



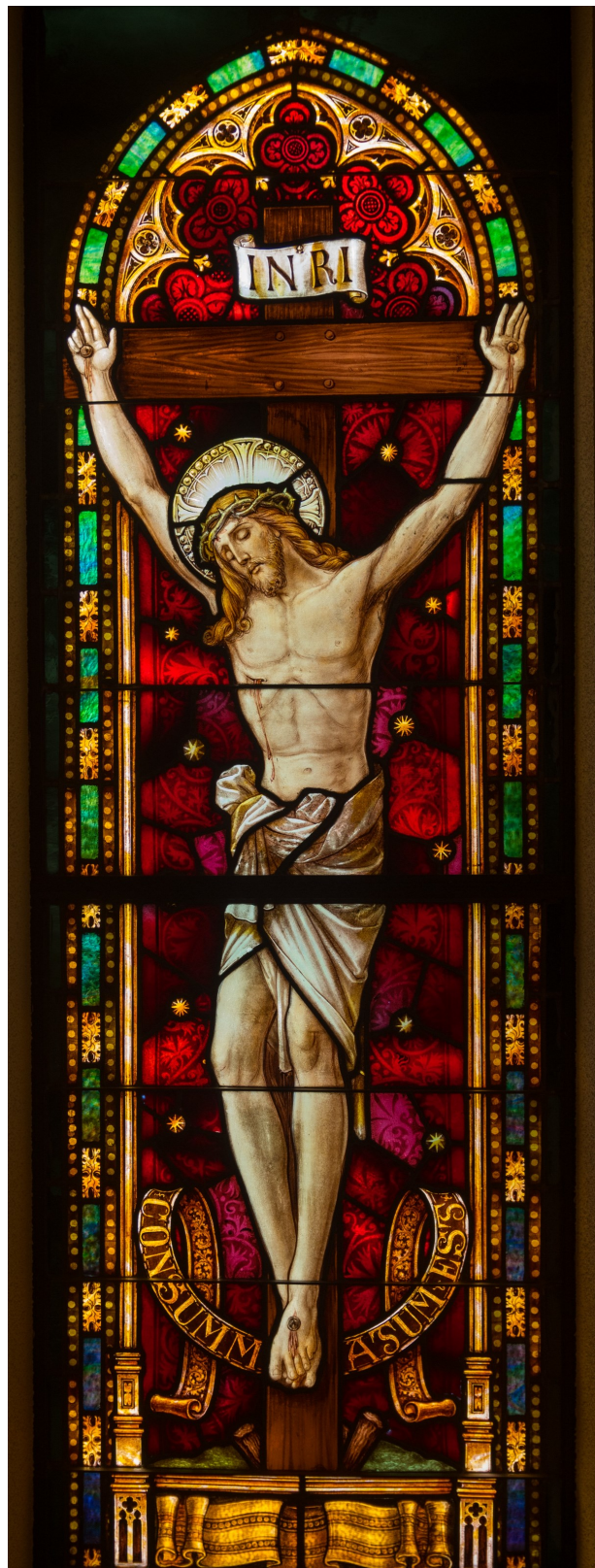
# HOLY INNOCENTS PARISH

431 Bedford Road

Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel, Saratoga Avenue

Pleasantville, New York 10570

Sunday, February 11, 2024



## SERVED BY THE DOMINICAN FRIARS

Fr. Luke Hoyt, O.P.

*Pastor*

Fr. Philip Nolan, O.P.

*Parochial Vicar*

Fr. Leo Camurati, O.P.

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

### Adoration

7:00PM - 8:00PM Tuesday

1:00PM- 6:00 PM First Friday

### Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:30pm

(914) 769-0025

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**Director** Joe DeSanctis, (914) 514-8731

**Youth Group Minister** Julia Edelson



<b>2/10</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
5:15pm	(Vigil) Richard & Margaret Murphy
<b>2/11</b>	<b>Sunday 6th Sunday Of Ordinary Time</b>
7:30am	Fran Saracco
9:00am	Frank & Frances Lofaro
10:00am	(OLP) The People of the Parish
11:00am	Carmine Policicchio
5:15pm	John Makosky
<b>2/12</b>	<b>Monday Weekday</b>
7:00am	Ida, Luigi & Pietro Testa
12:15pm	Bob Morales
<b>2/13</b>	<b>Tuesday Blessed Jordan of Saxony, OP</b>
7:00am	Rosemarie Wick
5:30pm	(OLP) Antonio Sozzi
<b>2/14</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>
7:00am	Peter Leheny
12:15pm	Alexander Shepetuk
7:00pm	Maria Iannino
<b>2/15</b>	<b>Thursday After Ash Wednesday</b>
7:00am	Sarah Lynch
5:30pm	(OLP) Concetta Salottolo Rougeau
<b>2/16</b>	<b>Friday After Ash Wednesday</b>
7:00am	Gloria Flores
12:15pm	John Cichettie
<b>2/17</b>	<b>Saturday After Ash Wednesday</b>
7:00am	Robert Schoener
5:15pm	(Vigil) George Civita
<b>2/18</b>	<b>1st SUNDAY OF LENT</b>
7:30am	The People of the Parish
9:00am	Richard "Desi" Callanan
10:00am	(OLP) Deceased of Rubino Family
11:00am	Joseph Marcella
5:15pm	Myra Cacsire

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

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

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**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.

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**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.

**FINANCE CORNER**

(Sunday Collection + WeShare):

**February 4 \$10,960.00**

**Second Collection: February 18**



**The Sanctuary Lamp burns  
In Memory of Bob Morales &  
In Honor Of The Holy Face Of Jesus  
(OLP)**



**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



Rose DeSanctis (mother of Joe DeSanctis), Mary Coughlin, Buddy Coughlin, Jimmy Fleming, Robert Sarro, Louis Sarro, Joann Keddy, Laura Cabrera, Joel Walker, Pamela Pena, Maria Annunziata, Debbie Flooks, Janet Moy, Teresa Angarola, Linda Callari, Isidro LaSalle, Ed Mann, Ada Juarbe, Meredith Davis, Vincent Tichy, Vinny M., Maryann Colucci, Anthony Colucci, George Stefanou, Karen Carini, Nancy DeZolt, Monica Fabi, Stan Magda, Diane Guido, BJ Buono, Patricia Greges, Micki Carbone, Walter Kastner, Jon Shuker, brother-in-law of Roxanne Surace, Sylvester Frazzini, Paula Porrecelli, Bill Schmitz.

## PASTOR'S GREETING—Fr. Luke Hoyt, O.P.



Greetings,

This Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Each year, we are invited to enter into Lent via three avenues: fasting, almsgiving, and prayer. Here are a few thoughts on each.

### 1. Fasting:

- Is there anything that I am attached to in my life that compromises my union with God?
- Is God calling me to give up some tangible thing that I rely upon too heavily?
- Is there some voluntary practice that I can take on to remind my body that my soul is in charge of my life, and not the other way around?
- Giving up a meal to experience voluntary hunger is a time-honored practice.
- Of course, every Lent we are all of us obligated to fast from meat on Fridays and to have no more than one full meal and two little meals on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

### 2. Almsgiving:

- The importance of giving away some of our financial resources to the needy or to charity is one of the most oft-repeated practical reminders in the Scriptures. By giving away some of what we have, we are living the call to charity and teaching ourselves to have the open hands that are a necessity for heaven.
- Giving of one's time can also be a form of almsgiving. The gift of time to others is one of the most precious gifts we can give, if we enter into that time intentionally and kindly.
- Is there a charitable organization that I want to volunteer my time for?
- Is there a charitable endeavor that you would like to coordinate here at Holy Innocents? (Come and tell me about it if so!)

### 3. Prayer:

- If I don't set aside intentional time for prayer every day, this is the time to start. If I do set aside an intentional time for prayer each day, maybe I can add a little more time?
- Praying before the Blessed Sacrament is one of the best ways to come to know the Lord. We have these prayer times at Holy Innocents every Tuesday evening and every First Friday afternoon. The church is also open 6:30am – 6pm every day and the Eucharist is always there, even if He is hidden in the tabernacle.
- Do I make Scripture part of my prayer? Meditating on little bits of the Gospels each day is also one of the best ways to get to know Jesus. Or perhaps this Lent is a good occasion to try out our weekly bible study (9am on Saturdays)?
- Is God calling me to attend Mass more often than on Sundays? Is there a way I could work daily Mass into my schedule?
- Praying the "Liturgy of the Hours" can be a helpful practice. If you don't want to buy the actual books, you can also find the prayers at [divineoffice.org](http://divineoffice.org).

Wishing you a blessed start to this Season,

Fr. Luke

# **Holy Innocents Parish Mission**

**Join us for three Evenings of Renewal**

**February 26  
through  
February 28  
At 7pm**

**Led by**



**Fr. James Sullivan, OP**





### **Pope Francis' February Intentions Is For The terminally ill**

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

### **Tax Contribution Letter for 2023**

If you would like a copy of your church contributions for the 2023 year, Please contact the parish office during business hours.



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



### **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.



### **All Students Welcome In Grades 9-12**

All high school students are invited to join the youth group on Sunday, February 25th for a meeting in the parish hall from 6:15-7:15pm. Come grab a slice of pizza and learn about faith with friends! Also, join the Youth Group on Sunday, March 3rd at 5:15pm for our next Youth Mass, followed by a meeting from 6:15-7:15pm in the parish hall. Please see the bulletin and Flocknote for updates. For more information, please contact Julia Edelson at [jedelson@hiparish.org](mailto:jedelson@hiparish.org) or check <https://hiparish.flocknote.com/YouthGroup>.



### **CONDOLENCES**

We extend our sympathy and promise of prayers to the family and friends of:

**Mario Saltarelli**

### **Fr. Leo's Book Club**

**All are welcome!**  
**Next Meeting will be Wednesday, March 6, @ 5:15PM in the Social Hall**

### **Holy Innocents Parish Ride**



Sometimes our parishioners need a lift to go food shopping, doctor appointment, attend an event at our parish or a ride to Mass. We are currently working on connecting those who need a ride with volunteers who can take them.

If you can either volunteer driving or you need a ride, you can call the parish office at (914) 769-0025 or email us at [office@hiparish.org](mailto:office@hiparish.org) to be connected.



**Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage 9\*28\*24**  
**at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC.**

Nine Month Novena to be prayed on the last Saturday of each month, starting **January 27, 2024**. Cards with information can be found in the entryways of the church. Learn more at [rosarypilgrimage.org](http://rosarypilgrimage.org).



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

Please join us in the Social Hall after each Mass for coffee and donuts sponsored by our Religious Education classes.



Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month following the 9 am & 11am Mass and every 1st Sunday of the month @ OLP following the 10:00 am Mass. Contact the parish office if you would like to volunteer with this service.



## *First Friday March 1*

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

*Adoration  
1pm—6pm*

*Confession  
4:30pm—5:30pm*

*Mass  
7am, 12:15, 6pm*

### Liturgy Notes— February 11, 2024

“Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him.” This was probably the first time the leper had ever been touched. That contact was just as compelling as his cure. The leper perceives in Jesus a compassion, a “pity.” Sickness and suffering can be a powerful occasion to experience the tenderness and goodness of another. Most likely the leper never would have begged Jesus as he did if he had not been afflicted in the first place. “I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble.” The leper presents himself to the Great High Priest, who “fills him with the joy of salvation.” Our sufferings, like the leper’s ailment, can be precisely what draw us close to Jesus.

#### Entrance Antiphon

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

#### Collect

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. 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

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.



### **Rules for Fasting and Abstinence During Lent**

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14 and ends on the evening of Holy Thursday, March 28. During the season of Lent, the Church urges the faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily lives through performing acts of fast and abstinence.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of **fasting and abstinence**.  
All Fridays in Lent are days of **abstinence**.

**Fasting** means only one full meal a day may be taken. Two smaller meals may be eaten to maintain physical strength but together they should not equal another full meal in quantity. Snacking between meals is not permitted.

**Abstinence** forbids the eating of meat or poultry.

Catholics ages 18-59 are obligated to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. (Those who are not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.)

Catholics who have reached the age of 14 and older are obligated to abstain on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent. (Those who are not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are urged to join in the discipline of abstaining to the extent that they are able.)

**All are welcome  
come join us!**

**LENTEN SOUP &**

4 nights  
4 churches

**VESPERS**

**Ecumenical Lent Service**

**Wednesday, February 21 @ 6:30pm**

**Holy Innocents Church**

**431 Bedford Road, Pleasantville, NY 10570**

<b>February 28 @ 6:30pm</b> St. John's Episcopal Church 8 Sunnyside Avenue Pleasantville, NY	<b>March 6 @ 6:30pm</b> Pleasantville Presbyterian Church 400 Bedford Road Pleasantville, NY	<b>March 13 @ 6:30pm</b> Emmanuel Lutheran Church 197 Manville Road Pleasantville, NY
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## Knights of Columbus Valentines FAMILY DINNER

Join St. Dominic Council for a Valentines Family Dinner on Friday February 17th, 2023 at 7:00pm at our Council, 874 Franklin Ave, Thornwood. Menu Provided by Casa Rina will include Pork Osso Buco, Risotto with Sausage and Broccoli Rabe, Chicken Verona (Pancetta and peas cream sauce), Penne Vodka, Peas and Carrots, Tomato Onion & Arugula Salad, Coffee and Dessert, Bread and Butter, Coffee & Desert plus Beer, Wine and Soda. All for \$30.00 person!!

Please RSVP by Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup> to DGK Anthony Catalano at [tcdog1957@gmail.com](mailto:tcdog1957@gmail.com)/914-272-8954.



# Give from the heart

February is American Heart Month.

(Charge depended on blood during heart surgery and in recovery.)

**DONATIONS  
SAVE LIVES**



## BLOOD DRIVE

### Sunday Feb 11<sup>th</sup>

### 8:30am – 2:30pm

## Knights of Columbus

874 Franklin Ave. Thornwood, NY

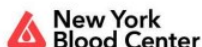
To sign up call 800-933-2566, visit [nybc.org/donate](https://nybc.org/donate) or scan this code:



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
St. DOMINIC COUNCIL #4399



Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your ID with your name and photo. Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits. Visit [nybc.org/coronavirus](https://nybc.org/coronavirus) for COVID-19 safety protocols.



800.933.BLOOD • [nybc.org](https://nybc.org) #nybloodcenter



## ZOOM WITH THE DOMINICAN LAITY

Take a quick journey through salvation history with the Dominican Laity via Zoom beginning Wednesday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30pm for an 8-part Bible study featuring Jeff Cavins. Many people give up reading the Bible because it seems so complicated. Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible gives the “big picture” of the Bible by showing how 14 narrative books of the Bible tell the complete story from Adam & Eve to Christ & the Church. The workbook costs \$24.95 from [ascensionpress.com](https://ascensionpress.com)

For more info: Jennifer at [castle348@gmail.com](mailto:castle348@gmail.com) or text: (914) 438-4996

Meeting ID: 835-6954-0159 and Passcode: 874531



# BIBLE STUDY

## Men's Group

Saturdays 9am-10am

## Women's Group

Saturdays 9am-10am

Sign up through FlockNote



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We hope you are enjoying the parish subscription.

To access: go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)

1. click "Sign Up"
2. click "Sign Up as a Parishioner"
3. Create a New Account
4. enter "Holy Innocents, Pleasantville, NY" enter "Name and Email"

Catholic Television



**Church Care** Please join the Church Care Group and lend a hand cleaning and beautifying our church and surrounding property. Volunteers ages 12 and older welcome.

**Our next sessions are Feb. 17 and March 23 from 9am-11am.**



## 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](mailto: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



PROROME



REGISTER TODAY

## In the Footsteps of the Friars: A Pilgrimage through Italy Join Father David Mott, OP on the Trip of a Lifetime

Following in the footsteps of the Dominican and Franciscan friars, be prepared for an incredible journey through the most beautiful and sacred places of Italy. With overnights in Assisi, Florence and Padua, we will also visit Orvieto, Siena, Loreto, Bologna and Venice.

**July 15 - 25, 2024**

\$4940 per person (includes airfare from Washington Dulles IAD)

For more information or to register, please visit [www.prorometours.com/friars](http://www.prorometours.com/friars) or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at [office@prorome.com](mailto:office@prorome.com).



## DAUGHTERS OF MARY

5th-8th Grade Girls

Mary is the admirable Mother of the Son, who took pleasure in humbling and concealing her during her life, in order to favour her humility, calling her by the name of *woman (mulier)*, as if she was a stranger, although in His heart He esteemed and loved her above all angels and all men. -True Devotion To Mary, by Saint Louis De Montfort

The next Daughters of Mary Class is on March 2nd, from 4:45-7:15 in the social hall classroom. The girls will enjoy a meal, arts and crafts, learn about The Assumption and The Coronation and the virtue of the month will be Peacefulness.

If your daughter is interested in joining, please email Rosemarie at: [rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com](mailto:rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com).



**the CARDINAL'S**  
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL  
*Sharing God's Gifts Throughout  
the Archdiocese of New York*

**The mission of the Archdiocese of New York is to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, aware of the local area and the world, the spiritual and the material, the present and the future.**

The archdiocese serves 2.5 million Catholics across the New York City boroughs of Manhattan, Staten Island, and the Bronx, as well as in the counties of Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan, Westchester, Ulster, Rockland, and Putnam.

The *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal*, a critical component of the archdiocesan mission, raises funds to sustain the various ministries, institutions, and outreach programs that serve thousands of individuals and families throughout New York.

### Areas of Support



February 10<sup>th</sup> is the feast day of St. Scholastica but for the Music Ministry it is a significant date for another reason. We ask you to join the Music Ministry in wishing our director, Joe, a very Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday, Joe, from all of us! God has blessed our Music Ministry and our parish with your presence and your talent. May He continue to bless you today and always.



## SAVE THE DATE

**Parish Block Party**  
**Sunday, May 5**  
**11 am Mass + May Crowning**  
**followed by**  
**Food, Games, Fellowship**



## Religious Education



The Religious Education Department thanks you for your support of our Eighth-Grade coat drive. The box has been full every day!

Gently used Adult-sized coats will be donated to the Midnight Run, a volunteer organization that coordinates volunteers from churches, synagogues, schools and other groups to distribute food, clothing, blankets and personal care items to the homeless and poor on the streets of New York City.

Coats donated for children will benefit the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. The Boys and Girls Club works with youth of all socio-economic backgrounds to help them reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

Thank you to Fr. Luke for allowing us to host this drive, and thanks to our wonderful parishioners for your generosity!

The last day to drop off coats is Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>.