



# HOLY INNOCENTS

*Served By The Dominican Friars*

**Sunday, January 26, 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*)  
**1<sup>st</sup> Fridays:** 6 PM

## CONFESSION

**Tuesday:** 7-8 PM

**Saturday:** 4:30-5 PM

**Sunday:** 4:30-5 PM

**1<sup>st</sup> Fridays:** 4:30-5:30 PM

**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays:** 5:00 -5:30 PM  
(*at Our Lady of Pompeii*)

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Tuesday:** 7-8 PM

**1<sup>st</sup> 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

## DIRECTORY

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## SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISM, MARRIAGE, ANOIDTING 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 25

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

### MONDAY, JANUARY 27 — WEEKDAY

7 AM | †Scott Frey

12:15 AM | †Joseph Mazza

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 28 — ST. THOMAS ACQUINAS, OP

7 AM | †Ruth Murden

5:30 PM (OLP) | Intentions Of Maria Bocassini

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29 — WEEKDAY

7 AM | †Joseph Salvatore Multari

12:15 AM | †Americo DiCresce

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 30 — WEEKDAY

7 AM | †Danny Huter

5:30 PM (OLP) | † Madeline Boverly Galbraith

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 31 — ST. JOHN BOSCO

7:00 AM | †Maria T. Bastone

12:15 PM | †Paul Herman

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1— WEEKDAY

7 AM | Intentions Of Peter Monteleone

5:15 PM (Vigil) | †George Henry

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 — THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

7:30 AM | People of the Parish

9 AM | †Joseph, Luigi & Dominico DeSanctis

10 AM (OLP) | †John Nicolai

11 AM | †Mary Ellen Hradek

5:15 PM | †Candle Mass—All Religious

## 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

*"The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, and to proclaim liberty to captives."*

Let's never forget that the Gospel is indeed "glad tidings," good news. To have heard about Christ Jesus, to have received him into my life, to get to live each day in his company, getting to know him more and more deeply in my life of prayer and Sacrament, sharing with him the joys and sufferings of my life's path, to have his assurance that he will never abandon me, to know that his path leads through death to life with him forever – these are *immeasurably* glad tidings; *unbelievably* good news! We come to Mass each week to stay close to these glad tidings, to ensure that our gratitude for this good news never grows cold, but rather grows and grows until it blossoms into eternity.

A few notes to share with you:

- This week we remember a mighty saint in the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas. Have you ever wanted to get to know the writings of Aquinas but found him a little intimidating? Peter Kreeft has done a pretty good job explaining Aquinas' thought for the new reader. See [A Summa of the Summa](#) or [Practical Theology](#) for helpful introductions to St. Thomas.
- Welcome back to local college students as we begin a new semester. We are grateful for your presence in our community and I look forward to joining you for dinner at Holy Innocents this Sunday (1/26) following the 5:15pm Mass.
- Next Sunday (2/2) is Candlemas, aka the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (aka the last possible liturgical date to get away with keeping your Christmas decorations up : ). We will have candle-lighting in the church all afternoon following the 11am Mass, concluding with the special candle-lit Mass at 5:15pm. Invite friends and neighbors to come and light a candle.
- Would anyone be up for a Holy Innocents ski day? We could meet for the morning Mass and then head up to the Catskills for a full day of racing each other down the slopes, watching me wipe out on my snowboard, and throwing snowballs at Fr. Philip. Let me know if you would be interested!

Peace,

Fr. Luke



## COMING UP AT HOLY INNOCENTS

**CANDLEMAS:** Sunday, February 2 - Come to church 12pm to 5pm to light a candle. 5:15pm: Candlelit Mass.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Parish Mission led by Fr. Ken Letoile, OP MARCH 24– MARCH 26 @ 7PM.

**LEGO CLUB** Children of all ages are welcome to join us on the last Saturday of the month in our Council Room, from 3pm to 5pm. Lego provided, Duplo & Magna –tiles for little ones. Coffee for grownups—hosted by the HI Moms Group.



## LITURGY NOTES

**Saint Luke writes his Gospel so that the reader will “realize the certainty of the teachings” received. That certainty flows from the man in the synagogue who reads the scroll of Isaiah and promises that he will bring glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, give sight to the blind, and let the oppressed go free. Only God can work such wonders; that is why rejoicing in the Lord in our midst must be our strength. As the eyes of all those assembled in the synagogue looked intently at Jesus, they became an image of what we must do as members of the body of Christ—unite ourselves to him in faith and love**

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendor,

**SONG TO BLESSED MOTHER** Please join in singing the Marian Antiphon “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 9am for Mass. Coffee & donuts following Mass during the school year.

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

## CONGRATULATIONS

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

**Blair Fisher, Enzo Russo, Roman Fleming**



strength and honor in his holy place.

### COLLECT PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. 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.

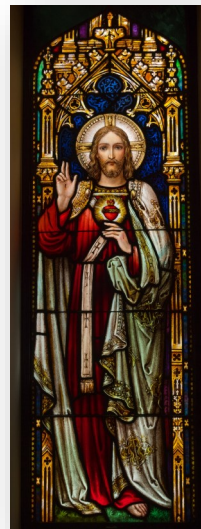
### ALLELUIA ANTIPHON

The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, and to proclaim liberty to captives.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

## 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  
**Scott Frey & John Toffon.**

## CONDOLENCES

We offer our deepest condolences to the family and friends of **Marion Murray.**

## FINANCES (THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT)

Regular collection in person & WeShare:

- **Jan. 19—** \$10,411.00
- **Archdiocese Collection for Catholic Communications and Catholic University** \$1,244.10
- **Archdiocese Collection for LA Wildfire Relief** \$1,949.00

## MUSIC MINISTRY

The Music Ministry continues to lead the Marian antiphons to honor the Blessed Mother before the final hymn. An antiphon typically consists of one or more verses from the psalms or another part of scripture. You may have noticed the sung Entrance and Communion antiphons that are now part of our liturgies.

The Marian antiphons are a group of hymns in the Gregorian chant repertory of the Catholic Church. They are not true antiphons because they are not associated with a psalm verse, and may also be referred to as anthems or chants.

According to the tradition, before Vatican II, the four Marian antiphons followed a date driven schedule, but today each is assigned a liturgical season.

**Alma Redemptoris Mater** – Advent/Christmas season.

**Ave Regina Caelorum** – the season of Lent.

**Regina Coeli** – Easter season.

**Salve Regina** – Ordinary Time.

Since we have now returned to Ordinary Time, we invite you to join us in the **Salve Regina**. You can find it on the cards and in our Breaking Bread hymnal as #692.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

On Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> we celebrate the feast day of one of the Catholic Church's most famous saints - St. Thomas Aquinas. St. Thomas was born in Italy to a large family, he had eight brothers and sisters! He studied at the University of Naples, and decided to join the Dominican order of priests, the same order the priests who serve our parish are part of!

St. Thomas contributed to the perennial question of faith and reason by showing how the philosophy of Aristotle could be integrated into theology.

St. Thomas Aquinas is one of the 33 doctors of the church. He is also known for his work on natural law, and human nature, teaching that our nature is inclined to good and not evil.

St. Thomas Aquinas is the patron of Universities and students because of his love for study and writing. His most famous book is the **Summa Theologica**. His feast day was originally on March 7<sup>th</sup>, the date of his death, but since that day often falls within Lent, it was moved to January in 1969.

St. Thomas is most commonly pictured with an open book or quill, as in the beautiful rendering of him in the stained glass window located in the Tompkins Avenue landing in our church.

## COLLEGE CAMPUS MINISTRY

Welcome back, college students! We are praying for the start of your semester and for a successful new term. Syllabus week can be hectic, so we invite you to take a break and join us for Mass and a free dinner/social this Sunday, January 26. Mass will be at 5:15pm, followed by dinner in our new lounge area.

We hope to see you for fellowship and food! Please RSVP by scanning the QR code below.



# PARISH GROUPS

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

**HI MOMS GROUP** Our focus is supporting mothers 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

(call the office or email [office@hiparish.org](mailto: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](mailto:office@hiparish.org) to be added to the crew.

Our next cleaning sessions are **2/22 & 3/29**.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** HI support 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.

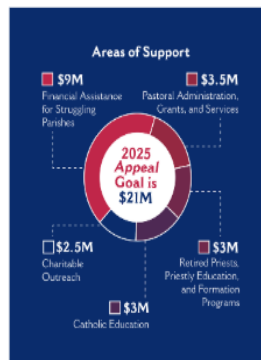
**FOLLOW ME (GROUP FOR TEENS)** All high school students are invited to join our new youth group hosted by Fr. Luke and Fr. Philip on **Tuesdays at 7pm in our Social Hall**. Each meeting involves food, fellowship, and discussions about faith. For more information, contact the parish office or scan the 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](mailto:rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com)

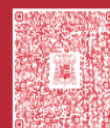
## SHARING GOD'S GIFTS



The 2025 *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal* has officially begun at (Holy Innocent's)! The *Appeal* is a direct ask from the Archbishop of New York to help raise \$21 million in funds to support the needs of its charitable work, evangelization, and Catholic institutions. As a parish community, we are asked to help the *Appeal* by assisting in raising \$(Goal Amount). Please consider making a gift today to further the mission of the Church and to help us make our goal by Pentecost. Remember to use parish number #510 on your donations to the *Cardinal's Appeal*. You can find more details on how the funds will be distributed by visiting [cardinalsappeal.org](http://cardinalsappeal.org).



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