

Holy Innocents Church

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January 21, 2024 ~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN.

MARK 1:17



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. 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, January 20, 2024

9:00 A.M. ED SULLIVAN r/b Madonna House
4:00 P.M. KATHRYN KINSEY r/b Sternik family
DEC'D MBRS WOJTASZEK FAMILY r/b
Lottie Barr & Ed Sawicki

SUNDAY, January 21, 2024

8:00 A.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:00 A.M. SYLVIA DESIDER r/b Parish Office Staff
ED SULLIVAN r/b Madonna House
12:00 P.M. INT OF JOHN & JANE COLEMAN 60th
WEDD'G ANNIVERSARY
3:00 P.M. INT OF REBEKAH BLONSKI r/b Rebecca
Blonski
5:30 P.M. PAUL PICCIONE r/b Maureen & Mark Vinci

MONDAY, January 22, 2024

9:00 A.M. ED SULLIVAN r/b Madonna House
ERNEST CAIRNS r/b Marylu Savage

TUESDAY, January 23, 2024

9:00 A.M. CAROLE DOUGHER r/b Palmie Cummings
COLBY MATSON r/b Jodi Repetti

WEDNESDAY, January 24, 2024

9:00 A.M. BILL CASEY r/b Sternik family

THURSDAY, January 25, 2024

9:00 A.M. ED SULLIVAN r/b Madonna House
MARY DOHERTY r/b Jim & Pat Monroe

FRIDAY, January 26, 2024

9:00 A.M. ED SULLIVAN r/b Madonna House

SATURDAY, January 27, 2024

9:00 A.M. MARY DOHERTY r/b Walter & Mary
Golembiewski
4:00 P.M. EILEEN DINORSCIO r/b Joan
PELAGIA DeLEON r/b Family

SUNDAY, January 28, 2024

8:00 A.M. JOE DeLaROSA r/b Geri Huber
HANK COAKLEY r/b Annemarie Logan &
family
10:00 A.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
12:00 P.M. BABY JAY NAPOLITANO r/b Jim & Carol
Maliff
WILLIAM QUINN r/b John & Gail Quinn
5:30 P.M. JOHN PATRICK MORGAN r/b Maureen &
Mark Vinci

Dear Parishioners,

Lent is coming up quicker than you think and it will be over with even more quickly. In order to get the most out of Lent, we ought to think about how we are to practice it. Lent is a period where we traditionally practice prayer, fasting and almsgiving. While these are important and necessary, they need to be rooted in a spirituality to sustain them or they just become outward acts. One great thing about saints like Mother Theresa is that they treated their work like a prayer seeing God in all that they do. We all ought to strive to do this and Lent is a good time to practice this form of prayer. So, how ought we prepare for Lent?

- First, ask God what your soul needs. Pray about this every day. Often we can be so caught up with our material needs that we completely forget that we are even more spiritual than we are physical and to be aware of these things we need to take time to pray over them.
- Second, if you already have made vows to God, be firmer in that commitment. If you're married, dedicate yourself more to the good of your spouse. If you promised to pray the rosary daily, don't skip a day due to inconvenience.
- Third, practice saying yes to God. When something comes up where you have a chance to make a holy choice or a less than holy choice, make the holy choice. For example, choose to be forgiving in a moment you want to react in anger, or choose to read a holy book instead of an exciting one with no substance. In our everyday life, we make tons of little decisions that can build our character or distract us.
- Lastly, think of a Lenten penance that addresses anything you find difficult in these suggestions. If you find yourself not making it to Mass every week on time, or you're leaving early, vow this Lent to make it to Mass early or stay later to pray. If you struggle finding time to pray, make that the first thing you do every day even if it means getting up earlier. If you have trouble with charity, make it a vow every week to tell one person that you love them. These are just possible suggestions and of course you should pick something that works for you.

Lent is not about feeling bad about yourself or living up to impossible standards. God will never punish someone who is genuinely striving to live a good life pleasing to Him. We might mess up sometimes and get distracted. But, we can always trust in His forgiveness and mercy. I hope that you can all strive for spiritual excellence this Lent and listen to where the Lord is leading you.

God bless!

Fr. Carter

A NIGHT OF WORSHIP

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ADORATION
FOLLOWED BY
A CONCERT



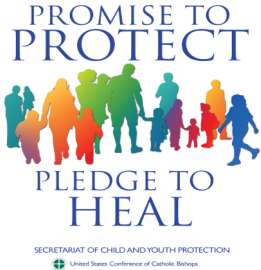
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The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

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, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline.

To report the sexual abuse of minors call our hotline 1-888-296-2965 or email us at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org

Please note: 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.

**Holy Innocents Church
Mary Queen of Knights Council #816**



You are invited to join a community of like-minded Catholic men who share their faith, hands, hearts, and prayers, providing support and communing with each other. You can also bring your families along and get to know other members. Membership is **FREE** to join online, and you can request to join anytime. Just scan the QR Code at left. **Enter Council number 816 in the appropriate place on the form. Join Our Knights of Columbus!** We meet once a month, in the evening at St. Anselm's Church in Wayside (Tinton Falls).

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Thank you to all who supported our Christmas Giving Tree Program! Through your generosity, we were able to help many families with gifts and groceries during the holidays.

Are you in need of non-perishable food items?

Our Food Pantry is available for anyone who is in need. Please make an appointment by calling the number below.

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

Please call us for information and/or assistance.

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**Holy Innocents Church
Online Rosary Group**

meets Monday thru Friday at 10 am online or over the phone. Please contact kathy.lynch65@gmail.com for information.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

You can also pray in-person Rosary every morning before 9 am daily Mass in the Church.





**Holy Innocents
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News...**

This group is dedicated to the fact that life is a precious gift from God.

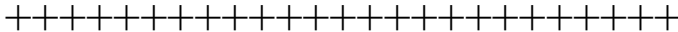
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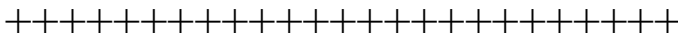
Eucharistic Adoration is held at Holy Innocents every Thursday (except holidays and holy days) 9:30 am-9 pm AND on First Fridays from 9:30 am-2 pm. Special thanks to all who make regular Adoration possible here at Holy Innocents! Please invite your friends and family members to participate, as all are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



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Weekly Collections

Christmas \$24,457 (includes electronic)
Jan. 7th \$ 8,837 (includes electronic)
\$ 930 (2nd collection)



TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS
WITH GREGORIAN CHANT

Sunday, January 21st
3PM
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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.

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Parish Office Hours
Monday thru Thursday, 8 am-4 pm
(in-person)
Friday by email:
parishoffice@holyinnocentschurch.net

Schedule for the Coming Week

Sat., Jan. 20	2:30 pm Confessions in chapel
Sun., Jan. 21	8:45 am Religious Ed (K-7) 1:30 pm Baptism in church 3:00 pm Latin Mass
Mon., Jan. 22	6:00 pm Religious Ed (8) 7:30 pm RCIA (Bldg 3)
Tue., Jan. 23	5:30-6:30 pm Children's Choir 7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir 7:00 pm SVdPS in chapel 8:15-9:00 pm Latin Schola
Wed., Jan. 24	6:30 pm First Reconciliation in church 7:00 pm Bible Study (Bldg 2)
Thurs., Jan. 25	9:30 am-9:00 pm Adoration 7:00 pm AA in cafeteria (open meeting)
Sat., Jan. 27	2:30 pm Confessions in chapel
Sun., Jan. 28	8:45 am Religious Ed (K-7) 1:30 pm Baptism in church
Mon., Jan. 29	NO Religious Ed (8) do Family Life at home 7:30 pm RCIA (Bldg 3)
Tue., Jan. 30	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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