

Holy Innocents Church

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July 28, 2024 ~ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



This is truly the Prophet,
the one who is to come
into the world.

John 6:14



Parish Served By:

Fr. H. Todd Carter

Pastor

Fr. Caesar Rubiano

Hospital Chaplain

Deacon John Klincewicz

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, July 27, 2024

9:00 A.M. MARY CURRAN r/b Dick & Susan
Sheridan
4:00 P.M. LUCILLE & CHARLES CESTARO r/b Fam
MOSI DeLEON r/b Family

SUNDAY, July 28, 2024

8:00 A.M. BERNADETTE & STANLEY BEVAN r/b
Eleanor & John Iannelli
FRANK & MARY JONELUNAS r/b Chuck &
Mary Daalder
10:00 A.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
12:00 P.M. EDWARD & MARY CHAPMAN r/b Family
KAY SHERLOCK r/b Kunze & King fams &
Bernadette
5:30 P.M. PAOLO DiPALMA r/b Riley family

MONDAY, July 29, 2024

9:00 A.M. HARRY LYNCH r/b Arleen Siciliano
HELEN CERRACHIO r/b Madonna House

TUESDAY, July 30, 2024

9:00 A.M. CLARINDA PERREIRA r/b Bella Fiuzza
EDDIE CERINO r/b Bill & Jean Manigold

WEDNESDAY, July 31, 2024

9:00 A.M. CLARINDA PERREIRA r/b Bella Fiuzza
ROSE GOODWIN r/b Madonna House

THURSDAY, August 1, 2024

9:00 A.M. INT MARIE VALVANO r/b Her husband
LORRAINE CIEMNECKI r/b Madonna
House

FRIDAY, August 2, 2024

9:00 A.M. HARRY LYNCH r/b Bill & Jean Manigold
ANNE GORMAN r/b Madonna House

SATURDAY, August 3, 2024

9:00 A.M. INT FR. CARTER r/b Madonna House
4:00 P.M. JOHN & HELEN DWORAK r/b Lottie Barr &
Ed Sawicki
PAT J. PAPA r/b Thaddeus Wargacki

SUNDAY, August 4, 2024

8:00 A.M. EILEEN & JOE CLERKIN, BARBARA &
TED RUTZ & THOMAS YARROW r/b
Clerkin & Rutz family
10:00 A.M. JOAN & JIM BUELL r/b Their daughter
ADDY DiBERNARDO r/b Sternik family
12:00 P.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
5:30 P.M. DEBBIE MARTIN r/b Keith Sturzio

Dear Parishioners,

One of the reasons why some people are not open to religion is that they think that every aspect of religion is unprovable. They don't believe because they do not see any reason to believe. Since there's no reason to believe, they see everything that religion teaches as arbitrary or at the very least unverifiable. However, Christianity (and especially Catholicism) puts itself in a position where certain aspects of the faith can be verified. I recently read a book called "Hypotheses about Jesus" by Vittorio Messori which talks about this topic. This book looks into the criticisms of recent scholarship and how they do not hold water in the light of even more recent archeology and common sense. It is very much worth reading if you want to know some reasons we can believe the stories about Christ presented in the Gospels.

There are two points of view explained in this book: the critics and the mythologizers. The critics believe that Jesus is a real historical person whose story was later exaggerated by His followers to declare Him God. The mythologizers have the opposite point of view: they believe there was no historical Jesus and all the stories about Him were adapted from other myths and legends and later people thought they were real history. One thing you may easily notice is that these two views supposedly based on scholarship come to completely contradictory conclusions. They only agree on one point: the Gospels are unbelievable as an historical narrative. Still, just because a smart person asserts something does not make it true.

The mythologizers cannot be right because there is too much evidence for the historical Jesus. There are no major history scholars who actually support this view. The critical scholars have a different problem: they cannot explain why Jesus was declared God by His later followers. The early followers of Jesus were all devout Jewish people and within Judaism was a strong prohibition of the worship of false Gods. Not only did Jesus's direct followers believe He was God but also many others were converted by the people who had direct contact with Him. Something had to happen to make this fact convincing to people since there is no natural way a 1st century Jewish person would believe this. For centuries before Jesus, the Jewish people were fighting encroaching paganism and Greek culture. Even some who witnessed Jesus and His miracles doubted Him. Looking at the Gospels as pure natural history provides no reason then for why the early followers of Jesus believed He was God.

This is just one of the many great arguments presented in this book and I am only explaining it briefly here. So, if you are interested, read the book. I know I have learned a lot from it.

God Bless!
Fr. Carter

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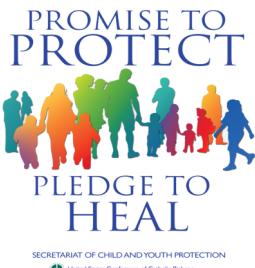
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Please note: The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

Holy Innocents Church 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.



Holy Innocents Respect Life Committee



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Pope Benedict XVI

Address at a meeting on Family and Life Issues in Latin America 12/3/2005

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:
Saturday 4 pm ~ Sunday 10 am & 12 Noon

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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

July 21st	\$8,046 (includes electronic)
	\$2,774 (Church roof)

July 27th & 28th our 2nd Collection will be for the *Diocesan Retired, Elderly & Infirm Priest Fund*



TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS WITH GREGORIAN CHANT

Sunday, August 18th

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.

+ Parish Office Hours

(in person)

Monday thru Thursday, 8 am-4 pm

(by email)

Friday, 8 am-12:30 pm (thru August)
parishoffice@holyinnocentschurch.net



Schedule for the Coming Week

Sat., July 27	2:30 pm Confessions
Sun., July 28	1:30 pm Baptism
Tue., July 30	5:30-6:30 pm Children's Choir
	7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir
	8:15-9:00 pm Latin Schola
Thurs., Aug. 1	9:30 am-9:00 pm Adoration
	7:00 pm AA open meeting (Bldg 2)
Fri., Aug. 2	9:30 am-2:00 pm Adoration
	7:30 pm Baptism Prep Class (Bldg 3)
Sat., Aug. 3	2:30 pm Confessions
Sun., Aug. 4	1:30 pm Baptism
Tue., Aug. 6	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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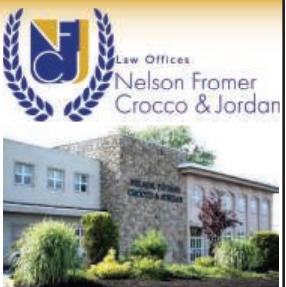


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