

SATURDAY, July 7, 2018

9:00 A.M. MARIA PHILLIPS r/b Jodi Repetti
GARY HALL r/b Eileen Lyver
4:00 P.M. LOUIS SALERNO r/b Family
MATTHEW BAUER r/b Family

SUNDAY, July 8, 2018

8:00 A.M. SALLY A. PAUL r/b James & Susan Paul
JEFFREY PEZZUTI r/b Sheridan family
10:00 A.M. MARIE & ROBERT LYNCH r/b Lynch family
SR. GRACE EILEEN FORKER r/b Ed & Liz
Forker
12:00 P.M. INTENTIONS OF AGNES MENDOZA r/b Fam
JUDY TEMPLE r/b RC Group
5:30 P.M. THOMAS G. LIDDY r/b Piazza family
WELDON "CHIP" SPAULDING r/b Cecelia
Ruegsegger

MONDAY, July 9, 2018

9:00 A.M. INTENTIONS OF JOAN r/b Family

TUESDAY, July 10, 2018

9:00 A.M. SALLY PAUL r/b Ellen Kale
JOVENCIO JARAVATA r/b Feleo family

WEDNESDAY, July 11, 2018

9:00 A.M. PAT LAVELLE r/b Mary Casey
AL PIETRASZKO r/b Wife & daughter

THURSDAY, July 12, 2018

9:00 A.M. JOE ROGERS r/b Jim Manning

FRIDAY, July 13, 2018

9:00 A.M. MATTHEW BAUER r/b Family
BEA KURDEWAN r/b Family

SATURDAY, July 14, 2018

9:00 A.M. MARGARET LYNCH r/b Family
MARGARITA & CHARLES DILLON r/b Family
4:00 P.M. VITO DeLUCA r/b Family
JOHN & CLARA CAVANAUGH r/b Family

SUNDAY, July 15, 2018

8:00 A.M. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:00 A.M. STEPHEN R. SHERMAN r/b Family
REV. JOHN GIBBONS III r/b Stephen Sternik
12:00 P.M. STASIA & ROBERT WOLAK and HELEN &
WALTER RAPKA, SR. r/b Marlene & Walter
Rapka
5:30 P.M. JOSEPH LaCOSTE r/b Pat LaCoste & family
JOSEPH PERRINO r/b Family



PLEASE PRAY FOR Dorothy Johnson, Vincent Marzulli, Debbie Fromkin, Brian Oehme, Bronislaw & Zofia Buczek, Deacon Jim, Manuel Canencia, Annemarie Logan, Eleanor Passarella, Julia Sternik

ALTAR SERVERS for July 14th & 15th

Sat., 4 pm: Kathleen Burke, Gianna & Jack Narciso
Sun., 8 am: Justin Morales
10 am: Joshua Clanton & Alfie Petrowski
12 Noon: Kelvin & Kurt Langomes
5:30 pm: Adrianna & Andrei Vergara

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 and clicking the appropriate link.

The Rosary Makers are off for the summer. The ladies regular schedule is to meet on Tuesdays at 9:30 am in the Religious Ed Annex (directly upstairs from the Parish Office), and will resume in September.

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!

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 at 10 am in the Religious Ed Annex. For more info, please call Maria 848 702-1811. The ARS is currently enjoying summer break and meetings will resume in September.

Holy Innocents Seniors Club meets on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month (during the school year) at 1:30 pm in the cafeteria. If you would like more information about this group, call Alice Kohlman 732 988-4471. Have a great summer!



On the road this summer?
Don't take a vacation from God.
Visit Masstimes.org for a listing of
Masses offered at Catholic
churches around the country.

Mission Appeal Collection
June 3, 2018 \$10,052.00

Dear Parishioners,

As many of you know, I hold a Parish Board Game Night once a month in the school cafeteria. Also, those of you involved in the school know that I run a Board Game Club after school once a week during the school year. What many of you do not know and are probably too polite to ask is why a priest would spend so much time playing board games and what this has to do with his vocation.

Beyond any other reason, I play board games and encourage others to do the same because they are fun and I enjoy sharing my interests. Over the past decade or two, the board game hobby has exploded with so many new games coming out every year. These games are incredibly diverse and range from social deduction games to strategy games to games that tell a story. Sometimes when I tell people I like games, they think I must mean Monopoly or Candyland. While I appreciate the historical legacy of such games, there are way better games out there. If you want to see examples of what I mean, please look up the following games: Settlers of Catan, Dixit or Betrayal at House on the Hill. I have seen all of these games regularly played in board game groups. They are not that complex but give a good taste of the diversity of the hobby. (N. B. I am purposefully leaving out games that simulate war and political conflicts. But, I really enjoy those as well.)

If I were to give a practical reason for why I play board games, I do have to point out that it overcomes one of the most serious social maladies we have in our culture today: isolation. More and more people do not do things that make them interact with strangers on a social level. Many young people spend most of their free time in impersonal pursuits like playing video games and spending more time on their phones. Many of us do not even know our neighbors or what is going on in the community. On a very basic level we need people in our lives and we are happier when we are inconvenienced by them. However, as much as we need people, there are very few activities one can do to interact with others on a meaningful level.

Board games allow people to interact and really learn a lot about each other. As an awkward person, I often have little idea what to do in a social situation and prefer having a specific job or activity to do. When I play a game with someone, it immediately makes me take interest in the person and I end up learning a lot more about them than if I were just asking questions in small talk. I don't even like watching movies with people I know anymore because that seems to be a waste of potential time to play games. Overcoming isolation is also the key reason why I see playing games as an important aspect of my ministry. The faith is best shared on a personal level with people you actually know. Hardly anyone picks up a book on Catholicism and thinks about converting and living a deeper life committed to Christ. So, having more and more opportunities to interact with people is essential to spreading the faith in general.

If you are interested in board games, feel free to show up at our next Parish Board Game Night on July 13th in the cafeteria. It begins at 5 pm. But, people can come and go as they please and I'm usually there until after 10 pm. There are plenty of friendly people there (we usually have about 30 players) who also enjoy teaching these games.

God bless!

Fr. Carter

Selective Seconds is a high quality, new and gently used furniture and home goods shop located at 911 Main Street rear, Belmar. Open Thursday thru Saturday 11 am -5 pm and Sunday 12 Noon-4 pm. Tax-free shopping to support St. Rose's St. Vincent dePaul Society.

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 to register or download the mail-in form.

Family Game Night Join us Friday, July 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

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 in Grades 1 AND 2. The Gr. 1 Religious Ed curriculum must be completed before entering Gr. 2. We do have a class for older students who have not received their sacraments. Sr. Bernadette will advise you how this can be done. *Confirmation* preparation takes place in Grades 7 AND 8, so Gr. 7 Religious Ed must be completed before the Gr. 8 program.

RCIA A new group is now being formed for the RCIA process. This is the process by which a person becomes a member of the Catholic Church. RCIA is for those who have never been baptized into any faith, those baptized in a non-Catholic faith, and for Catholics who were baptized but never received First Eucharist and Confirmation. For more information, please contact Sr. Bernadette. Individual appointments will be done over the summer and formal classes begin in September.

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.

*Parish Office Summer Schedule
July 2nd - August 31st
8 am-2 pm Monday thru Thursday
Closed Friday*

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.

Thank You Thank You Thank You! Our St. Vincent DePaul Society would like to thank all the generous parishioners who helped make the "Spring Cleaning" fundraiser a huge success! SVDPS was able to use the donated jewelry to raise \$1900 to help those in need in our community. May God continue to bless you and your families. Have a happy and safe summer!

Our Promise To Protect: The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the US Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, please report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline **1 888-296-2965** or by email: abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

Schedule for the Coming Week

Sat., July 7	5:00 pm Confessions
Sun., July 8	2:00 pm Filipino Mass 7:00 pm AA in cafeteria
Tue., July 10	7:00 pm Choir practice in church
Wed., July 11	7:00 pm SVDPS in faculty lounge
Thur., July 12	9:30 am-9:00 pm Adoration in chapel 6:30 pm AA in cafeteria 7:00 pm Reading Group in conference room
Fri., July 13	5:00 pm Board Game Night in cafeteria
Sat., July 14	5:00 pm Confessions
Sun., July 15	1:30 pm Baptisms in church 7:00 pm AA in cafeteria
Tue., July 16	7:00 pm Choir practice in church