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HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Weekdays: 7:00 & 7:30 a.m.;
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.

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

Holy Hour of Reparation to the Sacred Heart:
First Friday of the month from 7:00 p.m.-
8:00 p.m.

First Saturday Devotions:
Rosary, 15 minute meditation, prayers &
Benediction following 1:00 p.m. Mass

2000 Hail Marys:
Second Saturday of the month
from 6:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

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.

Week of December 30, 2018

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30 - *The Holy Family of Jesus Mary & Joseph*

9:00 - Pro Populo
10:30 - Sumido Misenas Family (L)
12:30 - Margaret Bediones (L)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31 - *7th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord/Pope St. Sylvester I*

7:00 - Ana Laremont (d)
7:30 - Lenna-Morales Family (L) Thanksgiving
12:15 - Rosalind Sellers (d)
1:15 - Noel Kim (L)
4:00 - All Souls in Purgatory
11:00 - In Reparation

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1 - *The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord, Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God*

9:00 - Pro Populo
10:30 - Joel Scot Osteen & Family (L)
12:30 - St. Anthony

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2 - *Ss. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazaienzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church*

7:00 - Juana Ramos (d)
7:30 - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena Intentions
12:15 - Dennis Ledwith (d)
1:15 - Rosaria Capialdi (d)
6:00 - Thanksgiving to St. Joseph

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3 - *The Most Holy Name of Jesus*

7:00 - William Schlott
7:30 - Infant of Prague
12:15 - Luis Silverio (d)
1:15 - In Honor of the Holy Innocents, Unborn
6:00 - Otto Wolke (d)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4 - *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious*

7:00 - Hilda Hernandez (L)
7:30 - Marianne Gillfeather (d)
12:15 - For the Sick
1:15 - Joan Burgio (d)
6:00 - In Honor of Jesus suffering in Gethsemane

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5 - *St. John Neumann, Bishop*

12:00 - James Raymond Mullett (d)
1:00 - In Honor & Thanksgiving to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
4:00 - Walter Sohl (d)

NEXT SUNDAY - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

9:00 - Pro Populo
10:30 - Triantafillos Kassidis (d)
12:30 - In Thanksgiving to St. Jude

LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS CORNER

Calendar

- December 30 - Sunday within the Octave of Christmas
2nd Class - Chant Mass
- December 31 - 7th Day in the Octave of Christmas
1st Class - High Mass
- January 1 - The Octave Day of Christmas
1st Class - Polyphonic Mass
- January 2 - Most Holy Name of Jesus
2nd Class - High Mass
- January 3 - Votive Mass of Jesus Christ the High Priest
3rd Class - Low Mass
- January 4 - Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
3rd Class - Low Mass
- January 5 - Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary with Commemoration of St. Telephorus
3rd Class - Low Mass

Next Sunday

- January 6 - Epiphany of the Lord
1st Class - Polyphonic Mass



Eucharistic Holy Hour of Reparation in honor of the Holy Face of Jesus

Every Third Tuesday of the month
Following the 6:00 p.m. Mass

Next Holy Hour: January 15

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

On Friday, January 4, a Eucharistic Holy Hour of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held after the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION - January 2019

Evangelization - Young People

That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

Happy New Year 2019

On Behalf of Fr. Miara, Fr. Van Thanh, Fr. Chanama, Fr. Bielak, Fr. Apreku, Fr. Sabatos and the Staff at the Shrine & Parish Church of Holy Innocents, may you have a year filled with abundant blessings and may the Love & Peace of our Lord accompany you throughout the new year.



NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

Monday, December 31

MASSES FOR SEVENTH DAY OF THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS/ST. SYLVESTER I

7:00 & 7:30 A.M.

12:15 P.M.

1:15 P.M. (Latin High Mass)

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

2:30 P.M.—3:45 P.M.

Confessions

7:30-8:30 A.M.

12 noon-1:30 P.M.

3:15-3:45 P.M.

MASSES FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD/OCTAVE DAY OF CHRISTMAS/CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Monday, December 31 (New Year's Eve)

4:00 P.M. (English)

11:30 p.m. (High Tridentine Latin Mass)

Eucharistic Vigil of Reparation

Following the 4:00 P.M. Mass the Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration until 11:00 p.m. at which time the *Te Deum* will be sung in order to gain the *plenary indulgence* followed by Benediction.

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 (New Years Day)

9:00 A.M. (Low Tridentine Latin Mass)

10:30 A.M. (High Tridentine Latin Mass)

12:30 p.m. (English)

Confessions

9:45-10:30 a.m.

12 noon-12:30 p.m.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PRAYER VIGIL

On Monday, December 31, the Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed following the 4:00 p.m. Mass until the singing of the *Te Deum* at 11:00 p.m.

Schedule

7:00 p.m. - Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary

8:00 p.m. - Mysteries of Light

9:00 p.m. - Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

10:00 p.m. - Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary

Please commit to a specific time of adoration by signing the sing up sheet located in the vestibule to insure that the Blessed Sacrament will not be left alone during this time.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

Saturday, January 5 is the first Saturday of the New Year. Devotions of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary will take place following the blessing of chalk and Epiphany Water after the 1:00 p.m. Mass. A good resolution for this new year of 2019 would be a commitment to consecutively make the 5 First Saturdays Devotions.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!

EPIPHANY SACRAMENTALS

Epiphany Water and chalk will be blessed following the 1:00 pm Mass on SATURDAY, JANUARY 5. Please bring the water you wish to be blessed marked with your name and place it in the sacristy prior to Holy Mass. The blessed chalk will be available all weekend for you to take to your homes so you may mark the names of the three Magi (Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar) over your doors, as a witness of your faith and a protection against evil: (20 + C + M + B + 19)

NEW YEAR'S HOURS

In observance of New Year's Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, January 1, 2019. The office will be open as usual on Wednesday, January 2 from 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. for regular business. On Wednesday, January 2, the regular schedule of Masses, Confessions, Devotions and Eucharistic Adoration will be observed here at Holy Innocents.

Altar Offerings

Sanctuary Candle

Leith, Moore & Gerber Families

Adoration Candles

*In Thanksgiving, In Reparation
and for Conversion*

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

Next weekend we will conclude our Adopt-a-baby program. We are planning a "baby shower" for our local crisis pregnancy center, (*put in name of your local crisis pregnancy center*). We will be collecting disposable diapers, formula, layette items, and new baby clothes (up to 24 months size) for mothers who cannot afford these items.

Please bring your gift to church next weekend and place it in the box we will have in the back of church.

Happy Birthday Adopted Baby

After nine months of growth and development your spiritually adopted baby was born this month. The only change at birth is a different way of eating and breathing.

Truly a miracle, your baby began his life just like all of us, as a 46-chromosome cell. Nothing was "added" after conception to make this a human being. The only thing needed was time to grow. Never in history, nor ever again, will anyone exist who is just like your spiritually adopted baby. You may never meet the mother and baby but your prayers saved his life.

NEW KNEELERS

All of the broken kneelers in the church have been replaced with new ones. Many were in disrepair and some sections even missing kneelers. With such a highly visited church as Holy Innocents it was embarrassing and inappropriate to have such a beautiful church not up to par with the dignity due to a House of the Lord by neglecting this situation. This was an unanticipated expense and therefore donors are needed to help cover the cost of this project. The total cost of the kneelers including installation is **\$27,000**. Any generous souls who would like to help are asked to place your donation in an envelope marked "New Kneelers" and to return it to the Rectory or in one of the collection boxes. Thanks!

SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection next weekend is for the Catholic University of America in Washington which serves the academic training and religious formation of young people. And for the Catholic Communications Campaign which produces television and radio programs to spread the Gospel to people around the country and around the world. Half of your donation stays in your diocese to support local communications projects.

COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection - 12/16/18	\$7,111.00
Shrines and Candles	\$3,059.50

Regular Collection 12/17/17	\$5,567.12
Shrines and Candles	\$3,455.50

Your generous contribution to your Parish is greatly appreciated!

May the Good Lord reward you abundantly!

2019 MARCH FOR LIFE

The Regina Coeli Council of the Knights of Columbus will sponsor a bus to the Right to Life March in Washington, DC leaving from in front of Holy Innocents Church at 8am on Friday, January 18th. Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased for cash from Eddy Toribio or Patrick Sullivan and by credit card from the parish office. Deadline to purchase tickets is December 31.

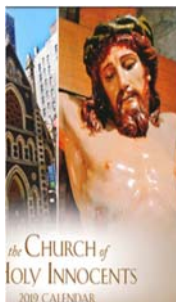
MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the living and deceased, the following may also be offered for the week, Sunday to Saturday:

- 1) Sanctuary Candle burning before Our Lord in the tabernacle - \$25.00
- 2) Altar Candles - \$50.00
- 3) Altar Bread - \$40.00
- 4) Altar Wine - \$30.00
- 5) Adoration Candles - \$65.00
- 6) Altar Flowers - \$250.00 for 2 arrangements

Please contact the rectory office if you are interested in offering any of these items.

The intention will be published weekly in the parish bulletin.



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both the Old and New Liturgical
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VOLUNTEER SINGERS NEEDED

"Be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual canticles, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, always and for everything giving thanks..."

- Ephesians Ch 5.

The Shrine & Parish Church of Holy Innocents Volunteer choir needs your voice! All ages welcome. We meet on Sundays at 9:30am in the Church Hall. Please email Rachel Aldridge at Aldridge.r.a@gmail.com if you are interested in joining. No prior experience necessary.

END OF THE YEAR QUOTE

Through divine grace we are at the beginning of a *New Year*.
God alone knows whether we shall reach *the end of it*,

so we should spend it in reparation for *The Past* and
in preparing *for the future* with good resolutions.

- St. Padre Pio

THE MIRACULOUS INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE

The exact origin of the Infant Jesus statue was not truly known, but historical sources point to a small 28cm high sculpture of the Holy Child with a bird in his right hand carved in around the year 1340. Many other Infant Jesus sculptures were also carved by famous masters throughout Europe in the Middle Ages.

The popularity of the Child Jesus grew in the Baroque period in Spain which may have been caused by the visions of St. Teresa of Avila. A number of sculptures made in Spain eventually found their way to Prague. These sculptures were made of wax, ivory, and bronze and were dressed in garments reflecting the aristocratic fashion of that period.

It is unknown to this date which of those early sculptures that got to Prague was the exact origin of the Infant Jesus of Prague. It was speculated that it came from a monastery in Bohemia and from there it was obtained by Dona Isabella Manrique who gave it as a wedding gift to her daughter Marie Manrique who married a noble of the Czech kingdom. Later, the Holy Infant statue was again given to Marie's daughter Polyxena as a wedding gift in 1587. In 1628, Lady Polyxena presented the statue to the Carmelites at the Church of the Virgin Mary the Victorious in Mala Strana saying, "I am giving you what I most esteem of my possessions. Keep the sculpture in reference and you will be well off". This statue then became known as the Infant Jesus of Prague. It stands 47 cm high (includes a 2cm base) and has a long gown around the wax body.



*"The more you honor me,
the more I will bless you"*

Shortly after 1628, the Saxons and the Swedes took turns to invade Prague and the Carmelites had to flee and the veneration of the Holy Infant ceased. It was not until 1638 that a young priest named Fr. P. Cyril, a Matre Dei, returned to Prague and found the Holy Infant statue buried in the ruins of the Lady of Victory church. Fr. Cyril cleaned the statue and placed it in the oratory for worship. While he was praying before the Infant Jesus, he heard the Infant Jesus say, "Have pity on Me and I will have pity on you. Give Me My hands and I will give you peace. The more you honor Me, the more I will bless you".

The repairing of the statue's hand was a miracle since Fr. Cyril and his peers did not have the financial resources nor the know – how to repair it. Through prayer, Fr. Cyril asked the Blessed Virgin Mary in several occasions to provide the necessary funds for fixing the Infant statue. The Divine Infant spoke to him again, "Place Me near the entrance of the sacristy and you will receive aid". Fr. Cyril then did what he was told and in a few days' time, the statue was fixed by a man who came to the sacristy to offer help.

Since the statue was fixed, several miracles had occurred, and the word began to spread, resulting in a large increase of veneration to the Holy Child. This includes the Czech nobles as well. These early miracles were recorded in a book by P. Emerich a St Stephano, published in German in 1736 and in Czech in 1749.

In 1641, an altar was built for the Infant Jesus in the church, and in 1644 a chapel was built, but was not completed until 1654. Many nobles of the time had greatly supported the Infant Jesus, among them were Lady Polyxena, King Ferdinand (Czech), King Charles Gustav(Sweden), and Bernard Ignatius of the Lords of Martinic. It is interesting to note that the crown over the Divine Infant's head came from Bernard Ignatius, who presented the Infant statue with a little gold crown set with precious stones and jewels on January 14, 1651 during a procession that carried the Infant Jesus statue from the Lady of Victory church to other Prague churches. The Infant Jesus was solemnly coronated on April 4, 1655 by the Archbishop Josef Corta acting for Cardinal Harrach III who was sick.

After that period, Prague went through more wars and unrest, but the church and the Infant Jesus chapel was miraculously protected. In 1776 the altar was rebuilt using marble and two huge sculptures of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph were placed to the left and right sides of the altar. The Holy Infant was kept in a glass case standing on a pedestal engraved with crystals, and surrounding the Infant were twenty angels in gold.

Since then copies of the Infant Jesus were made and distributed throughout European churches. The Spanish colonial efforts later brought the Infant Jesus to the Philippines and to central America. And since then, the devotion has kept spreading to all parts of the world.

The Lady of Victory church was officially returned back to the Discalced Carmelites in 1993 since the takeover by the Maltese Knights in 1784. Today, thousands of pilgrims pay homage to the Infant of Prague each year. The tradition of the Infant Jesus procession and the coronation continues to this day. On May 27, 1995, a solemn procession of the Infant Jesus took place in the streets of Prague with Cardinal Sin of Manila (Philippines) and Cardinal Vlk of Prague leading the procession. This ceremony was the closing highlight of the annual Feast of the Infant Jesus in Prague.

As the devotion to the Infant Jesus spreads throughout the world, many parishes now offer Holy Mass and novenas to honor the Holy Child of God and many prayer groups have been formed. Jesus has kept His promise that the more that He is honored, the more that He will bless them. This is truly evidenced by the many favors He has granted to those who ask Him.

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.

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!

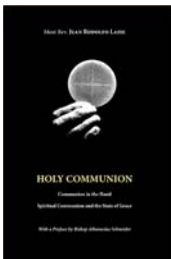
Upcoming Subway Rosaries

January 12
January 26

Holy Innocents Bookshelf

Holy Communion

by Most Rev. Juan Rodolfo Laise



The Church in our times has the urgent need of courageous voices in defense of her greatest treasure, which is the mystery of the Eucharist. Often today there arise voices in defense of the many human and temporal needs, but rare are the voices that defend the Eucharistic Jesus. With his book *Communion in the Hand* His Excellency Most Rev. Juan Rodolfo Laise, Bishop Emeritus of San Luis (Argentina), has for several years raised his voice in defense of the Eucharistic Lord, showing with convincing argumentation the inconsistency of the modern practice of Communion in the hand from a historical, liturgical and pastoral perspective...

I consider it an honor and joy to be able to present this book of the most worthy Bishop Juan Rodolfo Laise, "decus episcoporum Argenti - nae". I hope this prophetic voice of an elderly bishop, who has retained his youth and purity of faith and reverent love for the Eucharistic mystery, may enkindle readers with the same faith and the same love and contribute to the universal restoration of the more sacred and reverent manner of receiving the Lord's Body.

- From the Foreword by Bishop Athanasius Schneider

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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

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