

SATURDAY, May 26, 2018

9:00 A.M. JAMES MOLLARY r/b Neptune City Senior Club  
4:00 P.M. THERESA TERRANOVA r/b Ginger Florio  
TRICIA MALIFF r/b LaCoste family  
5:30 P.M. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUNDAY, May 27, 2018

8:00 A.M. ROSE GUIDA r/b Michael & Veronika Golembiewski  
EDGAR LaFRANCE r/b Betty & Ed Martz  
10:00 A.M. JACK JUDGE r/b Wife & family  
ANTHONY VARSALONE r/b Peggy Keogh  
12:00 P.M. TINA FREDA r/b Family  
JAMES TACHNEY r/b Melango family  
5:30 P.M. RICK PERILLO r/b Ann Murray  
HENRYK FILIP r/b Bettylu & Ockle Johnson

MONDAY, May 28, 2018

9:00 A.M. JOHN J. FLETCHER r/b Ed Fletcher

TUESDAY, May 29, 2018

9:00 A.M. ETHNE McLEAVEY r/b M. Corridon

WEDNESDAY, May 30, 2018

9:00 A.M. DANIEL BATES r/b Family  
MILDRED & HOLMES ADAMS r/b Family

THURSDAY, May 31, 2018

9:00 A.M. ELEANOR M. FLETCHER r/b Ed Fletcher  
DANIEL DeLEON r/b Family

FRIDAY, June 1, 2018

9:00 A.M. WILLIAM LYVER r/b Wife

SATURDAY, June 2, 2018

9:00 A.M. EDWARD TORNATORE r/b Lena Tornatore  
4:00 P.M. JOHN PATARANICK r/b Wife  
MATTHEW BAUER r/b Family  
5:30 P.M. DEC'D MBRS OSIKA FAM r/b Lottie Barr & Ed Sawicki  
DOROTHY TYLKA r/b Pineda family

SUNDAY, June 3, 2018

8:00 A.M. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
10:00 A.M. PATRICIA CORRIDON r/b M. Corridon  
IRENE ILLES r/b Holy Innocents Senior Club  
12:00 P.M. MARY ARENA r/b Family  
MADELINE & FRANK GALLO r/b Family  
5:30 P.M. THERESA SIBOLE r/b Family  
PATRICIA MALIFF r/b Jim & Carol Maliff



**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Dorothy Johnson, Vincent Marzulli, Debbie Fromkin, Brian Oehme, Deacon Jim, Bronislow & Zofia Buczek, Tom O'Rourke, Manuel Canencia, Annemarie Logan, Eleanor Passarella, Julia Sternik

**ALTAR SERVERS for June 2nd & 3rd**

Sat., 4 pm: Isabelle Cattelona, Savannah Isacson & Erin McKinley  
5:30 pm: Maryanne Fiuza & Joshua Clanton  
Sun., 8 am: Mia Rose & Justin Morales  
10 am: **PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THIS MASS!**  
12 Noon: Angel Gallera, Jocelyn Jackson & Zachary Guenther  
5:30 pm: Adrianna & Andrei Vergara

**Can You Spare An Hour For Your Church?** About every six weeks, a group of volunteers spend an hour or so to help prepare the Altar area for Sunday Liturgy. Please call Maria at 848 702-1811 with any questions, or to volunteer!

**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.

**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.

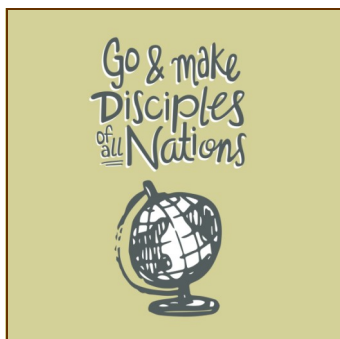
**Eucharistic Adoration** is held at Holy Innocents every Thursday (*except holidays and holy days*) 9:30 am-9 pm AND on First Fridays from 9:30 am-2 pm. Special thanks to all who make regular Adoration possible here at Holy Innocents! Please invite your friends and family members to participate!

**Altar Rosary Society** Regular meetings are the 3rd Monday of the month (October thru May) at 10 am in the Religious Ed Annex (directly upstairs from Parish Office). For more info, please call Maria 848 702-1811. The September meeting is a 'welcome back potluck' in the evening.

**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: June 1st.**

**Weekly Collection**  
May 20, 2018 \$11,164.35





Dear Parishioners,

In the Gospel we read today at Mass, Jesus gives His last words to His disciples before He leaves them. It is the summary of everything He has told them to do since He met them and is a message to us as well. He tells them to, "make disciples of all nations". In other words, He tells them to share the faith and to evangelize. And, for whatever their faults may be, that is exactly what they did. These disciples spread the Gospel all over the known world and that is why even in the first century one can see that the faith spread to the West as far as Rome, to the East as

far as India and to the south as far as Ethiopia. Truly, we have a universal Church empowered by Christ and we should never forget that.

Yet, in our current time and place, we have mostly lacked any evangelical experience at all. There are many sociological reasons for this lack of evangelization. Mainly, there was very little need to evangelize from an institutional perspective since Catholics by and large maintained their parishes and even grew thanks to the influx of new immigrant groups. Since everything seemed good from the outside, there was little need to go beyond the walls of the faith and shape the culture itself.

However, this is not the case any more and it is a reality we all need to wake up to if we want to see our Church survive let alone thrive in the future. For every one person who joins the Catholic Church six people leave. Ten percent of all US Catholics have left the faith. Only ten percent of Catholics from ages eighteen to twenty-four attend Mass. We are not even maintaining our numbers any more let alone bringing people in. But, as Jesus says over and over, "Be not afraid." We can pull out of this if we all strive for holiness and actually share the faith. If He can found a worldwide Church with just eleven followers, He can save our Church today.

That is why I am planning to start a chapter of St. Paul Street Evangelization in service of our whole cohort. I'll explain more details about this ministry in a future article. But, I'm sure you can find information about it if you are curious. If you're interested in helping, please contact me at [toddcarterpriest@gmail.com](mailto:toddcarterpriest@gmail.com). In the meantime, please pray for our Church and live holy lives. For, we cannot get anywhere without the grace of God.

God bless!

*Fr. Carter*

**Attention Seniors** *Senior Spirituality And So Much More Day!* (July 18th, 10 am-3 pm) featuring the Catholic Grandparents Association and Msgr. Sam Sirianni presenting "Passing on the Faith to the Next Generation". Join us for Mass with Bishop O'Connell, entertainment, and lunch from Dolce and Clemente at St. Gregory the Great, Hamilton Square. Visit [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral-care](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral-care) to register or download the mail-in form.

**Gennesaret Retreats** for those who live with life-changing illness: October 19-21, 2018 at Archdiocesan Retreat Center in Kearny, NJ. For information, please contact Linda Capobianco 732 608-7277, Peggy Walsh 908 499-7667 or Hilare Reinold 732 566-7237.

**Next Family Game Night** Join us Friday, June 1st 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

**Religious Ed is in need of volunteers** for Fall, 2018. We are in need of teachers/assistants for Sunday morning and Tuesday afternoon (Gr. K-6) as well as Monday, evenings (Gr. 7 & 8). Please take time to pray and consider participating in this important ministry with our youth. Please contact Sr. Bernadette 732 922-4242 x28 for more information or to volunteer. We really need your help!

**Registration for Religious Ed classes** is taking place now. If your family is new to the Parish or the program, please stop in or call the Office for forms. If you are registering a child for Kindergarten or Gr. 1, please bring your child's Baptismal Certificate. Families currently enrolled will receive forms and information through the mail.

**Sacraments** Preparation for *First Eucharist* takes place normally in Grade 2. We do have a class for older students who have not received their sacraments. In order to enter the First Eucharist class the Gr. 1 curriculum must be completed. Sr. Bernadette will advise you how this can be done. *Confirmation* preparation takes place in Gr. 7 & 8, so Gr. 7 Religious Ed must be completed before the Gr. 8 program.

**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.

**SAVE THE DATE** Sunday, June 10th ~ Join us at the 12 Noon Mass and then in the cafeteria immediately following to give Fr. Evarist a proper send-off to his new assignment!



**Marriage Banns**

*I Isabel C. DeOliveira + Daniel P. Abreu*

**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.

**Mission Appeal Weekend** This year's Mission Appeal here at Holy Innocents will take place the weekend of **June 2nd & 3rd**. We welcome Fr. George from the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales to speak at Masses on behalf of his organization and all the good work they do around the world. We ask that you please be as generous as your means allow in support of their Mission.

**Welcome Back Camp Excel!** Full-time weekday Summer Program for children (ages 5-17) with ADHD, Aspergers and Social Skills Challenges, with a children to staff ration of 3:1. Monmouth County location ~ Social Skills Groups ~ All adult staff ~ Art, Cooking, Science, Sports, Trips ~ Summer Program also includes Academics, Swimming, Parent Groups & Transportation. For more information, visit [www.CampExcel.com](http://www.CampExcel.com).

**Schedule for the Coming Week**

- Sat., May 26 5:00 pm Confessions
- Sun., May 27 1:30 pm Baptisms in church  
7:00 pm AA in cafeteria
- Mon., May 28 Memorial Day  
Offices closed today
- Tue., May 29 9:30 am Rosary Makers in Relig. Ed. Annex  
2:30-4:00 pm HIS Science Fair in Science Lab  
5:30 pm School Board in conference room  
7:00 pm Choir practice in church
- Thur., May 31 9:30 am-9:00 pm Adoration in chapel  
6:30 pm AA in cafeteria  
7:00 pm Reading Group in conference room
- Sat., June 2 Mission Appeal Speaker at Masses  
5:00 pm Confessions
- Sun., June 3 Mission Appeal Speaker at Masses  
1:30 pm Baptisms in church  
7:00 pm AA in cafeteria
- Mon., June 4 10:00 am HIS Pre-K Graduation in gym
- Tue., June 5 9:30 am Rosary Makers in Relig. Ed. Annex  
10:00 am HIS Kindergarten Graduation in gym  
7:00 pm Choir practice in church