



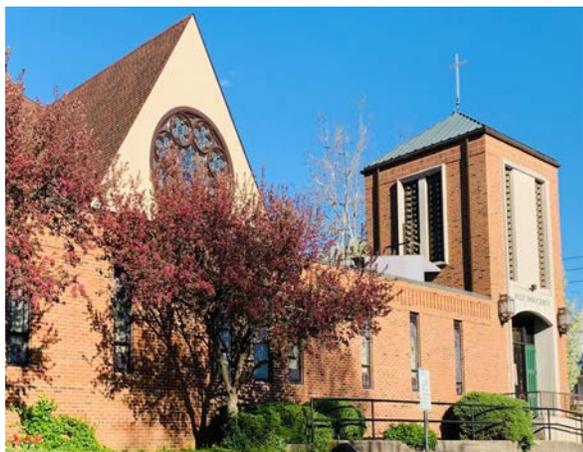
# HOLY INNOCENTS PARISH

## *Dominican Friars*

TO PRAISE, TO BLESS, TO PREACH

431 BEDFORD ROAD, PLEASANTVILLE, NEW YORK

MAY 1, 2022



### PARISH OFFICE

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### LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Saturday

5:15pm at Holy Innocents

#### Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:15pm at Holy Innocents

10:00am at Our Lady of Pompeii

**Daily:** 7:00am Monday-Saturday

12:15pm Monday, Wednesday & Friday

5:30pm Tuesday & Thursday at OLP

**Tuesday:** Holy Hour 7-8pm at Holy Innocents

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

Please contact the Parish Office

### **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:**

Contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance.

A pre-Cana program is required.

### **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:**

As scheduled, or anytime a priest is called. Please notify us when a family member enters the hospital.

### **NEW PARISHIONERS:**

You are cordially invited to join our parish community.

Please stop in at the Parish Office.

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

**Tuesdays:** 7-8pm

**Saturdays:** 4:30-5:00pm

**Sundays:** 4:30-5:00pm

All other times by request.

Please call the office for an appointment.

### **PARISH STAFF**

**Fr. Luke Hoyt, O.P., Pastor**

**Fr. Leo Camurati, O.P., Parochial Vicar**

**Fr. Frank Sutman, O.P., Fr. Greg Doherty, O.P. (In Residence)**

Roxanne Surace

Roseann Graj

Joe DeSanctis

Eileen Bruehl

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Director of Religious Education

Asst. Director of Religious Education

Music Director

Parish Coordinator

Secretary

Business Manager & All Souls Cemetery Manager

Youth Group Minister



**4/30—Vigil Mass**

5:15 Mary LaFranco

**5/1—THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

7:30 Holy Innocents Parishioners  
9:00 Joseph DeSanctis, Sr.  
10:00 (OLP) Rose, Ray & Marissa White  
11:00 Frank Ragonese & Debra Maringolo  
5:15 Carmen & Joseph Curzio

**5/2—Monday, Saint Athanasius**

7:00 Michael Galea  
12:15 Joseph Venutti

**5/3—Tuesday, Saints Phillip and James**

7:00 James Moore  
5:30 (OLP)

**5/4—Wednesday, Easter Weekday**

7:00 Connie Clear  
12:15 Intentions of Brianna & Tom Iannone

**5/5—Thursday, Easter Weekday**

7:00 Adelina Brusco & Felicia Testa  
5:30 (OLP) Robert Kafarsky

**5/6—First Friday, Saint Catherine of Siena**

7:00 David Nguyen  
12:15  
7:00 Hana Lazraj

**5/7—First Saturday, Easter Weekday**

7:00 Pat Palladino

**5/7—Vigil Mass**

5:15 Lillian Geider

**5/8—FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

7:30 Vincent Leheny  
9:00 Christina Casey (2nd Anniversary)  
10:00 (OLP) Virginia Toffon  
11:00 Ellen Roe  
5:15 Herbert Holzer



**The Sanctuary Lamp at Holy Innocents  
burns in Memory of  
A Private Family Intention**



**CONDOLENCES**

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

**Iskandar Hanna Ezaizat**  
(Father of Amro)

**Helen Slattery**  
(Mother of Mary Ellen O'Mara)

**James Currans**  
(Brother of Pat January)



*Rose DeSanctis (mother of Joe DeSanctis), Rocco J. Surace (father of Roxanne Surace), Mary Coughlin, Buddy Coughlin, P.O. Timothy Joyce, Jimmy Fleming, Robert Sarro, Louis Sarro, Joann Keddy, Laura Cabrera, Desi Callanan, Walter Kastner, Joel Walker, Zuma Candelano, Pamela Pena, Christopher Maloney, Jim Ennis, Maria Annunziata, Debbie Flooks, Janet Moy*



If you would like to receive Holy Communion in your home, please let us know. Please send an email to Fr. Leo Camurati at [leocamurati@hiparish.org](mailto:leocamurati@hiparish.org). He is happy to be in touch with you about coordinating regular visits.



**Fr. Leo's "Book Club"**

Interested in reading some of the classics of Christian Literature? The Book Club meets on Wednesdays at 5:15pm in the Social Hall. We are finishing up our current selection: **The Path to Rome, by Hilaire Belloc**. On May 11th we will begin reading: **Sir Gawain & the Green Knight**.

**FINANCE CORNER**

**Sunday Collection + WeShare**

**April 24**      **Weekly**  
**\$7,790**

## PASTOR'S GREETING

Easter Greetings,

This Sunday we are beginning a new custom of singing a special sacred hymn to Mary at several of our Sunday Masses. At the 5:15pm Vigil, 9am, and 11am Masses, we will sing a special chant called a Marian antiphon. This is a beautiful way for us to acknowledge the Blessed Mother's role in our lives and to invite her into the week to come. There are four traditional Marian songs, one for each liturgical season: Advent/Christmas, Lent, Easter, and Ordinary Time. We have printed and placed in the pews special cards so that you can join in. The hymns are in Latin, and so we have also printed the English translation. How important it is for us to be intentional about staying close to Mary, entrusting ourselves to her care, asking for her guidance in our lives. And how blessed we are to have these ancient chants – that have been sung by our fellow Catholics for many centuries! – as a means to do so.

A few other notes:

- I mentioned in an earlier letter that we are going to have a student brother – Br. Charles Rooney OP – join us for the summer. I can now also announce that we will have a deacon student brother, Br. Vincent Bernhard OP with us for the summer as well. They will both arrive in late May. We look forward to welcoming them!
- Last month some of you joined Fr. Leo and me for a presentation on bible studies and how we might like to proceed with starting a new bible study for the parish. Various possibilities are in the works, but for now I can announce that one of the ministries of Brothers Vincent and Charles this summer will be to offer a 6-week parish study on the Bible. This will be on Thursday evenings, starting in June. Further details coming!
- May 14<sup>th</sup> we have a special day planned for the families of our parish. After praying the rosary in the church at 10:30am, our first communicants will be crowning the statue of Mary that is outside the parish office on Tompkins Ave. at 11am. Then, there are family-oriented games and activities and ice cream until 1pm in our parking lot on the corner of Tompkins and Manville. I hope all our families can make it!

Continued Easter blessings,

Fr. Luke



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education program congratulates the Eighth-Grade students in Mrs. O'Reilly's and Mrs. Lent's class on their successful bake sale this past Sunday. As part of their Confirmation service the students organized the sale to raise money for the USASOA (United Soldiers and Sailors of America), which is a non-profit Military and Veteran Service Organization.

The students did the baking themselves, and individually wrapped the items for freshness and Covid safety. They attended Mass together, and then worked at the sale after Mass. They raised \$265 for the veterans.

Thanks to all of you who supported their efforts!



All Students in Grades 9-12 are welcome.  
For information contact Julia DalCeredo  
at [julia.dalceredo@gmail.com](mailto:julia.dalceredo@gmail.com).

### SAVE THE DATE

**Welcome Back Pleasantville EVBS!**  
August 8th-12th  
at Holy Innocents Church



For more information please visit:  
[pvillevbs.org](http://pvillevbs.org)

## Fr. Camurati's Corner

Like the major Jewish feasts of Old, Easter doesn't simply end in a day. Rather, it takes eight days to celebrate, alongside a further 42 days of Eastertide.

This is fitting, but has one downside: some feasts of the Church don't get the notice they would any other year. Of these, St. George might be the most enigmatic saint that we passed over this Passover on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

I say enigmatic because there is little we know of St. George. He is believed to have been a soldier martyred on that day, back in A.D. 303, but even this is questioned. Writing less than 200 years later, Pope Gelasius I said he is among those "whose names are justly revered among men, but whose actions are known only to God". This didn't stop the Christian tradition from multiplying stories: perhaps you have heard the account of him saving a town (and a princess) from a bloodthirsty dragon that demanded perennial human sacrifice.

And yet, for what little we know of him, he has quite a following as a patron of countries as diverse as England, Ethiopia, Georgia (surprise surprise!), and Russia. This does not exhaust the list, mind you! Even Antarctica has King George Island!

Not only is he taken as a patron of places but also as a model for emulation by Christian men throughout the ages. The American Revolution pitted George Washington against King George III. Nor is this simply a phenomenon in the Anglosphere: there are many who go by *Georges*, *Giorgio*, *Georg*, and *Jorge* (including Pope Francis) all over the world.

St. George, enigmatic though he be, has been influential principally as an open-ended model of aspiration for anyone striving for virtue. The idealized tales of daring-do in the face of fantastic monsters do not distract from this, but rather confirm it. In Chesterton's words: "Fairy tales do not give the child his first idea of bogey. The baby has known the dragon intimately ever since he had an imagination. What the fairy tale provides for him is a St. George to kill the dragon."

St. George's reputation may not be fully historical, but it is *true*. Not because it tells us that dragons exist, but rather because it promises dragons can be beaten.

Through Christ's Resurrection and the saints who rise in Him, may we find victory over our own dragons,  
Fr. Leo, O.P.



Beginning this weekend, the Music Ministry will be leading 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 tradition, each of the four Marian antiphons is assigned a liturgical season.

1. **Alma Redemptoris Mater** – the Saturday before the First Sunday of Advent through the Presentation of the Lord (February 2)
2. **Ave Regina Caelorum** – February 2 through Wednesday of Holy week
3. **Regina Caeli** – Easter Sunday until the Saturday after Pentecost Sunday
4. **Salve Regina** – Trinity Sunday until the Saturday before the First Sunday of Advent

Fr. Luke has asked us to join in the tradition of honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary at the conclusion of Mass. We will begin this weekend with the **Regina Caeli**.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A



**Date: Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 7:00pm**

**Place:** Home of a Holy Innocents Parishioner  
in Pleasantville

**Cost: \$50/pp**

**Wine:** Red, White, Sparkling  
Light Fare, Dessert & Coffee

**RSVP by Sunday, May 1, 2022**

**Questions or ticket purchases** – contact  
Karen McCarthy or Rebekah Lee by email:  
[karenmccarthy3@hotmail.com](mailto:karenmccarthy3@hotmail.com) or  
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Today is the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker. Watch: *Joseph of Nazareth: The Story of the Man Closest to Christ*. Read: *The School of Nazareth: A Spiritual Journey with Saint Joseph*, or listen to: *St. Joseph: Patron of the Universal Church*. May 5<sup>th</sup> is the National Day of Prayer with Theme: Exalt the Lord who has Established Us. Please pray for our country, church and family



### Pope Francis' May Intentions

*"Faith-Filled Young People"*

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.



### Saint Patrick's Cathedral 5th Avenue, New York, NY

Couples celebrating 50 years of marriage during 2022 are invited to attend the Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 5th 2022, at 2:30pm. The Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan.

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 Mass but are celebrating fifty years of marriage may also register to receive a certificate.

**Face coverings are required.**

**All who wish to attend must register by Monday, May 16th.**  
**To register please call the Parish Office at 914-769-0025.**

### Holy Innocents Church Care Group

Get involved in caring for our church by cleaning and beautifying our parish space, keeping our facility looking its very best. We meet on Saturdays twice monthly. Each participant may commit time according to their availability. All are welcome, ages 12 and up. (Yes, it can be a community service opportunity!) Masks and distancing protocols will be followed.

Contact Peggy DiCarlo for more information text:  
914-450-9597 or email: [fredsgirls@hotmail.com](mailto:fredsgirls@hotmail.com)

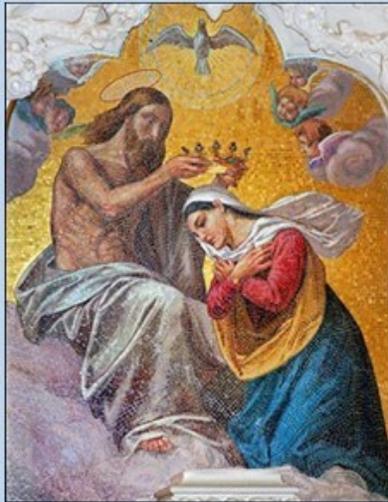


The Holy Innocents Knitting group meets the first Thursday of every month in the social hall conference room at 7:30 PM. No experience necessary: we are happy to teach you. We are working on several charity projects.

For more information please contact:

Liz Dieter at [edieter60@gmail.com](mailto:edieter60@gmail.com) or  
Kathy Dunne at [kdunne6130@gmail.com](mailto:kdunne6130@gmail.com)

# May Crowning Family Day Saturday, May 14



**10:30 am** Rosary (in church)

**11 am** Mary Crowning (Tompkins Ave)

Ice Cream, Games and Family Fun  
to follow until 1 pm

## Liturgy Notes for the Third Sunday of Easter May 1, 2022

In the face of Peter's triple denial of him on the eve of his Passion, the risen Jesus asks Peter three times, "Do you love me?" Jesus draws out from Peter a love that makes reparation. Jesus uses Peter's own humiliation and contrition to give him a deeper love. The "honor and glory and blessing" that the slain Lamb is worthy to receive is this confidence in his love even when we know we have sinned and betrayed him. Like Peter, "We must obey God rather than men"—which means that we remain confident in Christ's love even when our own weak humanity tempts us to give up. (*Magnificat*)

### Entrance Antiphon

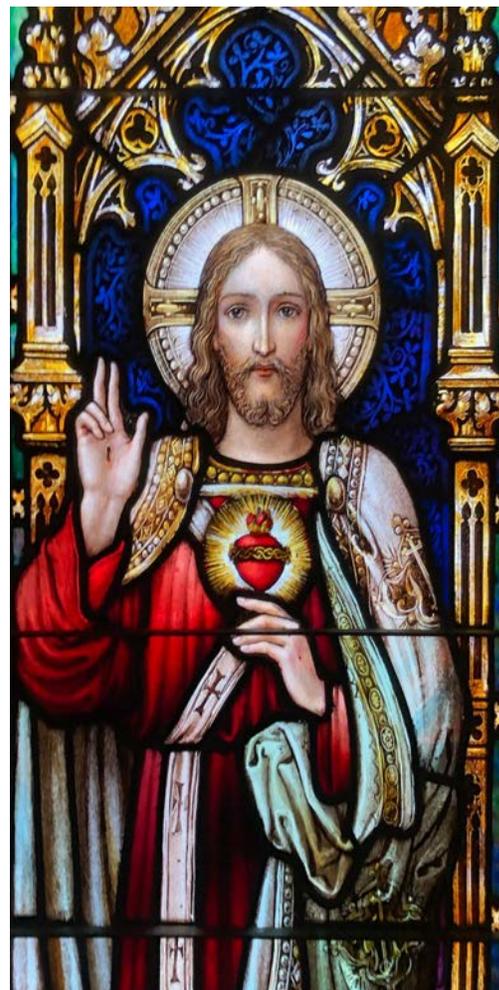
Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

### Collect (Opening Prayer)

May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. 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 disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.



## Heart Speaks to Heart

Devotions Held  
Every First  
Friday of the  
Month

12:15 PM  
Daily Mass

12:45 PM - 7:00 PM  
Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 PM  
Candlelit Mass  
followed by  
Fellowship with Light  
Reception

Church of the  
Holy Innocents



### EMERGENCY LINE

If you ever need a priest in an emergency after office hours, our parish has an emergency line: **914.340.4486**

We are always happy to bring you the Sacraments in your time of need.