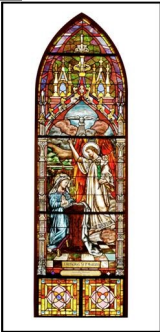


**THE CHURCH OF
SAINT IGNATIUS
LOYOLA**



**A ROMAN CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY INSPIRED BY THE
TRADITION OF ST. IGNATIUS,
ST. HEDWIG AND
ST. MARY'S ANNUNCIATION
PARISHES.**

Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 12, 2020
Baptism of the Lord (A)
Is 42:1-4, 6-7
Acts 10:34-38
Mt 3:13-17

Our Chance to Start Anew

Who has not been asked, at the dawning of young adulthood, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" Today there are so many options for both girls and boys. How does one decide? Money and security are very tempting, as are fame and reputation. And then there is the other side of the story when, in the quiet of our thoughts later in life, we wonder if we became everything we might have been. Did we choose the right path or the easy one? Did we rise to the occasion when life challenged us or did we stay where it was comfortable? Did we really grow up or did we just get older?

Today we cross the threshold of Christmastime and step into Ordinary Time when the readings focus on discipleship. What kind of disciples do we want to be? Regardless of the past, today we have a chance to start anew. The readings place two models before us—the servant in Isaiah and Jesus at his baptism.

Filled with the Spirit of God, Jesus is now ready to go out into the world to proclaim God's love and mercy and to give evidence of that love and mercy in the way he treats others. The servant in the Isaiah reading was also filled with the spirit of God in order to "bring forth justice to the nations" (Isaiah 42:1). By baptism, we, too, are filled with God's spirit. How are we going to use it? What do we want to be when we grow up?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ What can you do to make your part of the world a better place?
- ★ Look within yourself. To what might God be calling you?



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***W**e, the blended Catholic community of St. Ignatius Loyola, 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.*

"Knowing God is more important than knowing about God." - Karl Rahner, S.J.

THANK YOU - CHRISTMAS

THANK YOU! Please allow me to extend my sincere gratitude for the dedication and support of so many individuals who assisted in the preparation for Christmas here at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish. I am so grateful to the many who assisted in making our Christmas celebrations so beautiful. The countless volunteers who spent so much time cleaning, setting up and decorating the Church and Chapel both inside and out, our various musical ministries (Mrs. Carmella Faust, Mrs. Elaine Blessing, Mr. Rob Yenkowski, Mrs. Pat Fennell, Mrs. Caprice Ryman, Mr. George Andresky), the lectors, extraordinary ministers of communion, altar servers, sacristans, ushers, seamstresses, decorators, cleaners, and the coordinators of the many activities, projects and events during the season (i.e. Christmas Party for the children, Pierogi Sale, Holy Family Sunday, Christmas Gatherings/Dinners, Mary's Ministry, Contemporary Ensemble & Children's Choir concert, etc...)! Gratitude is also extended to the service of our parish staff, Mary Lewis, Betty Jones, Jen Carey, Bill Gross, Matt Fiske, and Mary Fiske. We are blessed! On behalf of the parish community I wish to express our heartfelt gratitude! Finally, to the entire parish community thank you for your presence and generous support of our parish.

The Magi came and laid their gifts before the Child that day.

But greater than the gifts they gave were those they took away.

So may you too, as you today adore your Lord anew, receive more gifts than you can give. God bless and care for you!

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION THANK YOU

Saint Ignatius Loyola Parish celebrated Christmas with a joyful and faith filled community of believers in the true reason for the season – **JESUS!** Please allow me to extend heartfelt gratitude for your generosity to our parish Christmas offering which totaled \$41,503.51 as of January 6, 2020. This exceeded our total of 2018 which was \$40,697.00. May the Christ child continue to hold you close to his heart throughout the New Year! Thank you for your generous donation to our parish this Christmas. God Bless!

DAILY MASS ON MONDAY, JANUARY 20TH

Please be aware that there will only be one Mass celebrated at **9:00 AM on Monday, January 20th.** Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

Please note that the office will be closed on **Monday, January 20th.**

*The Altar Breads and
Wine for this week are
offered*

In Memory of
William E. Lewis
By Cheryl & Mary

Sanctuary Candles

Church

In Memory
Deacon John O'Connor
By Jean Petroski

Chapel

In Memory of
Anthony Maloney
By Family



Joseph Hudock
Bruce Waugh
John Olszewski



Religious Education

Important upcoming dates:

Sunday, January 26th - Grade 3 Family Morning/Class Mass. All Grade 3 students, both public and private schools and their families, are strongly encouraged to attend this Morning. It will begin at 9:15 AM in Conlan Hall with a light continental breakfast and family activity followed by the class Mass at 10:30 AM.

Sunday, January 26th - Confirmation class meeting (students only) 6:30 -7:30 PM in Conlan Hall. This is one of the requirements for the Confirmation class.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish will establish a Bereavement Committee which will minister to our families who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The Committee will establish teams who will be organized/trained to conduct the prayer services at the funeral homes. In addition members of the committee will also provide cards periodically throughout the year after the death to support the family. This is truly a Corporal Work of Mercy which are charitable actions by which we help others in their time of need. Please prayerfully consider this ministry and plan on attending an information meeting to be held on **Tuesday, January 28th** at 6:30 PM in Conlan Hall. Thank you.

Sunday Tithe
\$13,648.63

Holy Day
\$3,790.00

E-Offerings
\$565.00

Total
\$18,003.63

Amount Needed
Each Week to
Meet Expenses
\$12,060.00

WEEKLY MEDITATION

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

The words of the Father were spoken with conviction and pride. What will our God have to say about me? Do my actions reflect my belief in Our Savior? Is Jesus part of my daily life? Does my life style proclaim my Christianity? Questions to consider . . . where do I need to change?

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Please leave Box Tops for Education with UPC bar code and soda tabs to benefit Good Shepherd Academy. Boxes are located in the Church and Chapel foyers.

Don't forget! Food Collection each and every weekend at the vestibules of the Church and Chapel.

HOLIDAY SOCIAL THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who attended our Mary’s Ministry Holiday Social and donated gifts for the women at Ruth’s Place and Catherine McAuley House. A special thanks to Elaine Whipple for coordinating this event and to Susan Klein & A Family of Friends for sharing her time and talent to bring joy to all.

MARY’S MINISTRY BUSINESS/PLANNING MEETING

Mary’s Ministry leadership team will meet on **Tuesday, January 14th** at 6:30 PM at Patte’s, 65 W. Hollenback Ave., Wilkes-Barre to review our current budget and to finalize plans for the Pro-Life Baby Shower, February Luncheon and Ladies Night Out. Anyone interested in helping with these events is welcome to attend. All parishioners, especially our women, are reminded that an annual donation envelope for Mary’s Ministry is included in your parish packet this month. All contributions to support our efforts to seek the living Christ in shared spiritual and corporal works of mercy as modeled by our Blessed Mother are gratefully appreciated.

PRO-LIFE BABY SHOWER - JAN. 18TH & 19TH TO FEB. 1ST & 2ND

Mary’s Ministry’s annual Pro-Life Baby Shower will be held **Jan.18th & 19th to February 1st & 2nd**. Boxes will be located in the back of the Church and Chapel for donations of new and nearly new baby clothing, sleepers, blankets, baby wipes, wash-cloths and bath items. There is an ongoing need especially for diapers. Items need not be wrapped. Baby seats and furniture meeting safety standards may also be accepted. For questions or concerns, please contact Kate Corgan at 570-287-1060. All donations will be distributed through the local Pro-Life office and will be given to needy babies in our area. Please help with this important project.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY NIGHT AT THE RACES - SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH

The Holy Name Society will sponsor its Annual Night at the Races on **Saturday, March 28th** in Conlan Hall. Doors open at 6:00 PM. Admission is free and seating is first come-first serve basis - no reserved seating. Food and refreshments are ALL included. Horses will be able to be purchased before and during the event. This is an adult only event. Please come out and support our society and the Church and have fun with your neighbors and parishioners. If anyone wishes to sponsor a race (\$25.00) or donate prizes or bake treats, please call Tom Havrilak at 570-287-7768.



Monday
Worship Commission
6:30 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)

Wednesday
Knights of Columbus
Council & Social
7:30 PM
Conlan Hall

Thursday
Children’s Choir
6:45 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)
Contemporary
Ensemble 7:30 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)

Saturday
Prayer Shawl Ministry
12:00 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)

Saint Ignatius Holy Name Society Presents
“Night at the Races” - Saturday, March 28th
\$10.00 entry fee

Name of Horse _____
Sponsor _____
Telephone _____
Name of Seller _____



January 13th - 19th

Monday
7:30—William E. Lewis-ALM <i>Daughters, Cheryl & Mary</i>
12:10—Margaret Maher-ALM <i>Family</i>
Tuesday
7:30—Beverly Longo-ALM <i>Family</i>
12:10—Dr. Jorge Abrantes <i>Bonnie Wysocki</i>
Wednesday
7:30—P.J. Kachmar <i>Donna & Evan Perry</i>
12:10—P. Joseph Ruddy <i>Dolores Shone</i>
Thursday
7:30—Jack Casey <i>William Trusko</i>
12:10—Gerald Doyle-ALM <i>Wife, Cathy & Daughters</i>
Friday
7:30—Thelma Preslaw <i>Kopicki Family</i>
12:10—John & Isabelle Mesaros-ALM <i>Family</i>
Saturday
7:30—Beatrice Marko <i>Marko & Wilson Families</i>
4:00 PM—Anthony Blaso, Jr. <i>Mike Berish</i>
5:30 PM—Dr. William P. Smedley <i>Betsy Brady</i>
Sunday
7:00 AM—Leonard Mack <i>Dorothy T. Brush</i>
8:30 AM—James Ferris <i>Schopf Family</i>
10:30 AM—For the People of the Parish
12:00 PM—John Brawley <i>Paul & Jeanne Keating</i>

ATTENTION MINISTERS, LECTORS & SERVERS

Please use the following email to request days off, change of Mass times, address, phone number or email changes: officemanager@stignatiuspa.com. Please submit any changes for the February schedule by Tuesday, January 14th. Thank you!

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP

The Annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., will be held on **Friday, January 24th, 2020**. Cost is \$65.00 which includes bus and buffet dinner. *(For sponsoring a student, the cost is \$35.)* Please make checks out to “PHL” (by January 12th), and mail to: Chris Calore, 37 Elder St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702. Bus departs from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville, at 6:15 AM, after 5:50 AM Mass. We will return home approximately around 10:30 PM. For further details, please call Chris Calore at 570-824-5621.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2020 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 14th**. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at St. Peter’s Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with an April mailing address, should be made through the parish office before March 16th.

ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINES FOR

UPCOMING BULLETINS:

<u>BULLETIN</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>
JAN. 26TH	JAN. 15TH
FEB. 2ND	JAN. 22ND
FEB. 9TH	JAN. 29TH

ANNOUNCEMENTS RECEIVED AFTER NOON ON THE DEADLINE DATE WILL BE

PUBLISHED IN THE NEXT BULLETIN.

PLEASE SUBMIT ANNOUNCEMENTS TO officemanager@stignatiuspa.com

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 18th & 19th

Saturday 4:00 PM

Lectors

G. Galante & B. Matus

Communion Ministers

M. Graham
N. Krasniak
J. Lenahan

Altar Servers

A. Roper & M. Vodzak

Saturday 5:30 PM

Lectors

L. Rinker & J. Girvan

Communion Ministers

M. Girton, E. Rishcoff
K. Smedley

Altar Servers

K. Andes & A. Klopp

Sunday 7:00 AM

Lector

L. Palmeri

Communion Ministers

P. Podesta & T. Verbyla

Sunday 8:30 AM

Lectors

R. Garman & L. Skvarla

Communion Ministers

K. Corgan, M. Ferris
H. O'Brien

Altar Servers

M. Tietje

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ST. IGNATIUS
YOUTH MINISTRY
HAPPENINGS

Penguins Hockey Game

Friday, 2/7/20
7:05pm
\$15 per ticket
Mohegan Sun Arena

JANUARY

Planning Meeting

1/19/2020
6-7pm
Bergan Hall

Come tell us what you'd like to see happen this spring!

No need to be a "youth group member" - any student in 7-12th grade welcome!

FEBRUARY

Game Night

2/9/2020
5-7pm
Bergan Hall

Bring your favorite game to share!

DON'T MISS OUT:

Parents and Teens, join our text list and stay in the know!

Simply text @stiytm to 81010

Get reminders on events and updates right to your phone. You can opt out at any time

SAVE THE DATE!

ISLI Retreat for High School Feb 14-16, 2020

Up&Over Jr High Retreat June 5-7, 2020

Quo Vadis Days June 21-24, 2020

Light the Fire Youth Rally June 24, 2020

"Act as if everything depended on you; trust as if everything depended on God."

-St. Ignatius Loyola

ISLI LEADERSHIP RETREAT – FEBRUARY 14-16, 2020

The International Student Leadership Institute (ISLI) is a peer-facilitated faith-based leadership retreat developed at the University of Notre Dame. The ISLI retreat is designed to provide the knowledge and skills necessary to excel in both the leadership and membership roles of task oriented groups. During the retreat, participants take part in small group tasks that allow the student to make good decisions, examine leadership styles, practice leadership behavior, learn about positive communication, and develop self-motivational skills and learn problem solving and action planning techniques. The entirety of the retreat helps students to explore and express faith values in the Catholic Tradition. Complete applications are required by Sunday, February 2, 2020 and can be found at dioceseofscranton.org. Apply early as there are a limited number of spaces available for ISLI. For further information, please call Shannon Kowalski at 570-207-2213, ext. 1155.



Food Pantry donations for November and December totaled 1,920 items and \$462.00. Totals do not include items or monetary donations collected during the November Food Drive. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. As a new year begins, the need for personal care items like toothpaste, soap, deodorant, shampoo, razors, toilet paper etc. continues. Any non-perishables including snack items like sandwich crackers, cereal bars, and small bags of nuts are always appreciated. Monetary donations are welcome with checks payable to the “Al Beech Food Pantry.” If you are in need of food and reside in any town on the west side from Exeter to Plymouth, you are eligible to receive it. Show up at the Food Pantry on Market St., Kingston on Tuesday or Friday between 9:00 and 11:00 AM. Please bring an ID showing your current address each time you come. You will be signed in when you arrive. Pre-registration is no longer required. Thank you and God Bless you!

ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

357 families have pledged \$66,772.04 which is 82% of our \$82,000.00 goal.
Thank you!!!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
Continued

Sunday 10:30 AM
Lectors
T. & R. O'Connor
Communion Ministers
M. Butcher J. Duesler D. Mosca
Altar Servers
C. Griffin, C. Griffin B. Griffin, I. Shoemaker
Sunday 12:00 PM
Lectors
M. McGinley & G. Gayeski
Communion Ministers
C. Gazowski, T. Gazowski C. Liskov
Altar Servers
G. Bellia & C. Dec



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12 DAY CRUISE OF THE BRITISH ISLES ON THE NORWEGIAN STAR
WITH OUR PASTOR MONSIGNOR DAVID L. TRESSLER

The trip will depart on **Friday, September 4, 2020** and return on **September 16th**. We will fly from Philadelphia International Airport, upon arrival be transported to board the NCL Star to set sail that afternoon. We will have port calls in Edinburgh, Inverness, Kirkwall, Glasgow all in Scotland; then onto Belfast, Northern Ireland, Holyhead, Wales, overnight in Dublin, Ireland , Cork, Ireland, and Portland, England then return to Southampton for our return flight. An ocean view cabin is \$3,599.00 based on double occupancy which includes four amenities (i.e. beverage package, 5 specialty dining venues, \$50.00 per cabin credit for shore excursions, 250 minutes of WI-FI). An interior cabin is \$3099.00 which includes one of the amenities. Please contact John Madden 570-342-5790 or Debbie Freas 570-288-9311 at Travel World for a brochure or to make a reservation.



Group night with the Pens!

The Church of Saint Ignatius Loyola

PENGUINS vs. BEARS

Friday, February 7, 2020 - 7:05 PM

Join the Church of Saint Ignatius Loyola for a fun night out on our \$15 Fan Friday offer as the Penguins battle the Hershey Bears! Tickets include lower bowl seating and there will be a \$2 beer special from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM.

Pricing: Red Zone (Section 114): \$15.00

**Includes food voucher (hot dog, chips, drink)
Compliments of Holy Name / Mary's Ministry**

Please return ticket order form with payment (*checks payable to WBS Penguins*) to the rectory (via collection basket, mail or in person) no later than January 17, 2020
Tickets will be distributed from the rectory or at weekend masses January 25 - February 4, 2020

Name (s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Tickets @ \$15 _____ Total \$ _____

Cash ___ or Ck# _____

SAVE THE DATE

The Community Commission has organized a St. Ignatius Night at the Penguins Game on Friday, February 7, 2020. Please come and enjoy a night out with our parish community. It will be fun for the whole family. Details can be found in the flyer to the left.

This is the last weekend to purchase tickets.



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MYEOFFERING

Online giving is now available. Signing up is as simple as going to our Church website www.stignatiuspa.com and looking for the green computer mouse icon. That button will take you to the myEoffering page for our Church. Simply sign up and begin giving online today!

BAPTISM

Expectant and new parents are asked to participate in a seminar on Baptism. Please call the Rectory at 570-288-6446. Godparents are welcome to attend, though it is not required. Please call the rectory to register at your earliest convenience.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations! You are asked to contact one of the parish priests at least six months before the date of your marriage so that the appropriate preparations can be made for this special celebration.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please call the office for visitation of the sick at home, in the hospital, or health care facility.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Urgent calls will be attended to at any time of the day or night.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Grades 1–6 – Sunday morning from 9:15 AM to 10:20 AM.

Grades 7–8 – Released Time Confirmation Program

High School— Sunday Evenings (Monthly)

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register by calling the rectory. Those moving should inform the office as soon as possible.

DEVOTIONAL LIFE

The Rosary is prayed after the 7:30 AM Mass daily and before the 8:30 AM Mass on Sundays at the Chapel of St. Ann. Eucharistic Adoration is held the First Friday of the month at Saint Ignatius Church beginning at 12:45 PM concluding with Benediction at 4:00 PM. (September–May)

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This is a process the Catholic Church uses to bring adult members into the faith. Anyone interested in becoming a part of this process or in obtaining more information can call the Rectory at 570-288-6446. This journey in faith is concerned with the total formation of the person into living and serving with the Church community.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Good Shepherd Academy: Principal, Mr. James Jones

Phone: 570-718-4724

Holy Redeemer High School: Principal, Mrs. Doreen Dougherty

Phone: 570-829-2424

MINISTRY COUNCILS

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Mr. George Andresky, Accompanist

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