



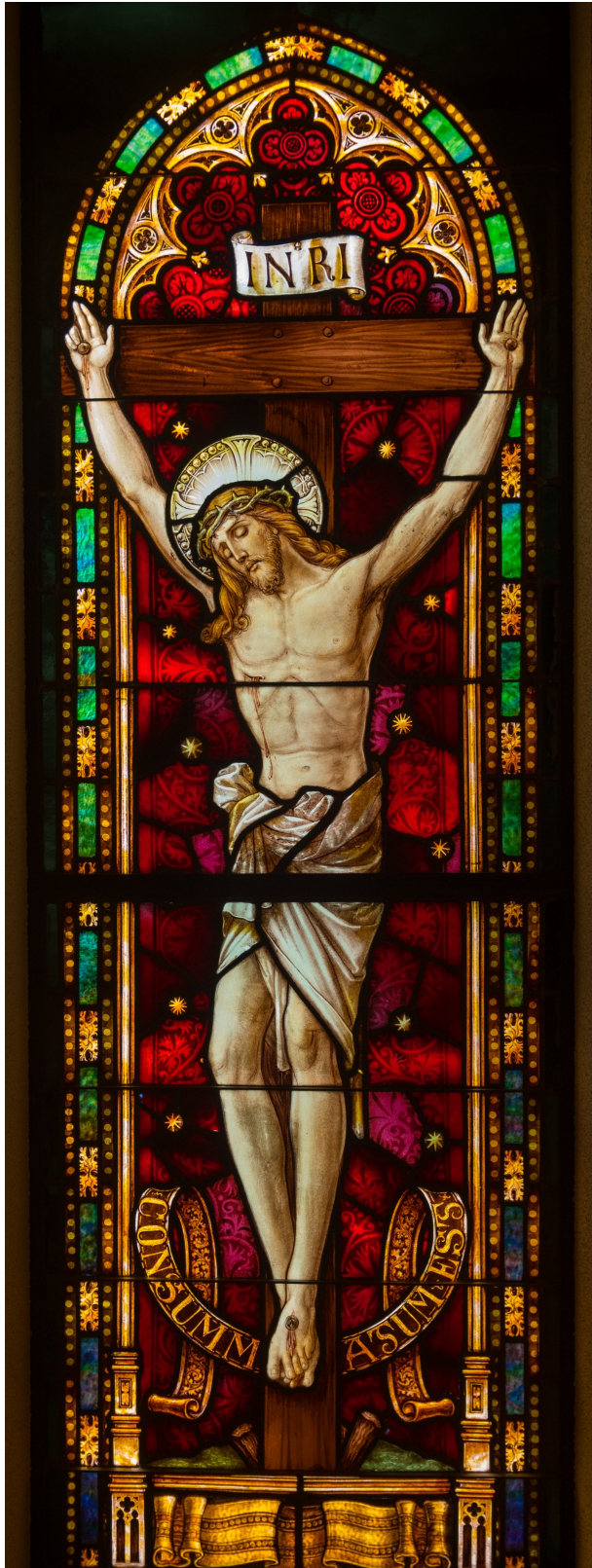
HOLY INNOCENTS PARISH

431 Bedford Road

Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel, Saratoga Avenue

Pleasantville, New York 10570

Sunday, March 3, 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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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.



3/2	Saturday Lenten Weekday
5:15pm	(Vigil) George Civita
3/3	3rd SUNDAY OF LENT
7:30am	Robert Morse (1st Ann)
9:00am	The People of the Parish
10:00am	(OLP) Pauline Antaki
11:00am	Christopher & Hildegard Mola
5:15pm	Joe Lim Fat
3/4	Monday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	Philip Mercaldi
12:15pm	Joseph Mazza
3/5	Tuesday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	Larry Vita
5:30pm	(OLP) John Magaletta
3/6	Wednesday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	John & Irene Mazzocchi
12:15pm	Intention of Jerry Villani & Family
3/7	Thursday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	John Collins
5:30pm	(OLP) Philip Mercaldi
3/8	Friday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	Geraldine & Pat Landino
12:15pm	Rocco Surace
3/9	Saturday Lenten Weekday
7:00am	Patricia Gareri
5:15pm	(Vigil) Mary K. Lingardo
3/10	4th SUNDAY OF LENT
7:30am	Eric Lackey
9:00am	Richard "Desi" Callanan
10:00am	(OLP) The People of the Parish
11:00am	Barbara and Dennis Vaccaro
5:15pm	Laura Graham



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 \$10,825

March 3 2nd coll. for Catholic Relief Services



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



Baptism

We celebrate with the parents and godparents of the newly baptized:
Lily Casey, Elizabeth Joan Reinhart



CONDOLENCES

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

Richard Arias



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.

PASTOR'S GREETING—Fr. Luke Hoyt, O.P.



Lenten greetings.

A few notes to share with you:

- Thank you to Fr. James for leading our Parish Mission this past week. I found it to be a deeply fruitful time of self-reflection and drawing close to God – and many of you have told me the same. It was wonderful to see so many of you present.
- This Saturday (3/2), our eighth-graders will be present at the Vigil Mass as the conclusion of a retreat day. Please keep them in prayer as they prepare for their Confirmation on May 10th.
- This Sunday (3/3) and the two following Sundays, we will have a special rite at our 11am Masses to prepare our catechumens for Baptism at the upcoming Easter Vigil. Please join me in praying for them and for all of those preparing for the Sacraments at our parish this Easter. They have been on a journey this whole year, as Fr. Philip leads them into the mysteries of our Faith, and that journey is drawing near to the finish line.
- We are looking for additional ushers for our weekend Masses – in particular the 9am and the evening Masses. Ushers assist with greeting, facilitating seating, and helping each Mass go smoothly. Contact the office if you are interested in assisting. (And just to be clear, volunteering does not need to entail committing to every week, but only as much as your schedule allows....)
- This weekend is our Cardinal's Appeal weekend. You have been incredibly generous to this Appeal in recent years – something for which I am personally grateful. Thank you to those of you who have already donated to this year's Appeal, and thank you in advance to each of you who will do so. The Appeal is a way for our parish to support the work of our Archdiocesan Catholic community. By donating to it, we are saying, "We are proud to be Catholic, and we are proud to support the work of our Catholic Church in the New York area!"

Peace,

Fr. Luke

Liturgy Notes— March 3, 2024

Jesus “did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.” Fallen human nature always attempts to define the meaning of life with something we can measure. That is what the presence of the moneychangers at the temple symbolizes. Their worldly activity in this most sacred place reveals their moral bankruptcy: they prefer riches to a relationship with God. But the commandments of the Lord “are more precious than a heap of purest gold.” They save us from such foolishness and bless us with “the foolishness of God.”

Entrance Antiphon

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

Collect

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. 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

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.



OFFICE OF THE CARDINAL
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NEW YORK, NY 10022

March 3, 2024
Season of Lent

Dear friends in the Lord:

On *Laetare* Sunday, March 10, in all our parishes and in churches throughout the country, we will be collecting your offering for the *Catholic Relief Services*. With your support, you serve Jesus those who are poor and vulnerable in the most marginalized communities in our world.


When you give, you help fill the bellies of young children; you help prevent trafficking and provide welcome kits for survivors; your donations help mothers and babies around the world receive nutritional care and health exams; refugees find safety and receive emergency assistance and trauma counseling; and farmers learn innovative ways to plant and grow crops despite drought or disease.

For more than 75 years, *CRS* has been providing expertise and compassion to the very poorest of our brothers and sisters in more than 100 countries. Your generosity to the *Catholic Relief Services* facilitates much-needed support and makes a difference for so many around the globe. As you would agree, this is a most worthy Lenten exercise. To learn more about the collection and the people who benefit, you may visit www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

As I write to you today, I am asking that you prayerfully consider as an act of mercy and charity, a generous donation to *Catholic Relief Services*. My gratitude to you for last year's contribution of \$357,068 and for your alms once again this year.

My prayerful best wishes for a blessed Lenten season.

Faithfully in Christ,

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† Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

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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.



All Students Welcome In Grades 9-12

All high school students are invited to join the youth group on Sunday, March 3rd at 5:15pm for a Youth Mass. After Mass,

we will have a youth group meeting in the parish hall from 6:15-7:15pm. Our second March meeting will be held on Sunday, March 24th from 6:15-7:15pm 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.



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.



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.

SHARING GOD'S GIFTS



Each year, all of us at our parish make it our priority to support the *Appeal* and its \$21 million effort. As of today, we have made significant progress towards our goal. To those who have already made a gift to the *Appeal* this year, THANK YOU! If you have not given to the *Appeal* before, we invite you to make a gift today by visiting www.cardinalsappeal.org/donate.

To learn more about the *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal*, contact us at 646-794-3300 or visit cardinalsappeal.org.



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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, March 6 @ 6:30pm
Pleasantville Presbyterian Church
400 Bedford Road, Pleasantville, NY 10570

February 21 @ 6:30pm
Holy Innocents Church
8 Sunnyside Avenue
Pleasantville, NY

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



As you may have noticed, there are many changes in our church when we enter the season of Lent. For example, there are no flowers on the altar, the priests wear purple vestments, and the curtains behind our altar are purple. The Alleluia is also removed from our acclamations and songs.

The last singing of the Alleluia has led to some unique, beautiful and interesting customs including “burying the Alleluia” dating back to the Middle Ages. Modern faith formation classes may bury an Alleluia banner somewhere on the parish grounds, or place the word in a plastic Easter egg, as part of the Easter morning Easter egg hunt.

Our Religious Education classes have observed this custom, and buried the Alleluia after mass on Ash Wednesday. You can see our Alleluia put away on the table in the Social Hall.

Easter is five weeks away, Sunday, March 31st, and the Alleluia will return after its Lenten rest. We look forward to celebrating the joy of Easter and once again proclaiming Alleluia!



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.



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

SAVE THE DATE

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



Our Entrance hymn this weekend is **I Heard the Voice of Jesus**. This hymn was written by Horatius Bonar who was born in 1808 in Edinburgh, Scotland, the son of a ruling elder in the Church of Scotland. He became a pastor of the North Parish in the rural town of Kelso.

In Bonar's day the Scottish church had no substantial library of hymns so Bonar began to write hymns. He focused his writing on simple lyrics to familiar tunes geared toward the youth in the congregation. His interest in growing the library with hymns that fostered participation was successful, and he began to write adult hymns. His gift and interest in writing verse continued as a habit while he served as pastor, and in the course of his ministry he published a number of hymn compilations.

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say was one of the hymns he wrote during his tenure at Kelso. This is perhaps his most famous song, having found good reception not only in Scotland but also in the wider English-speaking world.

What makes the hymn so widely appealing may well be its focus on the gospel call of Christ to come to Him, look to Him, drink, and rest. Our world today is so different from Scotland in the 1800s, but the hymn speaks to our hearts and our spiritual needs and is rooted in scripture. The hymn encourages all to find in Him all that He has promised.

So let us hear the voice of Jesus and proclaim that Jesus is the answer to people's deepest needs.

Holy Week at Holy Innocents

March 24, Palm Sunday

Vigil Mass Sat. March 23, 5:15pm
Mass 7:30am, 9am, 10am (OLP), 11am, 5:15pm
Confessions 4:30pm-5pm

March 25, Reconciliation Monday

Mass 7am, 12:15pm
Confessions 2pm-4pm & 6pm-9pm

March 26, Holy Tuesday

Mass 7am, 5:30pm (OLP)
Lenten Holy Hour 7-8pm (Includes Confessions)

March 27, Spy Wednesday

Mass 7am, 12:15pm

March 28, Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper 8pm
Compline 11pm

March 29, Good Friday

Stations of the Cross 11:30am
Rosary 1pm
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3pm

March 30, Holy Saturday

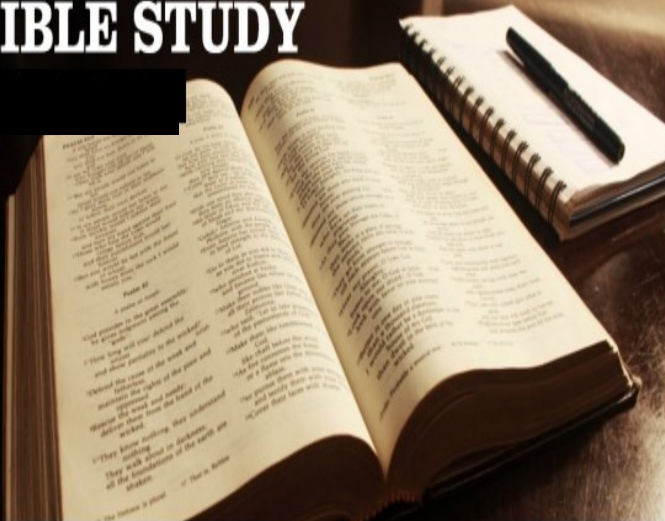
Easter Vigil 9pm

March 31, Easter Sunday

Mass 7:30am, 9am, 10am(OLP), 11am, 12:30pm



BIBLE STUDY



Men's Group
Saturdays 9am-10am

Women's Group
Saturdays 9am-10am

Sign up through FlockNote



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DAUGHTERS OF MARY

5th-8th Grade Girls

... even the devils themselves, willingly or unwillingly, are compelled, by the force of truth, to call her Blessed. -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.



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 session is March 23.



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

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



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SAVE THE DATE

Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass

Sunday, June 4, 2023 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 2023.

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 15, 2023 at 5:00 PM

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