



THE SHRINE AND PARISH CHURCH  
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AT THE CROSSROADS OF THE WORLD

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# ***Feast of Divine Mercy***



***Sunday, April 23, 2017***

## JUBILEE OF FATIMA - 1917-2017

### CANONIZATION OF BLESSED JACINTA & FRANCISCO MARTO



The Vatican announced on March 23 that Pope Francis formally recognized the second miracle attributed to the intercession of Blessed Jacinta Marto and her brother Francisco—to whom Our Lady appeared in Fatima 100 years ago—thus opening the door to their canonization.

The two children died young, as Our Lady had told them. The third, Lucia, wrote down the three secrets of Fatima. She was the only one to reach adult life, and became a Carmelite nun. Lucia was born in 1907 and died in 2005, and the cause for her beatification is now well under way. The first two secrets were a call for prayer and penance to save the world from even greater disaster and an end to World War I. The third secret, which attracted the most attention, spoke about the sufferings of the church and the assassination of a pope.

St. John Paul II, who understood this vision as referring to himself, beatified the two children at the Fatima shrine on May 13, 2000, after recognizing a miracle through their intercession. When Pope Francis canonizes them, they will become the youngest children (apart from martyrs) ever to be recognized as saints by the church. Jacinta died at age 9, on Feb. 20, 1920, while her brother Francisco died at age 10, on April 4, 1919.

Our Lady appeared to the three poor children six times between May 13, 1917, and Oct. 13, 1917. During the final apparition, the “miracle of the sun” took place and was witnessed by the children and as many as 100,000 people, media reports of the time state.

### LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS CORNER

#### Calendar

- April 23 - Low Sunday (Octave Day of Easter)  
1<sup>st</sup> Class
- April 24 - St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Martyr  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Low Mass
- April 25 - St. Mark, Evangelist  
2<sup>nd</sup> Class - High Mass
- April 26 - Ss. Cletus & Marcellinus, Popes & Martyrs  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Low Mass
- April 27 - St. Peter Canisius, Confessor & Doctor  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Low Mass
- April 28 - St. Paul of the Cross, Confessor  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Low Mass
- April 29 - St. Peter, Martyr  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Low Mass

#### Next Sunday

- April 30 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Easter (Good Shepherd)  
1<sup>st</sup> Class

### FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Today is the Feast of Divine Mercy. Following the 12:30 p.m. Mass the Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration. A Holy Hour will begin at 2:00 p.m. consisting of the recitation of the sorrowful mysteries of the Holy Rosary with meditations taken from the Diary of St. Faustina and various prayers in honor of our Merciful Savior. At 3:00 p.m. the Hour of Mercy will be celebrated at which time the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung and the glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary prayed. A Eucharistic Procession and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament and veneration of the First-Class relic of St. Faustina will conclude the devotions for the day. ***Please note that Vespers will not be sung this Sunday!***

### EASTER DUTY

It is one of the Precepts of the Church to confess one's sins and to receive Holy Communion once a year. This obligation may be fulfilled from Ash Wednesday through the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, this year Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>.

## TODAY IS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Concerning the Feast of Mercy Jesus said:

Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. (*Diary 300*)

I want the image solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it. (*Diary 341*)

This Feast emerged from the very depths of My mercy, and it is confirmed in the vast depths of my tender mercies. (*Diary 420*)

On one occasion, I heard these words: My daughter, tell the whole world about My Inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. **The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.** On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy. (*Diary 699*)

Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to our neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to absolve yourself from it. (*Diary 742*)

I want to grant complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy. (*Diary 1109*)



**A special invitation to join  
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of the Holy Innocents**

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## APRIL - MONTH OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

+ Holy Hour. -Thursday. During this hour of prayer, Jesus allowed me to enter the Cenacle, and I was a witness to what happened there. However, I was most deeply moved when, before the Consecration, Jesus raised His eyes to heaven and entered into a mysterious conversation with His Father. It is only in eternity that we shall really understand that moment. His eyes were like two flames; His face was radiant, white as snow; His whole personage full of majesty, His soul full of longing. At the moment of Consecration, love rested satiated-the sacrifice fully consummated. Now only the external ceremony of death will be carried out-external destruction; the essence [of it] is in the Cenacle. Never in my whole life had I understood this mystery so profoundly as during that hour of adoration. Oh, how ardently I desire that the whole world would come to know this unfathomable mystery! (*Diary, Divine Mercy in my Soul, 684*)

## EASTER BLESSING OF HOMES

If you would like your home blessed during the Easter Season with the Easter Water, please contact the Rectory Office to make an appointment with Fr. Miara.



**Week of April 23, 2017**  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Mass Intentions**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 23 - SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY**

9:00 - *Pro Populo*  
10:30 - *Christian Pepo*  
12:30 - EASTER NOVENA

**MONDAY, APRIL 24 - *St. Fidelis of Singmaringen***

7:00 - Easter Novena  
7:30 - Sander Mojar (D)  
12:15 - Daniel Bishop (D)  
1:15 - Anthony John D'Amatto (D)  
6:00 - *John Mcgrath (D)*

**TUESDAY, APRIL 25 - *St. Mark, Evangelist***

7:00 - Claudia Regina Rodriguez (L)  
7:30 - Phillip Kovitz (D)  
12:15 - In honor of St. Mark  
1:15 - St. Anthony  
6:00 - *Andrew Tschinkel, Sr. (D)*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26 - *Easter Weekday***

7:00 - Piero Cenni (D)  
7:30 - Joseph Manzi (D)  
12:15 - Rodrigo Gonzalez (D)  
1:15 - Joseph Clancy (D)  
6:00 - *Oscar Weinreb (D)*

**THURSDAY, APRIL 27 - *Easter Weekday***

7:00 - Diego Carstillo (D)  
7:30 - All Souls in Purgatory  
12:15 - Peter McNally (D)  
1:15 - Eddy Paultre (D)  
6:00 - *Fr. James Miara (L)*

**FRIDAY, APRIL 28 - *St. Peter Chanel, Priest & St. Louis Grignon de Montfort***

7:00 - Milagros Pinto (L)  
7:30 - Claudine Holt (L)  
12:15 - Marie Fallucci (2nd Death Anniversary)  
1:15 - All Souls in Purgatory  
6:00 - *Michael Joseph Pacyga (L)*

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29 - *St. Catherine of Siena***

12:00 - Juan Obmaces (death Anniversary)  
1:00 - *Maria Chrin, family members + Souls in Purgatory*  
4:00 - Andrew Krayewsky (L)



***The Sanctuary Candle***  
***In Memory of Justiano Curan***

**A SEASON OF JOY**

"They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers" (Acts 2:42). This first line of today's first reading sets the tone as this fifty-day celebration of Easter opens before us. Today we listen to the teachings of three apostles--Luke, Peter, and John--who remind us that even though we have not seen Christ, we nonetheless are filled with joy as we place our belief in his saving death and resurrection. Each week during the Easter season we will gather as a community of faith to find strength and support from our God and from one another. Each week we will gather to break bread and offer the great prayer of thanksgiving, actions that will manifest the very presence of the risen Christ in our midst. Let us be open to the wonders of this season of joy.

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**TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading -- All who believed were devoted to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread, and prayer (Acts 2:42-47).

Psalm -- Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading -- God has given us an undiminished inheritance, safeguarded for us in heaven (1 Peter 1:3-9).

Gospel -- The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

**EASTER NOVENA OF MASSES**

A nine day novena of Holy Masses in honor of Our Risen Lord will take place at Holy Innocents beginning on Easter Sunday and ending on the day after Divine Mercy Sunday. Cards and envelopes for this purpose are located throughout the church. Please return the envelope with the names of all those you wish to remember in this special series of Masses to the rectory, collection basket, or any of the offering boxes in the church by Holy Week so they can be placed on the altar for Easter. And present the Easter card to those you are enrolling in the Masses.

## BENEFACTORS NEEDED

Anyone interested in donating the following items for use during the Sacred Liturgy here at Holy Innocents is asked to please contact the Rectory:

- **Green Gothic Chasuble** - \$500.00
- **Black/Silver lampass Roman chasuble** - \$1,250.00
- **Red damask Roman chasuble** - \$ 750.00
- **Green damask with watered silk Roman chasuble** - \$1,000.00

## COLLECTIVE MASSES

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the collective intentions of the donors as follows:

- Each Tuesday a Mass will be offered in honor of St. Anthony for the intentions given by his clients.
- On the first Wednesday of the month a Mass will be offered for all of the novena intentions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.
- On the first Thursday of the month a Mass will be offered in honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague for the intentions given by his clients.

Envelopes for this purpose are located throughout the church, and marked accordingly. Please return these envelopes to the Rectory Office, the collection basket, or to any of the donation boxes in the church for your intentions and loved ones to be remembered in these special Collective Masses.

## 2017 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

The *Cardinal's Appeal* supports our parishes, the lifeblood of our greater archdiocesan family. The *Cardinal's Appeal* supports our spiritual homes during times when they cannot support themselves. With the assistance of the *Cardinal's Appeal* 85 parishes in need across the ten counties were helped last year. Please show your support for the *Appeal* by making your pledge today. Your commitment will help us reach our parish goal of \$42,000. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

**Parish Bus Pilgrimage  
to the National Shrines of Canada  
June 26-July 1, 2017**

**\$850 per person**

**Visiting St. Joseph's Oratory, Montreal  
Our Lady of the Cape, Trois-Rivieres  
Ste. Anne-de-Beaupre, Quebec  
Blessed Dina Belanger, Blessed Father Frederic,  
St. Kateri Tekakwitha**

**St. Margurite Bourgeoys, St. Brother Andre  
and much more!**

For more information and to make a reservation,  
please contact the Parish Office

## PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINES OF PHILADELPHIA

On Saturday, May 20, Holy Innocents will make a pilgrimage to the National Shrines of the Miraculous Medal, St. John Neumann and St. Rita all in Philadelphia and the National Shrine of St. Katherine Drexel in Bensalem, Pennsylvania. The bus will leave from in front of the Shrine and Parish Church of the Holy Innocents promptly at 7:30 a.m. and will return around 7:00 p.m. Holy Mass will be celebrated at the Neumann Shrine. Cost is \$45 per person. Please bring your own lunch and snacks as there will be no stop for food. Please contact the Rectory Office to make your reservation.

## **HOLY INNOCENTS BOOKSHELF**

*Liturgical Reflections of a Papal Master of Ceremonies*  
by Msgr. Guido Marini

Anyone who watches or participates in a papal liturgy is struck with the seeming effortless with which it is conducted, resulting in a celebration that is prayerful, dignified and uplifting. The person responsible for orchestrating this is the priest designated the Master of Pontifical Ceremonies. Reverend Monsignor Guido Marini has performed this role for some time now, and his new book, translated by Fr. Nicholas Gregoris, explains how his liturgical judgments reflect sound theology as well as Pope Benedict XVI's goals for the liturgical life of the entire church! Softcover, 110 pages

*Available in the Gift Shop in the Parish Office*

## COLLECTION REPORT

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| Easter Sunday Collection - 2017<br>Shrines and Candles | \$22,466.62<br>\$ 3,344.50 |
| Easter Sunday Collection - 2016<br>Shrines and Candles | \$13,935.00<br>\$ 3,778.00 |
| Regular Collection - 04/09/17<br>Shrines and Candles   | \$ 8,454.29<br>\$ 4,046.00 |
| Regular Collection - 04/10/16<br>Shrines and Candles   | \$ 5,090.03<br>\$ 4,223.00 |

**Your generous contribution to your Parish is  
greatly appreciated!**

# 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".*

## FATIMA STATUE RAFFLE

In observance of the Centenary of the Fatima Apparitions, Holy Innocents will be raffling off a stunning resin figure of Our Lady of Fatima that is hand-painted and decorated. Absolutely stunning, this statue is a beautiful reminder of that holy apparition that called sinners to repentance. Tickets are \$5.00 each. To purchase them and to view this statue, please stop by the Parish Office. The statue will be raffled off on Saturday, May 13 following the Fatima Devotions & Candlelight Procession marking the first apparition of Our Lady to the three shepherd children 100 years ago!



**YOUNG ADULT HOLY HOUR**  
**THURSDAY EVENINGS 7:15pm**  
Social afterwards

## MOVIE KNIGHT

***The Scarlet and the Black***, a real life story based on an Irish-born Roman Catholic priest who saved thousands of Jews and escaped Allied POWs during the Nazi military occupation of Rome (1943). **Will take place on Friday, April 28, following the 6:00pm Latin Mass in the Parish Hall.**

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## SUBWAY ROSARY

Our Regina Mundi Praesidium of the Legion of Mary conducts a Subway Rosary on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month. All are invited to join in this evangelization effort to spread devotion to Our Lady. Anyone interested in joining is asked to gather at Holy Innocents by 10:00 a.m. The group will then proceed to either Herald Square, Duffy Square, or a subway station for the recitation of the 20 decades of the Holy Rosary and return back to Holy Innocents around 12:30 p.m. Come for all or part of the Subway Rosary!

### Upcoming Subway Rosaries

May 13  
May 27



## 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

## HOLY LAND RELIGIOUS ARTICLES SALE

There will be a sale of Religious Articles from the Holy Land this weekend here at our Parish.

## BOOK DISCUSSION

Join "Rooted in Jesus Christ" – our parish's "ongoing" Adult Faith Formation Community – to discuss ways to share the beauty of our Faith with others! We meet on Sunday's at 3:30pm in the Lower Church Hall and we are currently finishing the book Christ, God's Companionship with God by Msgr. Luigi Giussani. In May we will start discussing the book - Rebuilding Catholic Culture by Ryan N. S. Topping. For additional information contact Henry Artis at NYC.Artis@gmail.com or Greg D'Uva at gregoryduva@gmail.com. EVERYONE is invited and encouraged to attend!



## 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: 718-419-1166

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