



Saint Ignatius Loyola Church Weekly Update August 8, 2021

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses will continue the Week of August 9, 2021

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. 6:00 p.m.

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

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

All Masses will be celebrated at St. Ignatius Church.

The Church is now open for private prayer Monday-Friday from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

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.

**MASS SCHEDULE AND CONFESSION UPDATE
EFFECTIVE NEXT WEEKEND
AUGUST 14-15, 2021**

Please know how grateful we are for your patience, understanding and support throughout the past sixteen months as we navigated through the global pandemic, COVID-19.

We have been notified that the dispensation in the Diocese of Scranton from the obligation to participate at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days will end next **Sunday, August 15, 2021**, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. All of the dioceses in Pennsylvania will do the same.

Bishop Bambera's letter was released on our Facebook page, website, and weekly bulletin last week, he encouraged us to take this opportunity to welcome our sisters and brothers back to in person attendance at Sunday Mass.

It is important to note that people who are seriously ill, have a health risk, or are struggling with fear or anxiety of gathering with others will be excused from Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation.

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish is pleased to welcome everyone to join us in person for the celebration of Mass. Our church building will continue to be properly ventilated, sanitized, and appropriate distancing will be maintained to provide a safe as well as a healthy space for Mass.

Therefore, the following Mass schedule **will take effect on Saturday, August 14 and Sunday, August 15, 2021.**

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 14th	4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, August 15th	7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. (All are welcome to attend in person – LIVESTREAM will continue) 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon

ALL MASSES WILL CONTINUE TO BE AT ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA CHURCH.

**CONFESSIONS WILL CONTINUE TO BE HEARD ON
SATURDAYS AT ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH
BEGINNING AT 12:00 noon until 12:30 p.m.**



GOOD LUCK GATHERING

FOR

FATHER JOSEPH MOSLEY

Please note that Maple Avenue will be closed from 12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 8, 2021. Entrance to Church parking lot will be Pringle Street entrances only. Thank you for your kind attention to this announcement.

Please join us **this SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.** in front of the rectory to extend to Father Mosley our sincere best wishes as he begins his new assignment on August 11, 2021, as the Pastor of St. Peter's, Wellsboro and St. Thomas, Elkland.

The entire community of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish offer our heartfelt gratitude to you for your time and service to the faithful of our parish and the local community, specifically, the many people that you encountered as you celebrated daily Mass and those that you comforted in their hour of need with the consolation of our Lord's divine love. The administration of the sacraments, hospital visits, sick calls, sacramental preparation, and many times you were available to be present to support the souls entrusted to your care are all most appreciated.

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish has been blessed with the many priests who have begun their priestly ministry here and always know that their time here is limited. However, they are always part of the fabric of our parish, and we are blessed to have you woven into hearts forever.

God bless you as you enter this next assignment in your priestly ministry!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8TH

1:30 P.M. - PRAYER AND WELCOME

**1:35 P.M. – 2:30 P.M. - INDIVIDUAL GREETINGS WITH
FATHER MOSLEY**

***LIGHT REFRESHMENTS (Food Trucks & Ice Cream Treats)
WILL BE AVAILABLE.***

ALL ARE WELCOME!

REVEREND SHAWN SIMCHOCK - NEW PAROCHIAL VICAR

The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.'s office notified Msgr. Tressler on Thursday, July 22 that he has appointed Father Shawn Simchock as a Parochial Vicar for our parish effective August 11, 2021. Father presently is serving at St. Faustina Kowalska, Nanticoke and Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Lake Silkworth. We will have further information regarding Fr. Simchock in the coming weeks. Let us pray for God's blessing during this transition.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR SPEICAL NEEDS CHILDREN

Do you have a child with a learning disability especially - ADD, ADHD, autism, asperger's syndrome - or know a family of a child experiencing these disabilities? We have a religious education program for our special children. If you would like more information or are interested in this program, please call Carmella Faust at 570- 287-3682 or e-mail: religiouseducation1@yahoo.com.



Sponsor a Religious Education Student

Religious education equips our parish's students with cultural, social, moral, and spiritual knowledge that aids in their mental and physical development within society.

However, not all families are fortunate enough to have the means to send their children through our religious education program. The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola does not turn away any student from our program and the additional expense is covered by the church.

The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola Religious Education Parent Advisory Committee is seeking donations of \$25 to sponsor a child's religious education experience in 2021-2022. All donations received will remain within our Parish and will help our youth directly.

Donations may be dropped off at the Rectory or may be mailed to Mrs. Carmella Faust, Director of Religious Education, The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, 339 North Maple Avenue, Kingston, PA 18704. For more information, please contact Mrs. Faust at 570-287-3682 or religiouseducation1@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your consideration!



SUMMER RAFFLE RESULTS

Once again on behalf of Fr. Mosley, Deacon Pernot, and myself I wish to express our sincerest gratitude for your support of our Summer Splash Cash Raffle. As mentioned, I would provide you with a financial update. Your support meant a great deal and is deeply appreciated.

God Bless!
Sincerely,
Msgr. Tressler

Expenses - \$12,494.79

(Printing, Mailing, Blizzards and Prizes)

Income - \$31,850.00

Profit - \$19,355.21

Profit includes donations from winners who made donations back to parish totaling \$500.00

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

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

Angela Necikowski
Theresa Washington

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

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish

Planning for the fall, 2021

The continued progress throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and in particular here in Luzerne County to address the spread of COVID-19 with vaccinations and other protocols to ensure this positive direction allows us to begin planning to resume our parish activities and events with cautious optimism.

We respectfully request that any of our organizations, ministries, events and/or meetings that require a particular space on our property to call the rectory (570-288-6446) to select the date(s) you need for the 2021-22 year (our parish programs have traditionally followed the academic year September to June). We will have on the calendar our Religious Education schedule, RCIA, and Baptismal instruction to avoid conflicts. Scheduling of spaces will be available beginning after Labor Day, September 6, 2021.

Please remember that we will follow all of the CDC guidelines along with the Diocesan guidelines which are subject to change in response to COVID-19. Also, certain dates may be blocked out to ensure proper sanitizing.

We are most pleased with the continued growth to our in-person Masses, and we are delighted to welcome everyone to join us. We will continue to livestream our 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. Once again, we assure you of our diligence to provide a safe environment to protect your health and safety while in church.

Please contact the parish office at your earliest convenience. May God bless you for your faithfulness especially during these many months and your ongoing support!



Mass Intentions Week of August 9th – 15th

Monday
7:30 AM – P.J. Kachmar <i>Allen & Nancy Bellas</i>
12:10 PM – Mary Jule McCarthy <i>Family</i>
Tuesday
7:30 AM – Mary Butkiewicz <i>Nick & Betsy Frusciante</i>
12:10 PM – Catherine Davis <i>Family</i>
Wednesday
7:30 AM – Denise Johnson <i>Diane & Tom</i>
12:10 PM – Jack Rodgers III <i>Mom</i>
Thursday
7:30 AM – Michael Policare <i>Jim Kelly</i>
12:10 PM – Daniel Thomas, Sr. <i>Family</i>
Friday
7:30 AM – Gail Cecil <i>Edith Hoffman</i>
12:10 PM – Maureen Smith <i>Husband, Tom</i>
Saturday
4:00 PM – Joseph Lapinski <i>Friends from College Misericordia</i>
5:30 PM – John Gabriesheski <i>St. Ignatius Choir</i>
Sunday
7:00 AM – Genevieve Natishan <i>Tom & Irene</i>
8:30 AM – For the People of the Parish
10:30 AM – Mary Powell <i>Sarah Roberts</i>
12:00 PM – Jack Troiani <i>Tietje Family</i>

Church Candle for the Week of August 9th

In Memory of Gary & Robert Masaitis – Req. by Mom, Elizabeth DeSanto

Bread & Wine for the Week of August 9th

In Memory of Kathleen Mras – Req. by Children

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 2021

Sunday Tithe
\$11,708.00

E-Offerings
\$680.00

Total
\$12,388.00

**Amount Needed
Each Week to
Meet Expenses
to be determined for
New Fiscal Year**

Father Mosley, 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 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.





Welcome Deirdre Drinkall
Notre Dame Echo Apprentice

The Diocese of Scranton is joining forces with Notre Dame University this summer to help develop the next generation of young adult leaders in the Catholic Church. In August, three students from the McGrath Institute's Echo Program at the University of Notre Dame will travel to northeastern Pennsylvania to begin serving in various parishes locally.

Deirdre is from Lake Mary, Florida, and the Diocese of Orlando. She is excited to embark on this Echo journey. She seeks to help build a civilization of love in our corner of the world. Deirdre looks forward to learning the tried-and-true methods in leading and ministering with the Holy Spirit as the guide. Her experience in youth ministry, children's catechesis, and young women's ministry has prepared her to dive head-first into a community with creative energy and warmth. She is passionate about sharing God's true light in the Church and the world.

Deirdre will have an office in the rectory and will live with the other two apprentices who will be serving the Diocese in a house on the Kings College Campus. Deirdre will begin her service to our parish on August 17, 2021.

We welcome her and look forward to her joining our Pastoral Team!



Diocese of Scranton
Guidelines for Public Masses
During the COVID-19 Pandemic
Effective June 28, 2021

We the Parish of St. Ignatius Loyola join with all the parishes of the Diocese of Scranton to joyfully welcome the faithful of the Diocese to return to our parish. Despite the challenges of the last year, we invite those who have not yet returned to Mass to rejoin us in person to celebrate the Holy Eucharist, the source and summit of the Christian life.

MASK GUIDANCE FOR MASSES

- The Pennsylvania Department of Health ended its mask mandate as of Monday, June 28, 2021. **People who are not vaccinated from COVID-19, or are not fully vaccinated, are still strongly encouraged to wear masks indoors and outdoors when around others** but are no longer required to do so. This means that in the parishes and institutions of the Diocese of Scranton, there is no requirement for face coverings or masks. Signs will be posted at the entrances encouraging unvaccinated and those individuals particularly vulnerable to wear a mask in church.
- Any individual is welcome to continue wearing a mask at Mass if desired for personal protection and/or comfort. Everyone is asked to be respectful of a person's choice to wear a face covering or mask in church.
- There will be no request by the parish regarding information about vaccination status to be admitted to the church.

OTHER IMPORTANT PROTOCOLS & SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Pews are no longer marked for physical distancing. We remind the faithful to continue to maximize the use of space as much as possible.
- Hand sanitizer will continue to be available in the church.
- The Sign of Peace will be celebrated without physical contact.
- The distribution of the Precious Blood remains suspended at this time.
- The Diocesan guidelines allow decisions to be made at the discretion of the individual parish regarding the following:
 - Altar servers may assist at Mass once again. Servers under the age of 18 will need parental permission.
 - Liturgical singing will be allowed – specifics to be determined.
 - Holy Water fonts will be refilled and utilized.

We will be implementing the return of these items in the coming weeks as the Pastoral Staff cautiously determine a timeline.

While ongoing progress is being made to address the spread of COVID-19 with vaccinations, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Masses on Holy Days will be reinstated on August 15th. St. Ignatius Loyola Parish is excited to welcome everyone to join us in person for the celebration of Mass. We will proceed with caution to ensure our faithful will return with full confidence in their health and safety while at church.

Father Mosley, Deacon Gerry and Msgr. Tressler are excited to be welcoming our parishioners and friends back when you feel comfortable!

