



THE SHRINE AND PARISH CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

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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.

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)

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

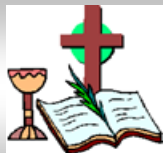
2000 Hail Marys:
Second Saturday of the month
from 6:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

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 February 25, 2018

Mass Intentions

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

4:00 - Rev. Msgr. Kevin Nelan (L)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9:00 - Janet Sanchez Reyes - Gregorian (14)

10:30 - Constantina Romero - Gregorian (27)

12:30 - People of the Parish

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00 - Lila Leith (d)

7:30 - Janet Sanchez Reyes - Gregorian (15)

8:00 - Constantina Romero - Gregorian (28)

12:15 - Bill Donahue (d)

1:15 - Gillroy Taylor (L)

6:00 - George & Gertrude Fahu (d)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00 - Kerline Abellard (L) Thanksgiving intentions

7:30 - Belkis Fernandez (d)

8:00 - St. Anthony

12:15 - Cathy Carroll (L)

1:15 - Janet Sanchez Reyes - Gregorian (6)

6:00 - Constantina Romero - Gregorian (29)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

07:00 - Orson M. Williams (L)

7:30 - Apolinario V. Martinez (d)

08:00 - Lorenz & Margaret and Barbara Sutter (d)

12:15 - Janet Sanchez Reyes - Gregorian (17)

1:15 - Maria Bondi (d)

6:00 - Constantina Romero - Gregorian (30)

THURSDAY, MARCH 1 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00 - Janet Sanchez Reyes - Gregorian (18)

7:30 - Infant of Prague

08:00 - Veronica and Mateusz (L)

12:15 - Betty Minton (d)

1:15 - Laurence P. Derrane (L)

6:00 - Thomas Flanagan (d) Anniversary

FRIDAY, MARCH 2 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00 - Catherine Nespole (d)

7:30 - Rose Nespole (d)

08:00 - Janet Sanchez Reyes - Gregorian (19)

12:15 - For the Sick

1:15 - Carmine & wife Lena Salerno (d)

6:00 - John & Margaret Curtis (d)

SATURDAY, MARCH 3 - St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

5:00 - Fr. Shanti Weliwita (L)

12:00 - Raimundo Vanga (L)

1:00 - Janet Sanchez Reyes - Gregorian (20)

4:00 - Rev. Fr. James L. P. Miara (L)

LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS CORNER

Calendar

February 25 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

1st Class

February 26 - Feria of Lent

3rd Class - Low Mass

February 27 - Feria of Lent with Commemoration

of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother

3rd Class - Low Mass

February 28 - Feria of Lent

3rd Class - Low Mass

March 1 - Jesus Christ the High Priest with

Commemoration of the Feria

3rd Class - Low Mass

March 2 - Sacred Heart of Jesus with Com-

memoration of the Feria

3rd Class - High Mass

March 3 - Immaculate Heart of Mary with

Commemoration of the Feria

3rd Class - High Mass

Next Sunday

March 4 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

KNOW JESUS, KNOW PEACE

NO JESUS, NO PEACE

ACT OF FAITH

O my God, I firmly believe that you are one God in three divine persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. I believe that your divine Son became man and died for our sins, and that he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe these and all the truths which the holy Catholic Church teaches, because in revealing them you can neither deceive nor be deceived.

JESUS CHRIST CRUCIFIED, HAVE MERCY ON US!

FLOWERS DURING LENT

Flowers are NOT permitted to adorn the altar during Lent, except on Laetare Sunday (March 11th), and the 1st Class Feasts of St. Patrick (March 17th), St. Joseph (March 19th) and the Annunciation (April 9, transferred this year). Please do not bring any flowers to the church during Lent as they will promptly be removed!

LENTEN INDULGENCE

Please note well that on Lenten Fridays, a plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful who, after Communion, recite the "Prayer before a Crucifix." (For this prayer refer to any traditional Catholic prayer book)

RULES OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

From antiquity, Christians have practiced penance on Wednesdays (the day Our Lord was betrayed) and Fridays (when Christ was crucified). Wednesdays and Fridays remain days of penance in most Eastern Catholic Churches (and among the Orthodox), and in some monastic and religious communities of the Roman Church. Catholics observe Fridays as weekly penitential days on which abstinence from meat and other forms are expected as the norm.

Days of Abstinence (obliges one to abstain from flesh meat. This does not apply to dairy products, eggs, or condiments and shortening made from animal fat. All cold-blooded animals may be eaten (e.g., frogs, clams, turtles, etc.))

Current Law: Obligatory at age 14 until death on Ash Wednesday and the Lenten Fridays including Good Friday. Recommended on Holy Saturday but not required.

Traditional: Obligatory at age 7 until death on Ash Wednesday and the Lenten Fridays including Good Friday as well as on Saturdays including Holy Saturday, and Lenten Ember-tide (Wednesday, February 21, Friday, February 23, & Saturday, February 24; partial abstinence Monday thru Thursday (meat can be eaten at the principal meal on these days.)

Days of Fasting (One full meal is permitted and two other meals may be taken which, when combined, are less than a full meal; no eating in between meals but liquids are allowed, including milk and fruit juices.)

Current Law: Applies to Catholics aged 18 to 59 inclusive, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday only. Recommended on Holy Saturday but not required.

Traditional: All days of Lent including Holy Week except Sundays and Feasts of the 1st Class (Solemnities)

The more ancient (traditional) practices of fast and abstinence, while not obligatory, are praiseworthy. To be excused from fasting/abstinence for pregnancy, hard labor, hypoglycemia, diabetics, etc., one should request a dispensation from his/her pastor. **The obligation to fast and abstain is a serious one and should not be taken lightly!** Penance serves to rectify our self-centeredness, to make up for sins (our own and those of others), to strengthen our wills and to guide us in the steps of our Savior. It can be a very pure form of love for God, and can be offered up for the conversion of sinners and the relief of the souls in Purgatory.

ALL-NIGHT VIGIL

The next All-Night Vigil will be held on Friday, March 2 beginning at 7:00 p.m. and concluding on Saturday, February 4 with a 5:00 a.m. Traditional Latin Mass.

WAY OF THE CROSS

The devotion of the Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday of Lent here at Holy Innocents beginning at 12:45 p.m. (in between the 12:15 and 1:15 p.m. Masses) and also following the 6:00 p.m. Latin Mass.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

Saturday, March 3 is the First Saturday of March. The First Saturday Devotions will take place following the 1:00 p.m. Mass, consisting of the recitation of the Holy Rosary, a guided 15 minute meditation on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary, and Eucharistic Reparation and adoration in imitation of the Angel of Peace. The devotions last about one hour. Please plan on attending to answer the request of Our Lady to Sr. Lucia: "You at least try to console me."

COLLECTION REPORT

Offering this year	\$9,854.50
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Offering - 2017	\$7,113.50
Shrines and Candles	\$8,871.00

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



**Mother of God...
and Ours!**

Her sincere and humble prayer was answered. During her last five years on earth, she bore no stigmata, except those of the head. But her sufferings did not cease. Every Friday, the blood rushed to the members that had borne the wounds and caused even greater pain "than before. Rose wondered if she should not ask for the wounds to reappear, to which a priest replied, "God has brought them about and God has taken them away. If God wants their return, He can do so without being asked."

The official medical investigation was never made.

But Providence has seen fit to leave ample medical pronouncements on Rose Ferron's case to convince persons of open mind. A truly valuable testimony is that of one physician who died before Rose:

"I have had all kinds of doctors examine Rose," he averred, "and none of them can explain her case on natural grounds. To me her case is supernatural, because no one could have lost so much blood during the years and live." Referring to the very small quantities of liquid food which were her sole nourishment, he added, "She is sustained by God alone. I am thoroughly convinced the manifestations are supernatural."

Equally valuable is the statement of one of Rose's physicians seven years after her death. Having in the meantime made a thorough study of Bremond, Tanquerey and other masters of mystical science, he stated in a letter composed at his own initiative, *"Would that I had had the preparation when I treated Rose Ferron. However, I feel honored when I think of the many phenomena I witnessed, and it is with pleasure that I now can affirm that Rose was a genuine mystic. I can see the stages she went through to the ultimate spiritual marriage and complete union with her Jesus. I now admire her complete abandonment to God and her simple humility. Her stigmata are ever fresh in my memory, as well as her great thirst for souls."*

The little victim of the diocese of Providence knew no more repose here below. Not only was her body and mind racked with pain, but she seems not to have slept for years, except perhaps when she would swoon into unconsciousness from sheer pain. From midnight until one o'clock, Rose kept her "Hour of Reparation." Then for three hours she busied herself as well as she could with her little crafts. She had learned to make book marks, to braid, and to repair rosaries. *"I cannot remain idle," she once remarked. "My little Jesus wants me to work."*

And when someone questioned how she performed her tasks with but two fingers and her mouth, she replied, *"My little Jesus comes and helps me."* After four o'clock, she "dozed" for two hours. But Rose insisted that she did not sleep. In fact, she was aware of all that happened in the room.

Such a life of hunger, pain, and helplessness, with no promise of early relief in sight, was a supreme test of patience. The most providential of witnesses to Rose's spirit of long-suffering was perhaps a Protestant friend who attended her faithfully to the end. Two days before Rose's death, she wrote as follows:

"Little Rose was truly a martyr; she always wore a smile, however great the pain and agony she suffered. I have cared for her day after day, week after week, year after year . . . ; I have seen the wounds she carried, the wounds which resembled the wounds of the crucified body of Christ.

"On Friday, the wounds were more prominent and would always bleed. During the Lenten season, as Holy Week and Good Friday approached, her sufferings were much greater and the agony which she suffered at times was beyond human endurance and the bleeding during this period was much greater.

"... I can say that she never complained, she always smiled, although in agony.... I have been blessed beyond expression by her friendship."

Her humility

Such patience is hardly conceivable in a stigmatist without deep-rooted humility. Rose's humility shone forth not only in her constant effort to avoid popularity and exhibition, but in many details of her life, as for example in her simple acceptance of complete poverty during the Depression, when her aging father had no work, when doctor bills could not be paid, and when she depended entirely upon public charity. Even in her ecstasies, she remained a little Rose. In one of them, our Lord seems to have proposed that He raise her to the honors of the altar, for she responded: *"Be on the altars? I am too little for that!"*

Rose's humility, her reserve, her smile amid agony, "a smile full of frankness, a childlike smile which ravished one's heart," were so many tones vibrating into an ensemble of noble charm that was not unlike the attractiveness of Saint Therese of Lisieux, the Little Flower. In fact, a priest, who had lived in Lisieux and as a boy had known the Carmelite saint, testified that *"Rose has not only the physical resemblance of the Little Flower, but she has also her power of attraction; when we are with Rose, we don't know when to leave and when we are gone our hearts irresistibly cling to her memory. That is why the Little Flower influenced me and all the children of my age who visited the Carmel. Her personality impressed us so that she seemed to follow us wherever we went.... During and after my visits with Rose, I went through the same experience as I did years ago when I visited the Little Flower. She inspired me with the same confidence and I really have the same veneration for both of them."*

Many visitors to Rose's home shared this priest's impression. If some came out of mere curiosity to see her sufferings, still more came to meet "a soul of crystal" in which they perceived the most beaming reflections of the supernatural they had ever encountered. They loved hearing her speak because of the mingled serenity and

HOLY INNOCENTS' BOOKSHELF

In Sinu Jesu

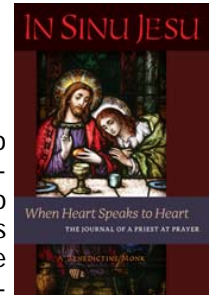
The Journal of a Priest at Prayer

In 2007, Our Lord and Our Lady began to speak to the heart of a monk in the silence of adoration. He was prompted to write down what he received, and thus was born *In Sinu Jesu*, whose pages shine with an intense luminosity and heart-warming fervor that speak directly to the inner and outer needs of our time with a unique power to console and challenge.

The pages of this remarkable record of spiritual communication range across, and plunge into, many fundamental aspects of the spiritual life: loving and being loved by God; the practice of prayer in all its dimensions; the unique power of Eucharistic adoration; trustful surrender to divine providence; the homage of silence; the dignity of liturgical prayer and the sacraments; the mystery of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass; priestly identity and apostolic fruitfulness; the role of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints in our lives; sin, woundedness, mercy, healing, and purification; the longing for heaven and the longed-for renewal of the Catholic Church on earth.

Given the harmony of its content with the teaching of Sacred Scripture, Catholic Tradition, and well-known works of the mystics, it is eminently fitting that *In Sinu Jesu* be published in full at this time (it has been granted the *imprimatur*). Passages from this journal have already influenced the spiritual lives of priests, religious, and laymen may it now give light and warmth, consolation and renewed conviction, to readers throughout the world.

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abundance of heart that filtered through her words. While she was in ecstasy, her prayers aroused in the bystanders deep emotions of contact with the supernatural. This crippled girl, who had formerly felt herself an outcast because she had no education, expressed her thoughts with a careful apropos that astonished visitors. Her constant and intimate union with God had supplied whatever human education had failed to furnish her.

However as with all mystics, her lot was not without its brunt of calumny, gossip, and ridicule. But she was too generous of heart to retaliate. *"Even were I to try to hate and blame those who work against me, I could not do it,"* she explained. *"It seems that I love them still more; and I have a desire to pray for them."*

The true explanation of Rose's tenderness towards others, even those who slandered her, was her tremendous love of God. *"Oh Jesus, the happiness I have in loving You outweighs the martyrdom that I endure,"* she once exclaimed.

Her ecstasies

Little Rose was joyful amidst her sufferings, and she was radiant in the intimacy with her Divine Spouse. *"How sweet it is to rest at Your side, O my Jesus!"* she repeated during an ecstasy in 1934. *"You know that I love You!"*

At times during her ecstasies, often in the middle of the night, Rose sang hymns in French to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. They were not hymns that others knew. She composed the melody and words in rhythmic prose as the emotions of her soul progressed. Several of these hymns were copied by her friends. In 1929, a priest from Montreal recorded the following in French: *"Oh Jesus, yes, I love You, and I want without a cloud to love You more than myself.*

Oh! It is for You, my Jesus, that I wish to suffer. O Jesus, it is for You alone, for that would be my heavenly Father's will."

This lifelong love for Christ in suffering led Rose instinctively to prefer devotions that honored His Passion. The month of the Precious Blood was for her, who had bled so much in her own victimized body, replete with inspiration. *"It would take so many lives like mine and others,"* she said admiringly, *"to make up for just one precious drop of His Blood."*

Rose's preference among pictures and statues of Christ was definitely for those that depicted Him in suffering. She loved above all a statue of the Scourging, because it held graphically before her eyes the price of wounds and blood that the Man of Sorrows had paid to redeem mankind. Blessed Brother Andre Besette, the Brother of the Congregation of the Holy Cross who radiated sanctity far and wide from his porter's room at Saint Joseph's Oratory in Montreal, Canada, was likewise impressed by this statue on a visit he paid to Rose in 1931. For twenty minutes he studied it thoughtfully.

(to be continued on next bulletin)

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

The Subway Rosary is canceled on March 10th due to 40 Days for Life and will resume on March 24th.

HOLY INNOCENTS' COMMITMENT

We are committed to pray at Planned Parenthood 126 Bleecker Street on Saturday March 10th from 8AM to 8PM. It being Lent is the perfect time to offer up a small sacrifice representing The Church of The Holy Innocents where the Shrine to the Unborn is located. No appointment is necessary; there is a need for the hours from 12 Noon to 2PM to be filled. Contact: James Hackett: treasure2@legionofmaryny.org

Healing *after Abortion*

To speak to a Sister, or learn about our monthly Days of Prayer and Healing, contact the Sisters of Life:

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To register for men:
877.586.4621 (toll free)
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following the 6:00pm Latin Mass



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