

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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NEW YORK CITY 10018



“I am Our Lady  
of the Rosary...”

“Men must  
amend their lives...”



*October 13, 1917, the great Miracle of the Sun - 70,000 people witnessed the extraordinary and terrifying miracle, promised by the Virgin. “Men must amend their lives, and ask pardon for their sins. Let them stop offending My Divine Son, who is already too much offended.” Those were the last words of Our Lady.*





*Week of October 8, 2017*

*Mass Intentions*

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Saturday, October 7**

4:00 - Thomas Szumowski (d)

**Sunday, October 8**

9:00 - Sharon Collings (L)

10:30 - Purgatorial Society

12:30 - People of the Parish

**Monday, October 9 - St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs**

7:00 - Anthony John D'Amato (d)

7:30 - Linda E. Merone (d)

12:15 - Arleen Torres Vanga (d)

1:15 - All the Unborn Babies

6:00 - Francis Joseph Nolan (d)

**Tuesday, October 10**

7:00 - Emerenciana Ortiz Santos (d)

7:30 - Adeline D'Amelio (d)

12:15 - Joseph Verdino (d)

1:15 - St. Anthony

6:00 - Christopherson C. Thomas Family

**Wednesday, October 11 - St. John XXIII, Pope**

7:00 - Christopher Joyce (d)

7:30 - Jenny Rosa Pratts (d)

12:15 - Madelyn Loyola Witchner (d)

1:15 - Lucille and Andrea Belrose (d)

6:00 - Firefighter Luis Arena (d)

**Thursday, October 12**

7:00 - Yvonne & Theresa Modeste (d)

7:30 - Livio Monziona (d)

12:15 - Joseph Maggio (d)

1:15 - Ben Maggio (d)

6:00 - Daniel Calliste (L) Thanksgiving intentions

**Friday, October 13**

7:00 - Diego Castillo (d)

7:30 - Elizabeth Curry (d)

12:15 - Paul & Florence Salerno (d)

1:15 - Martha Cardona (d)

6:00 - Regina Chang (L) Birthday

**Saturday, October 14 - St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr**

12:00 - For Peace, Prosperity and Health

1:00 - Anne McDonough (d) Birthday

4:00 - Bridget Therese O'Neil (d)

**Next Sunday's Mass Intentions**

9:00 - Pro Populo

10:30 - Victor & Sara Garcia (d) Birthday

12:30 - In Honor of St. Gerard Majella

Adoration Candles are dedicated to:

**Paul Adrian Villa Mejia**

*Birthday Blessings*

**FROM THE PASTOR**

**\*\*\* On the Reception of Holy Communion \*\*\***

Upon receiving Holy Communion, please leave the Communion Rail in a timely manner (almost immediately) so that others may take their place there. The Communion Rail is not the place to make your thanksgiving. Lingering at the Communion Rail is not going to make your Holy Communion more efficacious, but it does interrupt the flow of communicants and prolongs the distribution of Holy Communion unnecessarily. Furthermore, the priest is not going to guess who already received and who did not when those remain who did. Lingering at the rail only happens during the Latin Masses. It is interesting to know how some of these things develop. Certainly in the days when the Tridentine Mass was the norm, this was not taking place. People received, and immediately returned to their pew. Before criticism is made of this announcement, several months ago I have read in a bulletin from a parish in another state which celebrates the Latin Mass the Pastor there making this same request.

*Fr. Miara*

**LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS CORNER**

**Calendar**

October 8 - 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
2<sup>nd</sup> Class

October 9 - St. John Leonardi, Confessor with Commemoration of Ss. Denis, Rusticus & Eleutherius  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Low Mass

October 10 - St. Francis Borgia, Confessor  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Low Mass

October 11 - Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
2<sup>nd</sup> Class - High Mass

October 12 - Feria  
4<sup>th</sup> Class - Low Mass

October 13 - St. Edward, King & Confessor  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Low Mass

October 14 - St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr  
3<sup>rd</sup> Class - Low Mass

**Next Sunday**

October 15 - 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
2<sup>nd</sup> Class

**DEVOTIONS IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

This Friday, October 13 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady's final apparition to the three shepherd children at Fatima and the great Miracle of the Sun "...so that all may believe." Devotions in honor of Our Lady of Fatima consisting of the recitation of the Holy Rosary, candlelight eucharistic procession and traditional "Fatima Farewell" (please bring a white handkerchief to wave to Our Lady) will take place following the 6:00 p.m. Mass. The consecration of the parish to the Immaculate Heart of Mary as well as the individual consecrations of those who have made the 33-day preparation will take place this evening following the devotions.

## JUBILEE OF FATIMA - 1917-2017

### SIXTH AND FINAL APPARITION OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA



During the night of 12-13 October it had rained throughout, soaking the ground and the pilgrims who made their way to Fátima from all directions by the thousands. By foot, by cart and even by car they came, entering the Cova from the Fátima-Leiria road, which today still passes in front of the large square of the Basilica. From there they made their way down the gently slope to the place where a trestle had been erected over the little holm oak of the apparitions. Today on the site is the modern glass and steel Capelhina (little chapel), enclosing the first chapel built there and the statue of Our Lady of the Rosary of Fátima where the holm oak had stood.

As for the children, they made their way to the Cova amid the adulation and skepticism which had followed them since May. When they arrived they found critics who questioned their veracity and the punctuality of the Lady, who had promised to arrive at noon. It was well passed noon by the official time of the country. However, when the sun arrived at its zenith the Lady appeared as she had said she would.

**Lucia:** "What do you want of me?"

**Our Lady:** "I wish to tell you that I want a chapel built here in my honor. I am the Lady of the Rosary. Continue to pray the rosary every day. The war is going to end, and the soldiers will soon return to their homes."

**Lucia:** "I have many things to ask you: if you would cure some sick persons, and if you would convert some sinners..."

**Our Lady:** "Some yes, others no. They must amend their lives and ask forgiveness for their sins." Becoming sadder, she added, "Let them offend Our Lord no more for He is already much offended."

Then, opening her hands, Our Lady shone the light issuing from them onto the sun, and as she rose, her own radiance continued to be cast onto the sun.

At that moment, Lucia cried, "**Look at the sun!**"

Once Our Lady had disappeared in the expanse of the firmament, three scenes followed in succession, symbolizing first the joyful mysteries of the rosary, then the sorrowful mysteries, and, finally, the glorious mysteries. Lucia alone saw the three scenes; Francisco and Jacinta saw only the first.

**The first scene:** Saint Joseph appeared beside the sun with the Child Jesus and Our Lady of the Rosary. It was the Holy Family. The Virgin was dressed in white with a blue mantle. Saint Joseph was also dressed in white, and the Child Jesus in light red. Saint Joseph blessed the crowd, making the Sign of the Cross three times. The Child Jesus did the same.

**The second scene:** A vision of Our Lady of Sorrows, without the sword in her breast, and of Our Lord overwhelmed with sorrow on the way to Calvary.

Our Lord made the Sign of the Cross to bless the people.

Lucia could only see the upper part of Our Lord's body.

**The third scene:** Finally, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, crowned queen of heaven and earth, appeared in a glorious vision holding the Child Jesus near her heart. [Only Lucia would see the later, presaging her entrance into Carmel some years later.]

While these scenes took place, the great throng of at least 70,000 spectators witnessed the great 'Miracle of the Sun.' It had rained all during the apparition. At the end of the conversation between Our Lady and Lucia - when the Blessed Virgin rose and Lucia shouted, "Look at the sun!" - the clouds parted, revealing the sun as an immense silver disk shining with an intensity never before seen - though not blinding.

This lasted only an instant. Then the immense disk began to "dance."

The sun spun rapidly like a gigantic circle of fire. Then it stopped momentarily, only to begin spinning vertiginously again. Its rim became scarlet; whirling, it scattered red flames across the sky.

Their light was reflected on the ground, on the trees, on the bushes, and on the faces and clothing of the people, which took on brilliant hues and changing colors.

After performing this bizarre pattern three times, the globe of fire seemed to tremble, shake, and then plunge in a zigzag toward the terrified crowd. Many thought it was the end of the world and began to yell out asking God for forgiveness.

All this lasted about ten minutes. Finally, the sun zigzagged back to its original place and once again became still and brilliant, shining with its normal brightness. The cycle of the apparitions had ended.

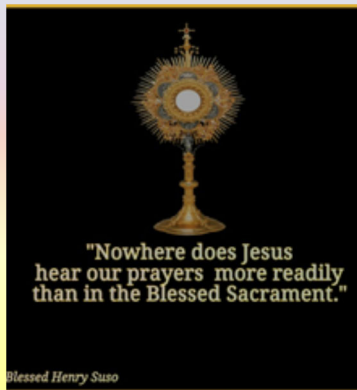
Many people noticed that their clothes, soaking wet from the rain, had suddenly dried.

The miracle of the sun was also seen by numerous witnesses up to twenty-five miles away from the place of the apparition.

This would be the last of the apparitions of Our Lady for Jacinta and Francisco. However, for Lucia Our Lady would return a seventh time as she had promised the previous May. This took place in 1920. At that time Lucia would be praying in the Cova before leaving Fátima for a girls boarding school in Tuy. The Lady would come to urge her to dedicate herself wholly to God.



## Meditate before the Blessed Sacrament



Holy Innocents reminds you that we offer Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament For 4 hours a day, 5 days a week. Exposition begins at 1:55 p.m. and concludes with Benediction at 5:45 p.m.

## MASS BOOK

The Mass Book for 2018 will open for your intentions for the living and deceased on Wednesday, October 11. Masses may be booked Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The offering is \$15.00 per Mass.

## 2000 HAIL MARYS

The next devotion of the 2000 Hail Marys will take place this Saturday, October 14 from 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## ALL SOULS' DAY MASS REMEMBRANCE

All Souls' Day envelopes have been included in your envelope packet and are placed throughout the church for you to list the names of your deceased loved ones you wish to remember in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on November 2. Please return the envelope via the collection basket, parish office, or place them in any of the boxes in the church by November 1 so they can be placed on the altar.

## PARISH BUS PILGRIMAGE

On Saturday, October 14 there will be a bus trip to historic Stockbridge, Massachusetts and the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy. The bus will leave from in front of Holy Innocents at 7:30 a.m. and return around 7:00 p.m. Please bring a bag lunch with you and any food you will need for the day. Cost: \$40.00 per person. Please make your reservation at the Parish Office.

## COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection 10/01/17	\$5,924.87
Shrines and Candles	\$4,031.00
Same week last year 10/02/16	\$5,398.75
Shrines and Candles	\$6,241.00

Your continuous and generous support to your Parish is greatly appreciated!

## OCTOBER - Month of the Holy Rosary

Saint Faustina knew that the Rosary was her spiritual weapon. She wrote in her Diary:

*...towards evening I felt very exhausted and could not make my Holy Hour, so I asked Mother Superior to allow me to go to bed early. I fell asleep as soon as I lay down, but at about eleven o'clock Satan shook my bed. I awoke instantly, and I started to pray peacefully to my Guardian Angel. Then I saw the souls who were doing penance in purgatory. They appeared like shadows, and among them I saw many demons. One of these tried to vex me; taking the form of a cat, he kept throwing himself onto my bed and on my feet, and he was quite heavy, as if [weighing] a ton. I kept praying the Rosary all the while, and toward dawn these beings vanished, and I was able to get some sleep. When I entered the chapel in the morning I heard a voice in my soul, "You are united to Me; fear nothing. But know, my child, that Satan hates you; he hates every soul, but he burns with a particular hatred for you, because you have snatched so many souls from his dominion (412).*



## CONSECRATION TO OUR LADY

On October 13 Fr. Miara will solemnly consecrate the parish to the Immaculate Heart of Mary following the devotions to Our Lady of Fatima. At that time those who have prepared themselves will make the consecration to Our Lady. A 40-minute video presentation on Marian Consecration and a summary of the preparation weeks will be shown in the Parish Hall immediately following the 6:00 p.m. Mass on the following day for those who might want some encouragement and/or further explanation during the 33-day preparation period on the following day:

FINAL VIDEO PRESENTATION: Tuesday, October 10

## OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP VIGIL LAMPS

There is an opportunity to have one of the 9 Lamps at the Shrine Altar of Our Lady of Perpetual Help burn for your intentions. All intentions/donors for the weekly candles (\$10.00) will be placed in the bulletin. The intentions/donors for monthly (\$50.00) and yearly (\$350.00) candles will be placed in the bulletin once and a card with the donor's name and intentions will be placed in the vigil lamp. Please contact the rectory if you would like to have a candle burn on Our Lady's Altar in this special way.



## PERPETUAL HELP LAMP INTENTIONS

*For the Conversion of Family & Friends  
and Special Intentions  
of Sebron Harrison*

*October 8, 2017 - October 7, 2018*

## COLUMBUS DAY

On Monday, October 9, Holy Innocents will have its regular schedule of Masses, Confessions & Devotions



## THOUGHTS ON ST. PADRE PIO

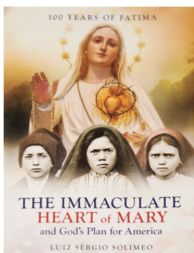
- Padre Pio highly endorsed the Miraculous Medal. The National Centre for Padre Pio in Barto, PA confirms that “he always kept a few on his person to bless and hand to someone in need...and had a number of them on the table in his room when he died...they are still there.”
- Go to Mass! St. Pio said, “If we only knew how God regards this Sacrifice, we would *risk our lives* to be present at a single Mass.”
- Say the Rosary! “Satan wants to destroy this prayer, but in this he will never succeed. The Rosary is the prayer of those who triumph over everything and everyone. It was Our Lady who taught us this prayer, just as it was Jesus who taught us the Our Father...Always recite her Rosary,” he tells us.
- St. Pio’s only regret: in a letter to a priest, he writes “My only regret, dear Father, is that I have no adequate means with which to thank the Blessed Virgin Mary, through whose intercession I have undoubtedly received so much strength from the Lord.” He also said, “The greatest sign of love you can show me will be precisely this, that you, too, thank our Blessed Lady.”



## HOLY INNOCENTS BOOKSHELF

### *100 Years of Fatima: The Immaculate Heart of Mary and God’s Plan for America*

by Luiz Sérgio Solimeo



There are many books on Fatima that tell the story and comment on its historic context. However, there are few that delve deeply into the core of the message which is the devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This book does that. Conveniently sized to fit in a handbag or pocket, the book is perfect to travel with. Soft cover, 124 pages with color illustrations.

Available in the Holy Innocents Gift Shop

## CONSECRATION TO THE GUARDIAN ANGEL

For those preparing to make the Consecration to the Guardian Angel in December, for the month of October you should be reading and meditating on formation letter #11 “We draw our strength from the Eucharist.”

## A NOTE FROM PAUL MCGREGOR

¡GRACIAS!

Paul McGregor and his wife, Mirella, would like to thank all their friends at Holy Innocents for the marvelous & heart-warming send-off you gave them back on Sunday, July 16th. They will remember you all in their prayers and try to plant in Mexican soil the seeds collected from that flourishing plant of the Faith, the Church of the Holy Innocents.

## ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE AT ST. JEAN BAPTISTE HIGH SCHOOL

Saturday, October 14 from 12:30 - 4:00 p.m. at 173 East 75<sup>th</sup> St. between Lexington and Third Avenues, New York, NY 10021. For more information contact Ms. Lugo (212) 288-1645 ext. 134 / [admissions@stjean.org](mailto:admissions@stjean.org)

## PARISH TRUSTEES

We welcome our Parish Trustees: Ronald J. Mirro who is serving a second term, and Thomas Vaniotis. Thank you for serving Holy Innocents in this capacity.

## BEARING THE RIGHT KIND OF FRUIT

Today’s readings focus our attention on vineyards. Isaiah’s song concerning his friend’s vineyard begins with inspiring and poetic images of an idyllic vineyard where the choicest harvest is expected. Instead, the vineyard yields wild grapes, which causes the owner to abandon it. The psalmist cries out to God, asking that God once again take care of the vineyard, which is the house of Israel. The parable told in today’s Gospel offers a stern warning that those who commit treachery in the hopes of attaining personal wealth will be “put . . . to a wretched death” (Matthew 21:41). Jesus warns his listeners not to act like the murderous tenants in the vineyard. Instead he exhorts them to produce the kind of fruit that will lead them to the kingdom of God.

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## TODAY’S READINGS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading -- The vineyard of the LORD is the house of Israel (Isaiah 5:1-7).  
Psalm 80 -- The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading -- God’s peace will guard your hearts and minds (Philippians 4:6-9).  
Gospel -- The kingdom of God will be given to those who will produce its fruit (Matthew 21:33-43)

## READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday: Jon 1:1 -- 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37  
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42  
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4  
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13  
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26  
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

## CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Cathedral High School, an all girls college preparatory high school located at 350 E 56<sup>th</sup> Street in Manhattan will host its Open House on Sunday, October 22, 2017 from 12 to 2:30 PM. Please visit their website [www.cathedralhs.org](http://www.cathedralhs.org) for more information.

# 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".*

If you are suffering from the pain of a past abortion, know that there is hope and healing. Contact the Sisters of Life at 866-575-0075

or e-mail [hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org)

For information on the  
FDAYS OF PRAYER AND HEALING  
FOR WOMEN IN NEW YORK:

DAYS OF PRAYER AND HEALING FOR MEN:

For more information or to register for men please call  
Lumina at 877-586-4621 or email  
[Lumina@postabortionhelp.org](mailto:Lumina@postabortionhelp.org)

## BEATIFICATION OF FR. SOLANUS CASEY

Please join the Parish of Holy Cross/St. John the Baptist on a bus trip to Detroit, Michigan to celebrate the Beatification Ceremony of:

**Fr. Solanus Casey on November 18**

**November 16 - 19, 2017**

**\$850 per person**

For Reservations Contact: 917-859-9995 / 718-680-5600,  
ask for Michelle or CarlaAnn

## RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

The National Respect Life Chain is on Sunday, October First. Join the Sisters of Life and Franciscans Greyfriars at Epiphany Church, 22<sup>nd</sup> st and 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave at 1 PM. Pro-lifers will give public witness across the nation for 90 minutes, in peaceful prayer and song for our nation and an end to abortion. That's Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> - 1:00pm

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.

## 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

**\*\*Special Subway Rosary: Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.**

October 14  
October 28



## 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



## YOUNG ADULT HOLY HOUR THURSDAY EVENINGS 7:15pm

Social afterwards  
More info: 212-279-5861



## 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: 917-301-5859

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