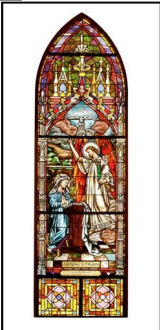


THE CHURCH OF  
SAINT IGNATIUS  
LOYOLA



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

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 26, 2020  
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)  
Is 8:23–9:3  
1 Cor 1:10–13  
Mt 4:12–23 or 4:12–1

## Is Christ Divided?

**"Y**ou're breaking the back of the body of Christ!" Saint Paul might have said this to members of the Corinthian community who rival each other, claiming that the leader who baptized them is greater than the one who baptized others: "I belong to Paul...I belong to Apollos...I belong to Cephas" (1 Corinthians 1:12). This suggests that, based on their baptizer, the members themselves are superior. Such rivalry sounds so petty. We should be careful here, because some of this rivalry still exists in the Church.

In any healthy group there will be diverse opinions. We all have our own tastes, preferences, cultural habits, and so on. This is true in church music, preaching style, and religious devotion. The uniformity of the Church prior to the Second Vatican Council has given way to great diversity. What is different is not necessarily bad. Nor is our preference necessarily superior. Such diversity need not pit us against each other, but sometimes it does. Is Christ divided over points of preference?

We are all part of the body of Christ; we are all God's beloved. The diversity among us challenges us to work toward the common good, to "be united in the same mind and in the same purpose" (1 Corinthians 1:10). Let us not divide Christ.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### FOR Reflection

- ★ How do you act toward someone who understands faith differently? Do you respect their viewpoint or automatically ignore them?
- ★ Which religious voices do you listen to? Why?

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From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

MATTHEW 4:17

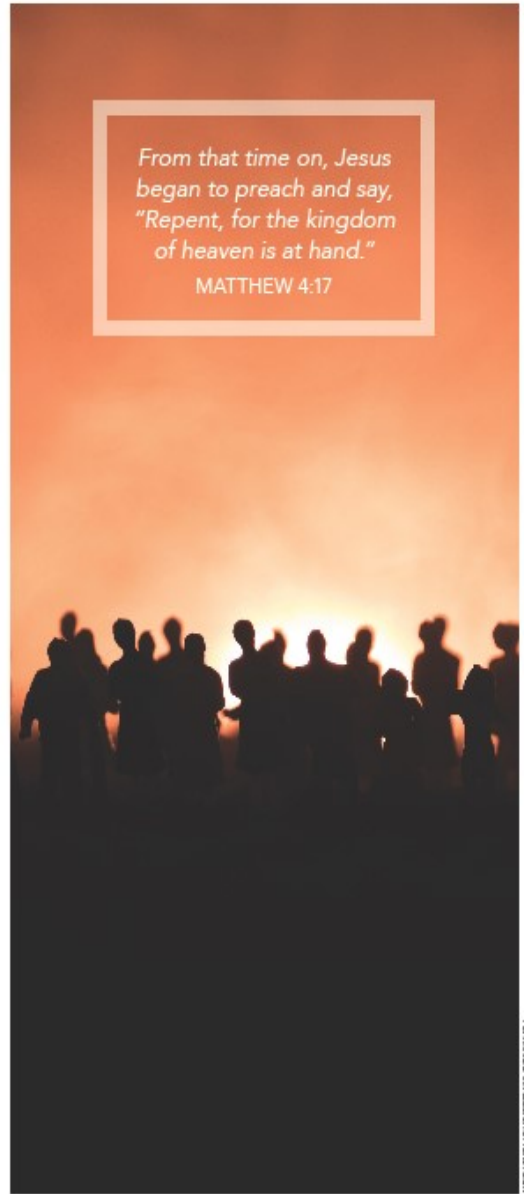


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*We, the blended Catholic community of St. Ignatius Loyola, draw strength from Word and Sacrament, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist. Modeling Christ's work, we embrace our commitment to God's call. We remain faithful to the shared acts 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.**



*Please join us for our new Bible Studies session.*

Starting on **Wednesday, February 12th** at 1:00 PM in Bergan Hall and continuing each week until April 1st, the Adult Faith Formation Team will facilitate an eight week study entitled ***Psalms for All Seasons, Part II***. Each week participants will read specific psalms, view a video which provides insight into the text and discuss their reactions. There is a \$16.00 fee to participate, which includes a commentary and study guide. Anyone, who participated in the ***Psalms, Part I*** during the fall and wishes to continue will need to purchase only the Study Guide at \$8.00. It is not a problem if you did not participate in the first part of the study since the psalms are independent of any story line. Please call the rectory at 570-288-6446 to reserve your spot and indicate if you need the Set \$16.00 (both commentary and study guide) or the study guide at \$8.00.

### **PALMS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY**

On **Wednesday, February 26th**, Ash Wednesday, each of us will be visibly Catholic and marked by an ashen cross on the forehead. This symbol is not only a sign of public penance, but also our link to Palm Sunday of last year. The ashes should be of the burnt palm we have had in our homes since last year. It will be burned and the resulting ash used to sign the faithful at the beginning of Lent. Baskets for palm branches will be available in the Church and Chapel beginning next weekend. We encourage your participation in this aspect of our Lenten liturgy.

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Through the **Sacrament of Baptism** we joyfully welcome into our Christian community the following baby: Luke Cameron Blewitt. Many prayers to him as he begins his new life in Christ Jesus.

### **SAINT IGNATIUS NIGHT AT THE PENGUINS**

If you purchased tickets for our St. Ignatius Night at the Penguins hockey game (February 7, 2020), they can be picked up either at the rectory or at weekend Masses from **January 25 through February 4, 2020**.



The Altar Breads and Wine for this week are offered

In Memory of  
**Kathleen Harrison**  
By Family

#### **Sanctuary Candles**

**Church**  
In Memory  
**Anthony Maloney**  
By Family

**Chapel**  
In Memory of  
**Lena Danna**  
By Family



Eleanor Keiper  
Brian McCarthy



**Sunday Tithe  
\$11,574.01**

**E-Offerings  
\$230.00**

**Total  
\$11,804.01**

**Amount Needed  
Each Week to  
Meet Expenses  
\$12,060.00**

**BOX TOPS FOR  
EDUCATION**

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

## Religious Education

**Sunday, January 26th** - Confirmation class meeting (students only) 6:30 -7:30 PM in Conlan Hall. This is one of the requirements for the Confirmation class.

**Wednesday, February 5th** - Grade 7 & 8 Release Time.

### **BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish will establish a Bereavement Committee which will minister to our families who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The Committee will establish teams who will be organized/trained to conduct the prayer services at the funeral homes. In addition members of the committee will also provide cards periodically throughout the year after the death to support the family. This is truly a Corporal Work of Mercy which are charitable actions by which we help others in their time of need. Please prayerfully consider this ministry and plan on attending an information meeting to be held on **Tuesday, January 28th at 6:30 PM** in Conlan Hall. Thank you.

### **FEAST OF ST. BLAISE - BLESSING OF THROATS**

The annual blessing of throats on the Feast of St. Blaise, Monday, February 3rd, is a very venerable and ancient tradition of the Church. Throats will be blessed at all Masses next weekend, February 1st & 2nd.

### **PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - FEBRUARY 2ND**

On this feast, candles are blessed. The beeswax candles typify the humanity which God the Son assumed, and signify that Jesus Christ is the True Light of the World by His doctrine, grace and example. Candles will be blessed the weekend of February 1st and 2nd and will be made available to you. Donation - \$3.00 per box.

### **WEEKLY MEDITATION**

#### *The Call*

As Jesus calls his apostles at the beginning of his ministry, their response is worthy of our consideration. They followed without hesitation. How do I respond to Jesus' invitation? Do I follow his example in my daily life? At home? At work? At prayer?

**PRO-LIFE BABY SHOWER - JAN. 18TH & 19TH TO FEB. 1ST & 2ND**

Mary's Ministry's annual Pro-Life Baby Shower will be held **Jan. 18th & 19th to February 1st & 2nd**. Boxes will be located in the back of the Church and Chapel for donations of new and nearly new baby clothing, sleepers, blankets, baby wipes, washcloths and bath items. There is an ongoing need especially for diapers. Items need not be wrapped. Baby seats and furniture meeting safety standards may also be accepted. For questions or concerns, please contact Kate Corgan at 570-287-1060. All donations will be distributed through the local Pro-Life office and will be given to needy babies in our area. Please help with this important project.

**HOLY REDEEMER NEWS**

Holy Redeemer High School Placement/Scholarship Test Result Night and Interview Scheduling for incoming Freshmen will be held **Monday, February 3rd** at 7:00 p.m. in the McCarthy Auditorium. (Snow Date: Tuesday, February 4th). Freshman interviews and class scheduling will be conducted February 10, 11, and 13 from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. "Shadow Days" are now being scheduled. Call the Guidance Department (570) 829-2424 to spend a day as a ROYAL!



**HOLY NAME SOCIETY NIGHT AT THE RACES - SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH**

The Holy Name Society will sponsor its Annual Night at the Races on **Saturday, March 28th** 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 Society Presents

"Night at the Races" - Saturday, March 28th

\$10.00 entry fee

Name of Horse \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Seller \_\_\_\_\_



**Monday**

**Scout Meeting - 6:00 PM**

Conlan Hall

**Word Commission**

**6:30 PM**

Bergan Parish Center (1st)

**Service Commission**

**7:00 PM**

Bergan Parish Center

(2nd)

**Tuesday**

**Bereavement Meeting**

**6:30 PM**

Conlan Hall

**Thursday**

**Children's Choir**

**6:45 PM**

Bergan Parish Center (1st)

**Contemporary**

**Ensemble 7:30 PM**

Bergan Parish Center (1st)

**Saturday**

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

**12:00 PM**

Bergan Parish Center (1st)



January 27th - February 2nd

**Monday**

7:30—Stella & Walter Konopke-ALM *Marcella & Florence*

12:10—Walter Gilbert-ALM *Mr. & Mrs. Victor Mosca*

**Tuesday**

7:30—Eleanor Natishan *Charlie Dancheck*

12:10—Francis McGee *Margaret Corbett*

**Wednesday**

7:30—Marion L. Mulligan-ALM *Family*

12:10—Catherine Kulikowski *Donna & Larry*

**Thursday**

7:30—Mary Jo Vancavage *Lenny & Terry Martin*

12:10—Alfred Tamanini-ALM *Children*

**Friday**

7:30—Geraldine Hourigan *Bob & Ellen Adams*

12:10—Mary Dougherty-ALM *Grandson, Matthew*

**Saturday**

7:30—Florence Fisher-ALM *Family*

4:00 PM—Joseph Lapinski, Jr. *Brojakowski Family*

5:30 PM—Scott Roper *Kopicki Family*

**Sunday**

7:00 AM—Mary Ann Cecconi *Mr. & Mrs. Bart Centini & Fam*

8:30 AM—Ellen Kosmala *Weaver Family*

10:30 AM—Mary O'Malley *Francis Talarico*

12:00 PM—For the People of the Parish

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2020 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 14th**. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with an April mailing address, should be made through the parish office before **March 16th**.

**SCOUT CORNER**

Cub Scout Pack 154 is chartered by Saint Ignatius Church in Kingston, Pennsylvania. Cub Scouting is a year-round family program where children and their families have fun and adventure in an organized scouting program that builds character and instills values. Cub Scouting embraces the values of citizenship, compassion, cooperation, courage, faith, health and fitness, honesty, perseverance, positive attitude, resourcefulness, respect, and responsibility. These values come to children in all parts of the Cub Scout program—all while they're having a great time with their friends and families. We meet the first and third Monday nights at Saint Ignatius at six thirty in the evening in Bergen Parish Center. We currently have twenty-eight registered scouts, five den chiefs, and six den leaders. On **February 2nd**, we will have a scout presence at the 10:30 AM Mass at Saint Ignatius. After mass, everyone is invited to join us for fellowship in Conlan Hall. Thank you!

**ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINES FOR**

**UPCOMING BULLETINS:**

| <u>BULLETIN</u> | <u>DEADLINE</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| FEB. 9TH        | JAN. 29TH       |
| FEB. 16TH       | FEB. 5TH        |
| FEB. 23RD       | FEB. 12TH       |

**ANNOUNCEMENTS RECEIVED AFTER  
NOON ON THE DEADLINE DATE WILL BE**

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**PLEASE SUBMIT ANNOUNCEMENTS TO  
[officemanager@stignatiuspa.com](mailto:officemanager@stignatiuspa.com)**

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

February 1st & 2nd

**Saturday 4:00 PM**

**Lectors**

L. Goff & M. McGinley

**Communion Ministers**

M. Girton

K. Hungarter

C. Liskov

**Altar Servers**

I. & E. Cronin

**Saturday 5:30 PM**

**Lectors**

J. Gallagher & L. Rinker

**Communion Ministers**

K. Smedley, J. Stretanski

M.B. Zelinsky

**Altar Servers**

A. Ambrose & K. Andes

**Sunday 7:00 AM**

**Lector**

G. Thackara

**Communion Ministers**

M. Fiske & T. Thackara

**Sunday 8:30 AM**

**Lectors**

W. Poplawski & P. Endler

**Communion Ministers**

K. Corgan, H. O'Brien

P. Poplawski

**Altar Servers**

M. Tietje

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# ST. IGNATIUS YOUTH MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

## Penguins Hockey Game

Friday, 2/7/20  
7:05pm

\$15 per ticket  
Mohegan Sun  
Arena

## ISLI Retreat

A Leadership  
Retreat for  
High School  
Students

Feb 14-16, 2020

Holy  
Transfiguration  
Retreat Center  
Dalton, Pa

Visit  
Dioceseofscrant  
on.org for more  
info, or contact  
Shannon!

## FEBRUARY

### Game Night

2/9/2020  
5-7pm  
Bergan Hall

Bring your favorite  
game to share!

## DON'T MISS OUT:

Parents and Teens,  
join our text list  
and stay in  
the know!

Simply text  
@stiytm to 81010

Get reminders on  
events and updates  
right to your phone.  
You can opt  
out at any time

"Act as if  
everything  
depended on  
you; trust as if  
everything  
depended on  
God."

-St. Ignatius Loyola

## SAVE THE DATE!

Up&Over  
Jr High Retreat  
June 5-7, 2020

Quo Vadis Days  
June 21-24,  
2020

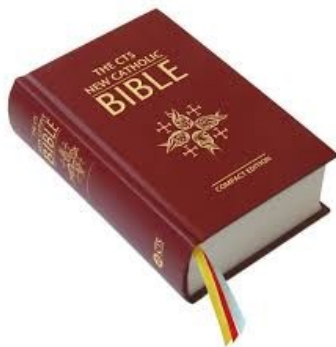
Light the Fire  
Youth Rally  
June 24, 2020

## ISLI LEADERSHIP RETREAT – FEBRUARY 14-16, 2020

The International Student Leadership Institute (ISLI) is a peer-facilitated faith-based leadership retreat developed at the University of Notre Dame. The ISLI retreat is designed to provide the knowledge and skills necessary to excel in both the leadership and membership roles of task oriented groups. During the retreat, participants take part in small group tasks that allow the student to make good decisions, examine leadership styles, practice leadership behavior, learn about positive communication, and develop self-motivational skills and learn problem solving and action planning techniques. The entirety of the retreat helps students to explore and express faith values in the Catholic Tradition. Complete applications are required by Sunday, February 2, 2020 and can be found at [dioceseofscranton.org](http://dioceseofscranton.org). Apply early as there are a limited number of spaces available for ISLI. For further information, please call Shannon Kowalski at 570-207-2213, ext. 1155.



The need for personal care items like toothpaste, soap, deodorant, shampoo, razors, toilet paper etc. continues. Any non-perishables including snack items like sandwich crackers, cereal bars, and small bags of nuts are always appreciated. Monetary donations are welcome with checks payable to the "Al Beech Food Pantry." If you are in need of food and reside in any town on the west side from Exeter to Plymouth, you are eligible to receive it. Show up at the Food Pantry on Market St., Kingston on Tuesday or Friday between 9:00 and 11:00 AM. Please bring an ID showing your current address each time you come. You will be signed in when you arrive. Pre-registration is no longer required. Thank you and God Bless you!



## JANUARY 26, 2020

### SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

To show that God is at the center of their lives, many families enthrone the Bible, the Word of God, in a visible place in their homes. Read a Scripture passage and pray: We have heard Your Words, Jesus. They give us joy and bring light and truth into our lives. Your presence gives us peace in our troubled and divided world. Let Your Word create in our hearts a deep desire for You. Be with us in our hearts and homes, community and country. Give us Your Holy Spirit to help us understand Your Word. We enthrone now this Bible in our midst. Make Your Word the center of our lives. May Your Word inspire all that we think and say and do. May Your Word bind us together in unity with each other and with You, today and forever. Amen.

All then join in saying the Lord's Prayer.

### 2019 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

All parishioners should have received a financial statement last week in the mail. If anyone has questions regarding their statement please contact the office. Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

### JANUARY-RESPECT LIFE MONTH

All parishioners are reminded that January is dedicated to Respect Life, please take a moment to pray for all people to respect life from the womb to the tomb.

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

*Continued*

#### Sunday 10:30 AM

##### Lectors

B. Hazlak & R. Dupre

##### Communion Ministers

M. Hosey  
D. Mosca  
A. Calderone

##### Altar Servers

I. Calo, A. Evan  
M. Hazlak, R. Kupstas

#### Sunday 12:00 PM

##### Lectors

B. Anzalone & B. Habler

##### Communion Ministers

C. Gazowski, T. Gazowski  
M. Heffers

##### Altar Servers

R. Frey & K. Nilson

### MYEOFFERING

Online giving is now available. Signing up is as simple as going to our Church website [www.stignatiuspa.com](http://www.stignatiuspa.com) and looking for the green computer mouse icon. That button will take you to the myEoffering page for our Church. Simply sign up and begin giving online today!

**THANK YOU FROM THE FAMILY OF DEACON JOHN O'CONNOR**

The family of Deacon John O'Connor is so grateful for the abundance of love and support you, the faith community of St. Ignatius Loyola have showered on us over these past months. We have found comfort in your Mass offerings, prayers, cards, conversation and generous donations given in John's memory continuing to spread the gospel message of love and service. We appreciate your thoughtfulness and find solace in knowing John is safely home resting in the warm embrace of our loving and merciful God.

God's peace and tender mercy to all!

Mary

**LOCAL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES****ANNUAL GOOD SHEPHERD ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE**

To be held Sunday, January 26, 2020 from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM

Bring a friend and meet our teachers and staff. You will have an opportunity to speak with fellow parents and get a tour from one of our student leaders. Our Guardian Parent Teacher Organization, Athletic Association, Gift Certificate Program and Brighter Horizon's Before/After Care will all be on hand.

Come and experience the GSA difference!  
Please call 570-718-4724 for more information.

**WYOMING AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

1690 Wyoming Avenue, Exeter, PA 18643  
(570) 654-7982

Open House for current and new students in Pre-K through Grade 8 on **Sunday, January 26th** 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM. **Can't make it on Sunday? Call for a private tour or shadow day!**

## 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.

## 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, Mrs. Doreen Dougherty

Phone: 570-829-2424

## MINISTRY COUNCILS

**Pastoral Council**— Monsignor Tressler, Father Mosley, George Andresky, Nancy Bellas, Charles Blewitt, Gerry Dicton, Maria Edmunds, Maura Fennell, Gloria Galante, Cindy Liskov, Kimberly McNulty, Roseann O'Connor, Brian Thomas, Joan Turel

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*Contemporary Ensemble &*

*Children's Choir Director*

*Mrs. Carmella Faust, Handbell Choir*

*Mrs. Pat Fennell, Accompanist*

*Mrs. Caprice Ryman, Accompanist*

*Mr. George Andresky, Accompanist*

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**Matt Fiske**

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*Rev. Daniel Issing, CSC*

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*Rev. Andrew Sinnott*