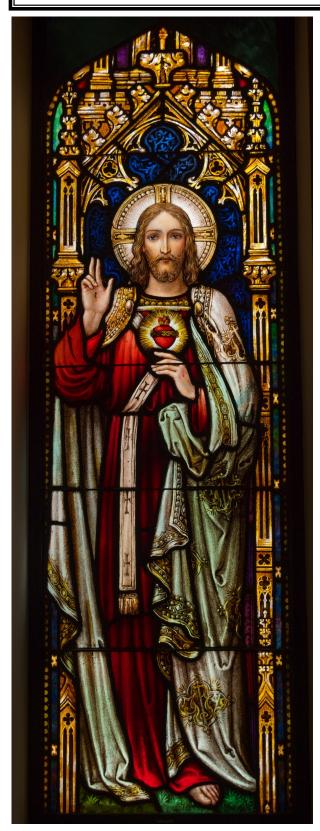
# **HOLY INNOCENTS PARISH**



431 Bedford Road Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel, Saratoga Avenue Pleasantville, New York 10570 Sunday, August 18, 2024



#### SERVED BY THE DOMINICAN FRIARS

Fr. Luke Hoyt, O.P.

Pastor

Fr. Philip Nolan, O.P.

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Michael Ciccone, O.P.

Fr. Frank Sutman, O.P.

In Residence

#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### **Sunday Mass**

5:15PM Saturday Vigil 7:30AM, 9:00AM (Family Mass), 11:00AM, 5:15PM 10:00AM at Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel

### **Daily Mass**

7:00AM Monday - Saturday 12:15PM Monday, Wednesday & Friday 5:30PM Tuesday & Thursday at Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel 6:00PM First Friday

#### Confessions

7:00PM-8:00PM Tuesday 4:30PM-5:00PM Saturday 4:30PM-5:00PM Sunday 4:30PM-5:30PM First Friday 5:00PM-5:30PM First Tuesday at Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel

#### Adoration

7:00PM-8:00PM Tuesday 1:00PM-6:00 PM First Friday

#### Office Hours

\*Summer Hours Monday-Friday 9:00am-1:30pm\* (914) 769-0025 www.hiparish.org office@hiparish.org

#### Parish Office (914) 769-0025

**Administrative Assistants** 

Eileen Bruehl, Ext. 11 Joanna O'Connor, Ext. 10

**Business Manager & All Souls Cemetery Manager** 

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Trustees

Robert J. Brutting & Elizabeth Kwiat



8/17 Saturday

(Vigil) †Ralph Mango 5:15pm

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8/18

†Thomas McCormack 7:30am 9:00am The People Of The Parish

10:00am (OLP) †Carmen Reyes & Family

†Renato Vellutino 11:00am †Salvatore Arcidicono 5:15pm **Monday Weekday** 8/19

7:00am †Ann Franco 12:15pm †Rita Walsh

8/20 Tuesday St. Bernard

†Josephine & Philip Bochichio 7:00am

5:30pm (OLP) Charles Harris 8/21 Wednesday St. Pius 7:00am †Stacy McAllister †Bernadette Harris 12:15pm

8/22 Thursday The Queenship of

The Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00am †Eileen Woods †Mario Galli 5:30pm

8/23 Friday St. Rose Of Lima, OP

†Richard J. Cardone 7:00am †Randy Rushneck 12:15pm

8/24 Saturday St. Bartholomew

†Cynthia Ann Egan 7:00am (Vigil) †Michael Piccorelli 5:15pm

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 8/25 †Michael & Teresa Keenan 7:30am

†Gino Paolucci 9:00am (OLP) †John Bretano 10:00am

†John D. Collins 11:00am

The People Of The Parish 5:15pm

**EMERGENCY LINE** If you need a priest after office hours you can call our emergency line at **914.340.4486.** We are honored to bring you the Sacraments in your time of need.

Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony and Anointing of the Sick: Please visit our website or call the parish office.

**New Parishioners** You are cordially invited to join our parish community. Please stop in at the parish office to meet one of our friars and to complete a registration card.

Communion Call: If you would like to receive Holy Communion in your home, please email office@hiparish.org.



#### **GLUTEN INTOLERANT?**

If you have a gluten intolerance and would like a low gluten host at Communion, please see the celebrant

10 min before Mass. We are happy to accommodate!



We celebrate with the parents and godparents of the newly baptized:

Daisy Juliet Paolini

## FINANCE CORNER

(Sunday Collection + WeShare):

Sunday, August 11 \$10,932

Thank you for your support!



The Sanctuary Lamp burns In **Memory Of** 

Ralph Mango & Nancy Flora (OLP)



Rose DeSanctis (mother of Joe DeSanctis), Mary Coughlin, Buddy Coughlin, Jimmy Place Pay for the Cick of the Parish Fleming, Robert Sarro, Louis Sarro, Joann Keddy, Laura

Cabrera, Joel Walker, Pamela Pena, Maria Annunziata, Janet Moy, Teresa Angarola, Linda Callari, Isidro LaSalle, Ed Mann, Ada Juarbe, Vincent Tichy, Vinny M., Maryann Colucci, Anthony Colucci, George Stefanou, Karen Carini, Nancy DeZolt, Monica Fabi, Stan Magda, Patricia Greges, Micki Carbone, Walter Kastner, Jon Shuker, brother -in-law of Roxanne Surace, Paula Porrecelli, Bill Schmitz., Mary Collins, Jeanie Davis



Last year, from September until May, week after week I gathered with a group of adults on a spiritual journey. These men and women had approached the parish and asked to learn more about the Catholic faith. Some came completely on their own; some were prompted by friends or spouses. They were all different ages. They

came from different backgrounds and different walks of life, but they shared a desire to come to know God and his plan for them more deeply. We met to discuss the big questions and to ponder together the ways of God and the rich teachings of the Catholic Church. Our conversations touched on everything under the sun and engaged both our minds and our hearts.

All those gatherings led to one of the highlights of my time at Holy Innocents: Late at night during the Easter Vigil, four of those people received new spiritual life in the waters of baptism and became adopted children of God. Additionally three others entered into the fullness of faith by professing belief in the Catholic Church. Then, along with those baptized (and another Catholic completing her sacraments), they were all sealed with the Holy Spirit in Confirmation and received the Eucharist. I experienced a profound joy that night as I saw God pour out his love, power, and gifts upon those he had called to himself.

Why do I share all this now? Well, because this fall, that same journey will begin for countless men and women throughout the world as well as here at Holy Innocents. Men and women will gather with priests and catechists to ask the hard questions and ponder the faith. The official name for such groups is RCIA or OCIA—the Rite (or Order) of Christian initiation for adults. All that is necessary for someone to begin is an interest in learning about God and growing in faith and a willingness to show up to the weekly discussions—nothing more.

So who, concretely, is RCIA for?

- For those who have never been baptized who want to learn more about God and his Church.
- For those who were baptized in a Protestant denomination or in the Catholic Church, but have not received other sacraments and want to explore living their faith more fully.
- Additionally, we welcome adult Catholics who have never received the Sacrament of Confirmation and want to dive deeper into their relationship with God.

We will have an informational meeting (no more than 45 minutes) on **Wednesday**, **September 4th**, at 7:15pm in the social hall.

The following week, the group will start gathering weekly on a weekday evening (day and time TBD).

If you are interested, please come along. If you know someone who might be interested, please let them know. Perhaps you've been drawn to the Church but have never had a chance to ask your questions. Perhaps your spouse is Catholic and you come to Mass often, but aren't Catholic yourself. Maybe now is the time to test the waters.

God bless,

Fr. Philip

#### Liturgy Notes— Sunday, August 18, 2024

Unless we are given a way for Jesus Christ to be inside us, we will turn Christ into an abstraction. "Unless you eat" the "true food" and the "true drink" of the Eucharist "you do not have life within you." The Sacrament is God's method for enabling us to remain in him and him in us. It is imperative for us to "try to understand what is the will of the Lord." To conjecture any other means for remaining in Christ is to induce a "foolishness" that you must "forsake that you may live." To the one who lacks understanding, Wisdom commands, "Eat my flesh, drink my blood."

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts/ is better than a thousand elsewhere.

#### Collect

O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.







## Holy Innocents Altar Servers

We invite children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and older to consider becoming altar servers! For more information, call the parish office.



#### DAUGHTERS OF MARY 5th-8th Grade Girls

...the Most High has made her the sole treasurer of His treasures, and the sole dispenser of His graces, to ennoble, to

exalt, and to enrich whom she wishes; to give entry to whom she wills into the narrow way of heaven; to pass whom she wills, and in spite of all obstacles, through the strait gate of life; and to give the throne, the sceptre, and the crown of the King to whom she wills. -True Devotion To Mary, by Saint Louis De Montfort

The next Daughters of Mary Class is on September 7th from 4:45-7:15 in the social hall classroom. The girls will enjoy a meal, arts and crafts, learn about The First Five Saturday Devotion, and the virtue of the month will be Fear of the Lord. If your daughter is interested in joining and for more information, please email Rosemarie

at rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com.



First Friday

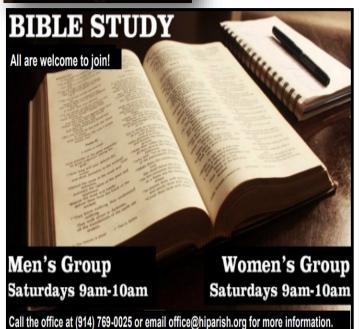
# September 6

Renew your life with Christ every First Friday of the month.

> Adoration 1pm—6pm

Confession 4:30pm— 5:30pm

Mass 7am, 12:15, 6pm

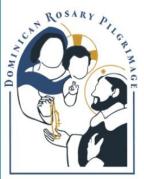




# Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage September 28, 2024

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Washington, DC

Join the Dominican Friars in a national pilgrimage devoted to Christ and Our Lady!



Cost \$85 per person. Scan QR code to register and for payment.

#### We are going! Join us!

A group from Holy Innocents, led by Fr. Philip, will be attending the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage. We will travel by bus, leave Pleasantville early in the morning and return late evening. All are invited.

SIGN UP! Scan to register and pay or call the office.



More than 3,500 people attended the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., last September, and the Dominicans are preparing an even larger event in 2024 to help people grow closer to Christ through the Rosary.

Holy Innocents Parish 914-769-0025 Hiparish.org

#### **Summer '24 Improvement Projects**

We're continuing to update and improve our facility!

Each improvement is well worth it, but comes with a price tag. See the cost outline below.

All donations marked "Maintenance" will go towards these projects until they are paid off.

Thank you in advance for your help!

#### LED lighting in the perimeter of the main church

We installed new LED lighting in the hanging fixtures of the main church last year. Relighting the droppedceiling perimeter area will complete the job.

= \$11,000

#### LED lighting in the Social Hall

The new fixtures will be smaller, more luminous, energy efficient, dimmable (a needed feature for events like our Wine Tasting), look better, and last longer.

= \$51,500

#### Our Lady of Pompeii windows and social hall

The windows in the sacristy and the bathrooms of OLP need to be replaced, and we will refurbish the OLP hall (new lighting, new ceiling, repainting) which is used regularly for Sunday refreshments, meetings, and events like the Seven Fishes Dinner.

= \$44,000

TOTAL COST = \$106,500 FUNDS RAISED = \$60,030 (As of August 13, 2024)

FUNDS STILL NEEDED = \$46,469

Thank you in advance for your help!



This weekend our Offertory hymn is the beautiful **<u>Dwelling Place</u>** by Fr. John Foley, SJ. The song is based on Ephesians 3 which emphasizes God's purpose for us and how our lives fit into God's eternal purpose for the church. We are encouraged to pray and not lose heart in the trials of our earthly life.

Fr. John Foley has a gift for drawing from scripture and crafting poetry which he then sets to music. At the time of change following the Second Vatican Council, and a call for active participation of the faithful in liturgy, John Foley joined with fellow young seminarians at St. Louis University to create what are now classic Catholic worship songs. The St. Louis Jesuits included Fr. Bob Dufford, SJ, Tim Manion, Fr. Roc O'Connor, SJ and Dan Schutte. Their works include **Be Not Afraid**, **Here I am Lord**, and **One Bread, One Body**.

Fr. Foley lectures across the country on liturgical music and the spirituality of liturgy. He founded the Center for Liturgy at Saint Louis University, a national think tank for studying and teaching liturgy. He is currently the Editor-in-Chief of the Saint Louis University Sunday website, a weekly review of Sunday's liturgical reviews from several perspectives.

The message of <u>Dwelling Place</u> works nicely with the theme of our second reading from Ephesians, to be imitators of Christ for each other. Each of us is a dwelling place where Christ lives, wherever we are is holy. As we come together in prayer and worship, we are reminded to build up the Body of Christ, carrying God's words of care and mercy to one another, and God's church.

"May Christ find a dwelling place of faith in our hearts, and may our lives be rooted in love."



Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month following the 9am & 11am Mass and every 1st Sunday of the month @ OLP following the 10am

Mass. Contact the parish office if you would like to volunteer with this service.



Holy Innocents Knitting Group
1st Thursday of the month in the
social hall at 7:30PM



Join us in singing the Marian Antiphons at our sung Masses each Sunday.

This season's antiphon is "Salve Regina." Music cards are available in the pews.



Welcome to all families attending our Sunday 9:00am Family Mass.



Pope Francis' August Intention is for For political leaders

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for

the poor and those who have lost their jobs.



## Religious Education

This weekend's first reading is from the Book of Proverbs and is an invitation to wisdom. "Forsake foolishness that you may live: advance in the way of understanding."

The Holy Innocents Religious Education program exists to help our youth learn, embrace and live their Catholic faith with wisdom and understanding!

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year is open. We are continuing to use the ParishSoft application for registration and WeShare to pay on-line.

For detailed instructions, please click the Religious Education icon on the parish website: hiparish.org and then click Registration Information. If you prefer to register via paper form, and pay by check, the registration form is also located on the website, and can be printed and mailed.

Please direct any questions to the Religious Education office email religious.ed@hiparish.org.



#### **HI Moms Group**

Our focus is supporting mothers and babies both within our parish, and the wider community

If you'd like to get involved in group initiatives or attend the meetings, contact Adriana at asel4451@gmail.com or text 917/291-1476.

 Please make use of the Quiet Play Area set up in the social hall! It is available for children to use during and after Masses