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SIL Parish Life

Newsletter of the St. Ignatius Loyola Community Commission

Notes About Our Parish Family



We are proud to welcome the youngest members of our parish who were baptized this past winter and spring: Timothy Samuel Arnold, Alina Gloria Polguy, Jonathan Joseph Polguy, Colin Patrick Horbas, Bryson David Shandra, Lyla Jade Nappi, Sonny Maxwell Bond, Annabella Sickler, David Sickler; Olivia Grace Doughton, Brynlee Rose Lescoe, Adam Martin Flaherty, & Lily Catherine Lambert.



Best wishes are extended to Devon E. Walko and Nicole J. Harper who were married in December at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola.



Our congregation would like to extend a warm welcome to these newly registered members of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish: Darryl & Kristen Schwartz, Beverly Aschman, Atty. Michael & Jill O'Donnell, Adriana Solorzano, Evan Sedor, Allison Baur, Thomas Fernandes, Daniel & Morgan Flaherty, Eileen Melone, Michael Rock, Jacob & Michelle Richar-Gaylord, Natalie Gruver, Lindsey Gruver, Judith Ellis, Jared & Ellen Meehan, Nikolai & Desiree Sedlak, Krista Williams, Diane Kozik, Garbiela Smicherko, & John Payer.

Pastoral Staff News and Notes from Msgr. Tressler

Dear Friends,

As we continue walking this journey of faith together, I'm filled with gratitude for the life and spirit that shine so brightly in our parishes. Each season brings new moments of growth, grace, and connection—and this newsletter is just one way we can celebrate those blessings together.

First, Words cannot fully express the depth of my gratitude for the incredible outpouring of love, prayers, and support you have shown me during my recent surgery and as I continue this journey of recovery and treatment. Your kindness—through cards, meals, and above all, your constant prayer—has been a powerful reminder of the strength and beauty of our faith community. While this season has presented its share of challenges, it has also revealed the immense grace of God shining through each of you. I feel truly blessed to serve where compassion is not just a word, but a living testimony. As I move forward with my treatment plan, I ask for your continued prayers and patience. I remain committed to walking this path with you, even if in a slightly different rhythm for now. I am filled with heartfelt gratitude and hope. Thank you!



With deep appreciation, we say goodbye and thank you to **Father Paul Yeboah**, who has faithfully served alongside us for the past two years ensuring we continued to provide the Eucharist on a daily basis along with providing sacrament care as needed. We pray for God's continued blessing on this new assignment at St. Faustina Parish, Nanticoke and Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Lake Silkworth.

We are delighted to welcome **Father Michael Boris** as our parish's Assistant Pastor. Father Boris was ordained on June 24, 2023 and has served as the Assistant Pastor of Our Lady of Snows, Clarks Summit and St. Gregory's, Clarks Green. He is the son of Joseph and Susan Boris, Dallas. Prior to his seminary formation, he attended Good Shepherd Academy, Holy Redeemer High School and King's College.



Rev. Mr. **Jan Carlo Perez** is assigned to our parishes for the second summer. He will begin his final year of study in September! He is experiencing ministry with us this summer as a transitional deacon. We are grateful for his presence among us.

We are pleased to welcome **Katherine Santarpia** to our parishes after her two year Notre Dame internship with us! Starting August 18th, she will be our Pastoral Associate Coordinator, bringing a deep love for ministry and a heartfelt commitment to serving God's people. Katherine has proven throughout her internship her commitment to our parishes and will be an integral part of our commitment to serve the people of God entrusted to our care. She will play a vital role in supporting the spiritual life of our parish and ensuring we work together to continue to vibrant communities of faith. A Pastoral Associate plays a vital role in supporting the spiritual and administrative life of a parish. As she begins this new chapter with us, let us extend our warmest greetings and open hearts.



Finally, we are very thankful for the continued service and support of our visiting clergy - **Rev. James Alco**, **Rev. Daniel Issing, C.S.C.**, and **Rev. Robert Sickler** - and **Deacon Gerard Pernot**. All our staff look forward to walking together with you in faith, service, and community.



SIL Parish Life Newsletter compiled by the Community Commission Coordinating Team.
 Anyone interested in helping create and publish this newsletter, please contact the CCC Team.

Winter Highlights at SIL



Mass of Remembrance



Advent



Family Advent Program



Wreath Making



Giving



Music Box Charity Social



Holy Name Santa Party



Celebrating the Birth of Christ



Home for the Holidays



Socks for Vets



Pro-Life Shower



Night at the Races



Ladies Night Out Social



Ash Wednesday



Lenten Reflection Service



Lenten Food Bank Donations



No-Bake Bake Sale Drawing

Easter Egg Hunt



Our Journey Through Lent and Easter



Palm Sunday



Good Friday



Easter Vigil Service



Holy Thursday



Blessing Easter Baskets



Sacraments of Initiation Received



Communication The purpose of this newsletter (published quarterly: Summer, Fall, Winter, & Spring) is to keep our parishioners informed of past, present and future events. We invite members of our community to send information—pictures and events to SILOffice@aol.com.

Sacraments of Initiation Celebrated in May

On Sunday, May 18th, thirty-nine children from St. Ignatius Loyola and Holy Family Parishes, received the sacrament of First Holy Communion. Fifty young people from St. Ignatius Loyola, Holy Family, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishes were confirmed on Monday, May 19th. May the Holy Spirit empower these candidates with the ability to be full and active participants in our faith.



More Spring Happenings



*First Communion
Family Dinner*

*SIL - HF Parish
Community Shred Day*



*Graduation
Brunch*

Mary's Ministry - Religious Ed May Crowning



Summer Calendar 2025



June 27th

Rail Riders Game

July 4th

Independence Day



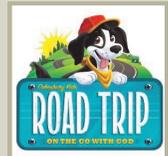
July 17 - 26th

St. Ann's Novena

Vacation Bible
School

July 28—Aug. 1st

Watch parish bulletin for details



Feast of
St. Ignatius Loyola
July 31st



August 15th
Assumption of the
Blessed Mother

September 1st
Labor Day



SAVE THE DATE!
September 14, 2025
12 Noon



*Mass of Celebration on the
40th Anniversary
of Ordination for
Msgr. David L. Tressler*

Social to follow from 1 to 3 PM.



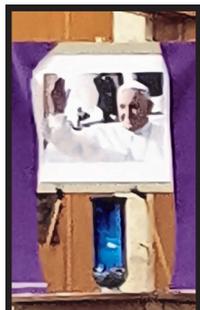
Catholic Choral Society of Scranton Spring Concert with Good Shepherd Academy

In Memoriam

*Pope Francis
1936-2025*

*Well Done Good
and Faithful Servant*

Thank You



*Cardinal Robert F. Prevost, the
Chicago-born prefect of the
Dicastery for Bishops under
Pope Francis,
was elected the
267th pope May
8th and took the
name Pope Leo
XIV.*





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Office Hours: Monday - Friday

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

**St. Ignatius Loyola - Holy Family
 Parishes Mass Schedule**

Weekdays

7:30 am - Monday thru Friday St. Ignatius Church
 12:10 pm - Monday thru Friday Holy Family Church

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday 4:00 pm St. Ignatius Church

Saturday 5:15 pm Holy Family Church

Sunday 7:00 am St. Ignatius Church

Sunday 9:00 am Holy Family Church

Sunday 10:30 am St. Ignatius Church

Live-streaming Sunday Mass will continue at 10:30 am

St. Ignatius Church is open for private prayer

Monday - Friday 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm at St. Ignatius Church

Saturdays 4:45 pm - 5 :00 pm at Holy Family Church
 or by appointment

*Saint Ignatius Loyola Parish Sundaes Social
 and
 End of Summer CASH RAFFLE*



\$8,000.00 Total in Cash Prizes

First Prize:	\$3,000.00
Second Prize:	\$1,500.00
Third Prize:	\$1,000.00
Fourth Prize	\$750.00
Fifth Prize:	\$500.00
Sixth-Tenth Prizes:	\$250.00

Tickets \$20 each or 3 for \$50

Tickets will be mailed mid - July. Additional tickets will then be available at the Parish Office during normal business hours.

Drawing Sunday, August 24, 2025 around noon



Belgium Waffle Truck Compliments of SIL Parish
 will be at the St. Ignatius Loyola Church
 Parking Lot - N. Maple Avenue
 10:30 am until 1:00 pm Rain or Shine
 Coffee, Tea and Water will be available



Save the Date