

HOLY INNOCENTS

Served By The Dominican Friars Sunday, January 19, 2025

SUNDAY MASS

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

DAILY MASS

Mon-Sat: 7 AM Mon, Wed, Fri: 12:15 PM Tu, Thu: 5:30 PM (at Our Lady of Pompeii) 1st Fridays: 6 PM

CONFESSION

Tuesday: 7-8 PM Saturday: 4:30-5 PM Sunday: 4:30-5 PM 1st Fridays: 4:30-5:30 PM 1st Tuesdays: 5:00 -5:30 PM (at Our Lady of Pompeii)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Tuesday: 7-8 PM

1st **Fridays**: 1-6 PM

OFFICE HOURS Monday-Friday: 9 AM-3:30 PM

WELCOME NEW PARISHONERS!

Stop in at the parish office to meet one of our friars or fill out a card in the entryways to our church.





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Holy Innocents Church

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BAPTISM, MARRIAGE, ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please visit our website or call the parish office.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND

If you want to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the parish office.

EMERGENCY LINE

If you need a priest after office hours, please call our emergency line at 914-340-4486.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 5:15 PM (Vigil) | [†]Jozo Granic

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 — 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7:30 AM | [†]Francis "Jeff" Hays 9 AM | [†]Patrick McNulty 10 AM (OLP) | [†]Josephine Surace 11 AM | [†]Mola Family 5:15 PM | People of the Parish

Monday, January 20 — Weekday 8 am | †Daniel Hunter

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21 — ST. AGNES 7 AM | †James Patrick Sullivan 5:30 PM (OLP) | †Grace Hodges & Dennis Hodges

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22 — DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN 7 AM | For The Protection Of Unborn Children 12:15 Am |†Assunta Tripodi

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 — WEEKDAY 7 AM | †Joseph Strano 5:30 PM (OLP) | †Scott Frey

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 — ST. FRANCIS DE SALES 7:00 Am | [†]Susan Batalado 12:15 pm | [†]Serverino Galli

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25— THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE 7 AM | [†]Alfred Kelly III 5:15 PM (Vigil) | [†]Vincent Foscaldi

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 — 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7:30 AM | People of the Parish 9 AM | [†]Joseph Centi 10 AM (OLP) | [†]Jim Toffon 11 AM | [†]Arthur DiDomenico 5:15 PM | [†]Tomo Sokich

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Rose DeSanctis, Mary Coughlin, Buddy Coughlin, Jimmy Fleming, Robert Sarro, Louis Sarro, Joann Keddy, Laura Cabrera, Pamela Pena, Maria Annunziata, Janet Moy, Teresa Angarola, Linda Callari, Isidro LaSalle, Ed Mann, Ada Juarbe, Meredith Davis, Vinny M., Maryann Colucci, Anthony Colucci, George Stefanou, Karen Carini, Nancy DeZolt, Monica Fabi, Stan Magda, BJ Buono, Patricia Greges, Micki Carbone, Walter Kastner, Jon Shuker, and Mary Collins,. Marilyn Ross, Ellen Defilippo, David Minchin, Hank Frazzini II, Margaret Murphy, Jean Davis, Christine Corsaro, Lucretia & Matthew Mann, Mike Mele, Carmine Gizzo.

PASTOR'S LETTER

"For Zion's sake I will not be silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her vindication shines forth like the dawn and her victory like a burning torch."

God will not be silent, He will not be quiet, until you shine like the dawn, and share in His victory like a burning torch held aloft in His hand. He has come all the way from the Heavens to find you, to claim you as His own, and to bring you into intimate communion with Him. He has done all of this because He is consumed with love for you: He calls you My Delight, My Espoused. The Christian life is not a matter of us "searching for God." It is ra-ther a matter of giving in to this God who seeks our souls with the ardent intent of a lover. Coming to Mass, taking time for daily prayer, or going to Confession are not things we do like good tasks – they are rather responses to love: learning to surrender our souls to the One who loves us.

A few notes to share with you:

- We pray for our country as we near Inauguration Day this Monday. Let's pray for our outgoing and incoming presidents and for blessings of peace and justice in our land. As I have said before, there is a great diversity of thoughts and feelings in our parish about this transition of administration. Let's be attentive to the face of Christ in each of us and trust the Holy Spirit to make us one people in Himself.
- This Wednesday is a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. We continue to pray for the souls who have been lost to abortion, for healing grace upon mothers and fathers who have suffered from past abortions, and for the protection of the unborn. And we continue to strive to support and care for all mothers and fathers, so that no one ever feels pressured to take the life of an unborn child.
- Saturday is the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. I always like to remember this great event to recall that God is indeed in control. He looked upon Paul and claimed him for His own purposes, radically transforming his life. Never tire of praying for the needy souls in your life every soul is always only a touch of grace away from the transforming power of God.

Peace,

Fr. Luke



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

(call the office or email office@hiparish.org to help)

USHERS

We are looking for individuals who can assist for our Saturday and Sunday Masses. Individual schedules can be accommodated.

CHURCH CARE

We can use a lending hand to clean and beautify our church and surrounding property. Volunteers ages 12 and older welcome.

SNOW CREW

We are looking for volunteers to help shovel the Church premises when snow arrives. Call the office or email office@hiparish.org to be added to the crew.

LITURGY NOTES

At a wedding feast at Cana, Christ performed the first of the seven signs (miracles) recounted in the Gospel of John. The lack of wine threatens to spoil the celebration of new love. But the Mother of God notices the need and speaks to her Son. With one word from his Mother, Jesus reveals his divinity so that all people can realize just how much God rejoices in us—just as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride. This revelation of glory leads us, as it led his first disciples, to deeper belief in Christ. The Miracle of "good wine" continues through the outpouring of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and the chalice of salvation on the a tar at every Mass

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

SONG TO BLESSED MOTHER Please join in singing the Marian hymn, the "Salve Regina," at our sung Masses each Sunday. Music cards are available in the pews.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET IN SONG Join us every 2nd, 3rd & 4th Friday of the month at 3pm to pray in song.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION:

For the right to an education.

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

GLUTEN INTOLERANT? If you have a gluten intolerance and would like to receive a low-gluten Host at Communion, please see the priest 10 minutes before Mass.

FAMILY MASS All families are welcome to join us on Sundays 9:00 am for Mass.

SUNDAY COFFEE & DONUTS Join us on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, following the 9 AM and 11 AM Masses; and every 1st Sunday of the month at OLP. If you are able to help, please contact the parish office.



COLLECT PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times. 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.

ALLELIUA ANTIPHON

God has called us through the Gospel to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.



FIRST FRIDAY

February 7

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

Adoration 1pm—6pm Confession 4:30pm—5:30pm Mass 7am, 12:15pm, 6pm

SANCTUARY LAMP

The candle burning in the sanctuary is in Memory of Maria Bongarzone & Josie Surace (OLP)

CONDOLENCES

We offer our deepest condolences to the family and friends of **Elisabetta Coletti & Heather Ann Flood.**

FINANCES

Regular collection in person & WeShare:

Jan. 12 - \$10, 534

Thank you for your support!

MUSIC MINISTRY

Now that we have returned to Ordinary Time, we have made some musical changes for our liturgies. All of the mass propers are now from <u>The Belmont Mass</u> written by Christopher Walker. We begin with the <u>Glory to</u> <u>God</u> which is #831 in the hymnal.

This mass setting was written in memory of the Benedictine Abbot Alan Rees of Belmont Abbey in Herefordshire, England. Abbot Rees made a major contribution to the music of the Roman Catholic Church when the reforms of the Second Vatican Council led to the vernacular language being permitted for public worship.

Abbot Rees loved to sing and was a magnificent organist. He believed the new music of the Church should be "easy to sing, generally tuneful, easy to learn and provide the greatest attention to the texts and resulting prayer". He also possessed the gift for setting words to music to invoke their spiritual meaning.

Christopher Walker composed the Belmont mass with a plain-chant style that is easily learned and is simple yet reverent. It is a true tribute to the work of Abbot Alan Rees.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The end of the Christmas season means putting away our decorations, and presents and returning to a more regular schedule of activities. In the church, the end of the Christmas season returns us to the longest season of the liturgical year, Ordinary Time.

Ordinary comes from the Latin word *ordinalis* which refers to a series of numbers. The church uses the term "Ordinary Time" to reflect the way the Sundays are numbered.

During Ordinary Time we celebrate the whole life of Jesus and learn the meaning of living as His disciples. It is an *extra*-ordinary time to learn and follow His teachings and His ways in our daily lives and grow as Catholics. The priest wears green vestments because green evokes life and growth!

In no way are these Sundays insignificant or ordinary, this is a time for us to focus on our faith. Here are some suggestions:

- Choose a time as a family to research a saint and talk about the good work they did in their lifetime to further God's message.
- Come to our 9:00 AM Family mass and hear the word of God proclaimed by our Religious Education students, and celebrate and receive the Eucharist with your fellow classmates.
- Find a space in your home to designate as a prayer corner or table and display the bible or prayer cards.
- Plan a time to go to Confession or attend a Tuesday Holy Hour.

Finding ways to celebrate Ordinary Time will help your family mark this liturgical season as growing closer to knowing Jesus together as a family.

COLLEGE CAMPUS MINISTRY

The start of a new semester can be tough, so here's something for all college students to look forward to! Join

us for college campus ministry's first Mass & Meal of the new year on Sunday, January 26. Mass will be at 5:15pm, followed by a free dinner and social. Please join us for fellowship and food!



Please RSVP by scanning the QR code below. We hope to see you there!

Parish Groups (FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE FLOCKNOTE & FLIERS BY THE CHURCH ENTERANCES)

HI MOMS GROUP Our focus is supporting mothers **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** HI support and babies within our parish and the wider community. Please use the play area set up in the Social Hall! It is available for use during and after Masses. If you'd like to get involved contact Adriana at asel4451@gmail.com or 917-291-1476.

OCIA The Holy Innocents runs a group for those who want to explore the Catholic faith. We welcome non-Catholics as well as adult Catholics who haven't received their sacraments of initiation. If interested please contact the parish office or Fr. Philip.

BIBLE STUDY Join our Men's Group, Saturdays 9:00am and Women's Group Saturdays, 9:00am.

CYO Basketball See our website for more information.

ALTAR SERVERS Any children 3rd grade and up who want to join our altar server team are asked to contact the parish office or Fr. Philip.

KNITTING GROUP Meetings are 1st Thursdays of the month in the Social Hall at 7:30 PM. Newcomers are welcome!

CHURCH CARE Please join in lending a hand to clean and beautify our church and surrounding property. Volunteers ages 12 and older welcome. Our next cleaning sessions are 1/18, 2/22 & 3/29.

LOCAL COMMUNITY NEWS

Knights Of Columbus Events Free Throw Championship hosted by KOC Monday, January 20th @ Holy Rosary

- 12pm 9&10 year olds
- 12:45pm 11&12 year olds
- 1:30pm 13&14 year olds

Winners receive a KOC basketball and advance to district competition. Open to all children in the parishes of Holy Name, Holy Innocents & Holy Rosary. Eligibility is determined by age on 1/1/25. Parent/guardian required to sign entry form. Entry is free.

BTH Break The Hold Super Saturday 2/8/25 6-9pm

Captain Lawrence Brewery - \$150 per person for a pre-super bowl bash. Open bar, live bands, appetizers & onsite auction. For tix scan the QR code



group is for anyone laden by grief. Meetings are usually on a Thursday evening and the next meeting will be announced soon. There is no commitment and the group is not limited to parishioners of Holy Innocents. For more information, contact the parish office.

FOLLOW ME (GROUP FOR TEENS) All high school students are invited to join our new youth group hosted by Fr. Luke and Fr. Philip on **Tuesdays at 7pm in** our Social Hall. Each meeting involves food, fellow-

ship, and discussions about faith. For mor information, contact the parish office or scan the QR code to join.



DAUGHTERS OF MARY (GIRLS GRADES 5-8)

The next Daughters of Mary meeting is on **February** 1, 4:45-7:15 PM in the Social Hall. The girls meet the first Saturday of the month and will enjoy a meal, arts and crafts, learn about Mary and her virtues. To register email

rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com

The Religious Leaders of our Local Communities Invite you to join us for an Interfaith Celebration of



drive out hate only love can do that. Monday, January 20, 11:00 am

at St.John's Episcopal Church 8 Sunnyside Avenue, Pleasantville Please bring in food donations for the Upper Westchester Muslim Society Food Pantry, which serves all our communities. Especially needed are rice, lentils, cereals, canned food, and all dry shelf items.

For more information, please contact the Pleasantville Community Synagogue's Rabbi Ben Newman at rabbibennewman@gmail.com or call the PCS office, 914-769-2672.