

## **SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **Saint Ignatius Loyola Church Weekly Update February 14, 2021**

#### **LITURGY SCHEDULE**

Weekday Mass will continue the Week of February 15, 2021:

Tuesday thru Friday – 7:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.

#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

**Please note weekend Mass schedule:**

Saturday Vigil Masses 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses 7:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

Live Streaming of Sunday Mass will be at 8:30 a.m. (This is not a public Mass.)

**All Masses will be celebrated at St. Ignatius Church due to capacity allowed under CDC guidelines.**

#### **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.

#### **DAILY MASS ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. **Please note, there will be no 7:30 AM or 12:10 PM Masses on that day and also the office will be closed due to the President's Day National Holiday.**

## ***LENTEN SCHEDULE***

### **Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021**

- 7:30 a.m. Mass with Ashes available  
12:10 p.m. Mass with Ashes available  
4:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Word with Ashes available  
6:00 p.m. Liturgy with Ashes available (Virtual and Public Mass)

**Ashes will be distributed at the end of Mass and Liturgy of Word.**

### **Lenten Daily Masses**

- 7:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday  
12:10 p.m. Monday thru Friday

### **Light is on for You (Sacrament of Reconciliation)**

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| Monday  | February 22, 2021 | 5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. |
| Monday, | March 1, 2021     | 5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. |
| Monday, | March 8, 2021     | 5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. |
| Monday, | March 15, 2021    | 5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. |
| Monday, | March 22, 2021    | 5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. |
| Monday, | March 29, 2021    | 5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. |

### **Lenten Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - St. Ignatius Church**

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| Friday, | February 19, 2021 | 3:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m. |
| Friday, | February 26, 2021 | 3:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m. |
| Friday, | March 5, 2021     | 3:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m. |
| Friday, | March 12, 2021    | 3:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m. |
| Friday, | March 19, 2021    | 3:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m. |
| Friday, | March 26, 2021    | 3:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m. |

### **Stations of the Cross - St. Ignatius Church and Virtual-Face Book**

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| Friday, | February 19, 2021 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Friday, | February 26, 2021 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Friday, | March 5, 2021     | 6:00 p.m. |
| Friday, | March 12, 2021    | 6:00 p.m. |
| Friday, | March 19, 2021    | 6:00 p.m. |
| Friday, | March 26, 2021    | 6:00 p.m. |



## Ash Wednesday: Time for a Tune-Up

*By Sister Angelina Mitre*

Today we begin the [Season of Lent](#). It is a time for a tune-up in all aspects of our lives: our motivations, the meaning of our lives and our personal attitudes. The situations in our lives are a call to this change of personal attitude that is founded in the commandment to love.

These situations touch the mercy that resides in us. The woman who asks for help to buy the ingredients for the *arepas* that she can sell to get food for her children. The teenager who has left his country and now is isolated, living in a crime-filled city neighborhood. Before, he lived in the country with family and made bracelets and delivered firewood to get some money; he had lots of friends. Now, he's trying to find his place in the reality of the new country.

The people who feel, with the current financial situation, that there is no future for them. The migrants who cling to their faith in the God who provides.

The destruction of forests, the scarcity of water for communities to consume. The corruption that is common in our countries, the feeling of insecurity, the impunity, the silence of so many, the struggle to survive—all are situations that call us to change our attitude.

The prophet [Joel tells us](#):

*Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful.*

Before the plague of locusts pounding the fields, the prophet asks the people to take a journey of fasting and penitence to pray for divine compassion.

The psalms speak to us of the human condition, of failing to be faithful to our covenant with God:

*Why do you recite my commandments and profess my covenant with your mouth? You hate discipline; you cast my words behind you!*

Facing this rebuke from God, the psalmist expresses the repentance of the sinner who recognizes his sin and begs:

*Have mercy on me, God, in accord with your merciful love; in your abundant compassion blot out my transgressions. Thoroughly wash away my guilt; and from my sin cleanse me.*

*A clean heart create in me, God.*

*Renew within me a steadfast spirit.*

*Restore to me the gladness of your salvation; uphold me with a willing spirit.*

Returning to the Lord so that He can create a pure heart in us, give us a new spirit, maintain a generous soul and we can rejoice.

St. Paul calls us to not throw God's grace in a ripped bag—now is the time for salvation, for action, for practicing the works of piety, prayer and fasting. It is time to reconcile, to rebuild peace among people, with our Mother Earth; it is the realization of the biblical *shalom* that implies fullness of life and living together. It is God's yearning for a new humanity.

In the Gospel of St. Matthew, the Master insists on attending to the intentions of one's heart, committing ourselves to growing and maturing in our relationship with our Father in Heaven and not looking out for personal interests or image. True conversion to God is manifested in a generous and unbiased openness to works of mercy, an openness to community.

Pope Francis reminds us that Lent is re-discovering that we are made for the fire that always burns, not for the ashes that go out right away.

May our fire burn bright in our hearts, purified by the God of mercy and our practice of the works of mercy.

### **OFFICE HOURS**

The office is open Monday thru Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please note the office is only open for phone calls.

### **ANNUAL APPEAL**

We are in the final stages of the Annual Appeal, presently our parish is at 82% of our goal. If you have not yet made a gift you are encouraged to do so. Our diocesan ministries rely on the parishes of the Diocese support. Your gift can be mailed directly to the:

Diocese of Scranton Appeal Office,  
300 Wyoming Avenue,  
Scranton, PA 18503

or you can send your gift to our parish office and it will be forwarded to the Appeal Office. Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

### **SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS**

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

Virginia Conlon  
Ann Bretz

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

### **ATTENTION E-OFFERING PARTICIPANTS**

Thank you for your continued support in our E-Offering Program. If you no longer wish to receive envelopes, please contact the office.

**Mass Intentions Week of February 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>**

<b>Monday</b>
9:00 AM – Harold Bombe <i>Gail &amp; Dick Blaum</i>
<b>NO 7:30 AM or 12:10 PM Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>
7:30 AM – Mary Fiske <i>Alice Naylis</i>
12:10 PM – Patricia Lavelle <i>Husband, Thomas &amp; Family</i>
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
7:30 AM – Patricia Cusick <i>Family</i>
12:10 PM – Hannah Guns <i>Daughter, Anna</i>
6:00 PM – Kevin Hill <i>Donald Judge</i>
<b>Thursday</b>
7:30 AM – Jack Smith <i>Tietje Family</i>
12:10 PM – Joshua Bennett <i>Bennett Family</i>
<b>Friday</b>
7:30 AM – Catherine Kulikowski <i>Suzanne &amp; Josh Kile</i>
12:10 PM – James Hoffman <i>Wife &amp; Family</i>
<b>Saturday</b>
4:00 PM – John Link <i>Maureen &amp; Tom English</i>
6:00 PM – Steven Jones <i>Carol Handley</i>
<b>Sunday</b>
7:00 AM – Kathy Flanagan <i>Friends</i>
10:30 AM – Mary Semenza <i>Maloney Family</i>
12:30 PM – James Novak <i>Ed Nealon</i>

**Church Candle for the Week of February 15<sup>th</sup>**

**In Memory of Maier & Preston Families – Requested by Family**

**Bread & Wine for the Week of February 15<sup>th</sup>**

**In Memory of Dwyer & Fisher Families – Requested by Family**

**FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021**

Sunday Tithe  
**\$10,032.75**

E-Offerings  
**\$2,111.00**

Total  
**\$12,143.75**

**Amount Needed  
Each Week to  
Meet Expenses  
\$12,950.00**

Father Mosley, Deacon Pernot, and I continue to be most grateful for your generosity and support during these challenging days. Envelopes can be mailed in or dropped in mailbox on front of rectory porch.

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



## **PROTOCOLS FOR DAILY AND WEEKEND LITURGIES**

We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude for your continued cooperation and support of the health and safety protocols which remain in effect as we gather and pray as a faith community.

**Please continue to follow the guidelines listed below for the wellbeing of our entire community.**

- Face masks must be worn at all times except for the reception of Holy Communion.
- Face masks must cover the **nose and mouth** at all times while in the church and during the celebration of Mass.
- Church doors will open **20 minutes before** Mass begins. Doors will close when Mass begins. Please be punctual. Thank you.
- Entrance to Church will be through the center doors of the Church.
- Those needing assistance will enter and exit Conlan Hall entranceway so as to use the elevator.
- **Upon entering the Church, all are asked to sanitize their hands with the touchless hand sanitizers.**
- Please follow the directions of the greeters for seating. All are asked when taking their seats to begin with either the middle seat of the pew or the seat closest to the stained-glass windows. The seat closest to the middle aisle should be the last seat taken in a pew. This process is necessary since some masses are nearly at capacity, namely the 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and the 10:30 a.m. on Sunday. This process enables us to allow as many people as possible to attend mass.
- The weekly collection will not be taken up; locked boxes are located by the elevator entrance and the main aisle for your donations.
- Holy communion will be distributed at the end of Mass and **all must exit the Church after receiving via the side doors on the porch.**
- **Individuals who wish to receive holy communion on their tongue are asked to come at the end of the line in order for the priest to follow the appropriate protocols for sanitizing his hands.**
- **The Church is sanitized after each liturgy including the restroom and elevator.**
- Confessions will be held on Saturdays at 12:00 noon and will end at 12:30 p.m.

*These guidelines are in compliance with the Centers for Disease Control and are in place to provide a safe and healthy environment for us to worship together. Our primary concern is the health and safety of all of us. Thank you for your continued cooperation.*

**The obligation to attend Sunday Mass continues to be suspended.**

**Thank you again and God Bless You**