



Saint Ignatius Loyola Church Weekly Update February 13, 2022

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses will continue the week of February 14, 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. except for Monday, February 21st.

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.

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.

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 every Thursday 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.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING – BISHOP-ELECT WALSH

On December 21, 2021, Pope Francis appointed the Reverend Jeffrey J. Walsh, Pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish and Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Carbondale, as the Sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Gaylord, Michigan. As Bishop-elect Walsh prepares for his Episcopal Ordination and Installation as Bishop of Gaylord on March 4, 2022, parishioners, and friends of the Bishop-elect are invited to attend a Mass of Thanksgiving and Sending Forth in gratitude for his ministry of service to the People of God in the Church of Scranton. The Mass will be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at 12:10 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral. It will also be televised live on Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton.



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 \$ _____

THANK YOU

A special thanks to all who participated in our Mary's Ministry Pro-Life Baby Shower and to Kate Corgan for coordinating the collections. All our donations were delivered to our local chapter of Pennsylvanians for Human Life for distribution to needy babies in our area.

SAVE THE DATE

The SIL Community Commission – Holy Name – Mary's Ministry will again sponsor a SIL Parish Community Shred Day on Saturday April 30, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. - Noon in the church parking lot. Watch for details in our spring newsletter and bulletin.

COAL SWEEPSTAKES – 16 GREAT PRIZES!

Tickets will be sold after Masses next weekend February 19th and 20th. This fundraiser benefits State Council and Knights of Columbus Council #3987. Cost - \$5.00 per ticket.

PIEROGI BOARD NEWS

Back by popular demand, our Lenten Pierogi Project will begin before Ash Wednesday. Monday, Feb. 28th at 8:00 a.m. - Prep for potato and farmer's cheese. Hall set up. Tuesday, March 1st Production. We will sell pierogi on Ash Wednesday after the 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. services. If workers agree, we will prep cheese, potato, and cabbage on Monday, March 7th with production on Tuesday, March 8th. Sales after the Saturday Masses on March 12th. Prices remain the same. Potato - \$9.00 Cheese and cabbage - \$10.00. WE will supply masks and gloves as they are required. WE really need help. No experience necessary. The coffee pot is always on, and a nice lunch is served on the days of production. We all hope this wonderful tradition can continue. For information, call Mike Stretanski 570-817-3430.

THEOLOGICAL TIDBITS

LEARNING TO JOURNEY TOGETHER AS CATHOLICS



So here we are again. Our hearts should be filled with joy for all that we have celebrated each week and in anticipation of what is to come. Let's see how observant you have been during the past two months. When you enter the church, you have seen different colors adorn the altar and other places in the sanctuary. When the priest makes his appearance, he too, is in colorful garb. All of this has been signaling the season we are celebrating. In Advent we saw a lighter purple. During the Christmas season, white or even gold on the Solemn Feast; and now we are in a shorter period of Ordinary Time when the color green is used.

Ordinary time refers to all the Sundays of the liturgical year that are not linked to the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. Ordinary Time consists of thirty-four weeks and is divided into two periods: one following Epiphany and the other following Pentecost. The word "ordinary" in Ordinary Time does not mean "common." It means "according to an established order." The Sundays in this period are ordered by ordinal numbers (e.g., 2, 3, 4) so they are ordinary. Many feasts are celebrated during this time, but not usually on Sunday.

Mass Intentions Week of February 14th – 20th

Monday
7:30 AM – Harold Bombe <i>Gail & Dick Blaum</i>
12:10 PM – Rosalie Dovidas <i>Family</i>
Tuesday
7:30 AM – Jack McCue <i>Family</i>
12:10 PM – Patricia Lavelle <i>Husband & Family</i>
Wednesday
7:30 AM – Michael McGree <i>Mark & Family</i>
12:10 PM – Rose Walsh <i>Daughter, Kathleen Brennan</i>
Thursday
7:30 AM – Joseph D. Lloyd <i>Riedel Family</i>
12:10 PM – Arthur Dupras <i>Family</i>
Friday
7:30 AM – Mary B. Fischer <i>Family</i>
12:10 PM – Mary Dougherty <i>Grandson, Matthew</i>
Saturday
4:00 PM – James Hoffman <i>Wife & Family</i>
5:30 PM – Frank Carney <i>Family</i>
Sunday
7:00 AM – John Brawley <i>McKenna Family</i>
8:30 AM – For the People of the Parish
10:30 AM – Regina Wasileski <i>Ellen Jo Mangan</i>
12:00 PM – Diane Tigue <i>McNulty Family</i>

Church Candle for the Week of February 14th

In Memory of Father Leo J. McKernan – Requested by Lucyann Skvarla

Bread & Wine for the Week of February 14th

In Memory of Anthony Maloney – Requested by Family

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR FEBRUARY 6, 2022

Sunday Tithe
\$11,443.00

E-Offerings
\$1,595.00

Total
\$13,038.00

**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.

