



## THE SHRINE AND PARISH CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

"THE LITTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH AROUND THE CORNER"  
AT THE CROSSROADS OF THE WORLD

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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)

#### CONFESSIONS

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.

## LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS CORNER

### Calendar

- January 1 - Octave Day of Christmas  
1<sup>st</sup> Class
- January 2 - Most Holy Name of Jesus  
2<sup>nd</sup> Class - Sung Mass
- January 3 - Feria of Christmastide  
4<sup>th</sup> Class - Low Mass
- January 4 - Feria of Christmastide  
4<sup>th</sup> Class - Low Mass
- January 5 - Jesus Christ the High Priest *First Thursday*  
Commemoration of St. Telesphorus  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Sung Mass
- January 6 - Epiphany of the Lord *First Friday*  
1<sup>st</sup> Class - Sung Mass
- January 7 - Immaculate Heart of Mary (August 22<sup>nd</sup>)  
*First Saturday* 2<sup>nd</sup> Class - Sung Mass

### Next Sunday

- January 8 - Holy Family  
2<sup>nd</sup> Class

## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

### January 1

On New Year's Day, the Octave day of Christmas, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Holy Mother of God, the divine and virginal motherhood of the Blessed Virgin. It is the highest title of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Theotokos, Mother of God. This title was given to Mary at the Council of Ephesus in 431 A. D. The Council taught, however, that the humanity and divinity of Jesus could not be separated and that they exist in one person, with the momentous implication that we can rightly give Mary the title of Mother of God. Mothers brings life, a gift of God into the world. That's why you sometimes hear the Church referred to as "Mother." The Evangelist, Luke, describes Our Lady as the silent Virgin who listens constantly to the Eternal Word, who lives in the Word of God. This Feast is the celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus and is the oldest Feast of Mary celebrated by the Catholic Church. Mary has an important role to play in the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. She consents to God's invitation conveyed by the angel. ***Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen!***

## A HAPPY, HEALTHY & HOLY NEW YEAR 2017!

All of the priests and staff of the Shrine and Parish Church of the Holy Innocents wish you and yours a Blessed New Year--2017. May the Infant Jesus, together with His Most Holy Mother and Good St. Joseph bless you with good health, happiness and holiness and keep you in the coming New Year.

### **A Prayer for the New Year**

Remember us, O God;  
from age to age be our comforter.  
You have given us the wonder of time,  
blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.  
Bless your children at the turning of the year  
and fill the months ahead with the bright hope  
that is ours in the coming of Christ.  
You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever.  
Amen.

### **A Prayer for Peace**

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.  
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.  
Amen.

—Attributed to St. Francis of Assisi

## FEAST OF THE CIRCUMCISION - January 1

Eight days after Our Lord's birth, Jesus was circumcised according to the law of the Old Covenant, an event that is commemorated on January 1st.

In the *Missale Romanum*, January 1st is entitled *In Octava Nativitatis Domini*—or as rendered in English: "the Octave (Eighth) Day of the Nativity." Not only does this day complete the Nativity Octave, but it also commemorates an important event in Christ's infancy, His circumcision, as we read in the Gospel of St. Luke sung during the Mass:

*"And after eight days were accomplished, that the child should be circumcised, his name was called JESUS, which was called by the angel, before he was conceived in the womb."*

This is also why the octave day is known as the Feast of the Circumcision of Our Lord.

We also read in the Gospel account that during Our Lord's circumcision, the name He was given to the Blessed Virgin Mary during the Annunciation, JESUS (meaning, "Yahweh saves") was formally bestowed upon Him.

## FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

On December 10, 1925, Our Lady promised Sister Lucia she would "... assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who on the first Saturdays of five consecutive months confess, receive Holy Communion, pray a Rosary, and keep me company for a quarter of an hour meditating on the fifteen mysteries with the intention of offering me reparation."

### There are four requirements to faithfully fulfill the five first Saturdays:

1. Go to confession.
2. Receive Holy Communion.
3. Say five decades of the Holy Rosary.
4. Meditate for fifteen minutes on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary. (Separate from saying the Rosary.)

All of this is done with the intention of offering reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

2017 marks the centennial of the apparitions of our Blessed Lady to the three children of Fatima. Holy Innocents will observe these devotions on the First Saturday of each month following the 1:00 p.m. Latin Mass.

### The program will be as follows:

12 noon-1:00 p.m. - Opportunity for Confession

1:00 p.m. - Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (Sung Latin Mass)

Following Holy Mass the Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed, recitation of the Most Holy Rosary, guided 15 minute meditation of the Mysteries of the Rosary, and Eucharistic Reparation in imitation of the Angel of Portugal and Devotions

## FEAST OF THE THREE KINGS - January 6

The Blessing of Chalk as well as Epiphany Water will take place at the 6:00 p.m. Mass this Friday evening. *Please bring any water you wish to be blessed to the sacristy prior to this Mass* and make sure the jugs are marked with your name for easy retrieval following the Mass.

## EPIPHANY HOME BLESSINGS

There is a long-standing custom to have one's home blessed in the period between the Epiphany and the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple and the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary on February 2. If you would like your home blessed with the Epiphany Water, please contact the rectory office to make an appointment with Fr. Miara.

## 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!

## 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 15-24, 2017. Brochures with a detailed itinerary are located in the vestibule.

## CALENDAR MAGNETS

Please take a magnet with a 2017 calendar and schedule at Holy Innocents on it and share them with co-workers and friends. Promote the Shrine and Parish Church of the Holy Innocents!

## HOLY INNOCENTS BOOKSHELF

*Vespers*

*Bread of Life*

By Father Leonard Feeney, MICM

Twelve of the most important talks given by Father Feeney at St. Benedict Center in the early 1950s. Solid Theology and inspiring devotion combine to make this book a must-read for our day.

*Available in the Gift Shop in the Parish Office*

## ALL-NIGHT VIGIL

The next All-Night Prayer Vigil will take place on First Friday, January 6 beginning at 7:00 p.m. and concluding with a Traditional Latin Mass on Saturday at 5:00 a.m. As we begin a New Year make an effort to attend at least part of this "Night of Love."

## BENEFACTORS NEEDED!

We need benefactors to help pay for the Advent Wreath. Anyone interested in helping please stop by or call the Rectory office.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



## Mass Intentions Week of January 1, 2017

*The Tridentine Latin Mass is depicted in italics*

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 1 - Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

- 9:00 - Pro Populo
- 10:30 - Anthony Cangioli (D)
- 12:30 - Charlotte Doyen (D)
- 1:30 - Saez Cuevas Family (L)
- 5:30 - Helen Ronson (D)

### MONDAY, JANUARY 2 - Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen,

- 7:00 - Timothy O'Keefe (D)
- 7:30 - In Thanksgiving (D)
- 12:15 - Families in the Book of Life (D)
- 1:15 - Anthony Spano (D)
- 6:00 - Margaret Wells (D)

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 3 - CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

- 7:00 - St. Anthony
- 7:30 - Pierre Elie (D)
- 12:15 - Jean Arneaud (D)
- 1:15 - Kevin Hoey, Jr. (D)
- 6:00 - In Thanksgiving

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

- 7:00 - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena Intentions
- 7:30 - Carmen Aurora Gonzalez (D)
- 12:15 - Living and Deceased members of Carmine & Lena Salerno
- 1:15 - Mary Nobile (D)
- 6:00 - Management & Staff of O'Lunney's Pub

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 5 - St. John Neumann, Bishop

- 7:00 - Infant of Prague
- 7:30 - Carmen Ludia Alfalla (D)
- 12:15 - Sarah Mildred Weber (D)
- 1:15 - Mary Nobile (D)
- 6:00 - Canon Aaron Huberfield (L)

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 6 - CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

- 7:00 - Beatrice F. Braga (D)
- 7:30 - Carmine and Wife Lena Salerno (D)
- 12:15 - Mass for the Sick
- 1:15 - Dana Marie Forster (D)
- 6:00 - Anthony Cinotti (D)

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 7 - CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

- 5:00 - Antonio Michelangelo (D)
- 12:00 - Elizabeth McEvoy (D)
- 1:00 - Eileen Dirrane Birthday (L)
- 4:00 - Daniel Murphy (D)

### Next SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 - The Epiphany of the Lord

- 9:00 - Pro Populo
- 10:30 - Purgatorial Society
- 12:30 - Ela Romana Alan-Lopez (D)

## ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

*"I have come, Lord Jesus, to adore you in the Most Blessed Sacrament. My soul is parched and laden with the burdens of the journey home. I wish to feed my soul with the Living Bread of Life, to adore Your Presence in a small Host, to stand in awe at the wonder of Your love for me. Fill my soul with the gifts and fruits of Your Spirit that I may change and be born again."*

*--Mother Mary Angelica, P. C. P. A. (1923-2016)*

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.

## CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGEL

For those who are interested in beginning the one year formation period for the Consecration to the Holy Guardian Angel it is not too late to apply. Fr. Wolfgang Seitz has left application forms and formation books at the rectory. Please stop by the Parish Office to register and to receive the information you need to begin.

*"Confide in your Guardian Angel. --Treat him as a very dear friend, that's what he is, and he will render you a thousand services in the ordinary affairs of each day."*

*-St. Josemaría Escrivá, The Way #562*



### The Sanctuary Candle

*Intentions of  
Corazon Pantejo & Family*



### Adoration Candles

*Intentions of  
Mary Deskovich*

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

Please join Pope Francis in praying for the following intention during the month of January:

### Christian Unity

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

## Mass for the Sick

The Mass intentions on each 1st Friday of the month at 12:15pm is for all the sick who have been enrolled. Slips for this purpose are located throughout the church and in the Parish office. Please deposit the slips in the box so marked in the Church. This box containing the names of the sick will be placed at the altar for the monthly Mass.

## 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!*

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

“Octave” comes from the Latin word for “eight,” and since eight is one step beyond seven, the number of days in a week, it has long been seen as a symbol of perfection, completion, and new beginnings. Early Christians called Sunday the “eighth day,” since it was the day after the Sabbath and a day of resurrected life, the Lord’s Day. By the seventh century, people regarded the eight days after Easter Sunday as one great day, an octave, one glorious feast when people were forbidden to fast or kneel. In the seventh century, Pentecost acquired an Octave, too. Christmas didn’t claim the honor of a continuous feast, but it did get an Octave Day. January 1 is the oldest Marian feast, the Octave of Christmas. It was originally a feast of the motherhood of Mary, although for centuries until 1969 it was called the Feast of the Circumcision. Our reformed calendar follows the earlier tradition of celebrating Mary as Mother of God.

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## **Mary, the Holy Mother of God January 1, 2017**

Mary kept all these things,  
reflecting on them in her heart.

**January 1, 2017**

## **Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

### **THE BLESSING WE RECEIVE**

The blessing we experience in Christ Jesus is proclaimed in Numbers as the special blessing for the people of Israel. They and we are to be blessed by the invocation of God’s loving kindness, the shining glory of God’s face turned toward us in love, not away from us in anger. We are blessed by God’s own peace!

Our wish and our hope are fulfilled in this blessing, which is made visible in the coming of Jesus. In Jesus, the image of the invisible God, God’s face is shown to us and God’s presence is made known to us in faithful and loving kindness.

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### **TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! (Numbers 6:22-27).

**Psalms** — May God bless us in his mercy (Psalm 67).

**Second Reading** — God sent the Spirit of the Son into our hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!” So you are no longer a slave but an heir, through God (Galatians 4:4-7).

**Gospel** — The shepherds glorified and praised God for all they had heard and seen (Luke 2:16-21).

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### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 – 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6;  
Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;  
Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28  
[23, 31-34, 36, 38]

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

## **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!

# 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 # 40

For 40 weeks I have been growing in my mother's womb, and last night I was born! Hello world! It's me!



To learn about other pro-life activities of the Knights of Columbus please visit:  
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## HOLY INNOCENTS' BOOK CLUB

Meets on the third Tuesday of every month following the 6:00pm Traditional Mass. The book for January is "The Blessed Eucharist: Our Greatest Treasure" by Fr. Michael Muller, available in the Parish Office for \$5.00.



## 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 Holy Innocents' Regina Coeli Council of the Knights of Columbus.

Note: There will be no Movie Knight for the month of December.



## 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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