



## 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.;  
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.;  
5:00 - 5:30 p.m.

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

Sunday: 9:30 -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 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.- 5:45 p.m.  
Benediction

#### BAPTISMS

3rd & 4th Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.; Sundays at 1:30 p.m.

#### 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. Thérèse  
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.  
Followed by All-Night Vigil until 6:00 a.m.,  
Mass on Saturday

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

# Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 19, 2021

## Mass Intentions

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 - *Jean Napoli (d)*

10:30 - *Pro Populo*

12:30 - All Souls in Purgatory

**Monday, SEPTEMBER 20 - Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest**

*Paul Chông Ha-Sang & Companions, Martyrs*

7:00 - Jonathan Schnur (L) Conversion

7:30 - Juliana Canuta & Santos Antonio Barreno (d)

12:15 - Bulacia Pedraza Family (L)

1:15 - Piedad Hanze (d) 1st death Anniversary

6:00 - *Benjamin Emerson (d)*

**Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 21 - St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**

7:00 - St. Anthony

7:30 - Lisa Chieco (L)

12:15 - Jonathan Schnur (L) Conversion

1:15 - Amie & Lawrence Grayson (L) Wedding Anniv.

6:00 - *Teresa Kielbowicz (L)*

**Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 22 - WEEKDAY**

7:00 - Stephen Malone (d) & Holy Souls in Purgatory

7:30 - Patrick Cloonan (d)

12:15 - Sergeant D.S. Cornelius J. Douglas (d), Holy Souls

1:15 - Jonathan Schnur (L)

6:00 - *Lawrence Grayson (L)*

**Thursday, SEPTEMBER 23 - St. Pio of Pietrelcina, Priest**

7:00 - Vincent Hernandez (d)

7:30 - Lilibeth Mustacho (d)

12:15 - Adela Olejarska (L)

1:15 - Anastasio & Felomina Panis (d)

6:00 - *Jean Carey (d)*

**Friday, SEPTEMBER 24 - WEEKDAY**

7:00 - Lilibeth Mustacho (d)

7:30 - Louise Quint (d)

12:15 - Mary Christine Bryant (L)

1:15 - Maria Kelly (d)

6:00 - *Marilyn Sasiadek (d)*

**Saturday, SEPTEMBER 25 - Blessed Virgin Mary**

12:00 - All Souls in Purgatory

1:00 - *Jonathan Schnur (L)*

4:00 - Alfonso Bediones, III (L)

**NEXT SUNDAY, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 - *In Thanksgiving*

10:30 - *Pro Populo*

12:30 - Francis & Mary Ho (d)

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## SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM - Sixth Month

Your spiritually adopted baby is growing quite beautifully now. His weight is approaching 2 pounds. Babies born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving. The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed.



## LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS CORNER

### Calendar

September 19 - 17th Sunday After Pentecost  
2nd Class - Chant Mass

September 20 - St. Eustacius & Comps., Martyrs  
4th Class - Low Mass

September 21 - St. Matthew, Apostle  
2nd Class - High Mass

September 22 - Ember Wednesday with Commemoration of St. Thomas of Villanova  
2nd Class - Low Mass

September 23 - St. Linus, Pope & Martyr with Commemoration of St. Tecla  
3rd Class - Low Mass

September 24 - Ember Friday with Commemoration of Our Lady of Ransom  
2nd Class - Low Mass

September 25 - Ember Saturday  
2nd Class - Low Mass

Next Sunday

September 26 - 18th Sunday After Pentecost  
2nd Class - Chant Mass

### EMBER DAYS

The Ember Days will be observed this week (Wednesday, September 23, Friday, September 25 and Saturday, September 26), asking God to sanctify the Fall Season as well as beseeching Him to bless the clergy.

### TRADITIONAL RULES FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

For everyone over 7 years of age--

**PARTIAL ABSTINENCE** (which permits meat, and soup or gravy made from meat, to be eaten only once a day, at the principal meal) on Ember Wednesday and Ember Saturday. **FULL ABSTINENCE** on Ember Friday.

For everyone ages 21 to 59 inclusive--

**FASTING** on the Ember Days (meat may be taken at principal meal except on Friday). Only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices, are allowed.

It is praiseworthy to continue the former penitential observances, even though they are no longer obligatory. Penance helps to make up for our sins and can be offered up for the Souls in Purgatory.

*"Prayer, therefore, and especially the Rosary and penance — here are the Immaculata's orders for us all."*

—St. Maximilian Kolbe

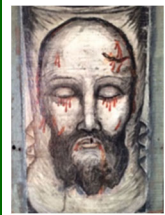
**175<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE MERCIFUL APPARITION OF OUR LADY ON THE MOUNTAIN OF LA SALETTE - September 19<sup>th</sup>**

“Come near, my children, be not afraid. I am here to tell you great news”.

--Opening words of

Our Lady to Melanie and Maximin, September 19, 1846

*Our Lady of La Salette, Reconciler of Sinners, pray without ceasing for us to have recourse to Thee!*



**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: September 21**

**Our Lady Mediatrix of All Graces  
Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle**

**Every Third Saturday of the month  
Following the 1:00 p.m. Mass**

**Next Cenacle: October 16**



**SECOND COLLECTION**

The Second collection for St. Joseph Seminary will be taken next weekend at all Masses. St. Joseph's is the major seminary of the Archdiocese of New York. Its primary mission is to serve the Church by forming men for the Catholic priesthood who will hand on the life and tradition of the Church's faith in the context of the new evangelization of the twenty-first century. The Seminary offers a program of human, spiritual, intellectual, and pastoral formation that is faithful to the Magisterium of the Catholic Church. Through an integration of these "pillars of formation", St. Joseph's aims to form men according to the Heart of Jesus the Good Shepherd.

***Altar Offerings***



**Sanctuary Candle**

*Leith, Moor & Gerber Families*

**Altar Bread & Wine**

*Jacques Philippe Lamour  
Birthday Blessings*

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**Tuesdays of October:** To honor Our Lady during the month of October, Father Peter Stravinskis will be presenting a series on poetry with a Marian theme. The sessions will follow the 6 p.m. Mass. Mark your calendars, and bring a friend.



**YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH**

**December 8, 2020 – December 8, 2021**

Excerpt from the Apostolic Letter PATRIS CORDE of the Holy Father Francis ON THE 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION OF SAINT JOSEPH AS PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

**1. *A beloved father***

The greatness of Saint Joseph is that he was the spouse of Mary and the father of Jesus. In this way, he placed himself, in the words of Saint John Chrysostom, "at the service of the entire plan of salvation".

Saint Paul VI pointed out that Joseph concretely expressed his fatherhood "by making his life a sacrificial service to the mystery of the incarnation and its redemptive purpose. He employed his legal authority over the Holy Family to devote himself completely to them in his life and work. He turned his human vocation to domestic love into a superhuman oblation of himself, his heart and all his abilities, a love placed at the service of the Messiah who was growing to maturity in his home".

Thanks to his role in salvation history, Saint Joseph has always been venerated as a father by the Christian people. This is shown by the countless churches dedicated to him worldwide, the numerous religious Institutes, Confraternities and ecclesial groups inspired by his spirituality and bearing his name, and the many traditional expressions of piety in his honour. Innumerable holy men and women were passionately devoted to him. Among them was Teresa of Avila, who chose him as her advocate and intercessor, had frequent recourse to him and received whatever graces she asked of him. Encouraged by her own experience, Teresa persuaded others to cultivate devotion to Joseph.

Every prayer book contains prayers to Saint Joseph. Special prayers are offered to him each Wednesday and especially during the month of March, which is traditionally dedicated to him.

Popular trust in Saint Joseph is seen in the expression "Go to Joseph", which evokes the famine in Egypt, when the Egyptians begged Pharaoh for bread. He in turn replied: "Go to Joseph; what he says to you, do" (*Gen 41:55*). Pharaoh was referring to Joseph the son of Jacob, who was sold into slavery because of the jealousy of his brothers (cf. *Gen 37:11-28*) and who – according to the biblical account – subsequently became viceroy of Egypt (cf. *Gen 41:41-44*).

As a descendant of David (cf. *Mt 1:16-20*), from whose stock Jesus was to spring according to the promise made to David by the prophet Nathan (cf. *2 Sam 7*), and as the spouse of Mary of Nazareth, Saint Joseph stands at the crossroads between the Old and New Testaments.

## A Brief History of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Kibeho - PART II

Alphonsine asked the Virgin to respond to the challenge by appearing to others and exhorted her schoolmates also to ask her for themselves to receive necessary enlightenment.

A short time later, two new alleged seers appeared in the high school, one after the other, and in close proximity to Alphonsine: notably Nathalie Mukamazimpaka on January 12, 1982, and Marie Claire Mukangango on March 2, 1982.

Nathalie Mukamazimpaka was born in 1964 in Munini in the present district of Nyaruguru, parish of Muganza, Diocese of Gikongoro. Her father was Laurent Ngango and her mother, Gaudence Mukabaziga. She was baptized on February 2, 1968, when she was 4 years old. During the time of the apparitions, she was registered in the Kibeho High school in the 4th class of the Teaching school. As a seer of the Virgin Mary, Mother of God, Nathalie is especially known for the message of redemptive suffering and unceasing prayer for a world that is very bad and at risk of falling into an abyss.



Since March 2, 1982, Marie Claire Mukangango, schoolmate of Nathalie, declared herself as a seer of the Virgin Mary. Her case was like a bomb exploding inside the high school community, because until then Marie Claire was characterized by her fierce opposition to the “so-called” apparitions claimed by Alphonsine.

Marie Claire was born in 1961 in Rusekera, in the present district of Nyamagabe, parish of Mushubi, diocese of Gikongoro. Her father was Baseka and her mother Véronique Nyiratuza. She was baptized when she was 5 years old, on August 12, 1966. During the apparitions, she studied at the Kibeho High school, in 4th class of the Teaching school. As a seer, she is especially known for the message of the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows of the Virgin Mary, associated with an urgent call to repentance: “Repent, repent, repent!” the Virgin said to the world through the lips by Marie Claire.

If, for some, the increased number of the seers complicated the disconcerting situation created by Alphonsine, for others, the two new cases, especially the one of Marie Claire, were interpreted as a good sign coming from heaven to show that the prayer of Alphonsine had been accepted and to sustain the faith of all those that were still hesitating to take her apparitions seriously. Different witnesses interrogated in the Kibeho High School in 1982, declared that they began to believe in the apparitions after the extraordinary experience of Marie Claire. In short, the public opinion tried to find a natural explanation for the phenomenon, but without success, considering a great number of astonishing facts that were confirmed as the days passed that defied simple human understanding.

In spite of the critics and objections of all sorts against the apparitions, a movement of belief began to develop quickly enough inside and outside of Kibeho High School. Before the Christmas holidays of 1981, a group of “converted” students and teachers appeared at a regular prayer meeting with Alphonsine, where they recited the rosary accompanied by hymns in the honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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But, after May 1982, the phenomenon of the apparitions took on a new dimension when it was spreading like a brush fire outside the Kibeho High school to reach the primary school and the surrounding hills, and even the more remote locations. However, it is astonishing that the number of seers inside the high school spontaneously stopped for all three, without any outside intervention by human authority. On the other hand, the number of new alleged seers kept on increasing outside of the high school in a disturbing way. Later, after July 1982, there was even a question of alleged apparitions of Jesus; that was seven months after the first apparitions of the Virgin Mary. But, after some time, the alleged seers of Jesus who became well known to the pilgrims of Kibeho ended up developing in a troubling way that discredited them.

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Another fact to be emphasized is that on the days of public apparitions, the seers experienced practically no ecstasies. The seers experienced the apparitions individually, one at a time, while the others seers were watching along with everyone else in the crowd. These apparitions varied in duration, depending on the occurrence, and they were usually marked by heavy falls at the end of the apparition.

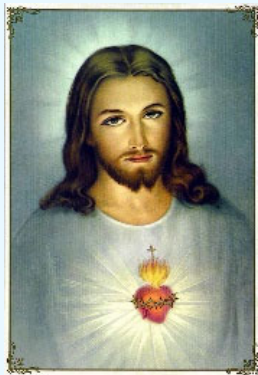
The apparitions were also characterized by an abundance of words, the length of the ecstasies, songs, prayers of intercession, blessings (especially by means of water), repeated falls during the same apparition on certain days (from August 15, 1982 until the end of Lent in 1983), and other mortifications. Lent of 1983 was in particular characterized by extraordinary fasting that was closely monitored by a team of physicians from the National University of Rwanda.

Alphonsine Mumureke is said to have taken, on March 20, 1982, a “mystical journey” of several hours with the Virgin in another “world” throughout “places” that she describes in symbolic language that makes one think of realities such as Hell, Purgatory, and Heaven, but with a vocabulary very different from the one of the Catechism. Nathalie Mukamazimpaka had a similar experience on October 30, 1982, which was closely observed by a team from the Bishop’s theological commission.

The apparitions of Kibeho had very early on attracted crowds of people. On certain days, like May 30, 1982 for example, the crowd could be estimated at more than 10,000 people of all ages and all social classes. However it is true that this public gathering stayed a long time; because there were not only pilgrims coming for reasons of faith and piety, but there were probably also a crowd of curious people who were merely in search of an easy miracle. The situation defused itself gradually.

# ATTENTION!

## Proper Attire For Church



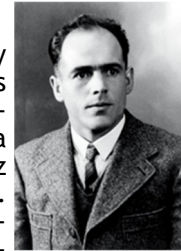
Our respect for Our Lord and for the edification of our neighbors, we beg men and women, boys and girls to appear modestly and respectfully dressed.

***Shorts, tank-tops, low cut, backless and minidresses, halters, bared midriffs, tight-fitting clothes, etc.***

***do not meet the norm of Christian modesty and of respect.***

Your cooperation is evidence of your love for our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and for His Holy Mother Mary.

## BLESSED FRANZ JAGERSTATTER



Franz Jägerstätter was born on 20th May 1907 in St. Radegund, Upper Austria, as the child of the unmarried farm maidservant Rosalia Huber. Being a maid and a farm laborer, she and the father, Franz Bachmeier, could not afford to marry. The child's grandmother, Elisabeth Huber, a loving, pious woman of wide interests, undertook to bring up the child. At school, Franz suffered discrimination because of his poverty. In 1917, his mother wedded the farmer Heinrich Jägerstätter, who on marrying her, adopted his wife's son. From 1927 to 1930, Franz Jägerstätter worked in the iron ore industry in Eisenerz. There, he went through a crisis of faith. In 1930, he returned to his home village with a deepened belief in God.

In 1933, Franz fathered a child out of wedlock, Hildegard. The mother of the child was Theresia Auer, a maidservant on a farm in the neighborhood.

In 1935, he met Franziska Schwaninger, a farmer's daughter from the neighboring village of Hochburg. They married on Holy Thursday, 1936. His marriage marked a turning point in Franz Jägerstätter's life. Three daughters were born to the couple: Rosalia (\*1937), Maria (\*1938) and Aloisia (\*1940).

Right from the very beginning, Jägerstätter refused to cooperate or support the Nazis, who took over power in Austria in 1938, as he viewed Christianity and Nazism as being completely irreconcilable.

In 1940, Jägerstätter was conscripted to perform military service, but was twice brought home by the authorities in his home village, on the grounds of his "reserved civilian occupation" as a farmer. He did not wish to obey a third conscription order, for he regarded fighting and killing so that Hitler could rule the whole world as a sin. His mother, relatives and several priests who were his friends all tried to change his mind.

The Diocesan Bishop of Linz, Joseph Calasanz Fliesser, told Franz that, as the father of a family, it was not his task to decide whether the war was righteous or unrighteous. Franz's main impression was that the Bishop did not dare to speak openly, because he didn't know him - after all, Franz could have been a spy.

After being conscripted once more, Franz Jägerstätter reported to his regular military company at Enns on 1st March 1943, but immediately stated: "that, due to his religious views, he refused to perform military service with a weapon, that he would be acting against his religious conscience were he to fight for the Nazi State... that he could not be both a Nazi and a Catholic... that there were some things in which one must obey God more than men; due to the commandment 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself', he said he could not fight with a weapon. However, he was willing to serve as a military paramedic."

Jägerstätter was then taken to the military remand prison in the former Ursuline convent in Linz. Two months' prison in Linz, with all the torture and bullying, precipitated a great crisis. The young farmer was in danger of losing his faith. Yet the experience of happiness with Franziska remained with him as a lasting sign of God's presence.

On 6th July, 1943, Franz was condemned to death for "undermining military morale" and beheaded on 9th August.

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Participation Goal - 78

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Online Contributions	\$ 662.00
Shrines and Candles	\$2,191.50
Regular Collection - 09/13/20	\$5,279.00
Online Contributions	\$ 745.00
Shrines and Candles	\$2,221.50

May the Good Lord reward you abundantly!

