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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass

5:15PM Saturday Vigil *at Holy Innocents*

7:30AM, 9:00AM (Family Mass),
11:00AM, 5:15PM

at Holy Innocents

10:00AM *at Our Lady of Pompeii*

Daily Mass

7:00AM Monday - Saturday

12:15PM Monday, Wednesday & Friday
at Holy Innocents

5:30PM Tuesday & Thursday
at Our Lady of Pompeii

Confessions

7:00PM - 8:00PM Tuesday

4:30PM - 5:00PM Saturday

4:30PM - 5:00PM Sunday

4:30PM - 5:30PM First Friday
at Holy Innocents

Holy Hour

7:00PM - 8:00PM Tuesday

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1/8—Sunday—THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30 Laura Prospero

9:00 Patrick O'Leary

10:00 Parishioners of Holy Innocents

11:00 Carmen DeJesus

5:15 Rocco Zacaroli

1/9—Monday—THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

7:00 Dairmuid O'Driscoll

8:00 Andrew Skoronski

1/10—Tuesday—Weekday

7:00 Marie Giuriceo (1st Anniv.)

5:30 (OLP) Pauline Antaki

1/11—Wednesday—Weekday

7:00 Rocco Surace

12:15 Kevin Keane

1/12—Thursday—Weekday

7:00 Teresa Philips

5:30 (OLP) Bill Caldera

1/13—Friday—Weekday

7:00 Dick O'Callaghan

12:15 Carmine Serravalli

1/14—Saturday—Weekday

7:00

1/14—Saturday—Vigil Mass

5:15 William Florio

1/15—2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Parishioners of Holy Innocents

9:00 James Ennis

10:00 John Sozzi

11:00 John Petriccione

5:15



All Students Welcome
Grades 9-12

- Sunday, January 8th: Youth Mass from 5:15-6:15pm; Youth Group meeting from 6:15-7:15pm in the parish hall Sunday;
- Sunday, January 22nd: Youth Group meeting from 6:15-7:45pm in the parish hall
- Saturday, January 28th: Youth Group recreation: Ice skating at Brewster Ice Arena. More details to follow.

Please see the bulletin and Flocknote for updates. For more information, please contact Julia DalCeredo at jdalceredo@hiparish.org or check <https://hiparish.flocknote.com/YouthGroup>.



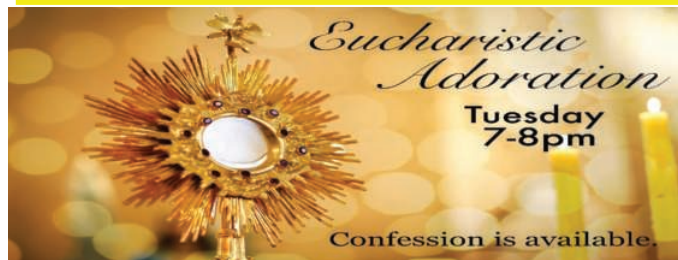
Daughters of Mary
(5th-8th Grade Girls)

January 7
4:45-7:15pm



Last class, the subject was the Joyful Mysteries and how the Adoration of Jesus by the Magi was one of the seven joys of Mary. The virtue of the month was Gratitude. **In February**, the girls will learn about the Luminous Mysteries, and the month's virtue will be Counsel

For information about registration and fees, email rosemarie@marysbeautybook.com



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PASTOR'S GREETING

Fr. Luke Hoyt, O.P.



Happy Epiphany!

On this day the magi arrive at the scene of the birth of Christ and offer their homage, their gifts, their love. We are called to join them, to lay our lives at the feet of our God who draws close to us in the form of a little child.

We are celebrating this special day in several ways:

The Mass: As always, the Mass is our most important way of entering into the mysteries we celebrate. Through our celebration of the Eucharist, we get to offer our lives to God in thanksgiving for the infinite gift of his Real Presence to us.

Epiphany Door Blessing: At our 10am Mass at OLP and 11am Mass at Holy Innocents we have the traditional Epiphany blessing of the doors. I hope you can join us for this special blessing ten minutes before these Masses. We will also have packets of blessed chalk available for you to take with you so you can write the Epiphany inscription above the doors of your homes as well. Thank you to our volunteers who prepared these packets!

Volunteer Appreciation Brunch: Immediately following the 11am Mass, we are having a special brunch to thank all of those who give the gift of their time to this parish. I am so grateful for all of the generosity of our volunteers, on which we all rely. As the three kings who lay the gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh at the feet of Christ, so each of you lay the gifts of your time and talent at the feet of Christ by giving them to this community. I hope you can join us!

Epiphany blessings,
Fr. Luke

Liturgy Notes for THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD January 8, 2023

The Magi revealed that our search for meaning, our search for eternal life, leads to worship. Our response to the Father's offer of salvation must be that of the Magi: "To offer gold is to proclaim Christ's Kingship, to offer incense is to adore his Godhead, and to offer myrrh is to acknowledge his mortality" (Saint Odilo of Cluny). Creation responds as well: "When the king of heaven was born, the heavens knew that he was God because they immediately sent forth a star; the sea knew him because it allowed him to walk upon it; the earth knew him because it trembled when he died; the sun knew him because it hid the rays of its light" (Saint Gregory the Great). Coming to know the Son of God changes our lives: "Copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel," we are led home by another way.

Entrance Antiphon

Behold, the Lord, the mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Collect (Opening Prayer)

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. 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

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.



Join us in singing the Marian Antiphons at our sung Masses each Sunday.

This season's antiphon is "Alma Redemptoris Mater."

Music cards are available in the pews.



Pope Francis' January Intentions "For Educators"

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all

Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony and of the Sick: *Please call the Parish Office*

New Parishioners

Your are cordially invited to join our parish community. Please stop in at the Parish Office.



If you would like to receive Holy Communion in your home, please let us know by email to: office@hiparish.org.



CONDOLENCES

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

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**Holy Innocents Knitting Group
1st Thursday of the month in the social hall at 7:30 PM**

Come knit with us!

EMERGENCY LINE

If you need a priest after office hours you can call our emergency line: **914.340.4486**



COFFEE & DONUTS

Holy Innocents- Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month following the 9 am & 11am Mass. Contact the parish office if you would like to volunteer with this service.

Our Lady of Pompeii- Every 1st Sunday of the month following the 10:00 am Mass.



Food Pantry

Interfaith Food Pantry of Pleasantville

—Our parish continues to contribute to the **Interfaith Food Pantry of Pleasantville**. They provide food for those living in the area

that are in in need. Food donations can be dropped at the parish office during office hours or brought directly to the pantry on distribution days at 540 Commerce Street, Thornwood (located behind the stores). For more information you can visit their site at pleasantvillefoodpantry.org



Fr. Leo's Book Club All are welcome

February 1, 2023 @ 5:15PM in the Social Hall

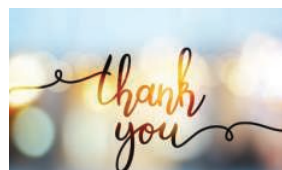
Copies of *The Song of Roland* translated by Dorothy L. Sayers are available in the Parish Office.



Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Rose DeSanctis (mother of Joe DeSanctis), Mary Coughlin, Buddy Coughlin, Jimmy Fleming, Robert Sarro, Louis

Sarro, Joann Keddy, Laura Cabrera, Desi Callanan, Walter Kastner, Joel Walker, Pamela Pena, Maria Annunziata, Debbie Flooks, Janet Moy, Teresa Angarola, Mary Birmingham, Linda Callari, Isidro LaSalle, Steven Pettus, Ed Mann, Ada Juarbe, Meredith Davis, Mary Krulis, Vincent Tichy, Vinny M., Matt & Heather Vestal, Maryann Colucci and Anthony Colucci



**January 8th
Following
the 11am Mass**

We invite all who donate their time to the parish as a volunteer to join us for a special brunch following the 11am Mass on Sunday, January 8th.

We are grateful for your help and want to say thank you!



HI (Holy Innocents) Moms Group

Our focus is supporting mothers and babies both within our Parish, and the wider community.

We are busy planning for the year ahead. Stay tuned for updates and our next meeting, For more information or if you'd like to get involved contact Adriana Umlawski at asel4451@gmail.com.



First Friday

*Renew your life
with Christ
every*

First Friday of the month.

Adoration
1pm—6pm

Confession
4:30pm—5:30pm

Mass
7am, 12:15, 6pm

Religious Education

The Religious Education program thanks all of our parents and students who contributed to our Christmas Drive. In this time of giving, we collected items for the Rosary Hill Home run by the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne - each grade level was given specific items to buy and asked to write a personal Christmas card. Our Seventh and Eighth Grade classes collected for the After School Program for the children at The Mercy Center in the Bronx.

The response was amazing and a beautiful tribute to the Christian spirit of giving and the generosity of our parish!

Thank you for taking the time to add another present to your shopping list. Your gifts and cards are brightly wrapped and packaged and will bring smiles to the many patients who are suffering from terminal cancer, and the children at the Mercy Center! The Religious Education program is grateful to your wonderful response to our drive to think of others in this very special season as we prepare the way of the Lord!



This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. The traditional hymn for this feast day is **We Three Kings**, written by John Hopkins Jr. He was born in Pittsburgh, the son of an Episcopal bishop. He graduated from the

University of Vermont in 1839 and earned a Master's degree in 1845. In 1850 he graduated from the General Theological Seminary and became the seminary's first music teacher from 1855 to 1857.

The Episcopal Church celebrated Epiphany in both America and the United Kingdom and during the 1800s this special day was traditionally the day the Christmas tree was taken down and children received the gifts and treats that had been hanging on it since it had been first cut. John Hopkins Jr. had no children of his own, but had several nieces and nephews and often observed them counting down the moments until they could raid the evergreen. They, like so many, were unaware of the symbolism the bearing of gifts had to those brought by the wise men to Jesus.

In 1857 he decided his gift to his nieces and nephews would be a moving tribute to the legendary visitors from the East as described in the gospel of Matthew. As a seminary graduate, he knew little was known about the travelers so he combined the biblical record of the trip with legends that had been passed down.

The result is a song that is instructive and worshipful. The cadence of the melody fully captures the image of a trip across the desert and plains on camels. The hymn has an oriental, or Middle Eastern feel, and the words dramatically embrace the trip, as if he had been there with them.

John Hopkins Jr. served as rector of Christ Episcopal Church in Williamsport, Pennsylvania and delivered the eulogy at the funeral of President Ulysses S. Grant. He died in 1885 in Hudson, NY and is buried next to his father at Bishop's House, Rock Point, Vermont.

As we sing the refrain today, think of his powerful view of the star, guiding the wise men on their journey then, and all of us on our life's journey now.

"star of wonder, star of night.....guide us to thy perfect light"

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Jan 8: Today is the Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord. Watch *The Story of the Nativity*, Formed Now! *The Maji*, Ready Reasons: *Were the Magi at Jesus' Birth?*, or for children *Brother Francis: O Holy Night*. Listen to: *Prepare the Way of the King*, *God Made Man*, or *The Story of Christmas*. Also Watch: *God's Doorkeeper* about St. Andre Bessette. Tomorrow, we celebrate the Feast of The Baptism of the Lord. Watch: *Reborn* or *Wild Goose*, Segment 10: *The Spirit and the Desert*; FORMED Now! *The Baptism of the Lord*; or Ready Reasons: *Is Baptism Necessary for Salvation?* Listen to: *Changed Forever* or *Our Beautiful End*.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. DOMINIC COUNCIL #4399

Please Join **St. Dominic Council**
for a **Family Dinner**
on **Friday January 20th, 2023, at 7:00pm**
at our Council, 874 Franklin Ave, Thornwood.

Menu Provided by **Casa Rina** will include Chicken Marsala, Veal Ala Rollatini, Cavatelli with a Short Rib Ragu, Stuffed Filet of Sole, Rice Pilaf/Sauté Broccolini with Oil and Garlic, Salad, Bread and Butter, Coffee, Dessert, plus Beer, Wine and Soda.
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Please RSVP by January 16th to DGK Anthony Catalano tcdog1957@gmail.com/914-272-8954



The Religious Leaders of our
Local Communities

Invite you to join us for an Interfaith Celebration of



Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Monday, January 16, 11:00 am
at St. John's Episcopal Church
8 Sunnyside Avenue, Pleasantville

Please bring in food donations for the Upper Westchester Muslim Society Food Pantry, which serves all our communities. Especially needed are rice, lentils, cereals, canned food, and all dry shelf items.

For more information, please contact the Pleasantville Community Synagogue's Rabbi Ben Newman at rabbibennewman@gmail.com or call the PCS office, 914-769-2672.

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Upcoming dates in the NYC area are: **January 14, Feb. 4, March 11 and May 20** in English, and **May 6** in Spanish.

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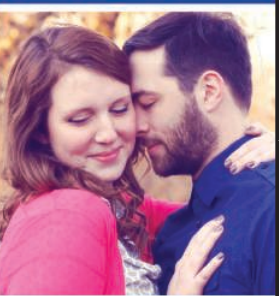


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