



**Saint Ignatius Loyola Church Weekly Update
November 1, 2020**

PARISH UPDATES

It is most important that all parishioners are fully aware that the Green Phase does not change our protocols for St. Ignatius Church and Mass attendance. Please refer to final sheet of Update for clarification.

All parishioners are informed that baptisms can be celebrated once again with proper protocols in place.

All visitations to homes and hospitals remain limited based upon restrictions of individual health care facilities protocols. CDC guidelines must be followed.

Weekday Mass will continue the Week of November 2, 2020:

Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m.

WEEKEND MASSES

Please note revised weekend Mass schedule:

Saturday Vigil Masses 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses 7:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

Live Streaming of Sunday Mass will now be at 8:30 a.m. (This is not a public Mass.)

All Masses will be celebrated at St. Ignatius Church due to capacity allowed under CDC guidelines.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR DAILY & WEEKEND LITURGIES

First, Fr. Mosley and I wish to express our gratitude for your cooperation with the safety and health protocols which are in place as we gather to pray as a faith community.

Secondly, we do wish to remind all parishioners of the following protocols that must be strictly maintained:

- Face Masks must be worn at all times except for the reception of Holy Communion.
- Face Masks must cover one's **nose and mouth** at all times during the celebration of Mass.
- All parishioners should sanitize their hands using our new touchless sanitizers upon entrance into the Church.
- All parishioners are reminded that the doors of the Church close when Mass begins. Please make every effort to be on time.
- All parishioners are reminded that they should leave the Church immediately after receiving Holy Communion, one's Act of Thanksgiving should be done in the car or at home.
- **Parishioners are reminded that when taking seats in church, they are requested to begin with either the middle seat of the pew or the seat closest to the stained-glass windows. The seat closet to the middle aisle should be the last seat taken in a pew. As certain Masses are nearing capacity, namely the 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and the 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, this process is necessary to ensure that as many people can be accommodated as possible.**

Thank you for your kind attention to these important matters as we continue to maintain a safe environment for our community of faith to gather in prayer.

LIVESTREAMED MASS FROM SAINT IGNATIUS

Once again, this Sunday, November 1, 2020 we will be livestreaming Mass at 8:30 a.m. We plan to continue live streaming **each weekend** from St. Ignatius Church. The livestream can be accessed through our parish Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stignatiuspa. After the Mass is recorded, it will also be available on our parish website. However, there may be times when the posting of this video may be delayed on account of our webmaster's availability.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

The Church encourages frequent, even daily, Holy Communion, but if at any time we cannot go to Mass, in or out of this season of the coronavirus, we can still unite ourselves to the Eucharist through making a spiritual Communion.

By making an Act of Spiritual Communion, we express our faith in Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist and ask him to unite himself with us. Here is the Act of Spiritual Communion written by St. Alphonsus de Liguori:

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

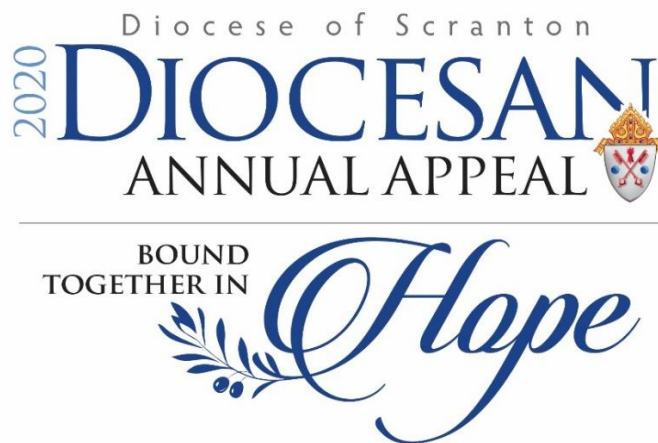


CONFESSION TIME

Confessions will be celebrated in the Church from **12:00 p.m.-12:30 p.m.** or by appointment.

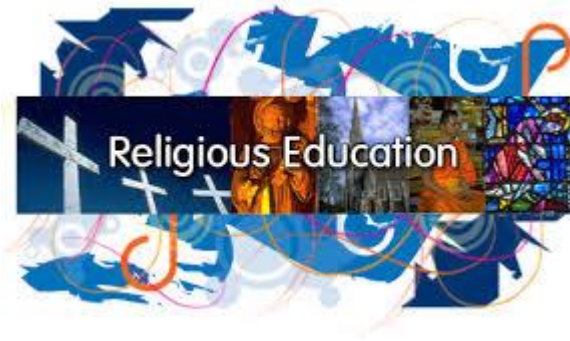
OFFICE HOURS

The office is open Monday thru Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please note the office is only open for phone calls.



Parish Goal - \$77,000.00

Father Mosley and Monsignor Tressler wish to express their sincerest appreciation in advance for your support of the Diocesan Annual Appeal. The yearly video can be viewed on our parish website. Our parish goal has been reduced \$5,000.00 this year, as were all parishes, since the diocesan goal was reduced from \$5 million to \$4.5 million. Thank you for your kind attention to this announcement and for your continued support of St. Ignatius Parish. Our first report was received on Monday, October 26. We are grateful to report that **\$13,785** has been pledged towards our parish goal. Your support is greatly appreciated.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Sunday, November 1st – Virtual – Grade 7 Confirmation family meeting at 11:30 a.m. Families will be notified with link to meeting.

Thursday, November 5th - TBA – First Penance family meeting at 7:00 p.m. Information has been sent to families.

Monday, November 9th – TBA – Confirmation family meeting at 7:00 p.m. Information has been sent to families.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

Sympathy and prayers are extended to the following family members of recently deceased parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish:

Mary Louise English

Theresa Scavone

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

VETERAN'S DAY MASS – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11th

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, November 11th. **Please note, there will be no 7:30 AM or 12:10 PM Masses on that day.**

Mass Intentions Week of November 2nd – 8th

Monday
7:30 AM – All Souls Intentions
12:10 PM – All Souls Intentions
Tuesday
7:30 AM – Gerry Finnerty <i>Loretta & Ken Bolesta</i>
12:10 PM – Joseph Eagen, Jr. <i>Marie Therese Golden & Family</i>
Wednesday
7:30 AM – John & Catherine Selepak <i>Children</i>
12:10 PM – Margaret Balberhchak <i>Andy & Lynn Balberchak</i>
Thursday
7:30 AM – Leo & Anna Servello <i>Family</i>
12:10 PM – Carolyn Germak <i>Linda Bond</i>
Friday
7:30 AM – Nicholas Dorosky <i>Parents</i>
12:10 PM – Geraldine Hourigan <i>Molly Columbus</i>
Saturday
4:00 PM – Joseph & Gloria Lyons <i>Joe & Carmella Faust</i>
6:00 PM – Elmo Clemente <i>Rowan & Rosental, Inc.</i>
Sunday
7:00 AM – Thomas Rybitski <i>Mike & Peggy Nebzydoski</i>
10:30 AM – Zita Cavanaugh <i>Betty & Margaret</i>
12:30 PM – Mary & Frank Fischer <i>Family</i>

Church Sanctuary Candle for the Week of November 2nd
In Memory of Rose Budanovitz – Requested by Family

Bread & Wine for the Week of November 2nd
In Memory of Margaret Boyle – Requested by Family

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH – 8:30 AM – LIVE STREAM

As a result of the Pandemic COVID-19, we have had to readjust the Church and our activities following all the guidelines established by the CDC, the Pennsylvania Department of Health, and the Diocese of Scranton to ensure the safety of our parish, local and global communities.

Therefore, this year our Parish will remember all 78 individuals who have died from October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020 at our 8:30 a.m. livestreamed Mass on Sunday, November 8, 2020 so that all families, friends and parishioners may have virtual access to this liturgy. The liturgy can be viewed live on our parish Facebook page: [**www.facebook.com/stignatiuspa**](https://www.facebook.com/stignatiuspa). After the Mass is recorded, it will also be available on our parish website: [**www.stignatiuspa.com**](http://www.stignatiuspa.com). The Mass will be available throughout the week of November 8th on both platforms.

We will have the Book of the Dead, containing all the names of the deceased for this past year, in the sanctuary, and each name will be read during the Mass as we remember them in our special liturgy.

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish remains committed to preventing the spread of COVID-19 infections, however, we are adjusting our normal patterns to ensure we achieve, to the best of our ability, the spiritual, and emotional needs – for ourselves along with our entire community. Therefore, we are grateful for your participation via the technological resources available to us.

Therefore, we will pray, as is so rooted in our Catholic tradition, for all the souls of the faithful departed and on November 8th remember in special prayers those who have entered eternal life from October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020.

Finally, on November 2nd, the Feast of All Souls, one of the readings is from the Book of Wisdom: *“The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was though an affliction and their forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace”*.

Please be assured of the parish community’s continued prayers and let us trust in God during these difficult days but let us console one another in the faith of Jesus Christ.

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES

In your envelope packet for November, you will find an envelope for All Souls Day, November 2nd. This is a day set aside by the Church to especially remember our deceased loved ones. You are invited to write the names of your loved ones on the envelope and place an offering inside. These envelopes are kept on the altar during the month of November and are remembered in a special way by the celebrants of the Masses that month.

GUIDELINES FOR THE MASS INTENTION BOOK – 2021

The book of Mass Intentions for St. Ignatius Loyola Parish will open for 2021 on **Monday, November 9th**. We respectfully ask that your requests be for death anniversary Masses (4 Masses per year per family.) We are required by Canon Law #953 that the parish may accept only the number of Masses that can be fulfilled within a year. Therefore, we will only accept requests for the daily Masses (7:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. – Monday – Friday.) **We will also be eliminating the 7 day and Month's Mind Masses** to enable us to fulfill the requests made when the book is opened. The weekend Masses are reserved for Masses that must be fulfilled, including one Mass each weekend for the People of the Parish.

Also, please know that due to the number of Masses presently on record the parish will no longer be able to accept Mass intentions from an individual's estate (you may wish to consider a trust fund which can be established to distribute a certain amount each year to fulfill your requests. This would be handled by your estate planner, no more than 4 Masses per year can be accepted.)

We would ask that you contact the rectory regarding a Mass intention directly and not make the request at the funeral home. Again, we are required to only accept the Mass intentions that can be fulfilled within a year. Your understanding as well as your cooperation is greatly appreciated. **Please call Jen at 570-288-6446 (between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Monday – Friday) to schedule the Masses.**

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

Sunday Tithe
\$9,759.00

E-Offerings
\$760.00

Total
\$10,519.00

**Amount Needed
Each Week to
Meet Expenses
\$12,950.00**

Father Mosley and I continue to be most grateful for your generosity and support during these challenging days. Envelopes can be mailed in or dropped in mailbox on front of rectory porch.

May God Bless you abundantly for your continued support. Be assured of our prayers for health and safety for all.



Important Points to Remember as we Reopen our Church

- Church Doors will open **20 minutes before** liturgy begins.
- Entrance to Church will be through main door on porch.
- Those needing assistance will enter and exit Conlan Hall Entranceway so as to use the elevator.
- **Upon entering the Church, all are asked to sanitize their hands with our new touchless hand sanitizers.**
- Seating will be assigned; please follow the directions of the greeters.
- Seating capacity is 80 individuals. The front doors will be closed once capacity has been achieved or when Mass begins. Attendance is on a first come basis.
- Livestreaming of our Sunday liturgy will continue at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. **(This Mass is not open to the public.)**
- All in attendance are required to wear face masks for the duration of the liturgy.
- All in attendance are asked to bring a sanitizing wipe to clean their seat to ensure safety.
- The weekly collection will not be taken up; locked boxes for your donations will be located by the elevator entrance and the main aisle.
- Holy Communion will be distributed at the end of liturgy and **all must exit the Church at this time via the side doors on the porch.**
- You are asked not to congregate in parking lot or outside Church building.
- Sanitization after each liturgy will be undertaken for everyone's health and safety.
- Restroom will be cleaned after each liturgy.
- Elevator will be cleaned after each service.
- **Confessions are held on Saturdays at 12:00 Noon and will end at 12:30 p.m.**
- **Individuals who wish to receive Holy Communion on their tongue are asked to come at the end of the line for reception in order for priest to properly sanitize his hands.**

We wish to remind you these guidelines are in place to provide a safe and a healthy environment as we begin to join together as a faith community. Your health and wellbeing are our primary concern!

Procedures and protocols may change and be readjusted according to need or guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control.

We humbly request that if you regularly attend a weekday liturgy **that you not attend on the weekends in order for us to accommodate as many parishioners as possible.**

We remind you the obligation to attend Sunday Liturgy is suspended at this time and for the foreseeable future.

We ask for your patience and understanding as we journey together united by our faith, hope, and love.

Thank you and May God continue to bless all of us!