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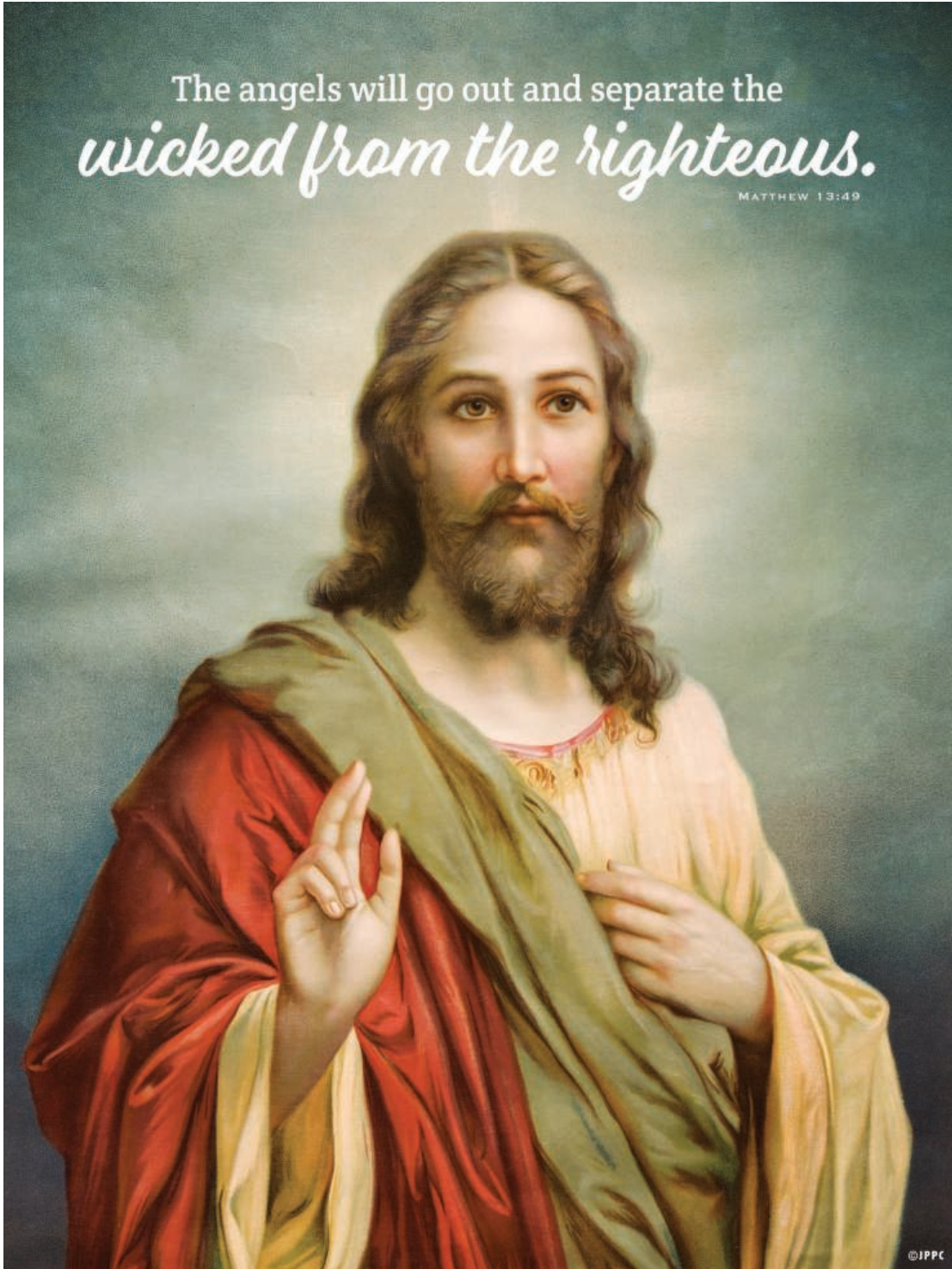
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**July 30, 2023 ~ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The angels will go out and separate the  
*wicked from the righteous.*

MATTHEW 13:49





## Parish Served By:

**Fr. H. Todd Carter**

Pastor

**Fr. Caesar Rubiano**

Hospital Chaplain

**Deacon John Klinecicz**

**Deacon Robert Cerefice**

**Christa Dalmazio**

Director of Music

**Mrs. Fran Burke**

Coordinator of Religious Education

## Mass Schedule

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM (except some holidays)

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon, 5:30 PM

**Traditional Latin Mass** is celebrated every first Saturday at 9 am and every third Sunday at 3 pm.

## Parish Membership

All new families are welcomed and encouraged to join Holy Innocents Parish as soon as possible by contacting the Parish Office, or by submitting the online Registration Form at [www.holyinnocentschurch.net](http://www.holyinnocentschurch.net). In order to be recognized as a practicing member of the Parish, it is necessary to be registered and show your presence and support by attendance at Mass, and through regular use of your Offering Envelopes.

## Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated the 1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays of the month at 1:30 PM. Baptism Preparation Class is held on the first Friday of the month. Please call the Parish Office (x127) to arrange a baptism or to schedule attendance of Baptism Prep Class.

## Marriage

Parishioners should call the Parish Office (x127) no less than ONE YEAR in advance of your desired wedding date. Engaged Encounter or Pre-Cana Conference is required and suggested 6 months before the wedding. Sunday weddings are not celebrated in this parish.

## Reconciliation

Saturdays 2:30 - 3:30 PM

**Please Remember Holy Innocents Church in Your Will.**

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY, July 29, 2023

9:00 A.M. INT OF ROBERT MAGLIO r/b Jeryl Maglio  
4:00 P.M. BORTOLUZ & VENTURINI FAMILIES r/b  
Francesca Venturini  
JANE WISCHOW r/b Eamonn & Stacy  
Maliff

SUNDAY, July 30, 2023

8:00 A.M. EDNA TORCHIA r/b Vicki & David  
STANLEY SOWA r/b Boyd & Joyce  
Youngblood  
10:00 A.M. SHANNON OVERSTREET r/b Christa  
Dalmazio  
CAROL STURZIONE r/b Blonski family  
12:00 P.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
5:30 P.M. LOEL AGBUNAG & BENEDICT DACO r/b  
Semira family  
THOMAS ROBERTSON r/b Angela & Jim  
Rogers

MONDAY, July 31, 2023

9:00 A.M. ROBERT CLINTON r/b Dick & Eileen Tobin  
MARGARET LYNCH r/b Family

TUESDAY, August 1, 2023

9:00 A.M. MAUREEN DWYER r/b Dick & Eileen  
Tobin

WEDNESDAY, August 2, 2023

9:00 A.M. MICHAEL RUGGIERO r/b Jim & Pat  
Monroe  
INT OF ARIANNA MAGLIO r/b Jeryl Maglio

THURSDAY, August 3, 2023

9:00 A.M. SILVA FAMILY r/b Anthony Silva

FRIDAY, August 4, 2023

9:00 A.M. JOAN & JIM BUELL r/b Their daughter  
INT OF ROBERT MAGLIO r/b Jeryl Maglio

SATURDAY, August 5, 2023

9:00 A.M. FRANK BATTAGLIA r/b Jeryl Maglio  
4:00 P.M. MICHAELINA CANGIANO r/b Family  
PAT J. PAPA r/b Thaddeus Wargacki

SUNDAY, August 6, 2023

8:00 A.M. JOHN SPIEWACK r/b Kurdewan family  
PAUL YOUNG r/b Maria & Neil Scotto  
10:00 A.M. JOSEPH LYNCH r/b Joan  
JOHN J. NIESZ III r/b Sternik family  
12:00 P.M. INT OF RHEA ACHATE'S BIRTHDAY r/b  
Rose Achate  
MARION A. DILLON & FAMILY r/b Family  
5:30 P.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Dear Parishioners,

In today's Gospel, Jesus talks about the value of the Kingdom of Heaven. He compares it to a pearl of great price. It is worth so much that one is willing to sell all that they have to obtain it. This parable reminds me of something I have recently read in a book called *The Glories of Divine Grace* by Matthias Scheeben. In it, he reflects on the value of the life of God, saying:

*If you could recall your deceased brother to life by contrition for your sins, would you be so full of hatred toward God or of cruelty toward your bother as not to do this! Now you may easily by one act of [perfect] contrition, raise yourself from death-not of the body, but of the soul-from an eternal death to an eternally blissful life. And yet you hesitate, and you refuse that wonderful assistance which God offers you.*

His point is that we often are willing to sacrifice greatly and work hard on things that do not last and do not bring ultimate happiness. The life of God is so attainable and yet we avoid it. It could be because we love our sins. It could be because the problems of this world are so distracting. It could be because we simply don't value God that highly. But, for the sake of our souls, we have to put God first.

And if you think you are unforgivable, I assure you that God's love is limitless and He is always present. I pray that we may appreciate this life that God gives us and to accept it as the great gift it is.

God bless!

*Fr. Carter*

P.S. Matthias Scheeben is a German theologian from the 19th century. His work has greatly influenced Popes John Paul II and Benedict XVI. But, only recently has much of his work been translated into English. He is a clear and deep writer and a joy to read.



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*Mass*

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### Holy Innocents Church Music Ministry

Our Music Ministry consists of an Adult Choir at the 10 am Mass, a Children's Choir for the 12 Noon Mass on the 4th Sunday of the Month, and The Latin Schola Group (we offer Traditional Latin Masses at 9 am the 1st Saturday of the Month and at 3 pm the 3rd Sunday of the Month). We rehearse in church.

#### Tuesday evening Rehearsal schedule:

5:30-6:30 pm—Children's Choir  
7-8:15 pm—Adult Choir  
8:15-9 pm—Latin Schola

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#### Are you in need of non-perishable food items?

Our Food Pantry is available for anyone who is in need. It is open after the 4 PM Mass on Saturday and after the 10 AM and 12 Noon Masses on Sunday. If those times are not convenient, an appointment can be made by calling the number listed above.

#### Are you a Neptune Township resident who is experiencing a temporary financial hardship?

If so, please contact us for more information and/or assistance. All calls are confidential.

#### Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity?

We are always in need of volunteers to return phone calls, assist in the Food pantry, and help with events at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Just give us a call with any questions you have concerning our mission and how to become a volunteer.

SVdP gratefully accepts grocery store gift cards, monetary donations through the green Social Concerns envelopes (checks should be made payable to St. Vincent de Paul), unexpired, non-perishable food items, and paper products. *Unfortunately, we CANNOT accept clothing, household items or food that is NEAR OR PAST ITS EXPIRATION DATE.*

If you have any questions about our services, please give us a call.



### Holy Innocents Respect Life Committee News?

The Respect Life Committee will not meet over the summer months, but during July and August, we will again collect donations of back-to-school supplies in the bin in the gathering space. Thank you & God bless you!

Please patronize the businesses and professionals who advertise on this publication, and be sure to tell them where you saw the ad. Their advertising makes it possible for us to provide this weekly bulletin to our parishioners. As well, if you own a local business and would like to inquire about ad space, call Tracey Rauh 610 405-6534.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Fr. Bausch, Lottie Barr, Marie Valvano, Carol Kelly, Lydia Silva, Louise Pataranick, Sean Acker, Chris Dall, Mike Killeen, Michael Brander

**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, as all are welcome.



# Parish Giving

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## Collections

July 23rd      \$8,188 (electronic included)  
                   \$1,792 (Retired & Infirm Priests)



**TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS  
 WITH GREGORIAN CHANT**

**Sunday, August 20th**  
 3PM

**HOLY INNOCENTS CHURCH  
 NEPTUNE**

Due to the popularity of the Traditional Latin mass, Fr. Carter will be offering a Traditional Latin mass every 3rd Sunday of the month. If you have devotion to and would like to see Traditional Latin masses become more widely available, then please attend this mass or voice your support.

This mass is a trial run to determine the demand for this form of the mass. If it is well attended Fr. Carter is considering making it possibly a weekly mass.

For questions or concerns, please contact Fr. Carter at [toddcarterpriest@gmail.com](mailto:toddcarterpriest@gmail.com).



**Parish Office Hours**  
 Monday thru Thursday, 8 am-4 pm  
 (in-person)

Office closed on Friday, but available by email:  
[parishoffice@holyinnocentschurch.net](mailto:parishoffice@holyinnocentschurch.net)



### Schedule for the Coming Week

- Sat., July 29      2:30 pm Confessions in chapel
- Tue., Aug. 1      5:30-6:30 pm Children's Choir  
                           7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir  
                           8:15-9:00 pm Latin Schola
- Thurs., Aug. 3    9:30 am-9:00 pm Adoration  
                           7:00 pm AA in cafeteria (open meeting)
- Fri., Aug 4        9:30 am-2:00 pm Adoration  
                           5:00 pm Board Game Night in Bldg 2
- Sat., Aug. 5      2:30 pm Confessions in chapel
- Sun., Aug. 6      1:30 pm Baptism in church
- Tue., Aug 8        5:30-6:30 pm Children's Choir  
                           7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir  
                           8:15-9:00 pm Latin Schola





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