



## THE SHRINE AND PARISH CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

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### SCHEDULE

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#### HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Weekdays: 7:00 & 7:30 a.m.;  
8:00 a.m. (Tridentine Latin only during Lent)  
12:15 & 1:15 p.m.  
and 6:00 p.m. (Tridentine Latin)

Saturday: 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. (Tridentine Latin)  
and 4:00 p.m. Vigil/Shopper's Mass

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. (Tridentine Low Mass),  
10:30 a.m. (Tridentine High Mass),  
12:30 p.m.  
and 1:30 p.m. (Spanish only on the first  
Sunday of the month)

#### Holy Days of Obligation:

Vigil at 5:15 p.m.  
7:00 & 7:30 a.m.;  
8:00 a.m. (Tridentine Latin); 11:15 a.m.;  
12:15, 1:15 & 5:15 p.m.;  
6:00 p.m. (Tridentine Latin High Mass)

#### CONFESIONS

Weekdays: 7:30-8:30 a.m.; 12 noon-1:30 p.m.;  
5:15-5:35 p.m.

Saturday: 12 noon-1:00 p.m. and 3:15-3:45 p.m.

Sunday: 9:45-10:30 a.m. and 12 noon-12:30 p.m.

And anytime upon request or by appointment

#### EXPOSITION

#### OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Weekdays from 2:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Benediction

#### PERPETUAL NOVENAS

Weekdays following the 7:30 a.m. and 12:15 & 1:15  
p.m. Masses and at 5:50 p.m. and on Saturday  
following the 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. Masses.

Monday: Miraculous Medal

Tuesday: St. Anthony and St. Anne

Wednesday: Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Joseph

Thursday: Infant of Prague, St. Rita and St. Therese

Friday: "The Return Crucifix" and the Passion

Saturday: Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of Fatima

Sunday: Holy Innocents (at Vespers)

#### DEVOTIONS

Vespers and Benediction:

Sunday at 2:30 p.m. (Tridentine Latin)

Holy Rosary: Weekdays at 11:55 a.m. and 5:20 p.m.

Saturday at 12:35 p.m.

Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Weekdays at 3:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross (during Lent):

Fridays at 12:45 p.m.

and after 6:00 p.m. Mass

All-Night Vigil:

First Friday of the month from 7:00 p.m.-

Saturday 5:00 a.m. Mass

(Tridentine Latin)

2000 Hail Marys:

Second Saturday of the month  
from 6:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Fatima:

13 of the month from May to October  
following the Evening Mass

#### CHURCH HOURS

Monday-Friday: 6:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

#### PARISH OFFICE/GIFT SHOP HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

## **SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE MOST BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

*National Patroness of the United States of America*

Holy Day of Obligation

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday, December 7**

5:15 p.m. Vigil Mass

**Thursday, December 8**

7:30 a.m.

8:00 a.m. (Latin Tridentine Low Mass)

11:15 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

1:15 p.m.

5:15 p.m.

6:00 p.m. (Latin Tridentine High Mass)

### **ALL NIGHT VIGIL OF PRAYER**

The next All Night Vigil will take place on First Friday, December 2nd from 7:00 p.m. until Holy Mass at 5:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 3rd.

### **NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE**

#### ***Uniting the Feast of the Immaculate Conception with the Feast of St. Juan Diego***

Each year, the National Night of Prayer for Life takes place from 9 pm Dec. 8th to 1 am Dec. 9th.

It was on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (then celebrated on December 9th) that Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and the unborn, first appeared to St. Juan Diego. The National Night of Prayer for Life bridges these two feasts to honor Our Blessed Mother and to pray for the sanctity of all human life. Holy Innocents will host this vigil of prayer which will consist of exposition and adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 20 decades of the Rosary, prayer to St. Michael, silent prayer and hymns. A detailed schedule will appear in next week's bulletin. Please plan to join us in prayer and reparation.



### **SPENDING ADVENT WITH THE SAINTS OF THE SEASON**

Father Peter Stravinskas, internationally known theologian and writer - and longtime friend of Holy Innocents - will guide us through the Season of Advent with the help of the biblical texts, chants and hymns, and saints associated with this time of preparation for the Solemnity of the Lord's Nativity. Special consideration will be given to St. John the Baptist, Our Lady and St. Joseph. Sessions will take place following the 12:15 and 6:00 p.m. Masses on Friday, December 2nd, December 9th, and December 16th. All are welcome.

## **3 Day Advent Parish Mission**

Our Lady and the Angels in Advent

December 5-7

Preached by Fr. Wolfgang Seitz  
of the Order of Canons Regular of the Holy Cross



### **Schedule**

12:50 - 1:10 p.m. Short lunchtime conference

5:30 p.m. Rosary and Confessions

6:00 p.m. Holy Mass

6:45 p.m. Conference

### **Topics**

Monday: *The Trial of the Angels and the Mystery of the Incarnation*

Tuesday: *Take Mary into your Heart and Mind*

Wednesday: *The Angels—Ministers of Divine Mercy*



### **ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS**

*Beginning on St. Andrew the Apostle's feast day, November 30, the following beautiful prayer is traditionally recited **fifteen times** a day until Christmas. This is a very meditative prayer that helps us increase our awareness of the real focus of Christmas and helps us prepare ourselves spiritually for His coming.*

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, [here mention your request] through the merits of Our Saviour Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.

**November 27, 2016**

## **First Sunday of Advent**

### **BE PREPARED**

Be prepared. It's that simple. As this Advent season opens before us, the Lord Jesus summons us to stand ready for his coming. At this time of year much of our attention is focused on being prepared for the details that accompany the holiday season. We purchase gifts; we decorate our homes, inside and out; we prepare foods that we eat only during the holidays; we write and send Christmas cards; we attend holiday concerts; we prepare either to welcome family and friends into our homes or arrange for visits to their homes. We can't escape the details that make up the season. Perhaps this Advent is a time to attend to all those details with a different spin. As we prepare to celebrate the feast of Christmas, why not be deliberate about acknowledging the presence of the Lord as we go about these tasks? The Lord often comes to us in wonderfully surprising ways. Let us be prepared.

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### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — All the peoples shall stream toward the Lord's house (Isaiah 2:1-5).

**Psalm** — Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord (Psalm 122).

**Second Reading** — It is the hour to cast off the dark and clothe ourselves in the light (Romans 13:11-14).

**Gospel** — Stay awake! Be prepared! The Son of Man will come when you least expect (Matthew 24:37-44).

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### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;  
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;  
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;  
Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6;  
Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;  
Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

### **2017 HOLY INNOCENTS PARISH CALENDARS**

The 2017 Holy Innocents Parish calendars are now available from the Gift Shop in the Parish Office or from one of the sacristans. The cost of the calendar is \$10.00. This is a special calendar featuring pictures of the church and from the various celebrations held in our parish. The Feast Days from the Old, New, and devotional calendars of the Church are listed daily as well our new and complete parish schedule and the rules for fasting and abstinence. You will want to have one for your home and office. These calendars will make beautiful Christmas gifts. Share the beauty that is Holy Innocents Church with your family and friends!

### **HOLY INNOCENTS CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Our own Holy Innocents Christmas Cards are now available for purchase in the Gift Shop in the Parish Office. Scenes depict the Nativity Stained-glass window and the Adoration of the Magi window. Cards may be purchased for \$18.50 for a box of 20 or \$1.00 per card.

### **CENTENNIAL PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA**

In celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions in Fatima, Fr. James Miara will be leading a pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain and Lourdes, France from August 11-21, 2017. Mark your calendars. More information is forthcoming.

### **HOLY INNOCENTS GIFT SHOP**

The Gift Shop in the Parish Office features articles particular to Holy Innocents Parish:

- Christmas Cards depicting the Nativity and Adoration of the Magi windows in our church
- 2017 Parish Calendars
- Two styles of note cards depicting the Brumidi Crucifixion mural located over the High Altar
- Print of a detail of the Crucifixion by Constantino Brumidi
- Two styles of coffee mugs with Holy Innocents symbol and drinking glasses with etching of the Church of the Holy Innocents

*Stop buy and do your Christmas shopping!  
Keep Christ in CHRISTmas!*

### **BENEFACTORS NEEDED!**

We need benefactors to help pay for the ombrellino which is carried over the Blessed Sacrament and for the Advent Reef. Anyone interested in helping please stop by or call the Rectory office. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



## Mass Intentions for the Week of November 27, 2016

(The Masses listed in italic are Tridentine Latin Masses)

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 9:00 - *In Thanksgiving to St. Jude by Mario Toro*  
10:30 - *For the People of the Parish*  
12:30 - Antonakis Aristodemou (RIP) by the Robertson Family

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28 - ADVENT WEEKDAY

- 7:00 - Dolores Harnett (RIP) by John & Jeanmarie Nee  
7:30 - Antonia Ajao (Blessings)  
12:15 - Libby Seidman (RIP)  
1:15 - Anthony John D'Amato (RIP) by brother John  
6:00 - *Anna Maria Montanti (healing intentions) by sister Letizia*

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29 - ADVENT WEEKDAY

- 7:00 - Maureen Butkerait (RIP) by John & Jeanmarie Nee  
7:30 - Kit Villa (intentions)  
12:15 - Catherine, Mary & O'Connor Family  
1:15 - Manuel & Rosa Araujo (RIP) by grandson David Simoes  
6:00 - *Maria Idzik (RIP - 14th death anniversary) by daughter*

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30 - St. Andrew Apostle

- 7:00 - Thomas Roberti (RIP) by John and Jeanmarie Nee  
7:30 - Luke Loizzo (Intentions)  
12:15 - Christian Siebott (Intentions)  
1:15 - Richard A. Lewis (RIP) by William J. Cataldo  
6:00 - *For the Fraternity of St. Peter by Catherine Siena*

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1 - ADVENT WEEKDAY

- 7:00 - Caroline Desiderio (RIP) by Ruth Ryan  
7:30 - Raymond Beauchesne (RIP) by Mr. & Mrs. Damien Dekens  
12:15 - Kerry-Ann Nicole Eccleston (RIP) by Elizabeth Marrero  
1:15 - Lucien Jasmin (RIP) by father and daughter Jacqueline  
6:00 - *Dominick Marengo (RIP) by son Dan Marengo*

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2 - ADVENT WEEKDAY

- 7:00 - Stephen Wolman (RIP) by Ruth Ryan  
7:30 - Josefina Ventura (RIP)  
12:15 - Than Nguyen Lucia (RIP) by granddaughter Maria Nguyen  
1:15 - Carmine & Wife Lena Salerno (RIP)  
6:00 - *Holy Souls in Purgatory by Valerie Augustus*

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3 - St. Francis Xavier, Priest

- 5:00 - King-Shepherd Family (Intentions)  
12:00 - Mark, Kristina & Children (L)  
1:00 - *Holy Souls in Purgatory by Shwaye Yohannes*  
4:00 - Rose Salvato (RIP) by Rosemarie Lauletta

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4 - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 9:00 - Gino Ferrara (d) by the Modugno Family  
10:30 - *For the People of the Parish*  
12:30 - Frank Young (RIP)  
1:35 - John Long (RIP) by the Abrigo Family

## ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT



"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth."

--St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

The Most Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration in Holy Innocents Church Monday through Friday from 2:00 – 5:45 p.m. Please make every effort to spend some time in prayer before Jesus truly present in the Holy Eucharist as your schedule permits.



### Adoration Candles Week of November 27

*Intentions of  
Mary Deskovich*

## NOVEMBER—MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

### Plenary Indulgences for the Poor Souls



*Six General rules for obtaining a plenary indulgence:*

1. *State of grace at least when performing the indulgenced act.*
2. *Complete detachment from sin, even venial sin.*
3. *Confession (20 days before or after the indulgenced act.)*
4. *Communion (20 days before or after the indulgenced act.)*
5. *Prayers for the Supreme Pontiff (20 days before or after the indulgenced act.)*
6. *Indulgenced act: a special good work with special conditions of place and time.*

*Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, ut lux perpetua luceat eis. Requiescant in pace. Amen.*

*Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed,*

### Envelope System

In order to maintain accurate records of your contributions, we are in the process of creating a new database and, thus, we request all parishioners to fill out a Parish Registration Form located in the vestibule and return to the Rectory Office or the Collection Basket as soon as possible. This will enable us to verify your donations should it be necessary for tax purposes. Thank you for your cooperation!

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: First Sunday of Advent  
Wednesday: St. Andrew  
Friday: First Friday  
Saturday: St. Francis Xavier; First Saturday

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Before the Second Vatican Council in the mid-1960s, Advent had a strong penitential tone, reminiscent of Lent. From as long ago as the fourth century, some Christians began a solemn fast on St. Martin's Day, November 11. This "Saint Martin's Lent" extended all the way to Christmas, and was widely followed in the dioceses of France and Germany, and in the Middle Ages in England. Fasting was required, and dancing and similar activities were banned for the duration. The fast had a social function, too, assuring that the winter food supplies would stretch into spring.

At the Second Vatican Council, some bishops argued that a revival of the long winter's fast would give the Church a chance to establish the message and themes of the Incarnation long before the holiday hubbub took hold. This proposal didn't pass, and Advent emerged as a four-week period of reflection, expectant waiting, and joyful preparation for the coming of the Lord. The season has two principal phases, with the first beginning this Sunday. The second phase commences on December 17, when the liturgy begins to unfold the story of the Savior's coming. Interestingly, the Eastern Church maintains a strongly penitential note in Advent, which is called "Winter Lent," "The Nativity Fast," or "Christmas Lent," and has laws forbidding people to absent themselves from liturgy from December 17 onward.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### TIME OF PREPARATION

This life is the time of our preparation for our future state. Our souls will continue for ever what we make them in this world.

—John Tillotson, Archbishop of Canterbury

### FULFILL TODAY

If what you did yesterday still looks big to you, surely you have not done much today.

—Anonymous

# The Shrine to the Unborn

Blessed by Cardinal O'Connor on December 28, 1993



*The Shrine is dedicated in Memory of the Children  
Who Have Died Unborn*

*We invite you to name your child(ren)  
and provide the opportunity to have  
your baby's name inscribed in our "Book of Life".*

Often children who have died before birth have no grave or headstone, and sometimes not even a name. At The Church of The Holy Innocents, we invite you to name your child(ren) and to have

the opportunity to have your baby's name inscribed in our "BOOK OF LIFE". Here, a candle is always lit in their memory. All day long people stop to pray. On the first Monday of every month, our 12:15pm Mass is celebrated in honor of these children and for the comfort of their families. We pray that you will find peace in knowing that your child(ren) will be remembered at the Shrine and honored by all who pray here.

We will inscribe the names of babies who have died before and at birth in our Book of Life, and as always, we invite you to visit the Shrine if you are in New York City.

## DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNBORN CHILD Week # 36

I weigh about six pounds and am about 20 inches long. The bigger I get, the more crowded it gets in here!



To learn about other pro-life activities of the Knights of Columbus please visit:  
<https://shar.es/1CIVLw>

Regina Coeli Council #423 at  
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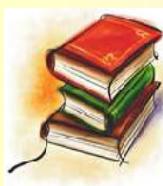


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## HOLY INNOCENTS' BOOK CLUB

Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month. Following the 6:00pm Traditional Mass. For more information, please call the Rectory.



## LEGION OF MARY

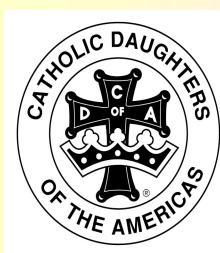
Weekly Meeting of the Legion of Mary will be in the Parish Hall at 7:00pm every Monday, following the 6:00pm Latin Mass



## MOVIE KNIGHT

is sponsored by  
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of Columbus.

Usually on Friday of the week following the Book Club; after the 6pm Mass, at 7:15pm in the Parish Hall.



## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Regina Angelorum Court

Looking for a way to be of service to God and community? Come check out this group of dynamic, Catholic women! We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, at 7:15pm in the Parish Hall. Bring a friend! More info: 646-740-3829



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