


Holy Innocents Church

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September 22, 2024 ~ 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Whoever receives me,
receives not me but
the One who sent me.**

Mark 9:37



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 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, September 21, 2024

9:00 A.M. EDWARD MARTZ, JR. r/b Family
AUREA CARLOS r/b DeLeon family
4:00 P.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUNDAY, September 22, 2024

8:00 A.M. CATHIE MANGONE r/b Maria & Neil Scott
FRED FAULHABER r/b Linda, Tom,
Thomas & Christopher DeTitta
10:00 A.M. JUDITH COLLINS r/b Bill & Ceil Maguire
SAMANTHA BURSOM r/b Cobb family
12:00 P.M. MARIA FIUZA r/b Jim & Carol Maliff
MEAGAN HIGHAM r/b Anne & Jim Kirms
5:30 P.M. KATHERINE ODRE r/b Pat Riordan
BENILDA MONGHIT r/b Pineda family

MONDAY, September 23, 2024

9:00 A.M. MARGARET PALMER r/b Steve & Linda
Dietz
FRANCESCA VENTURINI r/b Bill & Jean
Manigold

TUESDAY, September 24, 2024

9:00 A.M. STANLEY & BERNADETTE BEVAN r/b
Anne & Steve Gerard

WEDNESDAY, September 25, 2024

9:00 A.M. ANGELINA BORJA r/b Family
MICHAEL HOAG r/b Lynch family

THURSDAY, September 26, 2024

9:00 A.M. HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY r/b Bella
Fiuza
EDWARD FETCHER r/b Ed Sawicki

FRIDAY, September 27, 2024

9:00 A.M. ANTHONY POLITANO r/b Bob & Terry
Dreeke

SATURDAY, September 28, 2024

9:00 A.M. INT JACQUELINE KAVOOKJIAN r/b Mary
Kavookjian
4:00 P.M. ELISABETH STERNIK r/b Family
HELEN NEBUS r/b Ted Nebus, Jr.

SUNDAY, September 29, 2024

8:00 A.M. THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:00 A.M. JACK JUDGE r/b Family
HENRY BUNNELL r/b Bill & Ceil Maguire
12:00 P.M. JOHN F. & MARGARITA MOLLOY r/b
Family
BETTY GULINO r/b Madonna House
5:30 P.M. HARRY LYNCH r/b Bella Fiuza
CAYETANO ECHAVEZ r/b Pineda family

Bread & Wine

In memory of Helen & Ted Nebus, Sr. r/b Ted Nebus, Jr.

Dear Parishioners,

Salvation by Faith Alone was first taught by Martin Luther who began the Protestant Reformation. It teaches that man cannot do anything to earn his salvation. Instead, Christ saves us and we take part in that salvation by having faith in Him, not through anything we do. They support this belief by citing scriptures such as Galatians 2:15-16 which reads, "We ourselves . . . who know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified."

However, to interpret Galatians this way would directly contradict James 2:24 which reads, "You see that a man is justified by works and not by faith alone." Also, St. Paul Himself really cares about how we act when he lists which sinners cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven in Galatians 5:19-21. So, just from these two passages, we see that we are not saved by faith alone. We are saved by a living faith as defined in 2:17, "So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead." So, it is important not only to believe but also to let your beliefs inspire you to do works of charity.

When St. Paul criticizes "works of the law" he is not talking about the charitable works. He is specifically referring to the rites of the Old Law and explaining to Christians that they no longer have to follow the Old Law in order to be saved. These practices include ritual washing, temple sacrifice and circumcision. None of these rites save and therefore Christians do not need to do them. So, St. Paul is not criticizing charitable acts or people who think doing charitable acts will save them.

I think most Protestants would agree that one needs to live a holy life in order to be saved. However, they would see the works as a sign of being saved rather than a necessity. If that is the case, then I do not know why we are arguing about this. Since, most Catholics realize they are not saved by simply doing good since we need Jesus Christ in order to be saved. We cannot save ourselves. To believe that we are saved by works is not the Catholic teaching but the Pelagian heresy.

So, if you dialog with a Protestant about these topics, do not fall into the trap of trying to defend a works-based salvation. That is not what the Church teaches. Instead, focus on the "alone" part of Faith Alone and point out all the things the Lord requires of us. Faith does indeed save. But it is certainly not alone.

God Bless!

Fr. Carter

Young people in 4th through 12th Grades: Would you like to help the Church?

Become an Altar Server!

There will be two training sessions for new servers and a parent:

**Tuesday, October 1st and
Tuesday, October 8th
4 pm in the Church**



New servers must attend both sessions. To sign-up, or for more information, contact Deacon John at 732 922-3534 or by email: klincewicz@verizon.net.



Join us for the Parish Picnic at the Holy Innocents Church immediately after the 12:00 PM Mass on Sunday, October 6, 2024. A special Children's Liturgy will also be held during mass for our Religious Education students. Bring your family and friends for an afternoon of fun, food, and fellowship! There will also be games & crafts, as well as information tables from various church ministries.

Burgers and hotdogs will be provided. Sign-up to bring your favorite picnic side dish, dessert, or refreshments to share. Please bring a lawn chair/picnic blanket and any outdoor lawn games

you'd like to play too! All are welcome to attend but we do ask that you RSVP to ensure we have enough to feed everyone.

Volunteers are needed and appreciated to help to set-up before and/or clean up after the picnic. Kindly return the Parish Picnic form below or visit <https://bit.ly/HolyInnocentsParishPicnic2024> (URL is case-sensitive) or scan the QR code to RSVP, volunteer, and/or make a donation. For more information, please contact Fran Burke at fburke@holyinnocentschurch.net. We hope you will join us!



-----KEEP ABOVE FOR YOUR REFERENCE / RETURN BELOW TO HOLY INNOCENTS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPT-----

Please Print Clearly - **Holy Innocents Parish Picnic 2024**

First Name _____ **Last Name** _____

Phone Number _____ **Email** _____

Yes, we're attending! Number of People Attending - _____

Yes, I can volunteer!

- Planning Committee
- Set-up & decorate prior to event
- Information or Activity Table
- Clean-up after event

Yes, we will donate snacks and/or refreshments!

- Bag of Ice, preferable in a cooler (drop off prior to 12pm mass)
- Macaroni Salad, tray of
- Potato Salad, tray of
- Chips, case of individual bags
- Pretzels, case of individual bags
- Dessert, tray of
- Water, case of individual bottles
- Juice, case of individual bottles
- Box of Joe (coffee)
- Condiments - Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo, etc.
- Plates, Forks, Spoons, Knives and/or Cups (pls circle)

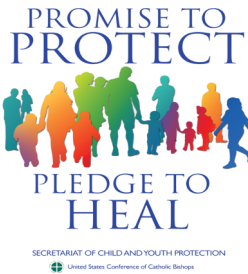
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**Friday, October 4th
5:30 pm
in front of the Church**

**Holy Innocents Church
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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.

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!

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

Upcoming Events:

- **40 Days For Life** Sept. 25th-Nov. 3rd
- **Mass / March / Rally For Life at St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral, Trenton** Sept. 26th
- **NJ Right To Life Raffle sales at weekend Masses** Sept. 28th & 29th
- **Public Square Rosary Rally (at 2 locations: St. Denis & St. Rose)** Oct. 12th
- **Champion For Life Dinner** Oct. 20th

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**

We are very grateful for your continued support and thank you for providing the means to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors! If you have questions about SVdPS, please call or stop in during Pantry times.

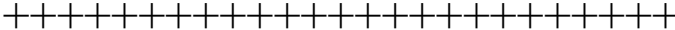


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PLEASE PRAY FOR Lottie Barr, Marie Valvano, Lydia Silva, Louise Pataranick, Joanne Librie, Shirley Ribble, Deacon Bob, Riley Grace, Katie Hubert, Frank Hines

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.

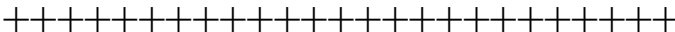


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Weekly Collections

Sept. 15th \$8,176 (includes electronic)
\$1,077 (church roof replacement)



TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS
WITH GREGORIAN CHANT

Sunday, October 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.



Parish Office Hours

(in person)

Monday thru Thursday, 8 am-4 pm

(by email)

Friday, 8 am-4:00 pm

parishoffice@holyinnocentschurch.net

Schedule for the Coming Week

- Sat., Sept. 21 2:30 pm Confessions
- Sun., Sept. 22 8:45 am Religious Ed (K-7)
- Mon., Sept. 23 6:00 pm Religious Ed (8)
7:30 pm RCIA (Bldg 3)
- Tue., Sept. 24 5:30-6:30 pm Children's Choir
7:00-8:15 pm Adult Choir
8:15-9:00 pm Latin Schola
- Wed., Sept. 25 7:00 pm Bible Study (Bldg 2)
- Thurs., Sept. 26 9:30 am-9:00 pm Adoration
7:00 pm AA open meeting (Bldg 2)
- Sat., Sept. 28 2:30 pm Confessions
- Sun., Sept. 29 8:45 am Religious Ed (K-7)
- Mon., Sept. 30 6:00 pm Religious Ed (8)
7:30 pm RCIA (Bldg 3)
- Tue., Oct. 1 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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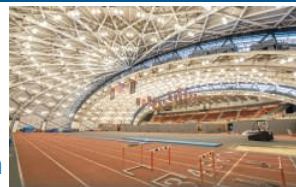
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