

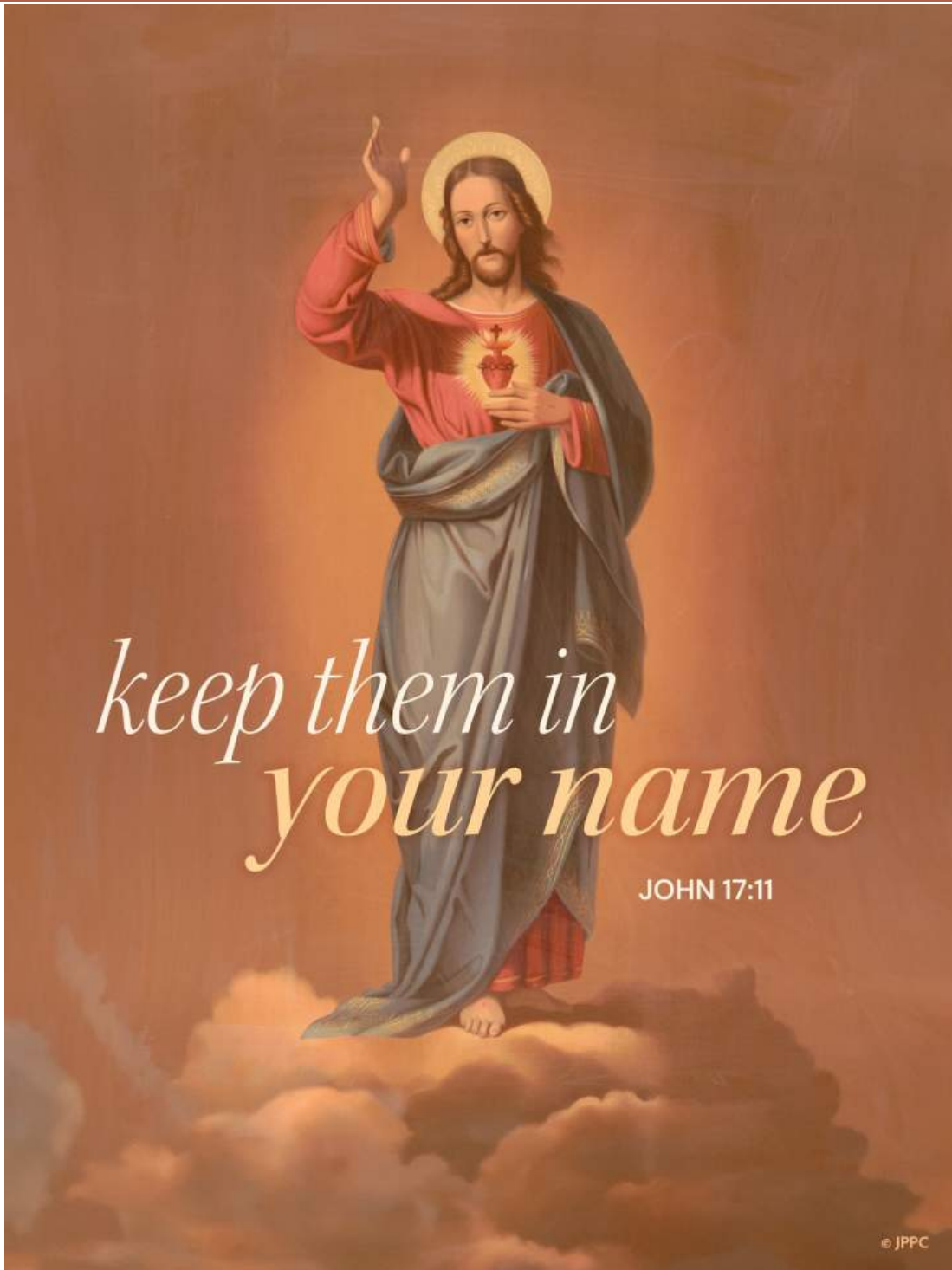
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May 12, 2024 ~ The Ascension of the Lord





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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, May 11, 2024

10:00 A.M. FIRST COMMUNION
4:00 P.M. JOHN & MARYLOU SAWICKI r/b Lottie Barr & Ed Sawicki
PAT J. PAPA r/b Thaddeus Wargacki



SUNDAY, May 12, 2024

8:00 A.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:00 A.M. ELISABETH STERNIK r/b Her family
MAUREEN McCORMICK r/b Eleanor & John Iannelli
12:00 P.M. INT OF MARIE VALVANO r/b Her husband
EUFACIA SANGA SE r/b Sternik family
5:30 P.M. CYNTHIA NOBLE r/b Chris & Patti Piazza
ROSE GOODWIN r/b Madonna House

MONDAY, May 13, 2024

9:00 A.M. PAM SADLER r/b Holy Innocents SVdPS

TUESDAY, May 14, 2024

9:00 A.M. ALFRED CONSOLI r/b Virginia Consoli
FRANCISCO ABELARDO r/b Yolanda & Anthony

WEDNESDAY, May 15, 2024

9:00 A.M. INT ZOFIA BUCZEK r/b Family

THURSDAY, May 16, 2024

9:00 A.M. MATTHEW J. SHARIN, JR. r/b Marylu Savage
JOHN F. GEBHARD r/b Ed Fletcher

FRIDAY, May 17, 2024

9:00 A.M. ROSE GOODWIN r/b Madonna House

SATURDAY, May 18, 2024

9:00 A.M. ROSE GOODWIN r/b Madonna House
4:00 P.M. ROSARIO MASANQUE r/b Family
FRANK MARASCIO r/b Valdivia family

SUNDAY, May 19, 2024

8:00 A.M. PAUL REPETTI r/b Jodi Repetti
STEPHEN ASARO r/b Chuck & Mary Daalder
10:00 A.M. ROBERT KLEISSLER r/b Holy Inn Respect Life Committee
SEIBOLD FAMILY r/b Judge family
12:00 P.M. MARILY HOENGE r/b Melango family
EDILBERTO ACHATE r/b Rose & Rhea
3:00 P.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
5:30 P.M. EMILY & BEN SACZAWA r/b Marlene & Walter Rapka

Dear Parishioners,

As we celebrate both the Ascension of Our Lord and Mother's Day, I wanted to reflect on the experience of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Ascension. This is especially appropriate because this is the Month of Mary. Mary only appears in a few passages in the Scriptures. However, each of her appearances are profound and greatly affects our Catholic Spirituality because each time we see her we see her being asked to do the hardest thing any mother can do: give up her life for her Son.

At the Annunciation of Our Lord by the Angel Gabriel (Luke 1:26-38) we see that she accepts the angel's message even though she does not see how it is possible for her to conceive. She confirms that message at the Visitation (Luke 1:39-45) by traveling a long distance to see her cousin Elizabeth and rejoices to see that it is all true. This confidence was further confirmed at the Nativity and bearing the witness of the Wise Men (Matthew 2:1-12) and shepherds (Luke 2:15-20) that this child is special. After all this confirmation in the faith, she then experiences the challenge of knowing that her son will suffer. For at the Presentation at the Temple (Luke 2:22-38) she is told that He will suffer and a sword will pierce her heart too. We see her cooperate with this destiny at the Wedding of Cana (John 2:1-12) where she asks Our Lord to do His first public miracle. This is the first public sign that Jesus does and he tells her about His hour which is a prediction of His death. All of this is fulfilled at His Crucifixion at which she is present. (John 19:25-27) We see throughout these scriptural events that she is asked to give of herself more and more. It must have been harder on her than anyone else to see her son suffer since she loved Him more than anyone else does.

As we turn to the Ascension, we do not hear how the Blessed Mother reacts. I imagine that she would open the same wounds over again. She is losing Him for the rest of her life. But we also know she was prepared for this moment by all the little deaths she suffered along the way and that she trusts in God more than anything else. No other woman is as good as the Blessed Virgin Mary and no other woman was asked to sacrifice more than her. That is why she is also called Our Lady of Sorrows.

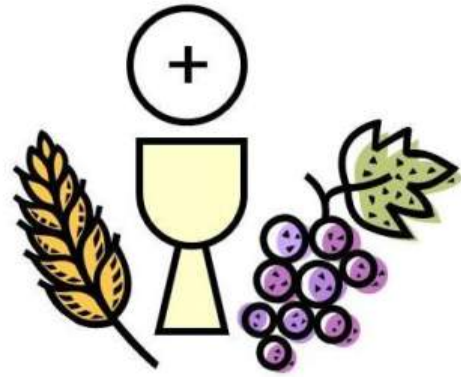
Every time a mother is asked to sacrifice for the sake of their children, they are reflecting the love of the Blessed Mother and it is a beautiful thing. So, I thank all the mothers out there who sacrificed for their children. As our Lord reminded us in last week's Gospel, "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:13)

God Bless!

Fr. Carter

P.S. On June 2nd at the Noon Mass, we are having another Eucharistic Procession. Please stay tuned for more details.

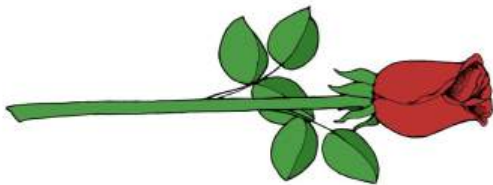
First Holy Communion
May 11, 2024



Kyle Bardaje ~ Avery Cerminaro ~ Riley Cerminaro
Gabriel Connor ~ Madison Craig ~ Vincent DeNardo
Martel Giberson ~ Mia Holzapfel ~ Thomas Ingerson
Matthew Kilimnik ~ Nora Megill ~ Ciara Murphy
Robert Murphy ~ Ellie Niskoch ~ Ava Rafanan
Esteban Ramirez ~ Dante Reid ~ Dino Reid
Dominic Reid ~ Ronnie Rico ~ Kellan Tedesco

Congratulations to our First Communicants!

Annual Mother's Day Rose Sale
at Masses, May 11th & 12th



our Respect Life Committee
will participate in conjunction with
Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry
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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 (begins at
8:25 am) Monday thru Saturday before 9 am
Mass in the Church.

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To report the sexual abuse of minors call our hotline
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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.

Mary Queen of Knights Council #816 Holy Innocents Church



Are you ready for the baseball season? Did you know that the Founder of the Knights of Columbus, Blessed Michael McGivney, was also a heck of a baseball player? We know that in one game with his seminary team, he scored three runs, contributing to a big victory of 23-6. He paved the way for a long history of baseball players who would join the Knights, including Connie Mack, Babe Ruth, Joe DiMaggio, Mike Sweeney and Shane Victorino. Catholic gentlemen 18 years and older can join online at www.kofc.org/join. Use Promo Code Blessed McGivney for one year of free membership. Our local Council is 816. Use the QR code to apply!

St. Vincent dePaul Society

The St. Vincent DePaul Society is an all-volunteer organization that provides financial assistance to our neighbors for rent, utilities and other basic necessities. The help provided is only possible through the very generous donations from our parishioners.

If assistance is needed, please call our help line and leave a message 732 922-4242 x124

Non-perishable food items, paper products, personal hygiene products and cleaning supplies are available from our Pantry.

Pantry Times

Immediately AFTER the following Masses:
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5:30 PM. Depart for Ascension
8:00 PM. Arrive at Ascension Parking Lot

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**Any Questions Call Bernice Hettesheimer
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Religious Emblem for Catholic Boy Scouts

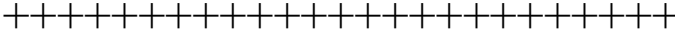
Beginning in June, Deacon John Klinecicz will conduct classes for those who wish to earn their *Ad Altare Dei* Religious Emblem. Scouts must be starting 8th grade or higher in September. For more information, contact Deacon John 732 922-3534 as soon as possible.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR Fr. Bausch, Lottie Barr, Marie Valvano, Carol Kelly, Lydia Silva, Louise Pataranick, Chris Dall, Dolores Picollo, Debbie Clemis, Sean Acker

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.

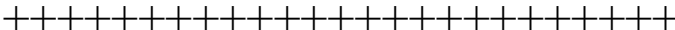


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Weekly Collections

May 5th \$10,072 (includes electronic)
\$ 1,056 (Church roof replacemt.)



TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS
WITH GREGORIAN CHANT

Sunday, May 19th
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.



Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday, 8 am-4 pm (in-person)

Friday by email:

parishoffice@holyinnocentschurch.net

May

Schedule for the Coming Week

- Sat., May 11 10:00 am First Communion
2:30 pm Confessions
- Sun., May 12 **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**
Respect Life Rose Sale at Masses
2:00 pm Filipino Mass
- Mon., May 13 7:30 pm RCIA (Bldg 3)
- Tue., May 14 5:30-6:30 pm Children's Choir
7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir
8:15-9:00 pm Latin Schola
- Wed., May 15 7:00 pm Bible Study (Bldg 2)
- Thurs., May 16 9:30 am-9:00 pm Adoration
7:00 pm AA open meeting (Bldg 2)
- Fri., May 17 5:00 pm Parish Game Night (Bldg 2)
- Sat., May 18 2:30 pm Confessions
- Sun., May 19 1:30 pm Baptism in church
- Mon., May 20 7:30 pm CARE Class (Bldg 2)
- Tue., May 21 5:30-6:30 pm Children's Choir
7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir
7:00 pm SVdPS (Bldg 2)
8:15-9:00 pm Latin Schola



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