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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 Kiernan Bliss McIlvenny who was recently baptized in our parish.

Best wishes are extended to Kevin Coombs and



Nancy Augustine and Patrick Nappi and Alyssa Hettero who were married at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola this fall.

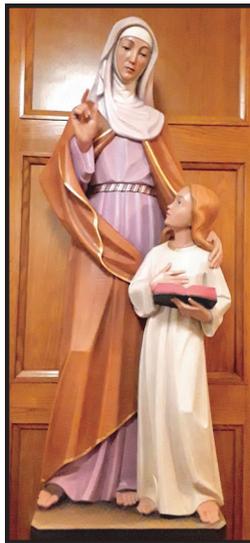


Our parish community would like to extend a warm welcome to the following newly registered members of St. Ignatius Loyola parish: Kristen Dopko, Robert Thomas, Paul & Janine Klecha, Frederick & Elaine McIlvenny, Edward & Felicitie Schirra, Trisha Getten, Nathan Paradis & Sarah Gibbon, Stanley & Cindy Zakaraskas, Brian & Kathryn Mitchell, Maria Bianco, Mark Mott, and Laura Brin.

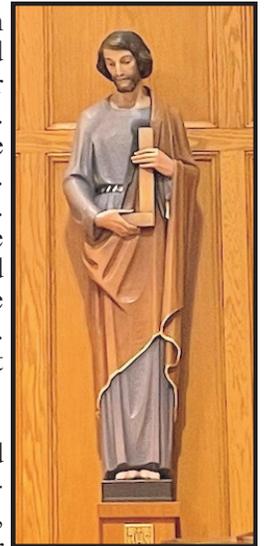
## Mary's Ministry & Religious Ed Winter Coat & Jacket Collection



## New Parish Hand Sculpted Statues Dedicated



In remembrance of Geraldine Ruddy Hourigan and her kindness two new statues hand sculpted in Italy have been donated and dedicated at her anniversary Mass of death on November 5, 2021. The new statues are St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church/Foster Father of Jesus, and St. Ann, Mother of Mary, and Grandmother of Jesus. St. Joseph has been placed in the sanctuary of the Church next to the Blessed Mother. The Sacred Heart statue has been relocated to the rear of the Church along with the new statue of St. Ann. They stand inside the main entrance on the right and left.



Geraldine Hourigan, a lifelong parishioner and educator, who served the parish and her community in many different ways throughout the years, passed away November 7, 2019 leaving in her estate a very generous gift of 1.6 million dollars to St. Ignatius Loyola Parish and \$800 thousand dollars to the parish St. Vincent de Paul Fund to continue her commitment to serving the less fortunate within our community. With eternal gratitude and our prayers - may her soul rest in peace!

## SIL Community Fall Sundaes Social A Sweet Treat Enjoyed by All



## Blessing of Animals October 3rd



## New Landscaping Installed



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

**Fall Events in Review**



**Assumption  
 August 15th**

**Rosary Devotion  
 October 7th**



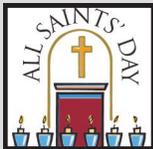
**Feast of  
 St. Hedwig  
 October 16th**



**Oct. Religious Ed Retreat**

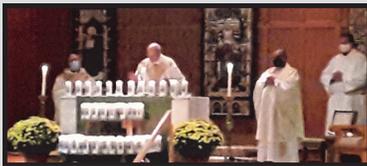


**November 1st**



**November 2nd**

**All Souls Day  
 Mass of Remembrance**



**Mary's Ministry Advent /Christmas Video Holiday Programs**

Ventriloquist, Susan Klein and a Family of Friends will be preparing hearts for the arrival of the King of Kings, the Light of the world! Check out our parish website and Facebook page in December for her two Advent events. "The Good News" story time program featuring Carmel the dog and Nachito the parrot will be available for families with young children. Her "Christmas Lights – Shining Bright – King of Kings" show may be enjoyed by youth and adult parishioners.

**2021 Advent - Christmas Season Devotions and Activities**



**Advent  
 Nov 28th -  
 Dec 24th**



**Immaculate  
 Conception  
 Dec 8th**



**Nativity of Jesus Dec 25th  
 Holy Family Feast Dec 26th**



**Solemnity  
 of Mary  
 Jan 1st**



**Epiphany Jan 2nd  
 Baptism of Jesus Jan 9th**

**Advent Giving Wreath**



Due to COVID-19, we are unable to provide toys for less fortunate families this year. In place of actual toys, we are requesting donations of gift cards to be distributed to needy families. We would ask that you deposit the gift cards in the special boxes near the angel wreaths in the back of the Church from Sunday, November 21 - Sunday, December 5, 2021. We are recommending that the gift cards be from either Boscov's, Walmart, Target, or an area grocery store, ranging in price from \$5.00-\$30.00. Cash donations will also be accepted so that gifts cards can be purchased for needy families.



**Parish Christmas Yard Signs**



Bring a sign of hope to your neighborhood and share the joy of the season with a decorative yard sign. Available on a first come first serve basis. Limited supply - one per residence. No charge - donation optional. Signs will be distributed at the entrance of Bergan Parish Center, Saturday, Nov. 27th from 3pm - 6:30pm and Sunday Nov. 28th from 7:30am - 8am and 10 am to 12:30pm.

**Oplatki Christmas Wafers**



Christmas Wafers will be available on a table in the rear of the Church beginning Sunday, December 5, 2021. Please deposit money for wafers in the locked collection boxes.

**2022 Calendars**



2022 Calendars will be available on tables in the rear of the Church in December. Please take one calendar per family. Please do not return calendar once it has been touched.

**Parish Christmas Tree**



We will place a Christmas tree in the front yard of the rectory on Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup> and invite everyone to stop by and securely attach an ornament with your name (s) on it prior to December 24<sup>th</sup> (if necessary you may leave your ornament in the container on the rectory porch for us to attach your ornament). On Christmas Eve we will light the tree as a visible sign of our unity and commitment to our parish family as we stand "**TOGETHER IN FAITH!**"

**Straw from Christmas Manger**



Straw from our Christmas manger will be available after all Masses on Christmas Eve through the Christmas Season in individually prepared bags by steps and handrails leading up to the altar. Please do not take straw from Manger Scene behind the altar.

**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 & events to the CCC Team at [siloffice@aol.com](mailto:siloffice@aol.com)