



HOLY INNOCENTS PARISH

431 Bedford Road

Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel, Saratoga Avenue

Pleasantville, New York 10570

Sunday, February 4, 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

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.

Mass Intentions

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| 2/3 | Saturday |
| 5:15pm | (Vigil) Giovanna Zinone |
| 2/4 | Sunday 5th Sunday Of Ordinary Time |
| 7:30am | The People of the Parish |
| 9:00am | William Casey |
| 10:00am | (OLP) John Lombardi |
| 11:00am | Angela Ambrosio |
| 5:15pm | Rocco Zacaroli |
| 2/5 | Monday St. Agatha |
| 7:00am | Maurice Regan |
| 12:15pm | Terrence J. Dwyer |
| 2/6 | Tuesday St. Paul Miki And Companions |
| 7:00am | Bernadette Bloom |
| 5:30pm | (OLP) Amy Dillane |
| 2/7 | Wednesday Weekday |
| 7:00am | Deceased Parents of Dominicans |
| 12:15pm | Deceased Parents of Dominicans |
| 2/8 | Thursday Weekday |
| 7:00am | Daniel Wolohan |
| 5:30pm | (OLP) Paul Fitzpatrick |
| 2/9 | Friday Weekday |
| 7:00am | Wieslaw Stanislaw Panek |
| 12:15pm | Tommy Dunlea & Margaret Hark |
| 2/10 | Saturday St. Scholastica |
| 7:00am | Joan and Laura Graham |
| 5:15pm | (Vigil) Richard & Margaret Murphy |
| 2/11 | Sunday 6th Sunday Of Ordinary Time |
| 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 |

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):

January 28 \$11,161.00

Second Collection 2/11 Peter's Pence



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.



“So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.”

What did Jesus do for people? Everywhere he went, he entered their lives, preached the Gospel, and drove out evil spirits. This is what he did for the people of Galilee, and this is what he does for you and for me. To open the door of one's life to him is a daring thing to do. It is to open oneself to a great force – and not the force of a general spiritual energy, but the truly “dangerous” force of a divine personal presence. As we start a new week, let's open the door to Him and let Him in.

A few notes to share with you:

- It was wonderful to see each of you who were able to join us for Candlemas last week. Thank you to our musicians and liturgical volunteers who made the evening Mass so special and light-filled.
- John McCarthy has been a heroic leader for our parish's CYO Basketball program the last eleven years and is concluding his tenure at the end of this season. I am so grateful for his immeasurable dedication to this position. We are now looking for someone to take up where he will leave off starting next year. If you or anyone you know would like to take on this role, please let us know.
- Lent is right around the corner, with Ash Wednesday on February 14th. It is not too early to ask oneself, “What is God asking of me this Lent? What parts of my life still need conversion? What attachments need tempering? How can I make more room for God in my life? Where is Jesus calling me?”
- We will have an opportunity for renewal right away this Lent, with our Parish Mission each evening of Feb. 26-28. I hope you can join us.

Peace,

Fr. Luke

Liturgy Notes— February 4, 2024

Job asks, “Is not man's life on earth a drudgery?” We, too, often wonder if we will “see happiness again.” Jesus responds, “Let us go to the nearby villages.” The presence of Jesus is the antidote for our “months of misery.” When “the night drags on” and we are filled with restlessness, Jesus Christ allows us to arise with hope. The gracious God “rebuilds Jerusalem”—and our lives. To the weak he became weak to win over the weak. As Christ preaches, “he calls each by name.”

Entrance Antiphon

O come, let us worship God/ and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

Collect

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. 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

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.



**ARCHDIOCESE
OF NEW YORK**

National Marriage Week

EVENTS SCHEDULE

MARRIAGE WEEK ZOOM SERIES

February 7-9, 13-14 | 7:00 PM | Zoom

A series of 1 hour webinars with engaging speakers covering topics such as the graces and challenges of marriage, the meaning behind the marriage ceremony, the Wedding at Cana, and married saints! Please email kayla.beiter@archny.org for Zoom information.

POST-CANA CONNECTIONS BRUNCH

Saturday, February 10 | 11:00-1:30 PM

St. Joseph's Seminary, 201 Seminary Ave., Yonkers, NY

Enjoy a delicious meal and reconnect with the Office of Family Life at our first Post-Cana Connections Brunch! This is an opportunity to provide feedback on your marriage preparation experience, learn about new marriage enrichment initiatives and events, and socialize with other newlyweds.

Open to married couples who attended Pre-Cana in the Archdiocese of New York between 2019 and 2023. Visit tinyurl.com/postcana2024 to register.

MARRIAGE VOW RENEWAL

Saturday, February 10 | 12:00 PM | St. Elizabeth

Ann Seton Parish, 1377 E. Main St., Shrub Oak, NY

Couples of all ages and stages are invited to celebrate and strengthen their commitment to their marriage vows during a special ceremony at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Shrub Oak, with social hour to follow.

To register contact Kayla Beiter at kayla.beiter@archny.org or 646-794-3183.

BILINGUAL WORLD MARRIAGE DAY MASS

Sunday, February 11 | 10:15 AM | St. Patrick's

Cathedral, New York, NY

Join the Office of Family Life for Mass celebrated by Cardinal Dolan in honor of World Marriage Day. The award in celebration of the Longest Married Couple in the Archdiocese will be presented at this Mass. No registration needed.

MARY AND JOSEPH

Wednesday, February 7 | 7:00 PM

To kick off marriage week, our first webinar will be about Mary and Joseph, the ultimate role models for married and engaged couples. You will hear about the story of Mary and Joseph, their importance in the life of the church, and how they inspire Christian married couples and families.

THE MEANING BEHIND THE WEDDING CEREMONY

Thursday, February 8 | 7:00 PM

The Catholic wedding ceremony is full of deep symbolism and ritual that often goes unnoticed by those in the pews, and even the bride and groom themselves! Fr. Matthew Ernest, STD, Professor and Director of Liturgy at St. Joseph's Seminary, will explain the significance of various aspects of the rite and how they connect to married life.

STS. LOUIS AND ZELIE

Friday, February 9 | 7:00 PM

St. Therese has been referred to as the greatest saint in modern times, and is certainly one of the most popular, but behind this great saint are saintly parents. Louis and Zelie Martin are the first married couple in church history to be canonized together. Learn about their lives as devout Catholics, business owners, and parents of five nuns, who used marriage and family life as a path to holiness.

THE WEDDING FEAST AT CANA

Tuesday, February 13 | 7:00 PM

The first miracle of Jesus' public ministry took place at a wedding, where, at His mother Mary's request, He turned six jars of water into wine after the original wine ran out. This event shows the importance and dignity of marriage in the eyes of God, and is the



MARRIAGE MYSTAGOGY WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT

Monday, February 12, | 8:00 PM | Church of St.

Vincent Ferrer, 869 Lexington Ave., New York, NY

Unpack the deep meaning behind the Catholic wedding ceremony while enjoying wine and hors d'oeuvres with other married couples! Talk and reflections led by Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, OP. Open to couples married 5 years or less.

To register contact Kayla Beiter at kayla.beiter@archny.org or 646-794-3183.

STATEN ISLAND MARRIAGE WEEK MASS

Thursday, February 8 | 7:30 PM | Church of St. Clare,

110 Nelson Ave., Staten Island, NY

Mass in celebration of National Marriage Week with social hour to follow. No registration needed.



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inspiration for every Catholic marriage preparation program, Pre-Cana! Annmarie McLaughlin, Associate Professor of Scripture at St. Joseph's Seminary, describes the context and importance of this miracle, and what it means for married couples today.

THE GRACES OF MARRIAGE

Wednesday, February 14 | 7:00 PM

Why does it matter where you get married? What makes a church wedding different from a beach, country club, or city hall wedding? The answer is grace! The sacramental marriage offered by the Catholic Church opens its recipients to God's loving help. Learn more about this grace and its practical meaning from our presenters, marriage coaches and Pre-Cana facilitators Jeff and Claudia Cortez, who convalidated their civil marriage in 2000.



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Please visit
archny.org/family-life
for more information on events and
initiatives taking place during
National Marriage Week, or contact
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646-794-3183



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.

Letters will be mailed to your home after February 1, 2024.

Youth Group News

All Students Welcome In Grades 9-12

All high school students are invited to join the youth Mass on Sunday, February 4, 5:15 pm followed by a meeting in the parish hall from 6:15-7:15pm. Come grab a slice of pizza and learn about faith with friends!

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>.



CONDOLENCES

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



We celebrate with the parents and godparents of the newly baptized:
Michel and Alexandre Bruneau & Michael Sheppard

Lenten Holy Hour
Tuesdays 7-8PM -
Confession is available.

Stations of the Cross
Thursdays 6:00 pm (OLP)
Fridays 11:30 am



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*



Volunteers requested!

When snow arrives on our church,
we welcome and ask for
volunteers to help us shovel.

If you are available to help out please email us your
contact
information at office@hiparish.org.

Thank you!



Holy Innocents is offering a Bereavement Support Group for anyone laden by grief.

Our next meetings will be February 8
at 6:30pm. Subsequent meetings will
be announced in the bulletin.

There is no commitment, so please consider attending the meetings and determining whether this is for you.

It is not limited to parishioners of Holy Innocents, We do need a minimum of 6 people, so please feel free to offer this information to others who might benefit from participation in the meetings.

If you are interested or would like additional information, please contact the parish office.



Holy Innocents Altar Servers

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



OFFICE OF THE CARDINAL
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February 4, 2024
Month of the Hidden Life of Jesus

Dear friends in the Lord:

Since St. Peter, he and his successors have shown mercy to show mercy to the poorest people around the world. Catholic tradition calls us to join with the ongoing activities of the Holy Father and contribute to his worldwide charitable activities. This is made possible by our participation in the annual *Peter's Pence* collection.

In that spirit, I write to you today, asking that you prayerfully consider as an act of mercy and charity a generous donation to this distinctive offering which will be collected next Sunday, February 11. As we anticipate the *Feast of the Chair of St. Peter* on Thursday, February 22, we join with our brothers and sisters in faith from around the globe to help His Holiness reach the most marginalized in our world. For more information about the collection, you may visit <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en/cos-e-l-obolo.html>.

My gratitude to you for last year's contribution of \$328,731 and for your kindness once again this year. Pray with me for God's blessing upon Pope Francis as he completes the eleventh year of his pontificate next month.

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

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†Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

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Holy Innocents Parish Mission

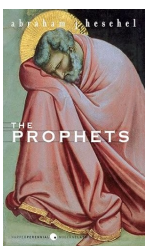
Join us for three Evenings of Renewal

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

Led by



Fr. James Sullivan, OP



Fr. Leo's Book Club
All are welcome!

Next book is "The Prophets (Perennial Classics)" Paperback – October 16, 2001. We will be reading the second part of the book .

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, February 7 @ 5:15PM in the Social Hall Please bring a copy of the book.



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



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

BIBLE STUDY

Men's Group
Saturdays 9am-10am

Women's Group
Saturdays 9am-10am

Sign up through FlockNote



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FORMED

We hope you are enjoying the parish subscription.

To access: go to 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 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 or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at office@prorome.com.



DAUGHTERS OF MARY

5th-8th Grade Girls

God the Father consented that she should do no miracles, at least no public ones, during her life, although He had given her the power. God the Son consented that she should hardly ever speak, though He had communicated His wisdom to her. God the Holy Ghost, though she was His faithful Spouse, consented that His Apostles and Evangelists should speak, but very little of her, and no more than was necessary to make Jesus Christ known. -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.



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



The recessional hymn for this weekend is the traditional hymn of praise, **Holy God We Praise Thy Name**. It was written in German in 1771 by Ignaz Franz, and is a paraphrase of the Latin Christian hymn, **Te Deum**.

Ignaz Franz was born in Poland and studied Philosophy and Theology before being ordained a Roman Catholic Priest in 1742. He wrote hymn lyrics and compiled religious music in addition to his position as the Assessor for Theological Affairs at the Apostolic Vicariate in Poland.

The original German, *Grosser Gott, wir loben dich*, was translated to English by Clarence Augustus Walworth in 1858. Translators are hymn writers too and contribute greatly to the library of hymns used in Christian worship. These writers have the challenge of translating the words, while honoring the content with language that fits the metrical rhythm of a pre-existing tune. Clarence Walworth considered a vocation as an Episcopal priest, but followed his father's desire for him to become an attorney. He passed the bar, but soon abandoned law, moved to New York and became a Roman Catholic priest. He is one of the founding members of the Order of Paulists.

We thank these two Catholic priests for the memorable melody and theme of one of the most popular hymns in dioceses around the world.

SAVE THE DATE

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



Religious Education



Each year our Eighth-Grade students are asked to perform acts of service as part of their Confirmation preparation. They are asked to move from learning about their faith to faith in action.

Nicholas Tassier, an Eighth-Grade student in Mrs. Pomilla's class volunteered with a friend to sort clothing being donated for a Midnight Run. Nick noticed that there were not enough coats for the upcoming winter months and asked if he could sponsor a coat drive at Holy Innocents.

Nick's initiative to help those in need is a perfect example of Christian service and we are grateful to him and his classmates for working on this drive.

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 for supporting this coat drive and our Confirmation students!

Donations can be placed in the box at the Tompkins Avenue entrance. The last day to drop off coats will be Monday, February 12th.