



## **Saint Ignatius Loyola Church Weekly Update December 26, 2021**

### **LITURGY SCHEDULE**

Weekday Masses will continue the week of December 27, 2021

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

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

**Please note weekend Mass schedule:**

Saturday Vigil Masses 4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.

Sunday Masses 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.

Live Streaming of Sunday Mass will continue at 8:30 a.m.

**All Masses will be celebrated at St. Ignatius Church.**

The church is now open for private prayer Monday-Friday from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

### **CONFESSIONS**

**Confessions are held Saturdays from 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

**Please Note: There will be NO Confessions on Christmas or New Year's Day.**

### **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.



## **St. Ignatius Pastoral Staff**

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

*Ms. Shannon Kowalski*

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

## **Main Office Staff**

*Ms. Mary Lewis*  
*Mrs. Jennifer Carey*

*Office Manager*  
*Receptionist*

## **Maintenance**

*Sacristan*

*Visiting Clergy*

*Mr. William Gross*

*Mr. Matt Fiske*

*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.



**CHRISTMAS AND  
NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE 2021  
& JANUARY 1, 2022**

**CHRISTMAS EVE, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2021**

4:00 p.m. Mass in Good Shepherd Academy Gym

4:00 p.m. Mass in St. Ignatius Church

6:00 p.m. Mass in St. Ignatius Church

10:00 p.m. Mass in St. Ignatius Church

**CHRISTMAS DAY, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2021**

8:30 a.m. Mass in St. Ignatius Church and Lived Streamed on Facebook Page

10:30 a.m. Mass in St. Ignatius Church

*Please note, overflow crowds can be accommodated in Conlan Hall watching Mass on Big Screen Television. Holy Communion will be distributed in Conlan Hall.*

*Please note there will be no afternoon Liturgies on Christmas Day.*

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021**

7:00 a.m. in St. Ignatius Church

8:30 a.m. in St. Ignatius Church (Mass will also be Live Streamed)

10:30 a.m. in St. Ignatius Church

Noon in St. Ignatius Church

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2021**

4:00 p.m. in St. Ignatius Church

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2022**

10:30 a.m. in St. Ignatius Church (Mass will be Live Streamed)

*Please note: January 1, 2022, because it falls on a Saturday is not a Holyday of Obligation this year. The Solemnity remains but the obligation to attend Mass is suspended. Please note there will be **NO** afternoon Liturgies on New Year's Day.*



### **CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S GREETING**

On behalf of Fr. Simchock, Deacon Pernot, Ms. Deirdre Drinkall, our Pastoral Staff and myself, we extend our sincerest best wishes for a Blessed Christmas Season and Healthy, Happy New Year 2022.

May our Infant King bestow His choicest blessings upon you and your loved ones now and always.

Sincerely,  
Monsignor Tressler

### **NEW YEAR'S EVE MORNING MASSES**

Please note: the 7:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. Masses will not be celebrated on Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS**

The parish office will be closed on Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup> and Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>. The office will reopen on Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>



## **SOCKS, PERSONAL CARE ITEMS, AND MASKS FOR VETERANS AT CHRISTMAS**

St. Ignatius will once again be organizing a sock drive to benefit local veterans this Christmas season through the services of the Commission on Economic Opportunity. Donations of new men's and women's socks to support our local veterans and others in need are most welcome. In addition to new men's and women's socks, we will once again be collecting men's and women's personal care items (e.g., soaps, shampoos, deodorants, toothpaste, toothbrushes, feminine care products). We are also seeking donations of masks this year to address that new and ongoing need. Collection of socks, personal care items, and masks will begin at the back of the church on the weekend of December 18 and will continue through the Feast of the Epiphany on January 2. We thank you for considering this worthy cause!

## **2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Due to a change in the Internal Revenue regulations, all donations for the calendar year 2021 must be made by **December 31, 2021**. Tax letters will be sent to all parishioners who donated by January 15, 2022.

## **BIBLE STUDY: "WOMEN OF THE NEW TESTAMENT"**

The book sets have arrived and it's almost time to "Zoom" together to study "Women of the New Testament". Please bring a check for \$16.95 to the rectory and pick up your book set to be ready for the first Zoom session on Wednesday, January 5, 2022. The first session will be an introduction and overview of the following 8 weeks. If you haven't already registered and would like to be included, email Cindy Liskov at [cliskov297@gmail.com](mailto:cliskov297@gmail.com). See you soon!



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**St. Ignatius is excited to announce that we have purchased a parish subscription to FORMED, now available to all parishioners!** As we begin a new liturgical year, this online resource can help all parishioners to deepen their knowledge and enthusiasm about the faith. Formed is an on-demand digital resource with movies, videos, Bible studies, audiobooks, talks, and more! There are resources for adults, children, teens, and young adults covering just about any Catholic topic. **I like to call it, “Catholic Netflix.”**

Why not try it out? There’s so much to enjoy! Registering is very easy. Just go to [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org) and type in our 18704 Zip-Code or search “St. Ignatius Loyola” and click on the Kingston, PA location. Give a name and an email and you’re registered!

Our ECHO apprentice, Deirdre, will be happy to answer any questions you have about how to sign-up for FORMED and the many treasures you can find on there.

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**Mass Intentions Week of Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>**

<b>Monday</b>
<b>7:30 AM - Claire Williams</b> <i>Eric &amp; Marie</i>
<b>12:10 PM – Thomas Brogan</b> <i>John &amp; Renee Margiewicz</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>
<b>7:30 AM – John A. Kasenchak</b> <i>Family</i>
<b>12:10 PM – Brian Robert McCarthy</b> <i>Mother</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>
<b>7:30 AM – William Jones</b> <i>Holy Name Society</i>
<b>12:10 PM – Shirley Hahn</b> <i>Family</i>
<b>Thursday</b>
<b>7:30 AM – Robert Herstek</b> <i>Family</i>
<b>12:10 PM – Anna Lukas</b> <i>Robert &amp; Florence Smith</i>
<b>Friday</b>
<b>Please note: There will be no 7:30 AM or 12:10 PM Mass today.</b>
<b>4:00 PM – Ann D. Klecha</b> <i>Family</i>
<b>Saturday</b>
<b>10:30 AM – For the People of the Parish</b>
<b>Please note: There will be no 4:00 PM or 5:30 PM Mass today.</b>
<b>Sunday</b>
<b>7:00 AM – Charlotte Para</b> <i>Morrow Family</i>
<b>8:30 AM – For the People of the Parish</b>
<b>10:30 AM – Rose Franey</b> <i>John &amp; Ann</i>
<b>12:00 PM – Mary Brenner</b> <i>Nancy Poremba</i>

**Church Candle for the Week of December 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**In Memory of Shirley Hahn – Requested by Family**

**Bread & Wine for the Week of December 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**In Memory of Rose Budanovitz – Requested by Family**

**FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2021**

Sunday Tithe  
**\$12,069.00**

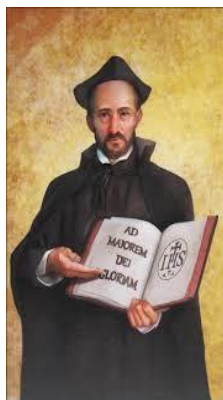
E-Offerings  
**\$1,298.00**

Total  
**\$13,367.00**

**Amount Needed  
Each Week to  
Meet Expenses  
\$12,700.00**

Father Simchock, 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 the mailbox on 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 December 10, 2021**

On **Friday, December 10, 2021**, Bishop Bambera sent a letter to all parishes of the Diocese of Scranton, reiterating our protocols during this time of COVID. The protocols are listed below. These protocols are in place to protect safety, well-being and health of all parishioners. We appreciate your cooperation with these guidelines as we welcome our family and friends to celebrate the Christmas season.

### **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. We have also been asked to make sure that we have appropriate signage on our entrances. We are most grateful for the cooperation regarding the mask request with our goal of protecting our neighbors. You are reminded to continue to maximize the use of space as much as possible.**

### **DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

All Priests, Deacons and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are required to wear a face mask while distributing communion. The minister must stop and sanitize his/her hands if direct contact is made with a person's tongue before continuing. 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 is 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**

We will continue to livestream the 8:30 a.m. Mass for those who must stay home. The 8:30 a.m. Mass is now available for in-person attendance as well.

## **CONFESSIONS**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturdays from 12:00 noon – 12:30 p.m. Please be aware that face masks are required for the Sacrament.

### ***Vaccinations are Encouraged***

*The Diocese of Scranton strongly recommends that all members of the Catholic Community who are eligible become fully vaccinated for COVID-19. The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith at the Vatican has stated that it is morally acceptable to receive the current COVID-19 vaccines. Individuals remain free to exercise discretions regarding vaccination based upon their own reasons of conscience. The Diocese of Scranton will not provide support, written or otherwise, for individuals seeking exemption from the vaccine based on theological or religious grounds.*

*There is no requirement for face coverings or masks in the parishes of the Diocese of Scranton. There are no requests by the parish regarding information about vaccination status to be admitted to the church.*

### ***Face Masks or Face Coverings for Catholic Schools and Parish Religious Education Program***

*Face coverings are required in all Catholic Schools and Parish Religious Education Programs within the Diocese of Scranton. Parents/Guardians attending programs in either Catholic School or Religious Instruction Classes are required to adhere to the masking policy.*

Once again, we are most grateful for your cooperation and understanding as we continue to do our best to end this pandemic. The decisions are based on the most up to date public health information. We are most grateful for your patience throughout these days. God Bless.