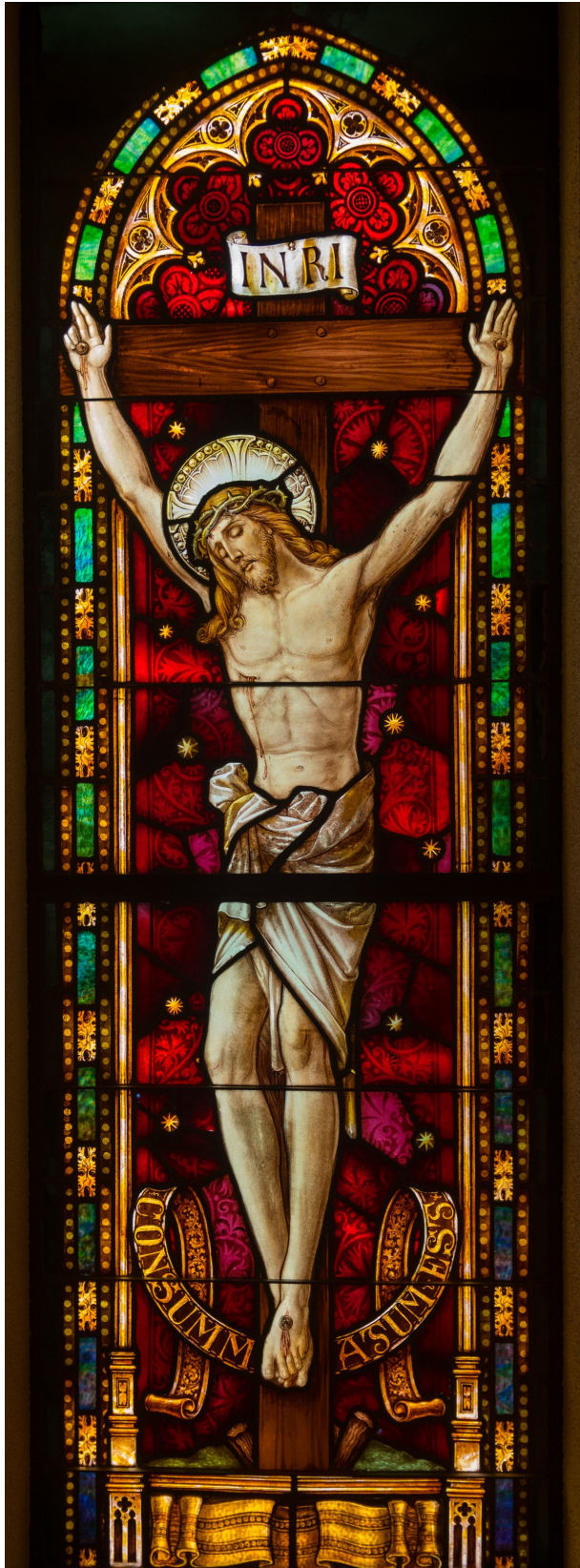




HOLY INNOCENTS PARISH

431 Bedford Road
Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel, Saratoga Avenue
Pleasantville, New York 10570
Sunday, March 24, 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

Holy Week Schedule

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Office Hours

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

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EMERGENCY LINE If you need a priest after office hours you can call our emergency line at **914.340.4486**. We are honored 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.



3/23	Saturday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	Rose Matthew
5:15pm	(Vigil) Anna Bonacci
3/24	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
7:30am	The People Of The Parish
9:00am	Scott Frey
10:00am	(OLP) Pauline Antaki
11:00am	Robert & Dorothy Tracy
5:15pm	Amanda Knox
3/25	MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK
7:00am	Massimo Bucci
12:15pm	Jacqueline Stefanak
3/26	TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
7:00am	Mary Keville
5:30pm	(OLP) Pauline Antaki
3/27	WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
7:00am	Patricia Hubertus
12:15pm	Victoria Frazzini
3/28	THURSDAY OF HOLY WEEK (Holy Thursday)
8:00pm	Mass Of The Lord's Supper
3/29	FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (Good Friday)
11:30pm	Stations Of The Cross
1:00pm	Rosary
3:00pm	Liturgy Of The Lord's Passion (Sacred Liturgy)
3/30	HOLY SATURDAY
9:00pm	Easter Vigil
3/31	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
7:30am	Teresa Keenan
9:00am	Joan Graham
10:00am	(OLP) Neda Toffon
11:00am	Guidone & Gembecki Families
12:30pm	The People Of The Parish



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):

March 17 \$9,536.00

Special Good Friday Collection—Holy Land



**The Sanctuary Lamp burns
In Memory of
Louis Filice (OLP)**



CONDOLENCES

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

**Diane Marie Guido, Anthony Rendina,
Mary Sullivan, Susann Foyes Pramschufer**



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 Greges, Micki Carbone, Walter Kastner, Jon Shuker, brother-in-law of Roxanne Surace, Sylvester Frazzini, Paula Porrecelli, Bill Schmitz., Mary Collins, George Connaughton, Jr.

PASTOR'S GREETING—Fr. Luke Hoyt, O.P.

“Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come. Hosanna in the highest!”

Jesus comes into our Church this Palm Sunday in the name of the Lord, to bring us the Kingdom of his Father. Although he comes already in triumph, it is in fact just the prelude to the true triumph, which will happen next Sunday, when he rises from the dead. But between these two triumphs, there will be darkness, suffering, and the outpouring of his blood for love of us.

Welcome to Holy Week. I invite you to draw close to the Church this week. Let the liturgies of each day be the center of your life. For we cannot know the joy of Easter without accompanying the Lord on his every step through his Passion.

Here's the lineup:

- Come to Confession on Reconciliation Monday (2-4pm, 6-9pm)
- Join us for Holy Hour on Tuesday evening (7pm)
- Join us for Mass on “Spy Wednesday” (7am + 12:15pm at HI; we are also offering Confessions at Our Lady of Pompeii at 5:30pm this day)
- Enter into the Last Supper on Holy Thursday (8pm)
- Accompany the Lord as he walks to Calvary on Good Friday (Stations of the Cross @ 11:30am, Liturgy of the Lord's Passion @ 3pm)
- Experience the mystery and joy of the Easter Vigil on Saturday night (9pm)
- Finally, join us for Mass in the full-sunlight celebrations of Easter Sunday
- (And if you aren't able to attend these liturgies in person, a digital subscription to Magnificat is a great way to stay connected bookstore.magnificat.net/subscription/index)

As St. James says, “Draw near to God and He will draw near to you!”

Fr. Luke

Liturgy Notes— March 24, 2024

Worldly glory is fleeting. Christ enters into Jerusalem to the tune of crowds chanting, “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” Only five days later, the same crowd cries, “Crucify him! Crucify him!” How their fickleness contrasts with the constancy of Jesus, for he remains faithful, humble, “obedient to death, even death on a cross.” Despite beatings, insults, and spitting, Jesus knows full well that he will “not be put to shame.” United to him, neither will we. In his Passion, we find forgiveness of our sins and the strength to rise above persecution, injustice, and suffering

Entrance Antiphon

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: *Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors.

Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. *Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Savior to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Communion Antiphon

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.



First Friday

April 5

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

*Adoration
1pm—6pm*

*Confession
4:30pm—5:30pm*

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



Happy Palm Sunday, and welcome to the beginning of Holy Week 2024!

The Music Ministry has been planning and practicing the music for Holy Week and we have chosen selections that are appropriate for the week, and those that are most fitting for the themes and moods of each of the holy days. It is our intention that the music accompany and enhance the messages of each liturgy of the Triduum.

Today the mass setting will change to the **Mass of Saint Mary Magdalene** written by Sarah Hart. Sarah Hart is one of the most prolific female composers for Catholic liturgies of our time. We are also using her setting of Psalm 22: My God, My God, why Have You Abandoned Me for this weekend

It is our sincere hope that all who gather with us over these special days find the music we have chosen and prepared prayerful, and an integral part of the celebrations of Triduum. As always, we encourage and welcome your participation!

May you all have a Blessed Easter!



Holy Innocents Knitting Group

1st Thursday of the month in the social hall at 7:30PM



All Students Welcome In Grades 9-12

All high school students are invited to join the youth group on Sunday, March 24th from 6:15-7:15pm for a meeting in the parish hall. We hope to see you there!

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>.

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.



Pope Francis' March Intentions Is For the new martyrs

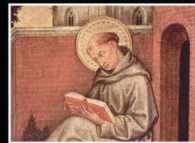
We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Fr. Leo's Book Club

All are welcome!

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, April 10 @ 5:15P in the Social Hall

St. Thomas Aquinas
THE 'DUMB OX'



G. K. Chesterton

We will be reading St. Thomas Aquinas: 'The Dumb Ox' Paperback – December 16, 2012 by [G. K. Chesterton](#) (Author)

Please bring a copy of the book.



Holy Innocents Altar Servers

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

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.

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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, beginning 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.

Life, Death & The Common Good

Conversations on Catholicism and Culture

Thursdays 7:00PM in the Social Hall

April 18th

Death with Dignity: The Catholic Vision
Sr. Charity, S.V.

May 2nd

Dorothy Day and the Quest for Holiness
Dr. Kevin Ahern

May 16th

Suffering, Hope, and the Atom Bomb
Dr. James L. Nolan, Jr.

May 30th

*Christianity and Politics:
Lessons from the Early Church for Today*
Dr. Michael Peppard

**Pancake Breakfast April 14,
following the 11am Mass**



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"
5. enter "Name and Email"

Catholic Television

ALL SOULS CEMETERY

Reminder Palm Crosses are removed on Wednesday of Holy Week per cemetery Rules and Regulations.



Join us in singing the Marian Antiphons at our sung Masses each Sunday. For this Lenten season' the antiphon is "Ava Regina Calorem." Music cards are available in the pews

Parish Block Party

Sunday, May 5

11 am Mass + May Crowning
followed by
Food, Games, Fellowship



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

\$9M

Assistance for Financially Vulnerable Parishes

\$5M

Charitable Outreach



\$1M

Formation of New Parish Priests

\$4M

Evangelization, Communications and Catholic Education

\$2M

Care for Retired Parish Priests

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Friday, March 29, 2024

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.



Bereavement Support

Holy Innocents is offering an Bereavement Support Evening on April 11, 2024 at 6:30 pm in the Social Hall.

We welcome previous members and new individuals that may be laden by grief. The group will share experiences, offer advice, grieve and pray together.

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.

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

**HOLY INNOCENTS CYO
BASKETBALL FUNDRAISER
2024**

**TURN
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BACK
80s & 90's
DANCE PARTY**

**FEATURING:
THE RONALD REAGANS
NY'S PREMIER 80/90'S BAND**

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**OPEN BAR, APPS, AUCTION AND
RAFFLES**

**APRIL 5TH 7:30
PAULIES BAR
PLEASANTVILLE**



Religious Education

The Religious Education Department wishes all the members of our Parish a very Happy Palm Sunday. We hope that all of you will participate in the beautiful liturgies of this week that commemorate the events surrounding the suffering, Death and Resurrection of Jesus.

The liturgies of Holy week are filled with some of the richest and most ancient symbols of the Catholic faith. The waving of palms today reminds us that we are called to be followers of Jesus, not just distant fans.

The Washing of the Feet on **Holy Thursday** speaks to us of the selfless love that we are called to practice in imitation of Jesus. On this holy day we also remember the gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gave us.

The Veneration of the cross on **Good Friday** reminds us that, as Christians, we believe that Jesus can overcome anything, even death.

The lighting of the Easter fire, and the procession of the paschal candle into a darkened church from which our individual candles are lit, speaks to us of the new life that is ours because of Jesus' triumph over the darkness of sin and death through His resurrection.

Our students will not have classes during Holy week, it is our sincere hope that they and their families will participate in these special days.

Live in His Light

Join us for **RECONCILIATION MONDAY**

Experience the love
& forgiveness of God.



March 25

Confession times are **2:00 to 4:00** & **6:00 to 9:00 pm.**

Check archny.org/parish-finder for a parish near you.

A GUIDE TO CONFESSION

(take this with you ... it's really okay)



BEFORE YOU GO

Examine your conscience, that is, reflect on what sins you've committed. To guide you, just Google "examination of conscience" and you'll find resources to help you. It's even all right to make a list to bring with you if that helps.



INTRODUCTION

When you come before the priest, begin by making the Sign of the Cross (praying the words out loud), and continue by saying, "Bless me, Father, I have sinned. It has been (how long) since my last confession. These are my sins..."



CONFESSION

List the sins you've committed that came to mind during your examination of conscience. Don't be too general ("I haven't been a good person"), but a lot of detail isn't necessary (you don't need to tell the whole story of how a sin came about). If you're not sure if something is a sin, ask the priest. This isn't counseling, so unless you ask, the priest likely won't give you advice. He'll just move on to ...



PENANCE

The priest will suggest something for you to do or pray as a response to God's mercy. You'll have to remember what this is and do it after the confession is over, so pay attention.



ACT OF CONTRITION

The priest will then ask you to pray out loud your "Act of Contrition," to demonstrate your sorrow for your sins: "My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy."



ABSOLUTION

Don't get up to leave after that prayer, because the best part is yet to come: The priest will extend his hands in your direction and he will pray the Prayer of Absolution: "God, the Father of Mercies, through the death and resurrection of his Son, has reconciled the world to himself and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins. Through the ministry of the Church, may God grant you pardon and peace. And I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen." You respond: "Amen."



CONCLUSION

The priest will then likely say something like, "God has freed you from your sin. Go in Peace." To which you can respond: "Thanks be to God." Don't forget to do your penance. If it is saying certain prayers, it's best to do it right away in the church before you forget.

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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.)

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

BIBLE STUDY

All are welcome to join!



Men's Group

Saturdays 9am-10am

Women's Group

Saturdays 9am-10am

Call the office at (914) 769-0025 or email office@hiparish.org for more information.



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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SAVE THE DATE

Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass

Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 2:30 PM
Saint Patrick's Cathedral

His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Celebrant

The *Golden Jubilee Mass* is for couples celebrating 50 years of marriage during 2024.

All those who wish to attend need to contact their parish secretary to register.

Pews will be reserved for *Golden Jubilee* couples only. Up to four (4) additional family and friends will be accommodated in pews outside of the reserved section in general seating.

All *Golden Jubilee* couples will receive a commemorative certificate. Couples who are unable to attend the Mass can request a certificate through their parish.

Registration will close on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 5:00 PM

PLEASANTVILLE ECUMENICAL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Emanuel Lutheran Church, Pleasantville Presbyterian Church,
St. John's Episcopal Church, Holy Innocents Catholic Church
& other local churches.



August 12-16th, 2024

8:30 am - 12 pm

Emanuel Lutheran Church, Manville Rd, Pleasantville NY



Concert on
Thursday
Evening

\$60 - 1 child
\$85 - 2 children
\$100 - 3+ children

For children entering K-entering 8th Grade
Nursery & Pre-K is exclusively for the
children of volunteers.



Snack is
provided.

Reg Opens April 1
Reg Registration
ends July 21.
Late Registration
fee is \$10 per child.



www.myvbs.org/pvilleevbs2023
Questions about registration contact:
Deborah Hurdis @ munozhurdisd@gmail.com



DAUGHTERS OF MARY 5th-8th Grade Girls

...Mary, the miracle of the miracles of grace, of nature, and of glory. If you wish to comprehend the Mother, says a Saint, comprehend the Son; for she is the worthy Mother of God. -True Devotion To Mary, by Saint Louis De Montfort

The Spring/Summer session of the Daughters of Mary Class begins on April 6th, from 4:45-7:15 in the social hall classroom. The girls will enjoy a meal, arts and crafts, learn about the Seven Sorrows of the Virgin Mary, and the virtue of the month will be Forgiveness.

If your daughter is interested in joining, please email Rosemarie at: rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com.