

SATURDAY, April 7, 2018

9:00 A.M. GERALD JOSEPH DALY r/b M. Corridon
 4:00 P.M. MATTHEW BAUER r/b Family
 JOANNE KORTENHAUS r/b Pat Riordan
 5:30 P.M. BILL & ANNE KEATING r/b Family
 JOSEPH & ANNA SAWICKI r/b Lottie Barr &
 Ed Sawicki

SUNDAY, April 8, 2018

8:00 A.M. IDA G. BROMKA r/b Louis & Margot Rivera
 DIANNE CLAY r/b Maureen Vinci
 10:00 A.M. BETTY COUSINS
 JACQUELINE SHEEHAN r/b Dr. Pineda &
 Staff
 12:00 P.M. JOAN BUELL r/b Defebaugh family
 AGNES & MATTHEW BALLISTER r/b Family
 5:30 P.M. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY, April 9, 2018

9:00 A.M. JAMES M. HOLLIN r/b Louis & Margot Rivera
 JOHN SHERIDAN r/b Mary & Tony Dennigan

TUESDAY, April 10, 2018

9:00 A.M. PETRA DELEON r/b Family
 MAEVE SULLIVAN r/b Eileen Lyver

WEDNESDAY, April 11, 2018

9:00 A.M. JOHN WIGGINS r/b Sue Sherry
 JOHN PARDUE r/b Family

THURSDAY, April 12, 2018

7:00 P.M. REV. JOHN GIBBONS III
 JACK KONZELMAN r/b Robert Kleissler

FRIDAY, April 13, 2018

9:00 A.M. VERONICA COZZI r/b Michael Cozzi
 REV. JOHN GIBBONS III

SATURDAY, April 14, 2018

9:00 A.M. REV. JOHN GIBBONS III
 4:00 P.M. ANGELA MASTROLIA r/b Donofrio family
 NANCY ANN POTTASH r/b Louis Pataranick
 5:30 P.M. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUNDAY, April 15, 2018

8:00 A.M. DIANNE CLAY r/b Arlene Siciliano
 SOFRONIA CAPRICHIO r/b Reyes family
 10:00 A.M. EMILY BUSH r/b MaryGrace & Butch
 Neuhaus
 AGNES PERRY Tom & Regina Donohue
 12:00 P.M. ELIZABETH MULVEY r/b Family
 MARY SY r/b Carol & Jim Maliff
 5:30 P.M. TOM SANTOS r/b Meds Santos
 TONY DiMARCO r/b Family



PLEASE PRAY FOR Dorothy Johnson, Vincent Marzulli, Debbie Fromkin, Brian Oehme, Bronislow & Zofia Buczek, Tom O'Rourke, Manuel Canencia, Annemarie Logan, Eleanor Passarella, Grace Philhower

ALTAR SERVERS for April 14th & 15th

Sat., 4 pm: Isabelle Cattelona, Gianna & Jack Narciso
 5:30 pm: Maryanne Fiuza
 Sun., 8 am: Mia Rose, Jaimee & Andiee Jocson
 10 am: Emily Fleming, Olivia Schlesier, Joshua & Eden Tactaquin
 12 Noon: Hannah Sheehan, Ruffa Tubig & Jarod Alviola
 5:30 pm: Peter Hegel & Constance Bricker

Shop Rite Gift Cards Holy Innocents Parish continues to participate in the *ShopWithScrip* fundraising program. The Parish Office currently carries Shop Rite gift cards (\$25 & \$100 denominations). Scrip cards can be purchased any time during office hours, Monday thru Friday.

Eucharistic Adoration is held at Holy Innocents every Thursday (*except holidays and holy days*) 9:30 am-9 pm AND on First Fridays from 9:30 am-2 pm. Special thanks to all who make regular Adoration possible here at Holy Innocents! Please invite your friends and family members to participate!

Altar Rosary Society Next meeting: April 16th. Regular meetings are the 3rd Monday of the month at 10 am in the Religious Ed Annex (directly upstairs from Parish Office). For more info, please call Maria 848 702-1811.

Holy Innocents Seniors Club meets on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month at 1:30 pm in the cafeteria. If you would like more information about this group, call Alice Kohlman 732 988-4471. **Next meeting: April 6th. New members are always welcome! Please note there will be NO MEETING on April 20th.**

Transportation For Our Veterans Monmouth County Division of Transportation provides service to the Tinton Falls VA Clinic. Appointments must be scheduled 7 days in advance and there is no charge for this service. To reserve your ride, please call 732 431-6480 and choose OPTION 1 and have your information ready (name, address, DOB, phone #, emergency contact #). Our intake department will guide you through the short process. We also provide transportation (at no cost) to VA services in Brick, East Orange & Lyons. You can request a print schedule of those dates for the year.

Weekly Collection
 March 25, 2018 \$14,049.88

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Dear Parishioners,

People have asked me when I plan to bring back the chalices for Holy Communion. I will be glad to bring them back toward the end of this month when I can be sure that flu season is over. However, I do have one other concern I would like to address before we continue with the practice of communion under two species.

I have noticed that while Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion do walk up to the altar at the proper time to help distribute Communion, it may or may not be people who are actually assigned to the Mass. Most of the time, this is not a big deal since all the roles are fulfilled. However, it does cause some anxiety about whether or not someone should get up to help minister Communion. So, people delay in walking up to the altar, or, sometimes we do not have enough Extraordinary Ministers at Mass to cover all the roles. (Which causes me personally, as the celebrant, great anxiety when suddenly having to decide which roles will be fulfilled.) Also, the fact that we now have only two deacons who regularly cover weekend Masses, sometimes we need one more minister than the schedule indicates.

I would like to find a solution to these problems before bringing back the chalices. We can go in one of two directions. We can either make a more strict and exact schedule in which people really have to be at the Masses they are assigned to, and at the very least, the assigned minister who is unable to serve must arrange for a substitute. Or, we can set it up so that people can check in with someone before Mass begins. Then, the celebrant can easily see if all the roles are filled and adjust accordingly. I am open to anyone's thoughts on these matters and you can contact me by calling the parish office or emailing me at [toddcarterpriest@gmail.com](mailto:toddcarterpriest@gmail.com). I do not want to be too hasty and just cause a larger problem in the future. So, I am open to hear about people's experiences and how they think we can improve the way we assign Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Masses. If you think the current scheduling process is perfectly ok and the way you like, please let me know that too.

As a Church, the Eucharist should be the most important thing in our lives. It is Jesus Himself who is the bread of eternal life. It should be treated with respect and devotion, not as an afterthought or anxiously. I understand that sometimes mistakes happen in Mass and there might be confusion. But, we should do our best to minimize these times for the sake of the reverence we owe to our Lord at His altar. I hope you see my point of view in this matter and that we may all worship the Lord with great love and attention.

God bless!

*Fr. Carter*

P.S. I do not have time to get into this topic in detail, but I feel I have to speak out about a recent topic in the news. Many news agencies claim that the Pope said that hell does not exist. This statement is simply false. It has been denied by the Vatican, goes against previous statements made by the Pope, goes against Catholic teaching and is from an unreliable source that often misquotes private conversations with the Holy Father. I would greatly doubt any news agency that reports this statement as credible. This is not the first time Pope Francis has been misquoted in the news. But, I hope people are learning why they cannot believe everything that is reported at face value.

**Catholic Radio** Domestic Church Media and Catholic Radio exists solely through the support of listeners and benefactors in order to continue their mission to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to as many people as possible. Please prayerfully consider a gift in any amount and call 1 609 882-9357!

**Reading Group** started a new book called, "Catholic For A Reason". It is a series of essays about God and the Holy Trinity edited by Scott Hahn. Reading Group meets every other Thursday in the School Conference Room at 7 pm (next meeting 4/12). Feel free to contact Fr. Carter for details: [toddcarterpriest@gmail.com](mailto:toddcarterpriest@gmail.com). This book is available through book stores and online retailers.

**Next Family Game Night** Join us Friday, April 13th at 5 pm in the cafeteria. All ages are welcome, but children must be accompanied by an adult. You may bring your own game to play. Enjoy old favorites or learn new games. Pizza & drinks are provided, and a free-will offering taken. Gamers are encouraged to bring snacks or dessert for the sharing table.

**Holy Innocents Music Ministry** The Adult Choir sings at the 10 am Mass, the Folk Group at the 12 Noon Mass, and The Teen Praise Group the first Sunday of the month at 5:30 pm Mass. The Choir practices in church every Tues., 7 pm. If you are interested in being a part of our parish music ministry, speak with the Music Director.

**Religious Education Office**

Sr. Bernadette Schuler, osf  
732 922-4242 x28

**VIRTUS for adults** training is presented throughout the year at different locations. ANY adult volunteer or staff member working with children is **REQUIRED** to attend this one-time training session and also submit to fingerprinting & criminal background check. Advance registration required at <http://www.virtusonline.org>. Please call Sr. Bernadette if you need more information.

**The Annual Catholic Appeal—IN ACTION!** When it comes to Evangelization, each parish is unique and offers Religious Education in ways that meet the needs of over 40,000 students in the Diocese. Some program structures are very traditional; others are innovative. Over 600 adults in various stages of formation were brought to full initiation with the Church in our Diocese last year. Many opportunities for the enrichment of faith are found in events and activities in the parishes throughout the Diocese, such as Bible Study, Parish Missions, Speaker Series, and online learning. These offerings help with adult faith enrichment by providing support for parish leaders and access to resources. Together in Mission is a tool within our Diocese that has been created to help pastors, parish clergy and staff, parish ministry leaders and families become more intentional about evangelizing at every phase of life. The ACA supports this innovative tool which impacts the real lives of Catholics growing in faith. Your gift, in essence, builds up our Catholic faith.

**St. Vincent dePaul Society** Holy Innocents SVDPS provides financial assistance and also maintains a small (non-perishables only) food pantry to assist residents of Neptune and a limited surrounding area. Please call 732-922-4242 x24 for information or assistance. Someone is available at the pantry on Sundays following the 10 am & 12 Noon Masses. SVDPS gratefully accepts local grocery store gift cards, as well as monetary donations through the poor boxes in church and the green Social Concerns envelopes. There's always a need for helping hands. Anyone interested in volunteering with this ministry, please call for more information.

**New Electronic Giving Program Available** If you are interested in taking advantage of the Electronic Giving Program, please sign up by visiting our website [www.holyinnocentschurch.net](http://www.holyinnocentschurch.net) and clicking the appropriate link.

**Holy Innocents School News**

**Holy Innocents PTA Annual Gift Auction:** Saturday, April 21st! Ticket order forms are available on both the School and Church websites. In the mean time, they are soliciting donations of goods or services, gift certificates, and new gift items for auction. Donations will be collected in the School and Parish Offices during regular hours, Monday through Friday. Also gratefully accepted are cash donations which are used to purchase premium auction prizes. Thank you for your consideration, and we hope to see you April 21st! Any questions, please call the School Office 732 922-3141 x13 or email [holyinnocentsgiftauction@hotmail.com](mailto:holyinnocentsgiftauction@hotmail.com) for more information.



**Schedule for the Coming Week**

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| Sat., April 7   | 5:00 pm Confessions                                                                                                                                                 |
| Sun., April 8   | 8:45 am Religious Ed (K-6)<br>7:00 pm AA in cafeteria                                                                                                               |
| Mon., April 9   | 5:30 pm Bible Study in the conference room<br>7:00 pm Religious Ed (7)                                                                                              |
| Tue., April 10  | 9:30 am Rosary Makers in Relig. Ed. Annex<br>4:15 pm Religious Ed (K-6)<br>7:00 pm RCIA<br>7:00 pm Choir practice in church                                         |
| Wed., April 11  | 7:00 pm SVDPS in conference room                                                                                                                                    |
| Thur., April 12 | 9:30 am-9:00 pm Adoration in chapel<br>4:00 pm First Eucharist Retreat<br>6:30 pm AA in cafeteria<br>7:00 pm Reading Group in conference room                       |
| Fri., April 13  | 5:00 pm Board Game Night in cafeteria                                                                                                                               |
| Sat., April 14  | 5:00 pm Confessions                                                                                                                                                 |
| Sun., April 15  | 8:45 am Religious Ed (K-6)<br>1:30 pm Baptisms in church<br>7:00 pm AA in cafeteria                                                                                 |
| Mon., April 16  | 5:30 pm Bible Study in the conference room<br>7:00 pm Religious Ed (7)                                                                                              |
| Tue., April 17  | 9:30 am Rosary Makers in Relig. Ed. Annex<br>4:15 pm Religious Ed (K-6)<br>6:00 pm Cohort 18 in conference room<br>7:00 pm RCIA<br>7:00 pm Choir practice in church |