



**Saint Ignatius Loyola Church Weekly Update
July 24, 2022**

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses for the week of July 25th are:

Monday thru Friday – 7:30 a.m. – St. Ignatius Church

12:10 p.m. – Holy Family Church

WEEKEND MASSES

Please note weekend Mass schedule at St. Ignatius

Saturday Vigil Masses 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses 7:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

All Masses will be celebrated at St. Ignatius Church.

Please note weekend Mass schedule at Holy Family

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:15 p.m.

Sunday Mass 9:00 a.m.

Live Streaming of Sunday Mass will continue at 10:30 a.m.

St. Ignatius Church is closed for private prayer Monday through Friday, the week of July 25th for cleaning of the duct work.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions are held Saturdays from 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. at St. Ignatius.

Confessions are held Saturdays from 4:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. at Holy Family.



Parish Phone Number 570-288-6446

St. Ignatius Pastoral Staff

*Monsignor David L. Tressler
Reverend Shawn M. Simchock
Deacon Gerard P. Pernot
Mr. Harrison Rapp
Ms. Deirdre Drinkall
Mrs. Carmella Faust*

*Pastor
Assistant Pastor
Deacon
Seminarian
Notre Dame Intern/Pastoral Associate
Director of Liturgical Music
Director of Religious Education
Youth Minister and Live Stream Coordinator*

Ms. Shannon Kowalski

Main Office Staff

*Ms. Mary Lewis
Mrs. Jennifer Carey*

*Office Manager
Receptionist*

Maintenance

Mr. William Gross

Sacristan

Mr. Matt Fiske

Visiting Clergy

*Reverend James Alco
Reverend Daniel Issing, CSC
Reverend Robert Sickler
Reverend Andrew Sinnott*

Mission Statement

We, the blended Catholic community of St. Ignatius, draw strength from Word and Sacrament, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist. Modeling Christ's work, we embrace our commitment to God's call. We remain faithful to the shared acts of prayer, study, and service. Together we extend Christ's hospitality to others and light the path of peace for generations to come.

MINISTRY AVAILABILITY

If any Lector or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion is willing to serve at either Holy Family Parish or St. Ignatius Parish, please notify rectory of Mass preferences. All are welcome to serve at either Parish.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

Sympathy and prayers are extended to family members of the following recently deceased parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish and Holy Family Parish:

John Chris Lanczak
Conrad Baut
Mary Lou Pekarovsky

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

HOSPITALS, LONG TERM FACILITIES, AND HOME VISITATION

All visitations to homes and hospitals remain limited based upon restrictions of individual health care facilities' protocols. CDC guidelines must be followed.

OCTOBER 11, 1962

A MAJOR EVENT????

YES!!!!

**IMPACTED MANY, NOT ONLY
NATIONAL BUT WORLDWIDE!**

STAY TUNED!!



ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA VBS IS BACK!!

Come join us as we spend a week in *God's Wonder Lab!* Through songs, games, crafts, snacks, and Bible stories, we will come to learn that Jesus can do the impossible!

When: **Monday, August 1st – Friday, August 5th**

Time: **9:30 am – Noon**

Ages: Those who have completed one year of pre-school through those who have completed Grade 5.

Fee: \$10.00 per child

Registration may also be done by phone 570-287-3682 or email: religiouseducation1@yahoo.com

We are in need of some help for Vacation Bible School.

Needed:

1. Youth aides for each group. Games aides have been filled.
2. Games director

GIFT BASKETS FOR FAMILY DAY

Parishioners are invited to make a theme gift basket for our annual family day to be raffled off at our Summer Social. Baskets can come prepared or will be assembled by members of the committee. If anyone wishes to donate gift cards in place of a basket, please feel free to do so. Baskets should be dropped at the rectory by Wednesday, August 10th. Thank you for your support of our Family Day Gathering.



Please return ticket order form with payment (checks payable to St Ignatius Loyola Church; memo Summer Social) to the Rectory (via collection basket, mail or in person) no later than August 1, 2022. Tickets will be distributed from the Rectory on August 8, 2022.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

_____ Adults Tickets \$25.00 each # _____ Youth Tickets (free)

Total _____ Cash or Check # _____



WEEKLY BULLETINS

Please note that weekly bulletins from each parish will be available in the back of both Churches until our combined bulletin is introduced the First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2022.

HOLY NAME SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to Emily Theroux who was this year's recipient of the Holy Name Scholarship. Emily is a graduate of Holy Redeemer High School.



ST. ANN'S NOVENA

The annual Novena honoring Saint Ann began Sunday, July 17th. Novena prayers and a general relic blessing will be offered at the end of each Mass. St. Ann Novena prayer cards will be available. Please do not return the St. Ann Novena prayer cards to the table. The nine-day Novena will conclude on the Feast of St. Ann – Tuesday, July 26th.



FAREWELL AND THANK YOU RECEPTION FOR HARRISON RAPP

Seminarian Harrison Rapp who has served for the past six months will be leaving us on Sunday, July 31, 2022. We are deeply grateful for his presence and service to our parishes. We will have a farewell reception on Sunday, July 31 from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. to wish him well. Please join us in front of St. Ignatius Rectory for an opportunity to bid farewell, extend best wishes, and assure him of our prayerful support as he continues his seminary formation.



World Day for Grandparents and Elderly

Pope Francis has established throughout the Church the [celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and Elderly](#) beginning in 2021 on the **fourth Sunday of July**, near the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.

PRAYER FOR THE WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth! I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life. I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me. I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me. Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations. Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth. Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended. Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.

Mass Intentions – Week of July 25th – 31st

Monday
7:30 AM – Mary Chesluk <i>Robzen Family</i>
12:10 PM Mass at Holy Family Church
Tuesday
7:30 AM – Alice Williams <i>Andrew & Margaret</i>
12:10 PM Mass at Holy Family Church
Wednesday
7:30 AM – James J. Boyle <i>Family</i>
12:10 PM Mass at Holy Family Church
Thursday
7:30 AM – Helen Oliveri <i>Janine Alexis</i>
12:10 PM Mass at Holy Family Church
Friday
7:30 AM – Elizabeth Cox <i>Family</i>
12:10 PM Mass at Holy Family Church
Saturday
4:00 PM – Deceased Members Schwartz Family
5:15 PM Mass at Holy Family Church
Sunday
7:00 AM – For the People of the Parish
9:00 AM Mass at Holy Family Church
10:30 AM – Thomas Lahart <i>Fenner Family</i>

Church Candle for the Week of July 25th

In Memory of Danny Bruchert – Requested by Mom & Dad

Bread & Wine for the Week of July 25th

In Memory of Michael Herbacsek – Requested by Family

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR JULY 17, 2022

Sunday Tithe
\$11,625.00

E-Offerings
\$1,884.00

Total
\$13,509.00

**Amount Needed
Each Week to
Meet Expenses
TBD**

Father Simchock, Deacon Pernot, Deirdre Drinkall, and Harrison Rapp and I continue to be most grateful for your generosity and support during these challenging days. Envelopes can be mailed in or dropped in the mailbox on the rectory front porch.

May God Bless you abundantly for your continued support. Be assured of our prayers for health and safety for all.





Diocese of Scranton
Guidelines for Public Masses
Revised June 22, 2022

FACE MASKS

The Diocesan guidelines continue to strongly recommend vaccinated and non-vaccinated individuals to wear masks inside for Mass and other indoor gatherings in order to protect the health and safety of all in attendance. **At this time and as long as case counts remain low, masks are optional.** You are reminded to continue to maximize the use of space as much as possible.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Mask wearing for distribution of Holy Communion will be optional, at the discretion of the minister of Holy Communion.

We respectfully request anyone who wishes to receive communion on their tongue to go to the end of the line.

The distribution of the Precious Blood remains suspended at this time.

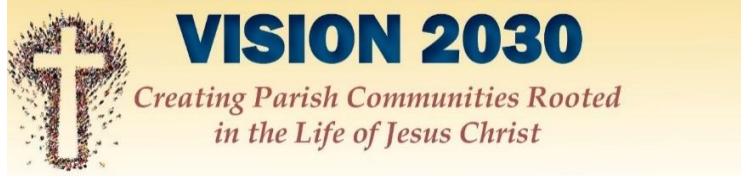
HAND HYGIENE

Hand washing and sanitizing are essential in preventing the spread of the virus. It is highly recommended that everyone takes advantage of the sanitizers located at the entrances of the church.

The Sign of Peace will be extended without physical contact.

LIVE STREAMING MASS

Beginning this weekend July 16-17, 2022, the livestream Mass will move to 10:30 a.m on Sundays and also will be available for in-person attendance.



Characteristics of linked parishes include:

- The parishes remain distinct canonical entities.
- The parishes are encouraged to work toward combining Parish Pastoral Council meetings and to establishing common committees where possible.
- According to Canon Law, linked parishes must have separate finance councils.
- Linked parishes do many things cooperatively, such as programs and in-services.

MEMBERS OF COMBINED TRANSITION TEAM

St. Ignatius

Chris Arnold
Michelle Butcher
Patrick Endler
Molly Kachmar
Dr. Cindy Liskov

Holy Family

Diane Connolly
Gene Klimash
Donna Piekanski
Andy Reilly
Gina Weidow

His Excellency, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, announces the following appointments **effective July 1, 2022.**

Monsignor David L. Tressler, to Pastor, Holy Family Parish, Luzerne. Monsignor will continue to serve as Pastor, Saint Ignatius Loyola Parish, Kingston.

Reverend Shawn M. Simchock to Parochial Vicar, Holy Family Parish, Luzerne. Father Simchock will continue to serve as Parochial Vicar of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Kingston.

Deacon Gerard M. Pernot to Diaconal Ministry at Holy Family Parish, Luzerne. Deacon Pernot will continue in his Diaconal Ministry at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Kingston.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION REGARDING LINKAGE

- 1. Church Envelopes will be returned to the Parish of origin on Mondays. All donations will be kept separate, and parish of origin will credit parishioners accordingly.**
- 2. Rectory Staff will be contacting those who have scheduled 12:10 p.m. Masses to reschedule the Mass to the next available 7:30 a.m. or weekend Mass.**
- 3. At present no new Mass intentions can be accepted until the process explained in item 2 is completed.**
- 4. Holy Family Church is located at 574 Bennett Street, Luzerne, PA.**
- 5. Holy Family Church is 1.1 mile away from St. Ignatius Church.**
- 6. Holy Family Parish does have a large parking lot on the right side of the Church.**
- 7. Holy Family Church has an elevator. Please use the side door from the parking lot to gain access.**
- 8. To contact a parish priest for a medical emergency or to schedule a funeral when the office is closed, please call 570-479-6983. A priest is always on call.**
- 9. Live-stream Mass time will be changed to 10:30 a.m. on Sundays the weekend of July 16-17, 2022. The 10:30 a.m. Mass will continue to be a public Mass as well.**
- 10. Those who presently serve as Lectors or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are asked to contact the rectory regarding Mass time preferences for continuing their ministry due to new Mass Schedule.**

**A Message from Monsignor Tressler to the parishioners
Holy Family and St. Ignatius Parishes**

Dear Friends,

It is an honor and privilege to serve the faith communities as your pastor. I am deeply indebted to our pastoral and office staff members for their support as we continue to navigate through our new linkage.

I wish to extend my sincerest appreciation to our transition committee who worked very diligently to guide and prepare us for the linkage. I appreciate their time and efforts greatly.

I am also very grateful to all the faithful parishioners of both communities for your acceptance of the many changes that have been implemented. There will be some growing pains, but I am confident that together we will form a strong ecclesial community of faith, hope, and love.

I assure you of my willingness to do whatever I can to serve you and be of assistance to you. Please do not hesitate to contact Fr. Simchock, Deacon Pernot, our Notre Dame Intern Deirdre Drinkall, who will return on August 15, 2022, or me if we can be of service to you.

Finally, I wish to extend our sincerest best wishes and appreciation to our Seminarian, Harrison Rapp who will leave our parishes next Sunday, July 31, 2022, to begin his seminary graduate studies. He has been an inspiration to all of us. I am most grateful for all that he has done to be of service these past six months. Please keep Harrison in your prayers as he continues his journey of priestly formation.

May the Sacred Heart, St. Mary, Holy Family, St John Nepomucene, St. Ignatius, St. Ann, and St. Hedwig continue to inspire us and guide us each day.

Be assured of my daily prayerful support for you and your families.

God Bless!

Sincerely,

David L. Tressler

**Monsignor David L. Tressler
Pastor**