

The Church of the Holy Innocents

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 21, 2016

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY:

10:30 am: *Latin Missa Cantata*
12:30 pm: Mass in English
1:35 pm: Misa en Español (sólo
en el 1^{er} domingo de cada mes)

MONDAY-FRIDAY:

7:30 am, 8:00 (Latin - during Lent)
12:15 pm, 1:15pm
6:00 pm (Traditional Latin Mass)

SATURDAY:

12 Noon: (on 2nd Saturdays only)
1 pm: Traditional Latin Mass
4 pm: Vigil Mass for Sunday

DEVOTIONS

The Liturgy of the Hours:

Mondays & Fridays 12:00 Noon

Vespers: Sundays 2:30 pm

The Rosary:

Tue, Wed & Thu: 12:00 Noon
Mon-Fri: 5:20 pm, Sun: 2:15 pm

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament:

Weekdays after the 1:15 pm Mass

Benediction: Weekdays 5:45 pm

The Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Monday-Friday: 3:00 pm

All-night Prayer Vigil: First Friday
of the month - 7pm-6am

2000 Hail Marys: Second Saturday
of the month at 7am (see page 6)

RECONCILIATION

Fridays: 12-2pm (English/Español)

Saturdays: 12:30-1:00, 3:30-4:00

Sundays: 9:30-10:30am, 12-12:30pm



Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his countenance was altered, and his raiment became dazzling white. And behold, two men talked with him, Moses and Eli'jah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem.

— Luke 9:28-36

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Is the church open in the snow ?

When is the Good Friday?

What is the Easter Mass Schedule?

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COMING CLEAN ABOUT MY LATIN PROBLEM

*by Steve Skojec
from the One Peter Five blog*

My name is Steve, and I go to the Latin Mass – but I don't know Latin.

It's been this way for years. At first, when I started out attending an indult Mass in the days before Summorum Pontificum, I thought someone might notice. But I was good at masking the symptoms, and nobody caught on. If I was looking at my hand Missal, they had no way of knowing which side I was reading. When I'd be invited for dinner at the house of a fellow Latin Masser, I'd quietly demur as they said the "benediction" instead of good old-fashioned "grace." Eventually, through repetition, I learned how to pray most of the rosary in Latin, and that just gave me more cover. Once in a while, I'd throw out the only line I could remember from the Latin course I took during the one year I homeschooled: "Non tam praeclarum est scire latine quam turpe nescire."

They tell me it's from Cicero. When I say it, it sounds sort of Italian. But that's probably because that's how the instructor on the audio cassette sounded. It means, ironically enough, "It is not so much excellent to know Latin as it is a shame not to know it." Or at least, that's how I remember the translation, but I can't be sure – because I don't speak Latin. I could have it totally wrong, like those college students who get tattoos of Chinese characters that are supposed to say something like "Hope" or "Love" or "Serenity" and in fact say, "I charged this stupid American \$50 for a tattoo that says how stupid they are. Stupid. Stoopid."

When it finally dawned on me that nobody would ever figure me out, it was a little surreal. I realized that I was what they call a "functional Latin ignoramus." I've been going to the Traditional Latin Mass every Sunday since 2004. I get through the whole thing, I do my prayers, I even go up to communion. I smile. I shake hands. Sometimes I joke around. "How about that Collect, eh?" or "Wow, that Introit was spot on today, amirite?" Nobody knows the truth, and they don't need to.

So really, I thought, who am I hurting?

It got weird, though, when people started arguing with me about how Latin in the liturgy is exclusionary. How it raises the bar too high for entry for most folks. How it makes it impossible for people who never took Latin to have any idea what's going on. I'd feel the flop sweat start, the bile rising up in the back of my throat as the fear of discovery seared through me like a wave of hot panic. I wanted to tell them. I wanted to get it off my chest. I wanted to scream from the rooftops, "I GO TO THE LATIN MASS AND I DON'T KNOW ANY ... LATIN! DOES THAT MAKE ME LESS OF A PERSON? AM I SINGING THE SALVE REGINA CORRECTLY? DOES GOD EVEN LOVE ME?!"

But I kept my mouth shut. I had a family. A reputation to consider. I was, by this time, writing in defense of the Traditional Latin Mass pretty regularly. I might not survive being exposed.

Like any addict, I told myself I was different. That things wouldn't catch up to me. That I could just keep going to the TLM and just keep reading the English parts and watching where the priest was and figuring it out by way of the various easy-to-use resources available for that sort of thing and I

could maintain my facade. And I knew, deep down, that the priest didn't need me. I knew that like the Levitical priests of the Old Testament, only he could enter the Holy of Holies and offer the oblation of sacrifice, the sin offering, the Perfect Victim. I knew that not a single thing I did, whether I prayed my missal, walked a crying baby, zoned out because I was tired, or even prayed my rosary during some portion of the liturgy, made a whit of difference as to whether the sacrifice was efficacious. I was completely irrelevant to the outcome of the liturgy, even though the outcome of the liturgy was the most relevant thing in the world to me.

You might think that not mattering would bother me, but it actually made everything easier. In a way, it made me more co-dependent than ever before. I didn't have to hold anyone's hand during the Pater Noster. I didn't have to touch anyone during the sign of peace. I wasn't expected to mumble my assent to the responsorial psalm or vocalize my participation in the prayers of the faithful. I had left all that behind. I had put myself right smack in the middle of a liturgy where I had absolutely no exterior job to do other than kneel, stand, sit, and receive the Eucharist. It was the perfect cover, and the priest was my enabler.

But then it happened.

My oldest son, who struggled to pay attention during Mass even after he made his first communion, was given a hand missal. It wasn't even a full-fledged one. No ribbons, no propers, not one of these thick books with all kinds of things in it that might daunt a young mind, just a straightforward text with some sacred art that he could follow along with. I didn't think much of it at first, but the next thing I knew, it was too late. He was following along. Eight years old, hyperactive, unable to focus on anything except Legos and TV, and suddenly there he was, instead of writing on the back of parish envelopes with stubby little pencils, beginning to show the signs of following me into addiction. I thought he would be immune. Everyone always said it was too hard for kids. That even adults couldn't follow this dusty old Mass. The barriers were too much to surmount. But there I was, watching a child, my own flesh and blood, turning the pages of his little book and knowing where the priest was and what he was doing, his small whisper occasionally reaching my ears, "Dad, which page are we on now?"

He was just like me. He was going to the Latin Mass, getting something out of it, and all without knowing a word of Latin.

I had ignored the signs, I guess, when his older sisters and mother had done the same. Tried to tell myself that they were not really paying attention, but just holding the books while they thought about kittens and rainbows and makeup and other girl stuff. But to see my son, the oldest of my four boys, following in my footsteps? I finally realized that I was leading by example, and it was all my fault.

So I'm coming clean. I am here to admit the truth: I get more out of the Traditional Latin Mass than I ever have from any other liturgy, and I'm a complete and total poser when it comes to "Latin, the living language of the Church." (If I wasn't, I might know how to write that in Latin. I tried. It came out all wrong. Even with the help of Google.)

More to the point, though, I've decided not to run from who I am. Instead, I'm here to embrace it. I have no intention of changing. My addiction is not going to go away. I need a meaningful Mass, one rich with symbol and gesture and prayer and reverence. One that has stood the test of time over many, many centuries, and has spiritually nourished countless saints. People say it's too difficult, that they couldn't live like that, but

maybe they should walk a mile in my shoes before they condemn me. I'm not a bad person because I love the TLM but am clueless about the "L" part. We've all got our problems. And what I get out of it...it's worth it to me. Who are you to judge?

I also wanted to speak up for those afraid to speak for themselves. A lot of you out there are probably just like me, quietly hiding your ignorance of Latin as you come to Mass in your suits and long skirts and chapel veils and go through the motions along with the rest of us, silently reading the prayers at the foot of the altar on the English side with an occasional glance at the Latin just because it sounds cool and you can make out a few root words here and there.

I am here to tell you that YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

Do not let them shame you! It's okay to want Mass to be mysterious. It's okay not to understand everything that's going on 100%. Do you think the people knew what the High Priest was doing when he went in to offer sacrifice on the day of atonement? For heaven's sake, they stayed outside. They tied a rope around his leg to pull him out if anything happened because nobody was allowed to go in except him. Did that stop them?

It's also okay to want to step into a sacred space and time. To step out of the banality of the every day world and into something transcendent. Sublime. We don't come for something quotidian. This is something secret, something special. It does not speak to us in common words. It causes us to sit up and take notice. To pay attention. It demands something from us – as good liturgy should.

The Church recommends Latin for all. No less a pope than Pope St. John XXIII, who invoked the Second Vatican Council which is largely (and somewhat falsely) attributed with the abandonment of Latin in the liturgy, spoke beautifully of the importance of Latin in the life of the Church in his apostolic constitution, *Veterum Sapientia*:

Of its very nature Latin is most suitable for promoting every form of culture among peoples. It gives rise to no jealousies. It does not favor any one nation, but presents itself with equal impartiality to all and is equally acceptable to all.

Nor must we overlook the characteristic nobility of Latin formal structure. Its "concise, varied and harmonious style, full of majesty and dignity" makes for singular clarity and impressiveness of expression.

[...]

[T]he Catholic Church has a dignity far surpassing that of every merely human society, for it was founded by Christ the Lord. It is altogether fitting, therefore, that the language it uses should be noble, majestic, and non-vernacular.

The pope went on to order the bishops to ensure the study of Latin for those entering the priesthood and teaching theology. He also wanted the traditional curriculum restored, so that all students could have a grounding in this ancient and venerable language.

As everyone now knows, his orders were disobeyed.

Catholics like me, therefore, are bereft of the treasure of knowing Latin. But if we come clean, if we step forward into the light, perhaps we can effect change. As that one awful, awful, just really terrible hymn they made me sing at my first communion said, "Let our tears be turned into dancing." I

can't quote any more of it without risking nausea, but perhaps the realization that we love the Church's liturgy enough to want to be there even when it's in a language we don't know might help bring about a restoration of Latin study to edify the generations that follow.

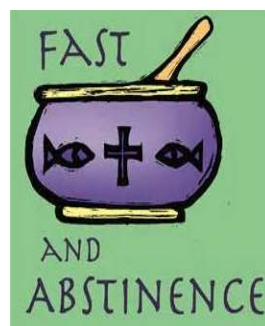
Until then, we will persevere, and I am here to tell you that it is not so difficult as you may believe. There are even certain benefits to our condition. When you have to follow along in a hand missal, for example, it's a bit more challenging than attending a liturgy you know by heart. It requires you to check, if you've lost yourself in prayer, to see where the priest is. You have to turn pages, check propers, and ensure that you're in the right place at the right time if you wish to follow along. Believe it or not, this is a far more active form of participation than mere repetition "like zombies" (to use the words of my 9-year-old daughter) can provide. If you don't believe me, try it some time.

And as long as you have your handy missal, you can go anywhere in the world where they have a TLM and get the same Mass – a Mass you can follow along with eye, mind, and heart. Whether you're in Manhattan, Vienna, Budapest, or Hong Kong, you can experience the universality of the Church through a single, structured liturgy and a single, structured language. (Conversely, pick a different parish at random out of a phone book each Sunday for a month just in your own diocese and you'll find a vastly differing experience, to say nothing of what you'll find during international travel.)

Many people think that Latin Masses are hung up on Latin in the liturgy because they love the language so much. I certainly like the way it sounds, and care deeply about what it represents, but I suppose it's hard to truly love what you don't know. In that sense, Cicero was right. For Catholics, it truly is excellent to know Latin. It's also a shame not to know it, but I get by. Many do.

In discussions of liturgy, I've often told people that Latin is, in many respects, the least important thing that distinguishes the Traditional Latin Mass from the new missal. But that doesn't mean it isn't important. It means everything in the ancient liturgy is.

Do not be ashamed. It's okay to admit the truth. Non-Latin speaking TLM-lovers of the world, unite!



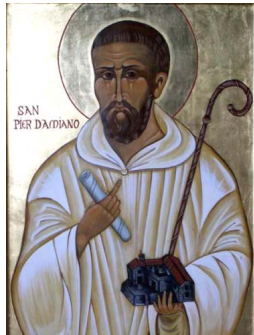
We urge keeping the traditional Lenten Fast which means all the weekdays of Lent are fast days except Sundays and Holy Days like St. Patrick's, St. Joseph's and Annunciation. Catholics must Fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and Abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting means eating only one complete meal and two smaller ones during the day, with no food in between, unless medically necessary. The penance of Lent is threefold: fasting, prayer, and the works of mercy. Some Catholics keep the ancient practice of abstaining from meat on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Saints of the Week

February 21

ST. PETER DAMIAN

(1007-1072)



Maybe because he was orphaned and had been treated shabbily by one of his brothers, Peter Damian was very good to the poor. It was the ordinary thing for him to have a poor person or two with him at table.

Peter escaped poverty and the neglect of his own brother when his other brother, who was archpriest of Ravenna, took him under his wing. His brother sent him to good schools and Peter became a professor.

Already in those days Peter was very strict with himself. He wore a hair shirt under his clothes, fasted rigorously and spent many hours in prayer.

The abbot commanded that when he died Peter should succeed him. Abbot Peter founded five other hermitages. The Holy See periodically called on him, however, to be a peacemaker or troubleshooter.

Finally, Pope Stephen IX made Peter the cardinal-bishop of Ostia. He worked hard to wipe out simony (the buying of church offices), and encouraged his priests to observe celibacy and urged even the diocesan clergy to live together and maintain scheduled prayer and religious observance.

February 22

CHAIR OF PETER (*Cathedra Petri*)



This feast commemorates Christ's choosing Peter to sit in his place as the servant-authority of the whole Church:

"... [O]nce you have turned back, you must strengthen your brothers" (Luke 22:32). He at once becomes the spokesman for the Twelve about their experience of the Holy Spirit—before the civil authorities who wished to quash their preaching, before the council of Jerusalem, for the community in

the problem of Ananias and Sapphira. He is the first to preach the Good News to the Gentiles. The healing power of Jesus in him is well attested: the raising of Tabitha from the dead, the cure of the crippled beggar. People carry the sick into the streets so that when Peter passed his shadow might fall on them.

Even a saint experiences difficulty in Christian living. When Peter stopped eating with Gentile converts because he did not want to wound the sensibilities of Jewish Christians, Paul says, "...I opposed him to his face because he clearly was wrong.... [T]hey were not on the right road in line with the truth the of gospel..." (Galatians 2:11b, 14a)

On Vatican Hill, in Rome, during the reign of Nero, Peter glorified his Lord with a martyr's death, probably in the company of many Christians. Second-century Christians built

a small memorial over his burial spot. In the fourth century, the Emperor Constantine built a basilica, which was replaced in the 16th century.

February 23

ST. POLYCARP

(d. 156)

Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna (modern Izmir, Turkey), disciple of St. John the Apostle and friend of St. Ignatius of Antioch was a revered Christian leader during the first half of the second century.

St. Ignatius, on his way to Rome to be martyred, visited Polycarp at Smyrna, and later at Troas wrote him a personal letter. The Asia Minor Churches recognized Polycarp's leadership by choosing him as a representative to discuss with Pope Anicetus the date of the Easter celebration in Rome.

Only one of the many letters written by Polycarp has been preserved, the one he wrote to the Church of Philippi in Macedonia.

At 86, Polycarp was led into the crowded Smyrna stadium to be burned alive. The flames did not harm him and he was finally killed by a dagger. The centurion ordered the saint's body burned. The "Acts" of Polycarp's martyrdom are the earliest preserved, fully reliable account of a Christian martyr's death. He died in 156.

February 26

ST. ISABEL OF FRANCE

(1224-1270)

Sister of St. Louis and daughter of King Louis VIII of France and Blanche of Castile, she refused offers of marriage from several noble suitors to continue her life of virginity consecrated to God. She ministered to the sick and the poor, and after the death of her mother, founded the Franciscan Monastery of the Humility of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Longchamps in Paris. She lived there in austerity but never became a nun and refused to become abbess.

February 27

ST. LEANDER OF SEVILLE

(534 - 600)

Leander was born at Cartagena, Spain, of Severianus and Theodora, illustrious for their virtue. St. Isidore and Fulgentius, both bishops were his brothers, and his sister, Florentina, is also numbered among the saints. He became a monk at Seville and then the bishop of the See. He was instrumental in converting the two sons of the Arian Visigothic King Leovigild. This action earned him the king's wrath and exile to Constantinople, where he met and became close friends of the Papal Legate, the future Pope Gregory the Great. Once back home, under King Reccared, St. Leander began his life work of propagating Christian orthodoxy against the Arians in Spain. The third local Council of Toledo (over which he presided in 589) decreed the consubstantiality of the three Persons of the Trinity and brought about moral reforms. Leander's unerring wisdom and unflagging dedication let the Visigoths and the Suevi back to the true Faith and obtained the gratitude of Gregory the Great. The saintly bishop also composed an influential Rule for nuns and was the first to introduce the Nicene Creed at Mass.



Mass Intentions for the Week of February 21, 2016

(The Masses listed in italic are Tridentine Latin Masses)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21 - SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

10:30 - *For the People of the Parish*

12:30 - John Lawler (RIP) by Vincent de Ruvo

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22 - *Chair of St. Peter the Apostle*

7:30 - For All Souls in Purgatory by Jenny Cabello

8:00 - *Rev. Saeed Abedini & Fr. Jacques Mourad (Living) by Michelle Palmieri*

12:15 - Mario Minoli (RIP) by Frank Composto & family

1:15 - Robert Arrajj (RIP) by Lydia Anastassov

6:00 - *Marginita Dublin (Living – Birthday Blessings)*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23 - LENTEN WEEKDAY, *St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr*

7:30 - Anthony Verrelli (RIP) by Orlando Morales

8:00 - *Virginia St. Hill and Alambert Bourne (RIP) by Ingrid Gerber*

12:15 - Mary Lehtinen (RIP) by Dorothy Zaleski

1:15 - Anthony Verrelli (RIP) by Pat Sicardi

6:00 - *Romana Mendoza (RIP) by granddaughter Mercy*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:30 - Al Alimento (RIP) by son Larry

8:00 - *Fr. Leonard Glavin, O.F.M. Cap. (RIP - Feb 8, 2016)*

12:15 - Mariano Cauchi (RIP) and All Souls in Purgatory

1:15 - Tom Toth (RIP) by Tom Nebeling

6:00 - *In Thanksgiving to God by Mary Byrne*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:30 - Marcos Araujo (RIP) by Michael

8:00 - *Margaret Rose Douglas-Amour by Ingrid Gerber*

12:15 - Ezekiel Hernandez (RIP) by Tony Fitzgibbon

1:15 - Lawrence Reid, Jr. (RIP - 5/08/2015)

6:00 - *John McBride (Living)*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:30 - Alice Carter and son James Carter (RIP)

8:00 - *Lila Leith (RIP) by Ingrid Gerber*

12:15 - Christian Labelle (RIP) by Kathy Ferre

1:15 - Amparo Lebron (RIP) by Luz Lievano

6:00 - *Alexis McNamara (Living)*



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Lenten Fridays, after 12:15 & 6 pm Masses

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

1:00 - *Michael Jackson (RIP) by Petra Bernard*

4:00 - Taisy George (Birthday Blessings)

Upcoming Masses Next Week ...

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28 - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

10:30 - *For the People of the Parish*

12:30 - Daniel Caruso (RIP) by Marjorie Caruso



*The Sanctuary
Lamp is
Dedicated by the
Family of Holy
Innocents*



*Bread & Wine
are Offered by the
Family of Holy
Innocents*



*The Eternal
Flame is
Dedicated by the
Family of Holy
Innocents*

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California Mission Trail of St. Junipero Serra

**July 29 –
Aug. 06
2016**

with Rev. Fr. Leonard Villa

Traveling the El Camino Real (King's Highway) from San Diego to Sonoma, visit 11 of the 21 missions founded by St. Junipero Serra and his Franciscan companions from 1769 to 1829 in the wilderness of California. Also see Old Town San Diego, the stunning campus of Thomas Aquinas College, the Danish village of Solvang, Big Sur Coastline, Sonoma vineyards, Golden Gate Bridge and the "miracle swallows" of Mission San Juan Capistrano! *Daily Mass*

All-inclusive cost* from NY JFK: \$2995
*\$200 more after March 15th. For details call
1-800-334-5425 or visit syversentouring.com/missions



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 INNOCENTS' BOOK CLUB

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every
month, March 15th, after
the 6pm Traditional Mass. For Info:
Oswaldo Calvario 650-213-6167 (mobile)
or e-mail: oswald.calvario@gmail.com

Now reading for March: *The Life & Glories of Saint Joseph*, by Edward Healy Thompson.



THURSDAY EVENINGS 7:15pm YOUNG ADULT HOLY HOUR

Social afterwards

More info: 212-279-5861 x226



Fr. Jim Goode, OFM,
12:15pm Mass
Wednesday, March. 9th
He will be coming here on the
first two Wednesdays
of the month, March thru' July



2000 Hail Marys

*before the
Blessed Sacrament*

**SECOND SATURDAY
OF EVERY MONTH
March 12, 2016**

6:15 am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament &
20 Decades of Pro-Life Rosary for the Unborn
8:00 am – 2000 Hail Marys – 20 petitions
12 Noon – Mass in Honor of Blessed Virgin Mary
2:30 pm – Confessions
3 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany of the Passion
3:50 pm – Benediction
4:00 pm – Vigil Mass for Sunday

*Devotees are advised to bring their personal petitions to be
prayed over during the vigil. This is a powerful devotion that
is pleasing to God, because you are not only praying for your
own petitions, but are also praying for other people and all
the problems in the world. Lunch will be provided.*

The Cenacle World Prayer Group: 718-381-4419

Website: www.cenacleworldprayergroup.com

E-mail: cwprayergroup@gmail.com

RECOLLECTION

EVENINGS OF RECOLLECTION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

1st & 3rd Tuesdays: at 7:30pm with a
meditation in the presence of the

Lord in the Blessed Sacrament followed by a social at a
local establishment. Confessions heard. Next: March 1st.

✠ *Requiescat in Pace*

FR. LEONARD GLAVIN, O.F.M. Cap.

who celebrated Masses at Holy
Innocents during 2013-14, passed
away on February 8th at Holy Name
Friary, Ringwood, NJ. The Funeral
Mass and Burial were held on
February 13th at Sacred Heart
Church, 110 Shonnard Place
Yonkers, NY 10703.

Please pray for the repose of his soul



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! In February, we will meet on
the 4th Wednesday, February 24th
at 7:15pm in the Parish Hall.

Bring a friend! More info: 646-740-3829

The Shrine to the Unborn

Blessed by Cardinal O'Connor on December 28, 1993



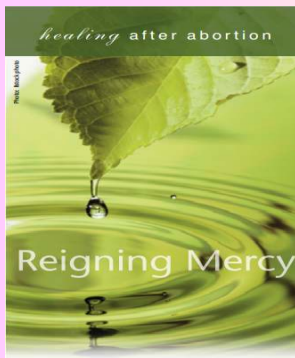
*The Shrine is dedicated in Memory of the Children
Who Have Died Unborn
We invite you to name your child(ren)
and provide the opportunity to have
your baby's name inscribed in our "Book of Life".*

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.



We sincerely thank all the volunteers who helped on Ash Wednesday to give proper directions to the many thousands of visitors, to distribute literature and to sell candles.



SISTERS OF LIFE

*Hope
&
Healing
After
Abortion*

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

DAYS OF PRAYER AND HEALING FOR WOMEN IN NEW YORK

Saturdays in 2016:
Feb. 27 (in Spanish)
March 19

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



From February 10 — March 20, our city will join with hundreds of other cities for 40 Days for Life, a life-saving campaign made up of three components:



**PRAYER &
FASTING**



**COMMUNITY
OUTREACH**



**PEACEFUL
VIGIL**

40 Days for Life is a peaceful pro-life effort ... and 675,000 volunteers in 607 cities across 32 nations have taken part. With God's help, 40 Days for Life has seen **11,165** babies saved from abortion, **127** abortion worker conversions, and **64** closed abortion centers. Pray and get involved, and **YOU** can help save lives!

MANHATTAN 40 DAYS FOR LIFE:

Vigil location: Margaret Sanger Center
Planned Parenthood, 26 Bleeker Street

Vigil hours: 7 AM — 8 PM every day

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