



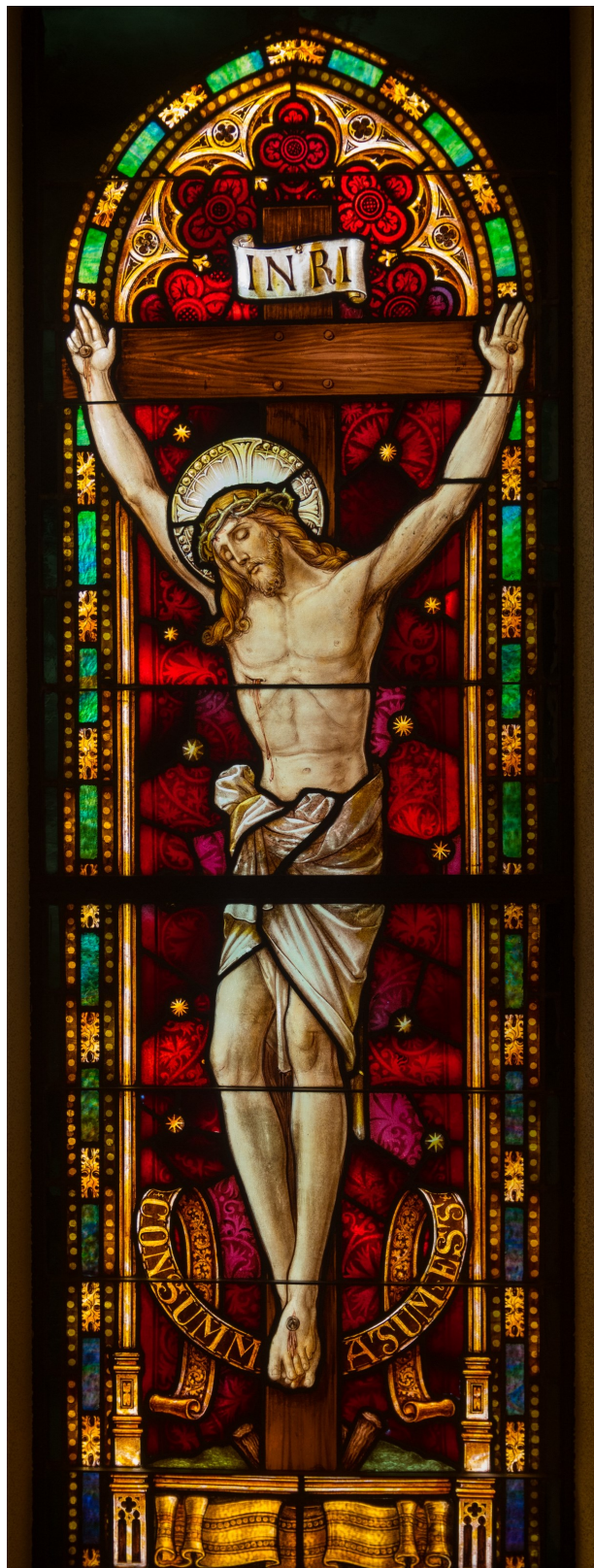
HOLY INNOCENTS PARISH

431 Bedford Road

Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel, Saratoga Avenue

Pleasantville, New York 10570

Sunday, February 18, 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

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Youth Group Minister Julia Edelson



2/17	Saturday
5:15pm	(Vigil) George Civita
2/18	1st SUNDAY OF LENT
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
2/19	Monday Lenten Weekday
8:00am	Intentions of Margaret Hark & Tommy Dunlea
2/20	Tuesday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	Michael Morley
5:30pm	(OLP) Intentions of the Frey Family
2/21	Wednesday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	Dominican Friars
12:15pm	Canton Prayer Group
2/22	Thursday The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
7:00am	Roberto Orlando Sanabria Mikan
5:30pm	(OLP) Nina Ferrioli
2/23	Friday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	Intentions of Amanda Marie Knox Robinson & Family
12:15pm	Robert Schoener
2/24	Saturday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	Carolyn Palomba
5:15pm	(Vigil) William Casey
2/25	2nd SUNDAY OF LENT
7:30am	The People of the Parish
9:00am	Hugh F. O'Neil
10:00am	(OLP) Bernadette Harris
11:00am	Bradamante Coletti
5:15pm	Wieslaw Stanislaw Panek

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 11 \$11,515.00



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

For this Lenten season' the antiphon is **"Ave Regina Calorem."** 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 Flocks, 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 Gregees, Micki Carbone, Walter Kastner, Jon Shuker, brother-in-law of Roxanne Surace, Sylvester Frazzini, Paula Porrecelli, Bill Schmitz., Mary Collins.

PASTOR'S GREETING—Fr. Luke Hoyt, O.P.



The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

Welcome to Lent.

The Holy Spirit has driven Jesus into the desert, and we are beckoned to follow him. Our Church proposes to us three avenues for entering the desert: fasting, almsgiving, and prayer. If we accept her call and make the journey to the desert, we will find ourselves prepared for the Kingdom of Heaven. By going without bodily things we enjoy, we remind ourselves that we were made for something higher than worldly pleasures. By almsgiving, we strive to be people of charity, for only those with open hands and open hearts can receive the great gift of life with God. By prayer, we discover the heart's deepest desire, which is that union with Him which will reach its consummation in Heaven.

So let's heed the call and join Jesus in the desert. To say it will be worth it is an understatement!

Some additional opportunities for entering into Lent at our parish:

- Daily and Sunday Mass
- Lenten Holy Hours, 7pm every Tuesday (except Tuesday 2/27, which is 8pm)
- Stations of the Cross
- Parish Mission: Mon. 2/26 – Wed. 2/28, at 7pm each night
- Confession: regular schedule, plus Reconciliation Monday 3/25
- Soup + Vespers Ecumenical services (see bulletin for times + locations)
- Fr. Leo's book club: reading "Death on a Friday Afternoon" (see bulletin for meeting time)

Peace,

Fr. Luke

Liturgy Notes— February 18, 2024

Noah endured the forty-day devastation of the flood. In a similar way, the Spirit today drives Jesus into the forty-day trial of the desert. Satan conspires to make Jesus compromise his relationship as Son to his Father. But Jesus remembers how the flood ends with God's promise: "I will establish my covenant with you." The Father now perfects that promise in the flesh of his own Son, who will "show sinners the way" so that "he might lead you to God." The temptations reveal that Jesus is unshakably certain of his Sonship. Through our trials the Father's care shines. I

Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days. The Gloria is not said.

Collect

Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. 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

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

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

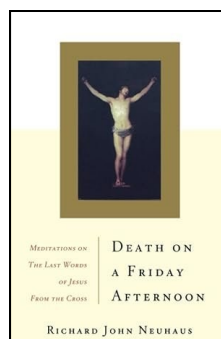
We invite children 3rd grade and older to consider becoming altar servers! For more information, call the parish office.

Youth Group News

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 or check <https://hiparish.flocknote.com/YouthGroup>.



Fr. Leo's Book Club

All are welcome!

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, March 6, @ 5:15PM in the Social Hall

We will be reading Death On a Friday Afternoon Paperback - January 30, 2001

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 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.



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 2nd and 4th 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*

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Lenten Holy Hour
Tuesdays 7-8
Confession is available.

Stations of the Cross
Thursdays 6 pm (OLP)
Fridays 11:30 am

Rosary before most Vigil & Sunday Masses



All are welcome
come join us!

LENTEN SOUP &

4 nights
(2/21, 2/28, 3/6, 3/13)
4 churches

VESPERS

Ecumenical Lent Service
Wednesday, February 21 @ 6:30pm
Holy Innocents Church
431 Bedford Road, Pleasantville, NY 10570

February 28 @ 6:30pm
St. John's Episcopal Church
8 Sunnyside Avenue
Pleasantville, NY

March 6 @ 6:30pm
Pleasantville Presbyterian Church
400 Bedford Road
Pleasantville, NY

March 13 @ 6:30pm
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
197 Manville Road
Pleasantville, NY



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 obligated 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 obligated to abstain from eating meat are urged to join in the discipline of abstaining to the extent that they are able.)

Religious Education



This is the First Sunday of Lent. The Lenten season began on Ash Wednesday when we received ashes on our foreheads as a reminder of our call to ask for forgiveness of our sins, and try to become more like Jesus.

We are marked with ashes on Ash Wednesday to show that we are willing to change. It is a reminder of our first marking, at our baptism, our first sacrament, when water was poured over our heads as a sign that we are free of sin, and part of the church, a child of God. The physical symbols of water and ashes are for our benefit; they are human reminders.

The Church gives us Lent as a time to change, to become a better version of ourselves, we can do this through the three disciplines of Lent – prayer, fasting and almsgiving. God knows what is in our hearts; Lent is an opportunity to turn our hearts toward God.



The Coat Drive was a huge success, and 320 coats were collected for the Midnight Run and Boys and Girls Clubs of America! Nicholas Tassier and his 8th Grade

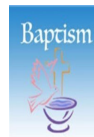
classmates are very grateful for your generosity.



CONDOLENCES

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

John Coleman & Mary Regan



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

Vesper Pozzi



Senior Lunch

**Wednesday, March 20
Following 12:15 -Mass
In our Social Hall**

We would like to invite the seniors of our parish to join us for lunch. Come reunite with old friends and make some new ones!

Please RSVP to the parish office if you are attending.



Food Pantry

Our parish continues to contribute to the **Interfaith Food Pantry of Pleasantville**. They provide food for those living in the area that are in need. Food can be brought to the Parish Office during office hours. Please do not leave donations in the entrances to the Church. Please remember to check expiration dates on all donations or they cannot be accepted. For more information you can visit their site at pleasantvillefoodpantry.org



Lent, the penitential season in the Church, leading to Easter, always fell during the springtime in Europe. The word Lent originates from the Old English word "lencten" which means Spring. Soon "Lent" became synonymous with the forty days of penance.

Spiritual writers have pointed out how this identification is actually beneficial. Just as nature begins its reemergence from a winters sleep during Spring, Lent is generally seen as a time of renewal when a soul is reinvigorated in fervor and cleansed of all impurities. The goal of every Christian is to leave Lent a stronger and more vital person of faith than when we entered. So Lent can be viewed as a spiritual Spring!

We quiet down the music during this season, and will be changing the mass setting to the **Chant Mass**.

The Marian antiphon will also change for the season of Lent, and we will be using the **Ave Regina Caecorum**. We will review this prior to the beginning of mass so that we can all gain confidence in our Latin, as it contains the vast heritage and traditions of the church throughout the ages.

BIBLE STUDY

Men's Group
Saturdays 9am-10am

Women's Group
Saturdays 9am-10am

Sign up through FlockNote



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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 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



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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 or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at office@prorome.com.



DAUGHTERS OF MARY

5th-8th Grade Girls

I say with the Saints, The divine Mary is the terrestrial Paradise of the New Adam, where He is incarnate by the operation of the Holy Ghost, in order to work there incomprehensible marvels. -*True Devotion To Mary, by Saint Louis De Montfort*

The next Daughters of Mary Class is on March 9, 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.



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SAVE THE DATE

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



ZOOM WITH THE DOMINICAN LAITY

Take a quick journey through salvation history with the Dominican Laity via Zoom beginning Wednesday, Feb. 21st 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

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

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