



HOLY INNOCENTS

Served By The Dominican Friars

Sunday, September 29, 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

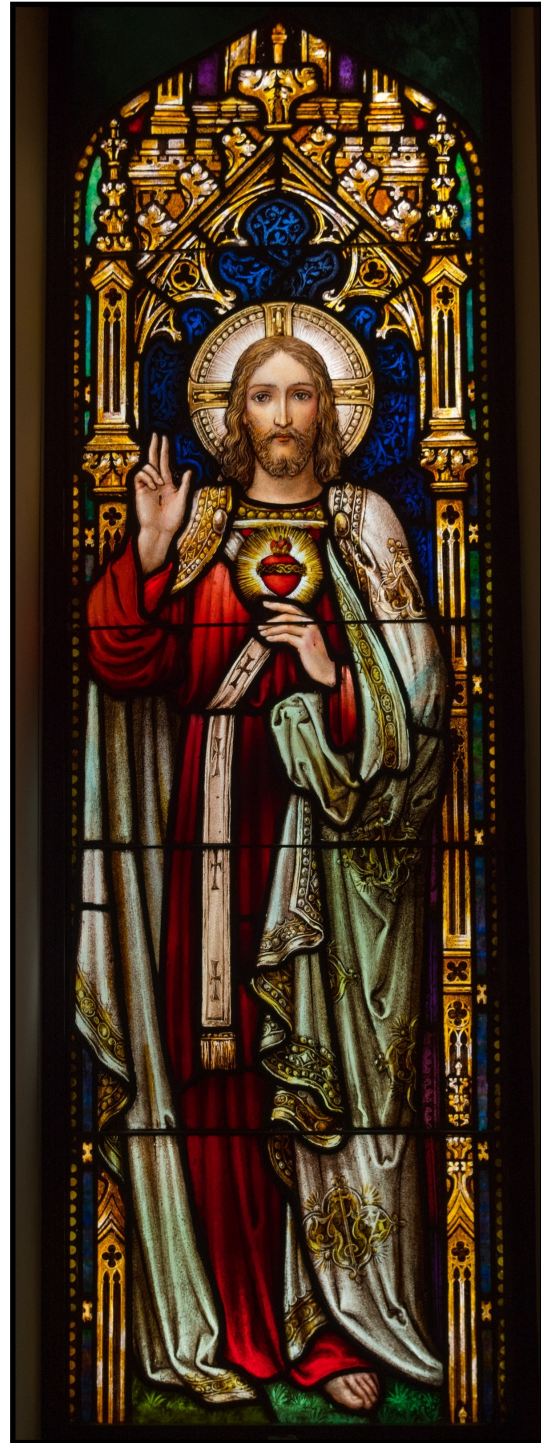
1st Fridays: 1-6 PM

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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OUR LADY OF POMPEII CHAPEL

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DOMINICAN FRIARS IN RESIDENCE

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OFFICE STAFF

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

5:15 PM | (Vigil) †Ann Byrne

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 — 26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM | †Julia Teresa Davis Holt
9 AM | †Harold Riebesehl
10 AM (OLP) | People of the Parish
11 AM | †Lawrence Casabonne
5:15 PM | †Kyle Empey

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 — ST. JEROME

7 AM | †Rozanne Monteparo
12:15 PM | †Margarita Minh Hiendo

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1 — ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

7 AM | †Margaret Moran & Richard Devine
5:30 PM (OLP) | †Bob Hodges

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2 — THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

7 AM | †Ann LeHeny
12:15 PM | †John & Marta Kulhan

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3 — WEEKDAY

7 AM | †Margaret Finneran Hark
5:30 PM (OLP) | In Thanksgiving of St. Jude

FIRST FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4 — HOLY FATHER FRANCIS OF ASSISI

7 AM | †Eileen Rattenni
12:15 PM | †Aidan Galeano
6:00 PM | †Carolyn Devico

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 — WEEKDAY

7 AM | †David Saathoff
5:15 PM | (Vigil) †Michael John McKenna

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 — 27TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM | People of the Parish
9 AM | †Harold Riebesehl
10 AM (OLP) | †Stephen Akalaski
11 AM | Intentions For All Breast Cancer Survivors
5:15 PM | †Mary Rose Green

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.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Rose DeSanctis, Mary Coughlin, Buddy Coughlin, Jimmy Fleming, Robert Sarro, Louis Sarro, Joann Keddy, Laura Cabrera, Joel Walker, Pamela Pena, Maria Annunziata, 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, Bill Schmitz and Mary Collins., Marilyn Ross, Ellen Defilippo, David Minchin, Hank Frazzini II.

PASTOR'S GREETING

Some of Jesus' words are comforting. Some are harsh. The Gospel for this Sunday is one of his harsh messages. It is hard to read it without wincing and feeling unsettled. But it is a reminder to us that the Christian life is not just a set of platitudes to make us feel comfortable. It is full of rude awakenings, painful uprootings, and continually renewed calls of vigilance. We must always be asking Jesus, "What do you desire to uproot in my life? What part of my heart still needs to be converted? Am I living a life completely oriented to your purifying light?" Those who ask him these questions with true desire for his grace will always be answered.

A few notes to share with you:

- Our group of pilgrims left by bus on Saturday morning (9/28) to attend the Rosary Pilgrimage in Washington, D.C. Thank you to Fr. Philip for organizing this trip and I can't wait to hear about it from those of you who went. Whether you were one of the pilgrims or not, all of us are invited to remember this weekend the great gift that the rosary is for us as Catholics. Although our lives are busy and we are easily distracted, we are always able to enter into the perpetual prayer of our Blessed Mother by praying the rosary, allowing her to draw us, bead by bead, into her life of fruitful union with the Lord.
- As I have mentioned in previous weeks, we are starting a new college ministry in our parish this year. This is a joint initiative between Holy Innocents and the Archdiocese of New York as we seek to support local Catholic college students in their faith. Thank you to the Archdiocese for supporting this new work. If you are a student or staff member at a local campus and want to help us facilitate this new ministry or simply offer a word of encouragement, please reach out to me or to Julia Edelson, our campus minister.

Peace,
Fr. Luke



COMING UP AT HOLY INNOCENTS

Join us on **Thursday, October 17 at 6:30 pm for**

Potluck Theology Night "Seeking Beauty in Messy Times" with Rev. Gabriel Torretta, OP. Bring a dish and hear a talk. Scan here to sign up for a dish to bring!



SONS OF JOSEPH (BOYS GRADES 5-8)

Starting October 6, 1:00—3:30 PM in the Council Room. The boys will meet the first Sunday of the month. They will learn about the lives of male saints devoted to Mary, enjoy a meal and participate in an activity. Registration is \$100. To register email rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com

DAUGHTERS OF MARY (GIRLS GRADES 5-8)

The next Daughters of Mary meeting is on October 5, 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. Registration is \$150. To register email rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com

COME TO OUR ANNUAL PUMPKIN-CARVING

PARTY! Sponsored by Rel Ed- **Saturday, October 19th, 2024, from 10:30 – 11:30...ish** In the Social Hall at Holy Innocents. \$25.00 per family (Includes 1 pumpkin, a carving kit, a polaroid picture, snack, and a take-home bag) \$8.00 for each additional

pumpkin! RSVP BY Monday October

12th Register On-line [https://](https://hiparish.flocknote.com/signup/182047)

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Or scan the QR Code



Our 2nd Annual Wine Tasting Event is scheduled for Saturday, October 26 @ 7pm. Scan here to attend the event. \$65 per person with sponsorship opportunities.



Volunteer opportunities are available to assist our hosts for the **Wine Tasting Event.** Scan the QR code to volunteer.



LITURGY NOTES

As both Joshua's and Jesus' disciples learned, God uses the least likely people to be his instruments of grace, which uproots from us the self-righteousness we so easily exhibit. Moses asks Joshua, "Are you jealous for my sake?" After all, wouldn't it be good if all were moved by the Spirit of God to speak the truth? "For whoever is not against us is for us." Selfishness and pride are a corrosion that will "devour your flesh like a fire." This is why the Lord calls for such aggressive efforts to root out sin and focus on God. Jesus' startling images capture how supremely valuable health of soul is. In the end the only thing that matters is that we "belong to Christ" and "enter into life."

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to

your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

COLLECT PRAYER

O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven. 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

Your word, O Lord, is truth; consecrate us in the truth

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

SANCTUARY LAMP

The candle burning in the sanctuary is in memory of **Mary Krulis**.

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.

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

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.



FIRST FRIDAY— OCTOBER 4

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).

FAMILY MASS

All families are welcome to join us on Sundays 9:00 am for Mass.

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.

FINANCES

FINANCE CORNER (Sunday Collection + WeShare):
Sunday, September 22 \$4,488.00

Thank you for your support!

CONGRATULATIONS

We celebrate with the parents and godparents of the newly baptized. **Clare McGuiggan & Angel James Valentine**

HI COMMUNITY EVENTS & CONTRIBUTIONS

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

25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass

Sunday, October 20, parishioners who are celebrating their 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary during 2024 will be recognized at the 11am Mass. Please call the parish office to register.

2025 Mass Book

The parish office will be opening the 2025 Mass Intention book on Wednesday, October 16th. At this time we can only offer two Sunday Masses and two weekday Masses.

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 \$77,663.01 (as of 9/24)

FUNDS STILL NEEDED = \$28,836.99

Thank you!

MUSIC MINISTRY

On October 4, we will celebrate the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi. Saint Francis is known as the patron saint of animals and the environment.

Our Entrance hymn, **All Creatures of Our God and King**, was written by Saint Francis. Saint Francis was a great lover of nature and saw the hand of God in all creation. Throughout his life Saint Francis appreciated the importance of church music and encouraged singing in his monastery.

In 1225, he wrote this hymn to urge others to have absolute trust in God as he demonstrated through his own life. At the age of 25, Saint Francis left an indulgent life and became determined to live meagerly and to imitate the selfless life of Christ.

The words he wrote reflect his love for all of God's creation and that all should take time to be aware and enjoy the beauty of our world, while praising God.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Today, September 29, 2024 is the Feast of the Archangels, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael and St. Michael. These are the only three angels mentioned by name in scripture. Unlike human beings who share a common nature, St. Thomas Aquinas teaches that each angel has a unique nature based on their degree of likeness to God. There are groups of angels called choirs. Those closest to God are in the highest choirs, and those closest to mankind are in the lower choirs. Seraphim, Cherubim and Thrones are among those in the higher choirs and angels and archangels in the lower choir.

Saint Michael is the chief angel in heaven. In Hebrew Michael means "who is like God?" He is usually depicted with a sword, defeating the devil. Saint Michael is the patron of soldiers, police and first responders.

Saint Gabriel is a true messenger of God and appeared to Zechariah, and our Blessed Mother with news of what was to come. In Hebrew Gabriel means "power of God". He is usually depicted with lilies to symbolize purity. Saint Gabriel is the patron of radio broadcasters, postal workers and messengers.

Saint Raphael is known as the angel of God serving people in need of healing. In Hebrew Raphael means "God heals". He is usually depicted with a fish symbolizing the means he used for healing in the bible. Saint Raphael is the patron of travelers, nurses, pharmacists and physicians.

"Saint Michael, our protector, Saint Gabriel, messenger of Good News, Saint Raphael, divine healer, hear our prayers."

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.

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.

PARISH RIDES

Sometimes our parishioners need a ride for food shopping, attend Mass, doctor appointments, and events at our parish. If you or a loved one needs a ride, please give our parish office a call at 914-769-0025. If you are interested in being a volunteer driver, please call the parish office.

COLLEGE CAMPUS MINISTRY

All Pace University students and all college students are welcome to join us the third Sunday of each month 5:15pm Mass followed by a free dinner. We are thankful for your presences in our parish community. For more information contact jdalceredo@hiparish.org.

BIBLE STUDY

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

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

Any children 3rd grade and up who want to join our altar server team are asked to contact the parish office or Fr. Philip Nolan, OP

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 October 26 and November 23, 9-11 AM.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

HI is offering a support group for anyone laden by grief. Our next meetings will be 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. For more information, contact the parish office.

CYO Basketball

See our website for more information

COMMUNITY NEWS

PLEASANTVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT 75 WASHINGTON AVENUE, PVILLE, NY

Fire Prevention Open House, Saturday, 10/5/24 11am – 3pm. Bring the family and meet the community volunteers. See fire trucks, fire atv, ambulance and police cars, live demonstrations, smoke simulator trailer, vehicle extrication, fire extinguishers and hose, giveaways, snacks, goodie bags and more.

Mt. Calvary Cemetery

Is offering grave decorations for the Christmas season. To order a winter covering for your plot, call the cemetery at 914/949-0671 before 11/1/24.

KOFC OKTOBERFEST IS BACK

Join St. Dominic Council for our annual Oktoberfest on Saturday 10/12/24 at 7PM at St. Dominic Council, 874 Franklin Ave, Thornwood. This is one of our best events! If you like German food this is for you. Our homemade menu: Sauerbraten, Bratwurst, Hähnchenschnitzel (Fried Chicken Cutlets), red cabbage and of course sauerkraut. Salad and apple strudel are included. Includes Beer and wine. \$30.00 per person. Please open the fall season with your favorite Knights. This event sells out - RSVP by 10/7/24, to Anthony Catalano at tcdog1957@gmail.com or 914-272-8954.