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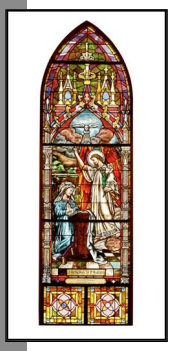
LOYOLA



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

Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 29, 2019
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Am 6:1a, 4–7
1 Tm 6:11–16
Lk 16:19–31

Aspiring to True Greatness

It's so easy to fall into complacency and not strive for greatness. When we're young, we idealistically dream of reaching the heights of success. Then with time and the resistance of circumstances, we are hypnotized into settling for less and less. Eventually we're content with just getting by, rather than embracing the arduous struggle upon the higher road that once attracted us.

The rich man of the Gospel was also complacent. His wealth blinded him to the needs of Lazarus, the poor man he passed and stepped over every time he entered his home. Even though he could help, the rich man refused. How could he be so inconsiderate? He had everything and was unwilling to offer even leftover food to someone in need.

God is against complacency and settling for the easy and sensual. He upbraids the chosen race for exactly that. They are too comfortable on their expensive, comfortable couches. Saint Paul challenges the young bishop Timothy to pursue high ideals such as righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, gentleness, and all other virtues. We should strive for them as well. How?

Look at the painting by Salvador Dalí. The monk stands at the edge of his sacred space, staring up into the heavens at the crucified Jesus. There are no material things to distract his gaze from the Savior. Jesus is the beautiful, timeless ideal of every soul aiming for perfect love. Keep your eyes on him and you will never settle for anything but true greatness.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Piece: *Crucifixion (Corpus Hypercubus)*, 1954
Artist: Salvador Dalí
Location: Metropolitan Museum of Art

For Reflection

When you were younger, what were some of your ideals that were inspired by God?

How have you followed them? Should you get back to them?

"Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'"

Luke 16:31

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We, 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.

Weekly Meditation

In today's Gospel, we find a rich man who is condemned to the nether regions for his spiritual complacency and indifference during his life to those in need. In fact, he asks if the man whose suffering he ignored in life can bring him a drop of water for comfort. He still doesn't get it. It makes me wonder. How do I bring respite to those who are suffering? Do I feed the hungry? Help the impoverished? What works of mercy do I perform? Or am I so locked in my comfort zone that I fail to recognize human needs? Dear Jesus, open my eyes, my mind and my heart so that I may become your instrument and bring comfort to others.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you, a family member or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church? Are you married or a parent/grandparent and desire to know more about the Catholic faith to share and live with them? Are you a Catholic with a desire to complete the Sacraments of Initiation namely, Holy Communion or Confirmation? Do you desire to be baptized or been baptized in another Christian tradition and desire to be Catholic? Then RCIA is for you. Come learn about the RCIA and continue your journey of faith. Call or contact Deacon John or Mary O'Connor at the Rectory - 570-288-6446 or directly at 570-287-8536.

St. Agnes - September Saint of the Month

Although Saint Agnes was born at the end of the third century, her story is relevant in these times when predatory sexual behavior is in the headlines and women are fighting to be treated with dignity and respect. Agnes was born into a wealthy and prominent Roman family and she was a beautiful young girl. Many men wanted to marry her. But Agnes chose to devote herself to Christ and be chaste, flying in the face of the patriarchal customs of the time. After a significant struggle, Agnes was given the choice to marry or be sent as a slave to a house of prostitution. In the ensuing struggle Agnes was stabbed and died at the age of twelve. This brave young woman was regarded as saintly soon after her death. She symbolizes the ongoing struggle of people to have the right to say no and make their own life decisions. Her feast day is January 21st and she is the patroness of youth, chastity and rape victims. To find her window, stand at the back of the church facing the altar and look left. Perhaps we should be cognizant of the fact that traditionally the followers of Jesus valued the right to say no and to choose ones calling and beliefs. We could pray to Saint Agnes to awaken powerful people to this truth.

The Altar Breads and Wine for this week are offered

In Memory of

James J. Boyle

By Family

Sanctuary Candles

Church

In Memory

Genevieve Cawley

By Family

Chapel

In Memory of

Vincent Phillips

By Family

Stained Glass Window Highlight

for the Month of

September is

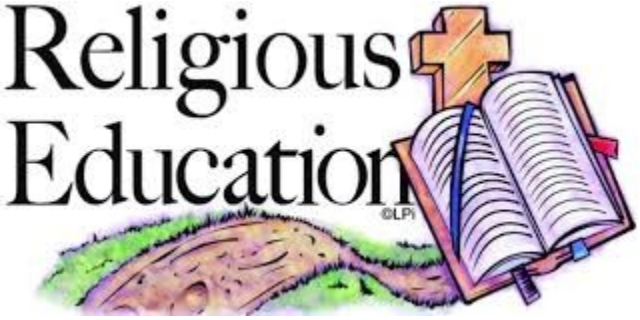
St. Agnes

Sunday Tithe
$11,375.86
E-Offerings
$120.00
Total
$11,495.86

Amount Needed Each Week to Meet Expenses
$12,060.00

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.



Important upcoming dates:

Wednesday, Oct. 2nd - Grade 7 & 8 Release Time

Wednesday, Oct. 2nd - Grade 7 Confirmation Family Potluck Dinner/Meeting - 6:00 PM in Conlan Hall. Information has been sent to the families

Saturday, Oct. 5th – Grade 7 Confirmation Retreat 9:30 AM-Noon in Conlan Hall. This is one of the requirements for the first year of Confirmation preparation.

Saturday, Oct. 5th Sunday, Oct. 6th – Confirmation Enrollment Weekend. Grade 7 Confirmation candidates will be enrolled at a Mass of their choosing.

Sunday, Oct. 13th - No Class for Grades 1 – 6

Sunday, Oct. 13th – Grade 8 Confirmation class meeting 6:30-7:30 PM in Conlan Hall. **Students only!** This is one of the requirements for Grade 8.

Sunday, Oct. 20th – Winter Clothing Drive. Information will be sent home to the families.

Sunday, Oct. 27th – Grade 6 Family Morning. All Grade 6 students, both public and private schools, and their families are strongly encouraged to attend the family morning beginning at 9:15 AM in Conlan Hall with a light continental breakfast and family activity followed by the class Mass at 10:30 AM.

Congratulations - Diocesan Youth Award Nominees!

Congratulations to the following students who have merited the Diocesan Youth Award. The award is given annually to students in Grade 8 and Grade 12 acknowledging the student's efforts in leadership, Christian service and commitment to parish, family and community. This year's students are Grade 12: Abigail Charneski, Zackary Buzinkai, Lauren Flannery, Alesha Pekarovsky, Isabella Scappaticci and Mick Tietje; Grade 8: Angela Ambrose, Isabella Calo, Courtney Merillat, Aleister Roper and Michael Vodzak. God Bless!

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

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is the month of the ROSARY. It is also a time to honor Our Lady of Fatima as this year marks the 102nd anniversary of Our Lady's final appearance in Fatima, Portugal. Once again, we plan to gather together to hold a Public ROSARY RALLY to honor our Blessed Mother. Please join us on **Saturday, October 12th** at **Noon** on the **corner of Wyoming Ave. and Pierce St.** The more who attend, the merrier! So, do come, bring a friend, and your personal intentions to present to Our Lady on her special anniversary. For questions, call Mary at 570-690-7732.

GUIDELINES FOR THE MASS INTENTION BOOK

The book of Mass Intentions for St. Ignatius Loyola Parish will open for 2020 on **Wednesday, October 9th.** We respectfully ask that your requests be for death anniversary Masses **(4 Masses per year per family).** We are required by Canon Law #953 that the parish may accept only the number of Masses that can be fulfilled within a year. Therefore, we will only accept requests for the daily Masses (7:30 a.m. Monday – Saturday and 12:10 PM Monday – Friday). **We will also be eliminating the 7 day and Month's Mind Masses** to enable us to fulfill the requests made when the book is opened. The weekend Masses are reserved for Masses that must be fulfilled including one Mass each weekend for the People of the Parish.

Also, please know that due to the number of Masses presently on record the parish will no longer be able to accept Mass intentions from an individual's estate (you may wish to consider a trust fund which can be established to distribute a certain amount each year to fulfill your requests. This would be handled by your estate planner, no more than 4 Masses per year can be accepted).

We would ask that you contact the rectory regarding a Mass intention directly and not make the request at the funeral home. Again, we are required to only accept the Mass intentions that can be fulfilled within the year. Your understanding as well as your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Please call Jen at 570-288-6446 to schedule the Masses.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND EVENING PRAYER

FEAST OF ST. HEDWIG

On **Wednesday, October 16th** we will celebrate the Feast Day of one of our parish patrons, St. Hedwig. We will mark this occasion with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning after the 12:10 PM Mass and conclude with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 5:00 PM in the church. Please join us in prayer as we celebrate this special day.

Monday
Artist Brunch
Noon
Conlan Hall

Tuesday
Rosary Makers
10:30 AM
Conlan Hall
Senior Citizens
1:30 PM
Conlan Hall
Bishop Barron's Series
6:30 PM
Conlan Hall

Wednesday
Release Time - 8:30 AM
Conlan Hall
Bible Study
1:00 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)
Grade 7
Family Pot Luck Dinner
6:00 PM
Conlan Hall
Knights of Columbus
Council
7:30 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)

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

Saturday
Confirmation Retreat
9:30 AM
Conlan Hall
Prayer Shawl Ministry

MASS INTENTIONS

Sept. 30th - Oct. 6th

Monday
7:30—Robert Ardoline *Mike & Barb Zuba*
12:10—Maxine Sembrat-ALM *Family*
Tuesday
7:30—Edward Walton, Sr. *Chris & Sandy Boyle*
12:10—Joan Meehan Povilitus-MM *Friends*
Wednesday
7:30—Jack Casey *Robert & Mary Ellen Adams*
12:10—Vincent Maher-ALM *Family*
Thursday
7:30—Adele Polachek *Kopicki Family*
12:10—Martha Sibert-ALM *Joseph & Marilyn Grous*
Friday
7:30—Rose McGill Patton-ALM *McGeehan Family*
12:10—Antoinette Krysiewski-ALM *Family*
Saturday
7:30—Felino Valenzuela-ALM *Cherry Valerio*
4:00 PM—For the People of the Parish
5:30 PM—James Ferris *Alice Naylis*
Sunday
7:00 AM—Genevieve Magera *Gardzalla Family*
8:30 AM—Theresa Craig *Cheryl Feichter & Family*
10:30 AM—Tom Kopec *Ann Marie & Jared Urbanski*
12:00 PM—Rev. Frank Walsh *Catherine Smedley*

Eucharistic Elements & Sanctuary Candles

The 2020 Book will open on **Wednesday, October 9th.** If you wish to request a Sanctuary Candle or the Eucharistic Elements, please call Jen at the Rectory. Sanctuary Candles - $25.00; Eucharistic Elements - $50.00.

First Friday - October 4th

Eucharistic Adoration will be held beginning at 12:45 PM concluding with Benediction at 4:00 PM.

Blessing of Pets

The Annual Blessing of Pets will take place on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on **Friday, October 4th** at 4:00 PM in the Chapel parking lot.

Columbus Day Mass

Monday, October 14

Please note, there will only be one Mass at **9:00 AM.**

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 November schedule by Wednesday, October 16th.**

Announcement Deadlines For Upcoming Bulletins:

BULLETIN	DEADLINE
OCT. 13TH	OCT. 1ST
OCT. 20TH	OCT. 8TH
OCT. 27TH	OCT. 15TH

Announcements received after noon on the deadline date will be published in the next bulletin.

Please submit announcements to

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
October 5th & 6th

Saturday 4:00 PM
Lectors
G. Dicton & G. Galante
Communion Ministers
N. Bellas, K. Hungarter T. Crawford, A. Petros, D. Duesler J. Lenahan, C. Liskov
Altar Servers
J.Galante & A. Roper
Saturday 5:30 PM
Lectors
M. & P. Pisaneschi
Communion Ministers
M. B. Zelinsky, A. Naylis J. Stretanski
Altar Servers
A. Ambrose & M. Vodzak
Sunday 7:00 AM
Lector
G. Thackara
Communion Ministers
T. Verbyla, M. Fiske, T. Thackara
Sunday 8:30 AM
Lectors
J. Deemer & J. Girvan
Communion Ministers
K. Corgan, J. Lyons J. Lyons
Altar Servers
M, Tietje

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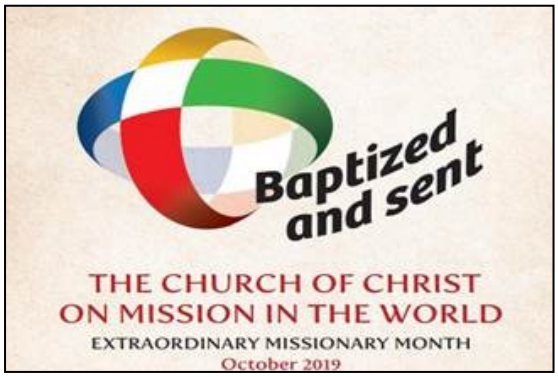

Extraordinary Missionary Month Mass - Oct. 9th

Reverend Brian J. T. Clarke, Director of Pontifical Mission Societies will be the celebrant and the homilist of the Mass at 6:00 PM. Following the Mass, there will be a time for reflection and refreshments in Conlan Hall.

Congratulations

Through the **Sacrament of Baptism** we joyfully welcome into our Christian community the following babies: Marin Elizabeth Hopkins and Brycen John Minnick. Many prayers to them as they begin their new life in Christ Jesus.

Bell Choir

Do you have interest in helping our liturgies musically but cannot make a full-time commitment or do not want to sing? The bell choir may be your answer. The bell choir is in need of several ringers. No music background is necessary but is very much appreciated. The choir rehearses on Monday evenings at 6:30 pm beginning Oct. 14th. For further information please contact Carmella Faust at 570-287-3682 or religiouseducation1@yahoo.com.

Knights of Columbus White Mass

Knights of Columbus/Our Lady of Czestochowa, Assembly 1928 will be sponsoring a White Mass to honor all those within the medical field. This Mass will be held on **Sunday, October 13th** at the **12:00 Noon Mass** at St. Ignatius Church. We are asking all who are involved in the medical field to attend this Mass and be honored for all the hard work that is done 24-7 by the great persons within this profession. Anybody who is willing to help by doing readings and special intentions are asked to contact Michael J. Berish at 570-760-1175 for more information.

Friends Helping Friends

Please join in the Fight Against Child Abuse - Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" - **Wednesday, October 16th** from 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM. Recipient will be the Local Non-Profit Agency "The Children's Advocacy Center." For further information, contact Peggy James at 570-709-3024. Your donation of a $5.00 shopping pass entitles you to a full day of discounts through the store up to 25% off. Refreshments will be available. You have a chance to win one of four $500.00 shopping sprees plus 47 $100.00 shopping sprees. Shopping passes will be available next weekend after Masses.

Current Food Pantry needs include: Canned Pasta, spaghetti sauce, pasta, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, canned fruit, applesauce, boxed potatoes, cereal bars and sandwich crackers. Any and all non-perishables are welcome and appreciated as are personal care items and monetary donations. Checks are made payable to The Al Beech Food Pantry. If you or someone you know are in need of food, please call the Pantry on any Monday or Thursday between 1:00 & 2:30 PM at 570-288-0934 to place an order for pick-up the following day. You will be asked a few simple questions and told what you need to do to pick up your order. For information only, please call Monday through Friday after 9:00 AM at 570-288-8434. If you would like to help pack orders at the pantry, please call the rectory at 570-288-6446 and leave your name and phone number. You will be contacted by one of our current volunteers. Thank you for your kind and generous support of our Al Beech Food Pantry. God Bless you!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
Continued

Sunday 10:30 AM
Lectors
G. Gayeski & P. Endler
Communion Ministers
J. Duesler, M. Ferris, M. O'Connor, E. Featherman M. Girton, P. Kupetz, E. Whipple
Altar Servers
B. Davis, A. Davis, A. Davis C. Smith
Sunday 12:00 PM
Lectors
P. Boyle & B. Habler
Communion Ministers
M. Heffers, B. Anzalone N. Frusciante
Altar Servers
R. Frey & K. Gring, Jr.

Diocese of Scranton

2019 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

SERVING IN *faith* WITH HOPE AND GRATITUDE

NEXT WEEK : COMMITMENT WEEKEND

Open your heart to the work of your local Church.

The Lord calls us to be faithful servants and share the blessings He has given to each one of us. Your donations help so many in need in our parishes and communities through the following ministries:

- Catholic Social Services
- Care & Education of Clergy
- Catholic Education
- Catholic Media
- Parish Life
- Parish Social Justice Grants
- Parish Faith Formation Grants

Visit AnnualAppeal.org/

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Eleanor Natishan

Kathleen Reser

Mary's Ministry News

Help Wanted for Autumn Fling Bingo - Sunday, November 3rd

Mary's Ministry is hosting a theme bingo fundraiser **Sunday, November 3rd** to help support their work in the parish and community. Please "Save the Date" and plan to participate. Currently, we are seeking 20 prize items or gift packs for children, teens, and adults with a retail value of $100 or more and 5 special higher priced prizes for this event. If you are able to donate a prize, have a contact to help provide one or wish to make a monetary contribution to be a prize sponsor, please contact Michelle Butcher at (cell) 570-592-2465 or by email mjb2605@aol.com. Anyone interested in helping work on this event please contact Maura Fennell at (cell) 570-244-7846 or by email maurafennell@aol.com.

Flu Clinic - Sunday, October 13th

St. Ignatius Parish will host a flu vaccination clinic on **Sunday, October 13th** from 1:00 to 5:00 PM in Conlan Hall. Medicare recipients are covered at no cost and most other insurances cover the flu vaccine 100%. Anyone age 9 through adult is welcome. For those age 9 through 18, a consent form (available on site) is required and a parent/guardian needs to be present. Please bring all insurance cards (Medicare/Medical/Prescription) with you. No appointment is necessary, however, you may register in advance by calling CVS Pharmacy at 570-542-4250. Any questions can be directed to Jen at 570-288-6446.

Pierogi Board News

Mark your calendars! We will once again be making our delicious pierogi in preparation for Advent and Christmas on the following dates:

Monday, November 4th - Preparation
Tuesday, November 5th - Production (Potato)

Monday, November 11th - Preparation
Tuesday, November 12th à Production (Sweet Cabbage and Farmer Cheese)

Monday, November 18th - Preparation
Tuesday, November 19th - Production (Potato)

We will possibly have a few more dates. Please check the bulletin for further updates.

Pierogi will be available for purchase on Production Days (Nov. 5, 12, and 19). We will not be able to accept any pre-orders. Sales will be on a first come, first serve basis. **Please note: Pierogi will NOT be available for sale until 12 noon on Production Days.**

We are always looking for more volunteers to help with our pierogi projects. You are most welcome to come, learn, and continue this wonderful tradition. A good time is had by all. A hot lunch is always provided for workers on Production Days. For more information please call Mike: (570) 287-6554 or (570) 817-3430.

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

Pastoral Council — Monsignor Tressler, Father Mosley, Deacon O'Connor, George Andresky, Nancy Bellas, Charles Blewitt, Gerry Dicton, Maria Edmunds, Maura Fennell, Gloria Galante, Cindy Liskov, Kimberly McNulty, Roseann O'Connor, Brian Thomas, Joan Turel

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Contemporary Ensemble &
Children's Choir Director
Mrs. Carmella Faust, Handbell Choir
Mrs. Pat Fennell, Accompanist
Mrs. Caprice Ryman, Accompanist
Mr. George Andresky, Accompanist

Maintenance — **Bill Gross**

Sacristan — **Matt Fiske**

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Rev. Daniel Issing, CSC
Rev. Andrew Sinnott