

THE CHURCH OF
SAINT IGNATIUS
LOYOLA



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



Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 8, 2018

Second Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 4:32-35

1 Jn 5:1-6

Jn 20:19-31

Leaning Upon God

This painting is a powerful image of paternal love and union. It recalls the historic moment when St. John Paul II, at the Mass of his elevation to the papacy, embraced his lifelong mentor, Stefan Cardinal Wyszyński. The painting is a moment frozen in time that represents something much bigger than the event that inspired it.

The two figures are barely distinguishable. They seem to be fused, like two figures carved out of one piece of marble. It is the mutual love of giving and receiving that makes this exchange so moving. Indeed, it reminds us of the embrace of love we seek in this life from our loved ones as well as in eternal life. There is no distance between them, rancor, or questioning—only the total happiness of being united with a friend.

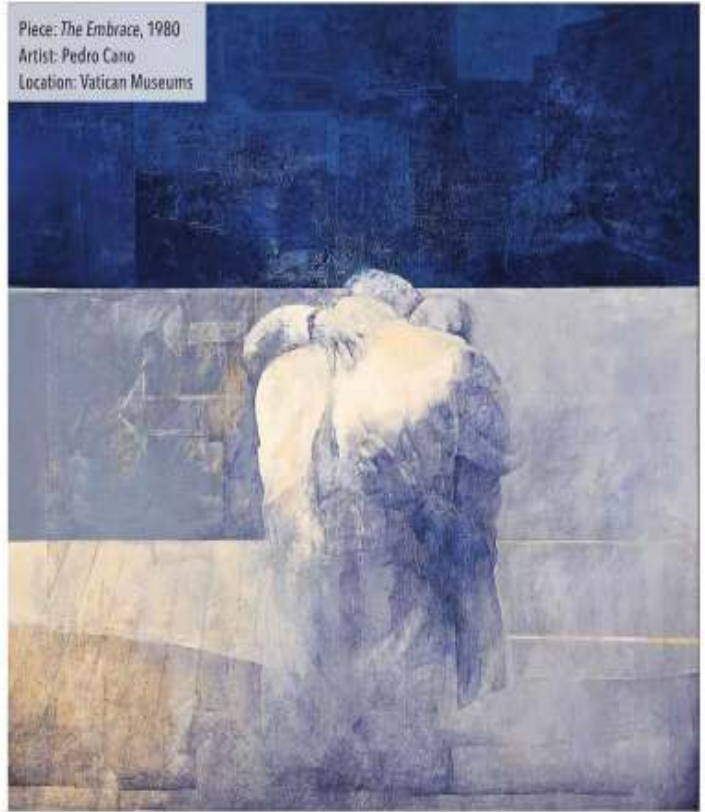
The pope's strong, broad shoulders are penetrated by the grasping hands of the one embraced. There is a clenching need to find security in the other. We all search for love, forgiveness, and for strength we do not find in ourselves. We wish our faith were stronger but, the truth is, we need to be constantly turning to God for his mercy.

Yet, he is pleased to be our rock upon which we lean, the one we can touch in our doubt. Turn to him

in need, for he is happy to save you from the trials of this life. He wants to be the risen one who restores our faith. He rejoices that we need him and return to him.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Piece: *The Embrace*, 1980
Artist: Pedro Cano
Location: Vatican Museums



For Reflection

Do I find security in the love of another in a healthy way? Is it the fruit of giving and not possessing? Is my strongest foundation in the love and mercy of Jesus?

[Jesus said.] "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

John 20:29

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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.

WORD—LEARNING ABOUT OUR FAITH

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday, April 11th - 6 pm, First Communion Family Potluck Dinner/Mtg., Conlan Hall.

Thursday, April 12th - 7 pm, Confirmation Parent Mtg., Conlan Hall. Due at this mtg. is the Confirmation fee and all paperwork (sponsor card, if needed; saint's name report, letter to Father, service information)



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

COME, JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY!

Continuing this week on Wednesday, April 11th at 1:30 in Bergan Hall, Cindy Liskov will be facilitating, *Israel's Story, Part II*. This is a follow up to Part I which was used in our study series about 3 years ago. This part explores Israel's history and theology from the division of the Kingdom into North and South, the exile to Babylon and the return to Jerusalem. This Little Rock series includes a study guide and a second book with a set of questions. Participants will use their own Bibles as they work through the study. The cost for materials is \$16.00. Please call the rectory to reserve your place.

PASSIONIST RETREAT MASTER

On Thursday, April 19th at 7:00 PM in the church hall of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville, Passionist Retreat Master Brother Andre Mathieu will review the principles of healthy grieving in a presentation entitled: "Spirituality and the Dynamics of Grief." All are welcome to attend.

NEW PERMANENT DIACONATE CLASS

The class will begin in **August, 2018**. If you feel a "call from God," please contact Father McKernan. Any applicant must first be nominated by his pastor. Nominees must be at least 31 years of age and no older than 60. An undergraduate degree while preferred is not absolutely necessary - as long as he has a high school diploma (or GED) and is capable of college-level studies. If interested, please call 570-288-6446 soon.

The Altar Breads and Wine for this week are offered

*In Memory of
Anthony Maloney
as requested by
Family*



Sanctuary Candles Burn this week

*In Memory of
Dolores June*

By Eileen Siracuse Family

*In Memory of
Tom Kopec*

By Family



We encourage you to spend quiet time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament throughout the week with a special prayer intention in mind. Just pick up a card after your visit to Church and send it off to the one in your prayer. The cards may be used on First Fridays by those attending Eucharistic Adoration.

Think gospel! Please make room for your neighbor in Church and slide to the center of the pew.

**BOXTOPS FOR
EDUCATION**

Please leave Boxtops for Education with UPC bar code and soda tabs to benefit Good Shepherd Academy. Boxes are located in the Church and Chapel foyers.



In recognition of our need to give, and the many needs of our church and parish, and in gratitude for God's gifts to us, we declare our willingness to return a portion of our Treasure to our parish, as part of our total Christian stewardship.

Sunday Tithe
\$13,090.00

This Week's Expenses
\$19,090.97

Easter Collection
\$24,563.74

WORSHIP—LITURGY AND PRAYER



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - TODAY - APRIL 8TH

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish will host the 12th Annual Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. We are honored to have as this year's principal celebrant and homilist, Rev. Pio Mandato, F.M.J.J., a Franciscan Hermit of the Scranton Diocese. Father McKernan will be concelebrant. The Feast Day Coordinator is Cathy Mack - EADM Cenacle Leader. The schedule for the day is as follows:

1:00 PM - Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Rosary; 2:00 PM - Blessing of the Image of Divine Mercy followed by Holy Mass; 3:00 PM - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, The Divine Mercy Chaplet in Song and Benediction and Blessing with the First Class Relic of St. Faustina. All are welcome to attend. Please contact Cathy Mack at 570-654-6063 for more information.

FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Please join us as we celebrate Evening Prayer of the Church in honor of the Annunciation of Mary, one the patron saints of our parish, on **Monday, April 9th** at 7 PM in the Church.

WEEKLY MEDITATION

A week has passed since Easter. Has anything changed? The disciples' anxiety and fear of the Jewish leaders escalates, so they take shelter in a room and lock the doors. Jesus suddenly appears in the locked room proclaiming "Peace be with you." Jesus breathes on them leaving His Spirit whereby allowing them to forgive sins. The resurrection shows us God can overcome anything and gives us the gifts of life and peace. Let us resolve to live our lives not behind closed doors, but with the life and peace that Jesus offers. May we live the Easter spirit fully by carrying on Jesus' work.

MARY'S MINISTRY MEETING - APRIL 10TH

A general planning meeting of Mary's Ministry will be held **Tuesday, April 10th** at 6:30 PM in Conlan Hall to review suggestions for updating our operating guidelines and make plans for our spring/summer activities, May Crowning and Pro-Life Carnation Sale. Anyone interested in sharing ideas for next year's calendar or helping with these projects is welcome. Rosary will be recited at 6:15 PM.

JEANNE R. BUTCHER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Jeanne R. Butcher Memorial Scholarship Award was established by the family through an endowment with the Luzerne Foundation. Applicant is a graduating senior and must be a registered parishioner of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish and planning to enroll as an undergraduate in an accredited two or four year college/university as a full time student with demonstrated financial need. The student selected will receive the scholarship contingent upon the documented satisfactory academic and other related criteria used in the selection for the scholarship. Applications can be obtained from the Luzerne Foundation, 140 East Main Street, Luzerne, PA 18709 or by going to the website: luzfdn.org or calling 570-714-1570 or 1-877-589-3386. **Deadline for application is April 16th.**

PINES DINNER THEATRE BUS TRIP - SUNDAY, JUNE 10TH

Make your reservations now. On Sunday, June 10th, Mary's Ministry is hosting a trip to the Pines Dinner Theatre in Allentown for the matinee performance of **"Yankee Doodle Dandy."** The music of George M. Cohan has never sounded better than in this show. Featuring all of his most famous hits, this patriotic review will keep your toes tapping and your fingers snapping. From "You're A Grand Old Flag" to "Give My Regards to Broadway" and of course "Yankee Doodle Dandy", this tuneful show will leave you cheering for more! Departure from St. Ann's Chapel parking lot will be at 10:30 AM for the luncheon and matinee performance. We will return about 5:30 PM. **Contact Elaine Whipple at 570-287-6178 ASAP for menu, details and to reserve your seat. Seats will be assigned as payments are received. The cost of this trip is \$80.00. Make checks payable to the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola (memo Pines.) Deadline for non-refundable payment is April 30th.**

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE & CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

If you are interested in helping with either conference by being a contact person, please call the Rectory office or Father McKernan.



Monday

Holy Name Meeting - 7:00 PM
Conlan Hall
Worship Team Meeting
7:00 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)
Feast of Annunciation Prayer
Service - 7:00 PM - Church

Tuesday

Mary's Ministry Meeting
6:15 PM - Conlan Hall

Wednesday

Bible Study - 1:30 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)
First Communion Pot Luck Dinner
6:00 PM - Conlan Hall
Cantor Rehearsal - 6:00 PM
Church
Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 PM
Church

Thursday

Children's Choir - 6:45 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)
Grade 8
Confirmation Parent Meeting
7:00 PM - Conlan Hall
Contemporary Ensemble
7:30 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)

Friday

Adoration & Healing Service—
7:00 PM—Church

Saturday

Prayer Shawl Ministry
12:00 PM
Bergan Parish Center
(1st Floor)



REMEMBERING April 9th - 15th

Monday

7:30—Sandra Chakon *Robert & Therese Palchanis, Jr.*

12:10—Pietro Sparacio *Nella & George Guarrella*

Tuesday

7:30—Mary & Arthur Podesta-ALM *Patricia E. Podesta*

12:10—Eric Hoffman-ALM *Mother & Family*

Wednesday

7:30—Daria Sembrat *Larry & Joanne Benesky*

12:10—George Soltis *Nancy Flannery*

Thursday

7:30—Theresa M. Judge *Patricia Monka*

12:10—Palma & Sebastiano LoRusso-ALM *C. Fiotti*

Friday

7:30—Ann Marie Brady-ALM *Sister, Betsy*

12:10—Agnes Hosey-MM *Family*

Saturday

7:30—Elizabeth Verdone-ALM *Family*

4:00 PM—Stella Turel *Mary Moris*

5:30 PM—John Schwartz *Grimes Family*

Sunday

7:00 AM—Joseph Sisky *Mr. & Mrs. Bernie Hurley*

8:30 AM—For the People of the Parish

10:30 AM—Ellen Kosmala *Mr. & Mrs. Robert Egroff*

12:00 PM—Paul Kopici *Tregan Family*

SERVICE—HELPING OTHERS

PRO-LIFE FLEA MARKET

The Annual Pro-Life Flea Market will take place at Presbyterian Church hall, Corner of Westminster & Lockhart Streets, Wilkes-Barre. Dates: **Friday, April 13th** from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM and **Saturday, April 14th** from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Items vary and are clean and saleable. The public is welcome. All proceeds help maintain The Human Life Resource Center, Wilkes-Barre. Thank you!

RUMMAGE SALE

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Swoyersville, will sponsor a Rummage Sale in the school gymnasium on **Monday, April 23rd** (9 am to 5 pm) and **Tuesday, April 24th** (9 am to 3 pm). Tuesday, is also \$2.00 bag day. Bake sale, refreshments, homemade haluski and wimpies, and more!

CASH BINGO

All Saints Parish, Plymouth is sponsoring a Cash Bingo on Sunday, April 22nd. The doors open at 12:00 Noon and the games begin at 1:00 PM. Admission is \$5.00.

ATTENTION: GERRITY'S & SHUR-SAVE

MARKET SHOPPERS

If you shop at Gerrity's or other Shur-Save Markets and have not designated your community rewards in support of St. Ignatius Parish, please call our project administer, Patti Kupetz ASAP at 570-288-6856 and give her your Gold Card number and name on the card and she will be able to register you for our parish. The income we receive helps support some of our outreach service projects.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

To date we have received 81% of our goal (\$72,634.02) of \$90,000.00.

To date: 28.41% have contributed (504 out of 1,774)

Thank you!!!!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 14th & 15th

Saturday 4:00 PM
Lectors
P. Ochman & C. Urban
Communion Ministers
D. & J. Duesler, M. Graham N. Bellas, M. Girton N. Krasniak, A. Petros
Altar Servers
S. Carlisle & A. Klopp
Saturday 5:30 PM
Lectors
P. & M. Pisaneschi
Communion Ministers
E. Rishcoff, M. B. Zelinsky M. Heffers, T. Smith
Altar Servers
B, Davis & M. Vodzak
Sunday 7:00 AM
Lector
S. Barnes
Communion Ministers
J. Donlan, M. Fiske, T. Verbyla
Sunday 8:30 AM
Lectors
W. Poplawski
Communion Ministers
J. & J. Lyons P. Poplawski
Altar Servers
N. Vender
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VARIETY BINGO

The Social Concerns Committee of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Swoyersville, will be hosting their 4th Annual Variety Bingo on **Sunday, April 15th**. Doors open at Noon and Bingo begins at 1:00 PM. Admission is \$10.00.

HOMEMADE PASTA & SAUSAGE DINNER

St. Maria Goretti Church will hold a Pasta Dinner on **Sunday, April 8th** from Noon to 5:00 PM. Take-outs available from Noon to 4:00 PM. Tickets will be available at the door - \$12.00 and children 5 years old and younger are free "eat in only."

JMJ CATHOLIC RADIO

Listen at 98.9 FM or 750AM. The 98.9 FM is 24/7 and is a stronger signal. Learn more about your faith! Fr. McKernan has a regular program on this station. Please keep this work in your prayers. **Times: Tuesdays at 3:30 PM; Thursdays at 6:00 PM and Saturdays at 9:00 PM.**



Food Pantry Donations Needed

Our foods at the moment include: canned pasta, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, canned vegetables, soup, peanut butter, jelly and cereal.

Thank you for your kindness

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

Bishop Joseph C. Bambera has announced he will lead a pilgrimage to our nation's capital, Washington, D.C. on Saturday, September 22nd in celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Scranton. Father Andrew HvozdoVIC, the Diocesan Director of Pilgrimages, in collaboration with the Deans, Pastors, Parish Life Coordinators and Parish Pilgrimage Promoters, will plan the events of the day and coordinate transportation to and from the National Shrine for all regions of the Diocese. More information will be forthcoming.

CEMETERY REGULATIONS

ST. IGNATIUS, ST. HEDWIG, ST. MARY'S

Glass and Plastic containers will not be allowed

All other decorations will be allowed for two weeks at Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day and Christmas.

At the end of the two-week period, all decorations not yet reclaimed will be removed from the Cemetery.

Boxes of all types and urns must be among the articles removed.

Planting of shrubs and trees within the Cemetery must be approved by the Superintendent.

Shrubs, trees and decorations of any type which become unsightly or uncontrollable,

shall be removed by the Cemetery at any time.

The use of Vigil Lights will be permitted on the eve of All Souls Day, and for ten days thereafter.

All stone, metal, and any other borders around monuments and/or memorials are prohibited.

No planting around flat stones; no planting in back of tombstones; no planting beyond 6 inches in front of tombstones. No raising of flat stones or army markers above ground level.

All cemetery garbage and leavings should be placed in the dumpster at the entrance upon leaving.

Sunday Stewards

There will be no envelope count for this weekend due to an early bulletin deadline!

VISITATION OF THE SICK

If you or someone you know is going to be admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please call the parish office and let us know. Due to privacy rules, the hospitals do not notify us unless specifically requested by the patient. Also, if you know of a parishioner that is sick or homebound, please let us know. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE: CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

The conference for the Diocese of Scranton will take place at King's College on **Saturday, May 5th, 2018.**

Food Donations

Thank you for bringing food for the needy to Mass. Each week we will bring a basket up in the Offertory Procession to remind us we are in solidarity with the poor.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Continued

Sunday 10:30 AM

Lectors

B. Hazlak & L. Cuscani

Communion Ministers

M. Hosey, D. Mosca
P. Kupetz, S. Smith

Altar Servers

C. & C. Griffin

Sunday 12 Noon

Lectors

S. Verdone & S. Arbogast

Communion Ministers

T. Gazowski
K. Smedley

Altar Servers

C. Dec & K. Gring



Beatrice Marko

HOLY NAME SOCIETY—NIGHT AT THE RACES SATURDAY, APRIL 21ST

The Holy Name Society will sponsor its Annual Night at the Races on **Saturday, April 21st** in Conlan Hall. Doors open at 6:00 PM. Admission is free and seating is first come-first serve basis - no reserved seating. Food and refreshments are ALL included. Horses will be able to be purchased before and during the event. This is an adult only event. Please come out and support our society and the Church and have fun with your neighbors and parishioners. If anyone wishes to sponsor a race (\$25.00) or donate prizes, or bake treats, please call Tom Havrilak at 570-287-7768.

Saint Ignatius Holy Name Presents**"Night at the Races" - Saturday, April 21st****\$10.00 entry fee**

Name of Horse _____

Name of Sponsor _____

Telephone _____

Name of Seller _____

HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL SPRING CONCERT AND ART EXHIBIT

Holy Redeemer High School will present their annual Spring Concert and Art Exhibit on **Saturday, April 14th and Sunday, April 15th**. The Art Exhibit will open at 6 pm. The Concert will begin at 7:00 PM in the McCarthy Auditorium, 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd., Wilkes Barre. The Donation is adults - \$5; students and senior citizens - \$3. Come enjoy the talents of these high school students.

"PEDALS, PIPES, AND PIZZA"

Are you uplifted by the sound of organ music? Have you ever wondered how this instrument is played and what makes it work? The Pennsylvania Northeast Chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) is conducting its ninth **"Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza"** program for children and adults on **Sunday, April 15** at 1:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, [97 South Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre](#). Come and learn about the many different types of sounds the organ can make, and listen to some music! Those who play the piano are encouraged to bring some music to play on the organ. Pizza will be served at the end of the day's activities. The event is informal, free of charge, and open to all. Please register online at www.agopane.org or call [570-301-9253](tel:570-301-9253).

ATTENTION FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

The meeting scheduled for **Monday, April 9th** has been changed to **Monday, April 23rd** at 6:30 PM in the Rectory.

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. The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism is on the third Sunday of every month.

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, Michael S. Reese

Phone: 570-829-2424

MINISTRY COUNCILS

Pastoral Council – Father McKernan, Deacon O'Connor, George Andresky, Nancy Bellas, Michelle Butcher, Pat Cole, Robert Dupre, Maria Edmunds, Maura Fennell, Gloria Galante, Molly Kachmar, Cynthia Liskov, Kimberly McNulty, Jeremiah Taylor

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Mrs. Caprice Ryman, Accompanist
Mr. George Andresky, Accompanist

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