



Saint Ignatius Loyola Church Weekly Update February 6, 2022

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses will continue the week of February 7, 2022

Monday 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. 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. to 3:00 p.m.**

CONFESSIONS

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

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
Mr. Harrison Rapp
Ms. Deirdre Drinkall
Mrs. Carmella Faust

Ms. Shannon Kowalski

Pastor
Assistant Pastor
Deacon
Seminarian
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.



Welcome Harrison Rapp Diocesan Seminarian

We are pleased to welcome Harrison Rapp who was accepted as a new Seminarian on Monday, January 10, 2022, by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera. Harrison will begin his Pastoral assignment on February 15, 2022 and remain with us until August 2022.

Harrison is a graduate of Holy Cross High School, Dunmore (2015) and obtained his B.A. degree – double major in Philosophy and Theology from the University of Steubenville, Steubenville, OH in 2019.

He entered the Congregation of Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception after graduation. Harrison has been discerning throughout his formation and has experienced God's call to continue his vocation as a Diocesan seminarian. Harrison studied abroad in Gaming, Austria in the Fall of 2017 and also participated in a Lourdes Mission Trip with the North American Lourdes Volunteers. He served as a Sacristan Assistant at Kartause Maria Thron, Gaming, Austria.

Throughout the years he has been a Sacristan at St. Peter's Cathedral and Franciscan University Chapel Ministries, Altar Server, and Lector at Franciscan University Chapel Ministries. He served as a Senator for Franciscan University Student Government.

Throughout the years he has participated in Mission programs and also served as an intern at the Pontifical Mission Society in the Diocese of Scranton.

Harrison attained the rank of an Eagle Scout on November 22, 2014. His hobbies include exercise and sports, especially golf and skiing. He enjoys reading and praying!

When asked about his Pastoral assignment he responded: *"I greatly look forward to serving in the St. Ignatius Loyola parish community. Please know my prayers for all of you and God bless you! See you soon."*

Harrison is a member of Saints Anthony and Rocco Parish, Dunmore.

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish extends our heartfelt welcome and looks forward to your arrival.



Mary's Ministry "NO-BAKE BAKE SALE"



February, 2022 Fundraiser

Please participate to enable **Mary's Ministry** to continue their spiritual, charitable and social good works throughout the year, benefitting the women and children of Saint Ignatius Loyola Parish and our greater community, especially those in need.

COVID-FREE, CALORIE-FREE, and certainly HASSLE-FREE

Absolutely NO BAKING is involved! - "Say What???"



Here's how it works...

Simply figure out approximately what you would spend on a regular Bake Sale contribution of a pie, cookies, cake, bread, etc. and contribute that monetary amount to our "No-Bake Bake Sale".

If you would normally **purchase** baked goods for yourself and/or your family, consider contributing that same monetary amount.

If you would normally **bake your own** goodies to share, calculate the approximate cost of ingredients and your time, and consider that for your monetary contribution.

Of course, if you normally prefer to make **monetary donations** to most bake sale fundraisers, that works too!

Suggested donation amounts are: ___ \$5 ___ \$10 ___ \$15 ___ \$20 ___ \$25 ___ Other

The No-Bake Bake Sale runs from February 5th to Monday, February 28, 2022.



All those who respond will be automatically enrolled in a Mardi Gras drawing for a \$100 Visa Gift Card! (Limit - One opportunity per person)

Drawing will be held on March 1, 2022 -- "Fat Tuesday of Mardi Gras" - Drawing will take place at the Conlan Hall Church Entrance after the 12:10 Mass.



Questions contact Elaine Whipple (570) 288-3564 or Mary Hosey (570) 287-7973

As always, Mary's Ministry is grateful for your support!!!

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"No-Bake Bake Sale" Reply Form

Return this form with your name and contact information with any contribution in an envelope marked "Mary's Ministry - No-Bake Bake Sale" to the Collection Box at the back of the Church or mail or drop off to the Rectory by 2:00PM, Monday, February 28, 2022.

I am donating the value of the items I would normally ___ bake ___ and/or ___ purchase

I am making a monetary donation in support of the work of Mary's Ministry ___

I am unable to donate at this time but remain supportive to the good works of Mary's Ministry ___

Name: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Donation Amount: _____ cash ___ check ___

Please make checks payable to the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola memo: MM No-Bake Bake Sale

Office Use Only: Date Rec'd _____ check # _____ \$ _____ cash \$ _____

PRESIDENT'S DAY – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21st

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on Monday, February 21st. **Please note, there will be no 7:30 AM or 12:10 PM Mass on that day and also the office will be closed due to the holiday.**

The Church will be closed after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Monday, February 21st for carpet cleaning. The Church will not be open for private prayer. Thank you for your attention to this announcement.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

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

Rita Kayden
Jean Angley

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

NEW OPPORTUNITIES

If you are between the ages of 18 and 35 and looking to grow in your faith, contact our ND Intern Deirdre Drinkall! (ddrinkal@nd.edu)

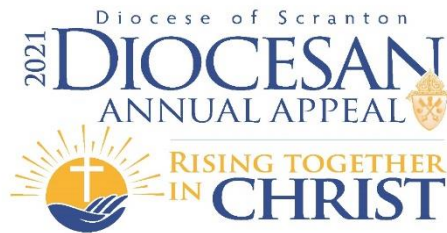
If you are a busy parent and looking to grow in your faith, contact our ND Intern Deirdre Drinkall! (ddrinkal@nd.edu)

FAMILIES OF ST. IGNATIUS!

Join us on our Face Book page on Thursday, February 10th at 6:45 AM (or any time after) for a quick morning prayer especially for parents, children, and the littlest ones! Freshen up your morning routine. All are welcome.

FAITH SHARING

Parish Faith Sharing monthly meeting will be held Friday, February 11th at 6 p.m. in Conlan Hall. We continue to wear masks and maintain a proper distance from each other. Newcomers are always welcome. If you've ever wished you could delve deeper into the Scripture readings you hear at Mass, Faith Sharing may be just the means to help you do that. Why not give it a try?



PARISH DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL GOAL 100% CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU!!!!

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish has reached its Diocesan Annual Appeal goal of \$77,000.00 thanks to your continued generosity and response to the needs of others throughout our Diocese. The faithful of our parish have responded to our local needs throughout this past unprecedented year and also recognized the need to assist in supporting our neighbors! God bless you for your kindness and willingness to sacrifice to ensure our Parish reached its goal! The Diocesan Annual Appeal is the primary fundraising effort to support the vital work to serve all those who come for help. The appeal provides for the needs of the less fortunate in various shelters, food banks, kitchens, and other ways to ensure each person is treated with dignity. In addition, the Appeal supports the Catholic Social Services, Seminarian Education and Care of Retired and Ill Clergy, Catholic Education in Schools and Parishes, Parish Life and Religious Formation and Catholic Media which was a spiritual life-line during this pandemic. On behalf of Father Simchock, Deacon Gerry Pernot, Deirdre Drinkall, and myself, we thank you for your outstanding support.

God Bless
Sincerely,
Msgr. Tressler

Mass Intentions Week of February 7th – 13th

Monday
7:30 AM – Mary Ann Karis <i>Rossmell Family</i>
12:10 PM – Karen Buda <i>Kathleen Rogan</i>
Tuesday
7:30 AM – Christopher Tomasura <i>Stanley Borish</i>
12:10 PM – Helen Maopolski <i>Laurie Langan & David Bergery & Fam.</i>
Wednesday
7:30 AM – Stephen Gurick <i>Friends</i>
12:10 PM – Helen M. Sweeney <i>Donna Walko & Colleen Henry</i>
Thursday
7:30 AM – Connie & John Manganiello <i>Family</i>
12:10 PM – Rose A. & Frank L. Walsh <i>Children</i>
Friday
7:30 AM – Clare Kopicki <i>James Mullin</i>
12:10 PM – Catherine Naples <i>Brian & Sandy Hammond</i>
Saturday
4:00 PM – Anthony Grigor <i>Friends</i>
5:30 PM – Jerry Schutz <i>Amy Rothschild</i>
Sunday
7:00 AM – Diane Judge <i>Mr. & Mrs. John Dzurek</i>
8:30 AM – For the People of the Parish
10:30 AM – Richard Miller <i>Pstrak Family</i>
12:00 PM – Dolores Swaintek <i>Schilling Family</i>

Church Candle for the Week of February 7th

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Harold Stitzer – Req. by O'Donnell Family

Bread & Wine for the Week of February 7th

In Memory of Charles & Antonette Naperski – Req. by Family & Friends

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR JANUARY 30, 2022

Sunday Tithe
\$9,228.00

E-Offerings
\$831.00

Total
\$10,059.00

**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 continue to welcome people back.

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 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

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.



“Synod on Synodality”

In October, we received a letter announcing that Pope Francis will be opening a worldwide synod.

The theme for the “Synod on Synodality” is Communion, Participation and Mission.

a. **Communion** – Bringing people together as communities in the local Church begins this prayerful insight into the ways of the Holy Spirit. When the Church gathers for the Eucharist, and what flows from it, is when the necessary self-understanding of the mission of the Church is best understood. Thus, the dialogue at this level is rooted in the life of the ecclesial communities and parishes.

b. **Participation** – The reflections that the local Churches and communities are undertaking regarding the pandemic form the context of how the Church looks forward, not backwards, to revitalizing its mission of bringing the Good News to all. The gentle call of invitation to the full practice of Catholic life, with the Eucharist at the center of all the Church does, is an integral part of the “walking together.”

c. **Mission** – Understanding the local situation will feed necessarily into an overview of the mission in the whole diocese. Like a mosaic, the vision is formed of the needs for renewal so that mission to all people is firmly rooted in the life of the local community who gather, by gentle invitation by the Lord, to worship him, to be sanctified by him and to exercise both an individual and collective prophetic voice.

Synod” is an ancient word in the history of the Church. In Greek, it means “walking together.” A Church that journeys together describes the entire history of the Catholic Church. Jesus Christ walked with his apostles and disciples from town to town. The early Christian community gathered together for prayer, worship, and consultation.

The synodal process was reinvigorated by the Church in light of the Second Vatican Council. While the “Synod on Synodality” will be a convening of bishops from across the Catholic Church in October 2023, bishops are encouraged to seek input from their local church leading up to the gathering.

Each Diocese throughout the world will be asked to pray for the success of the synod and will be asked at various times for input. We will keep you abreast as more information is shared with local Dioceses and Parishes.

TIME FOR US TO RESPOND-----ALL ARE INVITED.

Online Survey Opportunity along with Phone Line Opportunity

An online Synod Survey is now available on the Diocese of Scranton website. Everyone is invited to participate in the survey, even if they take part in an in-person parish listening session. The survey questions will also be available in *The Catholic Light* newspaper. Any parishioner without internet access can participate by calling and leaving their comments on our Synod Voicemail at (570) 591-5024.

