## **Holy Innocents Catholic Parish**

**September 17, 2023** 

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Innocents Church
26526 NE Cherry Valley Road; P.O. Box 850
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(425)788-1400

www.holyinn.org



#### **Mass Times:**

Sunday: 8 am & 10:30 am — 8am at www.holyinn.org
Daily Mass: Tue, Thur & Fri 9 am, Wed 6pm

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#### Mission Statement

The Catholic Community of Holy Innocents
Church is called to continue the mission of
Jesus Christ by:

- Enhancing Spiritual Growth;
- Reaching out and serving those in need;
- Educating our community in Christ's teaching
- Creating and maintaining a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

# Wednesday Women's Bible Study Resumes 9:30 — 11:00am up in the Narthex.

Childcare is available.



This fall the group will be using another Threshold Bible Study book entitled Peacemaking and Non—

Violence.

For more information please contact Debby@holyinno.org

#### Faith Formation UPDATE

Mark your calendar for the following. For information or questions please email ana@holyinn.org



First Reconciliation/First Communion Parent & Child meeting with Fr. Johnson is this Thursday September 21st at 7pm

Youth Confirmation Parent and Teen Orientation is Today Sunday September 17th 12noon-1:30pm . Meet in the Church





Faith Formation Family Program and Sunday Preschool starts Sunday October 1st

Registration for all programs available in the narthex or at the website: www.holyinn.org

# Let All Choirs of Angels Exalt! Those who sing pray twice Choir Ministry Returns

We are "firin' up" the Choir Grills once again. If you've been hearing God's call to pray twice, here's your chance to add your voices and talents to the Holy Innocents Music Ministry. Weekly rehearsals are on Wednesdays, at 7:00 PM, here in the church. For more information email Norita at musicmin@holyinn.org or talk with me after mass on Sunday.

#### Help Wanted

#### We are hiring Sunday morning nursery caregivers

This position would be 9am—12noon on Sunday morning s and cover the F.U.T.U.R.E.s Faith formation program and the 10:30am mass. Compensation is \$18 per hour.

Candidates must be at least 18 years of age.

Please reach out to Debby@holinn.org for more

information and an application.

NUKSERY help needed

#### Holy Innocents Calendar

September 17

Mass- 8 am & 10:30am
Parent/Teen Confirmation Orientation Noon

Tues NO DAILY MASS

Pantry — 3 pm-6:30 pm

Wed Pantry — 10 am—12 pm Mass 6:00pm

Choir Rehearsal 7 pm

Thur Mass 9 am

!st Reconciliation Parent & Child Meeting 7pm

Fri Mass 9 am Sacrament of Confession 6 pm

Adoration 7 pm — 8pm

### Prayer Requests:

Call the Office (425)788-1400

At the celebration of the Eucharist this week and in your prayers, please remember those from our parish family for whom we have been asked to pray.: For all who are sick, and for all those have died.

Mary Lou Kittridge, Linda McCormick, James Magill, Shirley Bushy, Teresa Swedman, Michael Gordan, BethAnn Willits, Leila Edwin, Helen Sexton, Paul Beard, Audrey Lawton, Alfred Harke, Rex Harke, Tess Buchthal, Michael Barroga-Hulett, Cyndi Uhlenkott, Kristi Douglas, Jo Ann Douglas, Tom Dabov, Michelle Kendrick, Kimberly Smith, Marcia Evans, Gina Howell, Xavier Charbonneau-Teece, Lisa Hackett, Krystal Noga-Styron, Renate Oestreich, Ed Majerle, Anne Lavigueure,, Kimo Bell, Bev Harke,, Mary Borgobello

#### HI TIP: Together in Prayer

For our faith formation program volunteers, our community schools, for students, teachers, aides, aids, support staff, school administrators, school board members, coaches, literacy teachers, daycare providers. St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.

Parish Stewardship as of 9/10
Operations YTD Building YTD

,Goal: **\$104,711 \$61,430** 

Actual: \$83,864 \$62,485

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society

Meets 2nd Monday of each month, 7 pm

Contact: Harry Oestreich h.oestreich@frontier .com

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Meets 2nd Thursday of each month, 7 pm

Contact: George Doty 360-668-2224; Dotyga@aol.com

#### **Holy Innocents Food Pantry**

Tuesdays 3-6:30pm and Wednesday, 10am—noon, AA Meeting: Fridays 7:30 pm down in the Parish Hall



#### Partners in the Gospel Update!

This summer was busy as the consultation process progressed across the Archdiocese of Se-

attle. After priests provided their input, the

Oversight Committee and Presbyteral Council made adjustments to the Parish Family configurations, and a new draft was created. This draft has been going through consultation with: 

Deacons • Principals • Archdiocesan staff • Parish and school staff

**Now it's time to hear from YOU:** This Saturday on Sept. 23, 2023, the three-week public input phase begins. Proposed Parish Families will be announced next Sunday at the masses, but the full list of parish families will be available at archseattle.org/partners.

Each parish will host its own parishioner listening and input sessions to collect feedback and insights about the proposed parish families. Here at Holy Innocents they will be October 8th after the 8am and 10:30 masses and the following Wednesday October 11th at 7pm. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend one of these parish sessions. The public input phase ends on Oct. 14, 2023.

How to prepare We can prepare by first praying and asking the Holy Spirit for guidance. For these input sessions, we will use synodal listening, which means the effort is grounded in prayer with a sincere desire to listen to the Holy Spirit.



Take some time to watch Archbishop Etienne's invitation for all of us to take the time to offer our feedback and perspective.

# SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS WE'RE LISTENING We want to hear from you! Partners in the Gospel Input Phase

#### **Baptism**

The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism for infants is scheduled after the baptismal preparation for the parents is completed. Baptisms are normally celebrated at a Sunday mass in the parish where the parents live. Adults (7 years or older) seeking baptism or confirmation are invited to inquire at the parish office for information about adult preparation.

#### Marriage

Couples seeking marriage in the church are asked to contact the parish at least four months in advance of their proposed wedding date. For those with prior marriages, additional time may be required. Marriages are celebrated in the parish in which one of the Catholic parties lives.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Private confession is available every Friday evening  $6:00~\mathrm{pm}-6:45~\mathrm{nm}$ .

**Pastoral Care for the Sick and Dying** In the case of serious illness or failing health due to old age, parishioners should ask the church for the Sacrament of Anointing. This sacrament is administered by a priest and is celebrated by appointment as necessary. When a parishioner is near death, they should receive Holy Communion, called Viaticum (food for the journey). This sacrament can be administered by a priest or deacon or Eucharistic minister.

# What does the Food Pantry Need this Week?



The pantry needs cereal this week. The shelves are running low.

Drop it in the baskets at the back of the church or drop it by the office during the week. Thank you.



#### Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

September 17, 2023 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time SIR 27:30-28:7; PS 103:1-4, 9-12; ROM 14:7-9; MT 18:21-35

Today's readings call us to look inward to the state of our hearts, our thoughts and emotions.



Our first reading, from Sirach, addresses the complicated emotion of anger. "Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the Lord?" We have all been wounded by others at some point, some perhaps quite deeply. Our emotions are gifts from God. But we must steward them well, rather than allowing them to overcome us.

How do we do this? Sirach tells us. "Remember your last days, set enmity aside... Remember the Most High's covenant and overlook faults." We embrace the stewardship mindset — not brooding over hurts, but recalling all the gifts our good God has given us, all the love He continually pours out upon us, and we put our focus and trust in Him.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus reminds us of the true position we have before Him in light of all that He has done for us, comparing the kingdom of heaven to a "king who decided to settle accounts with his servants." In the parable, a debtor is brought before the king, owing such an overwhelming debt that it could not possibly be repaid. Yet, the king is filled with compassion for the servant, forgives the debt and lets him go free.

Doesn't that sound like each of us in relation to the King of Kings? The Father has given us life, and then sent His only Son to die for us to free us from our sin "debts" and make eternal life with Him possible for us. It is impossible for us to repay this debt. All we can do is thank God by giving Him our whole selves — inside and out.

What joy and freedom we find in the stewardship way of life!

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