



HOLY INNOCENTS

Served By The Dominican Friars

Sunday, September 15, 2024

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*)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday: 7-8 PM

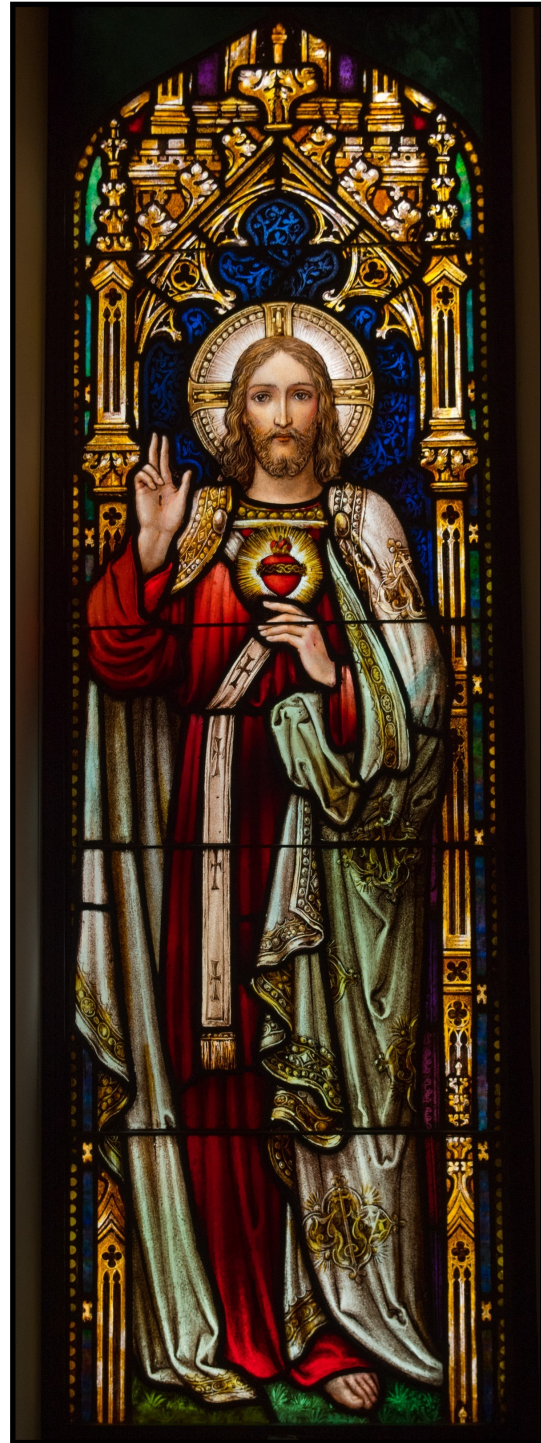
1st Fridays: 1-6 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 9 AM-3:30 PM

WELCOME NEW PARISHONERS!

Stop in at the parish office to meet one of our friars
and to complete a registration card.



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Holy Innocents Church

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DOMINICAN FRIARS IN RESIDENCE

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Fr. Frank Sutman, O.P.

OFFICE STAFF

Barbara Mackin, *business manager*
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SACRAMENTS

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, SEPTEMBER 14

5:15 PM (Vigil) †Vincent Leheny

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 — 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM | †Thomas O'Brien

9 AM | People of the Parish

10 AM (OLP) | †Louis Sarro

11 AM | †Salvatore Arcidiacono

5:15 PM | †Silvia Henao

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 — SS. CORNELIUS & CYPRIAN

7 AM | †Bruce Hesch

12:15 PM | †Terese Cannon

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 — WEEKDAY

7 AM | †Alex Praslick

5:30 PM (OLP) | †Rita Walsh

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 — WEEKDAY

7 AM | †Joseph Marcella

12:15 PM | †Members of Wendy Bruno Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 — WEEKDAY

7 AM | †Maria Bongarzone

5:30 PM (OLP) | Intentions of the Frey Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 — SS. ANDREW KIM TAE-GON & COMP.

7 AM | †Patrick & Kathleen Collins

12:15 PM | †Sarah Ferraro

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 — ST. MATTHEW

7 AM | †Margaret Moran

5:15 PM | (Vigil) †Thomas Casey (18th Anniversary)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 — 25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM | †Helen O'Brien

9 AM | †Yesmin Yamin

10 AM (OLP) | People of the Parish

11 AM | †Rocco & Angelica Marone

5:15 PM | †Ruth Hubertus Rowe

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Rose DeSanctis, Mary Coughlin, Buddy Coughlin, Jimmy Fleming, Robert Sarro, Louis Sarro, Joann Keddy, Laura Cabrera, Joel Walker, Pamela Pena, Maria Annunziata, Debbie Flooks, 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, BJ Buono, Patricia Greges, Micki Carbone, Walter Kastner, Jon Shuker, Sylvester Frazzini, Paula Porrecelli, Bill Schmitz and Mary Collins.

PASTOR'S GREETING

But who do you say that I am?

This is the most important question you or I will ever answer. It sits at a fork in the road. If we answer that Jesus is the Christ, one path opens up to us. If we answer that he is not the Christ, a very different path opens up. Then again, many people try to simply sit at the trail junction by saying that Jesus is probably not "the Son of the Living God," but is certainly a great spiritual leader. But we cannot experience the high adventure of the Christian life without saying with St. Peter, "You are the Christ," and following him with abandon.

A couple notes to share:

- About a month ago, you may have noticed that a new bench was installed just outside the front doors of the church. A couple of weeks ago, planters were added on either side. Last week, the final touch arrived: an inscription naming the bench in memory of Sam Arcidiacono. I am very grateful to his wife Nuccia and the Arcidiacono family for donating this bench in memory of Sam. Mr. Arcidiacono was a fixture in the parish and the Village for many years and we are honored to receive this lovely gift in his honor.
- A special welcome to Pace University students and all college students who share in our parish life. We are grateful for your presence in our community and want to support you in your Faith. We especially invite college students to join us for our 5:15pm Mass this Sunday (9/15) and a taco dinner following.
- Condolences to Jets fans, but thank you for the 49ers victory last Monday. I promise not to root against you for the rest of the season unless you meet San Francisco in the playoffs.
- Please join me in welcoming our Dominican Provincial, Fr. Allen Moran OP, to our parish for this weekend. Thank you, Fr. Allen, for your visit!

Peace,
Fr. Luke



COMING UP AT HOLY INNOCENTS

DOMINICAN ROSARY PILGRIMAGE

Join us Sept. 28 as we go on a one day bus trip to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington DC. Trip cost \$85 per person. Scan here to come!



SENIOR LUNCH

On Wednesday, October 23, following the 12:15 PM Mass, we invite the seniors of our parish to join us for lunch. Come reunite with old friends and make some new ones!

SAVE THE DATE

2nd Annual, **Food & Wine Tasting, October 26, 2024 7pm.** Non-alcoholic wines will also be available.

WELCOME COLLEGE STUDENTS

A warm welcome to Pace University students and all college students! We are thankful for your presences in our parish community. All local college students are invited to join us on Sunday, September 15th for Mass at 5:15pm, followed by a free taco welcome dinner. Please contact Julia DalCeredo at jdalceredo@hiparish.org for more information.

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.

LITURGY NOTES

When Christ asks, “Who do people say that I am?” the disciples first state the answers that miss his true identity. The subsequent revelation from the mouth of Peter—“You are the Christ”—can only be the work of God. Yet Peter still fails to see why Christ must undergo his Passion, which saves our lives. Christ’s rebuke speaks to us, too for it corrects our tendency to think that the cross in our own life is a sign that God has abandoned us. Faith enables us to think as God does, and to know in moments of suffering that “the Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced.” This certainty frees us to “demonstrate our faith” by being generous and selfless. If we embrace Christ and his Passion, who will prove us wrong?

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

COLLECT PRAYER

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. 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

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord through which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

SANCTUARY LAMP

The candle burning in the sanctuary is in memory of **Joseph Marcella & Penny Morretti (OLP)**.

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.

POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION

Pope Francis asks us to pray this month for the cry of the Earth. We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live

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.

FINANCES

FINANCE CORNER

(Sunday Collection + WeShare):

- Sunday, September 8 \$14,632.00
Thank you for your support!



FIRST FRIDAY

Renew your life with Christ every first Friday of the month and join us on October 4, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart. Adoration is 1-6 PM, confessions are 4:30-5:30 PM, and three Masses are celebrated (7 AM, 12:15 PM, and 6 PM).

CONDOLENCES

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

CONGRATULATIONS

We celebrate with the parents and godparents of the newly baptized. **Lilian Montefusco, Arthur Felix Grisanti, Emilia Amendola**

HI COMMUNITY EVENTS & CONTRIBUTIONS



WELCOME FR. ALLEN MORAN, OP

On September 15-17, Fr. Allen Moran, O.P. will be visiting Holy Innocents and will be celebrating the 11am Mass on Sun. Sept. 15.

He is the Provincial of the Dominican Province of St. Joseph, which covers the Northeastern part of the United States. Fr. Allen is based out of our headquarters at St. Vincent Ferrer Priory in New York City. Part of his job is to check in on each Dominican house and parish in the territory—something we call a "Provincial Visitation." Over the course of his visit here, he'll be meeting with various groups in the parish as well as with all the friars. Please wish him a warm welcome!

SUMMER IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

We're continuing to update and improve our facility. Each improvement is well worth it, but comes with a price tag. All donations marked "Maintenance" will go towards these projects until they are paid off.

- LED lighting on the perimeter of the main church = \$11,000
- LED lighting in the social hall will be more luminous, energy efficient, dimmable, and look better = \$51,500
- Our Lady of Pompeii windows and social hall are being refurbished with new lights, ceiling, and fresh paint = \$44,000
- *Total Cost = \$106,500*

We have raised \$73,146.01 (as of 9/11)

FUNDS STILL NEEDED = \$33,353.99

Thank you!

MUSIC MINISTRY

This weekend our Recessional hymn is **Precious Lord, Take My Hand**. The song is a gospel hymn written by Thomas A. Dorsey known as the father of black gospel music. He was at the time so closely associated with the field that songs written in this style were often referred to as "dorseys". Songs formulated by Dorsey, combined Christian praise with the rhythms of jazz and blues. Another of his famous works is **Peace in the Valley**.

He was born in Georgia in 1899, his father was a minister and his mother a piano teacher. He learned to play blues piano and studied music formally in Chicago. **Precious Lord, Take My Hand** has been published in more than forty languages and recorded by hundreds of popular artists including Aretha Franklin, Elvis Presley and Faith Hill. Thomas A. Dorsey died in Chicago at the age of 93.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education Program is proud to introduce a new enhancement to our curriculum called Eucharistic Treasures. This program was designed by catechist, and parishioner, Rosemarie Pomilla as a medium to reinforce the classroom learning of our faith. Each Grade has a theme for the year, and there will be a treasure based on that theme that is taught by the catechist each week.

Each student will receive a worksheet based on that lesson and is then responsible to go home and teach the lesson to their parent or guardian. The parent or guardian is required to sign that worksheet acknowledging that they received the lesson. The worksheet is to be returned to the catechist at the next class.

There is no limit to whom the student can teach the lesson to. It's a first step in a lifetime of spreading the word and evangelizing! When you see one of our students, ask them what Eucharistic treasure they have learned about.

Our year of learning has been dedicated to our Blessed Mother with the theme "to Jesus, through Mary", and Rosemarie's program brings to mind Luke: 2:19 - *"Mary treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart."*

The Religious Education Program is grateful to Rosemarie for her beautiful work and enhancement to our curriculum. We think everyone will love the learning and sharing these treasures of our faith!

PARISH GROUPS

(FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE FLOCKNOTES & FLIERS BY THE CHURCH ENTRANCES)

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.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Holy Innocents is offering a support group for anyone laden by grief. Our next meetings will be 9/26, 10/10, 10/24, 11/7 & 11/14 at 6:30 PM in the Council Room. There is no commitment and the group is not limited to parishioners of Holy Innocents. If you are interested or would like additional information, please contact the parish office.

DAUGHTERS OF MARY

Open to 5th-8th grade girls, the next Daughters of Mary meeting is on October 5, 4:45-7:15 PM in the Social Hall. The girls will enjoy a meal, arts and crafts, learn a virtue of the month. For more information, email Rosemarie at rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com

KNITTING GROUP

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

OCIA

The Holy Innocents group for those who want to explore the Catholic faith has begun. We welcome non-Catholics as well as adult Catholics who haven't received their sacraments of initiation. The group gathers weekly on Wednesday evenings. If interested please contact the parish office or Fr. Philip.

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. Please join us for spiritual discussions, pizza, snacks, and fellowship! For more information, contact the parish office or scan the QR code.



ALTAR SERVERS

We invite children 3rd grade and older to join our altar server team. For more information, call the parish office.

SONS OF JOSEPH

Open to 5th-8th grade boys, starting in October! The first meeting is on October 6, 1:00—3:00 PM in the Council Room. The boys will enjoy a lesson, meal, fellowship and an activity. If your son is interested in joining or to learn more information, email Rosemarie at rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com

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 session is September 21, 9-11 AM.

BIBLE STUDY

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

COLLEGE CAMPUS MINISTRY

All college students are invited to join us on Sundays for 5:15pm Mass. For more information contact jdalceredo@hiparish.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS

FOOD PANTRY

Our parish continues to contribute to the Interfaith Food Pantry of Pleasantville. They provide food for those living in the area that are in need. Food can be brought to the Parish Office during office hours. Please do not leave donations in the entrances to the Church. Please remember to check expiration dates on all donations or they cannot be accepted. For more information you can visit their site at pleasantvillefoodpantry.org

KOFC FUNDRAISER

Saturday, 9/21/24 6:30 pm @ Holy Rosary Cafeteria \$25 per person. Baby Alexander is the grandson of Holy Rosary Parishioner who was born this past March with a very rare congenital medical condition. The KOC are hosting a pasta dinner with wine, beer & soda including a 50/50 to help raise funds for the family. You are invited to attend this event. **For reservations contact Mike DeFlorio at mickd004@verizon.net or 914-490-6700**