishioners in particular:



Marie Adams, Alan Bedwell, Mary Alou Cahill, Dorothy Cassidy, Lori Cellini, Anthony Cilo, John Coletti, Terry D'Amico, Don DeMattia, Larry DiGiacomo, Madeline Doherty, Eileen Donohue, Don Donaldson, Melissa Doran, Jon Duguid, Dotty Fejes, Mary Galich, Lee Gentile, Anna Grotti, Linda Grzegowski, Rhoda Harap, Colleen Horan, Peter John, Kathleen Johnson, Maureen Kelly, Ron & Alma Knight, Mary Ann Koprivec, Louise Kranyik, 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, Louis Rednak, Joel Rivera, 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 AUGUST:

Sunday, August 13

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, August 14

St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr

Tuesday, August 15

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION:**

Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady

Wednesday, August 16

St. Stephen of Hungary

Saturday, August 19

St. John Eudes, Priest;

In Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday, August 20

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady August 15



In the year 451 AD, Bishops from throughout the Mediterranean world gathered at a *Synodal Council* at Chalcedon to define the role and the Theology of the mother of the Holy Saviour- Our Lord, Jesus Christ. The Patriarch of Jerusalem, St. Juvenal had attended the Council, where he learned of her assumption into Heaven. Accordingly, he later informed the Emperor Marchianos & his wife Pulcheria of Constantinople-who desired to possess the remains of the body of the BVM-that the Mother of the Son of GOD had died in the presence of ten Apostles. At the request of St. Thomas-who had been absent at the time of her death and burial-when opened on the third day, her tomb was found empty of the body. Raising their eyes to Heaven, they beheld a vision of the Holy Virgin in glory.

Orthodox Tradition as defined by the Council of Chalcedon decreed that the Holy Virgin underwent a physical death, as did her Son, but her body was afterwards raised out of Death-*the Dormition or Falling Asleep*, and she was taken up into Heaven in body as well as in soul: "Our Lady has passed beyond Death and Judgment, and lives wholly in the Age to Come: the Resurrection of the Body has in her case been anticipated and is already an accomplished fact."

August 05/06, 2017

Regular Collection: \$ 1,515.00

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time/ Devetnajsta Nedelja med Letom*

*August 13, 2017*

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII issued the Apostolic Constitution of *Munificentissimus Deus*, proclaiming that: “Having completed the course of her earthly life, the Blessed Virgin Mary was assumed body and soul into Heavenly glory,” where she shares the glorious Resurrection of her Son.