



## **Saint Ignatius Loyola Church Weekly Update April 10, 2022**

### **LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**Weekday Masses for the week of April 11<sup>th</sup> are:**

**Monday thru Wednesday – 7:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.**

**Please note, there are no daily Masses Thursday and Friday. Please see Holy Week Schedule.**

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

**Please note special Easter Schedule:**

Holy Saturday – 8:00 p.m. only

Easter 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.**

### **HOLY WEEK CONFESSIONS**

**Confessions will be held on Monday evening, April 11<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

**The last opportunity for Confession before Easter is Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. There will be no Confessions on Holy Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.**



***Parish Phone Number 570-288-6446***

### **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*

*Pastor*  
*Assistant Pastor*  
*Deacon*  
*Seminarian*  
*Notre Dame Intern/Pastoral Associate*  
*Director of Liturgical Music*  
*Director of Religious Education*  
*Youth Minister and Live Stream Coordinator*

*Ms. Shannon Kowalski*

### **Main Office Staff**

*Ms. Mary Lewis*  
*Mrs. Jennifer Carey*

*Office Manager*  
*Receptionist*

### **Maintenance**

*Mr. William Gross*

*Sacristan*

*Mr. Matt Fiske*

*Visiting Clergy*

*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.

## ***LENTEN SCHEDULE***

### **Lenten Daily Masses**

7:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. Monday thru Wednesday

### **Light is on For You (Sacrament of Reconciliation)**

Monday	April 11, 2022	5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	April 13, 2022	5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

### **LITTLE WHITE BOOKS**

The Little White Books are available on the table at the entrance of the Church. Please feel free to take a copy. We would ask that you not return it to the table due to health precautions.

### **OFFICE HOURS FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER**

Holy Thursday, April 14th	Office Closes at Noon
Good Friday, April 15th	Office is Closed
Easter Sunday, April 17th	Office is Closed
Easter Monday, April 18th	Office is Closed

### **DAILY MASS ON MONDAY, APRIL 18<sup>th</sup>**

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. **Please note, there will be no 7:30 AM or 12:10 PM Masses on that day and also the office will be closed due to the Easter Holiday.**

### **FEET WASHING – HOLY THURSDAY**

Anyone wishing to participate in the feet washing on Holy Thursday is asked to call the Rectory by Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.



**Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022**

Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> – 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. – Noon

(8:30 a.m. Mass is public and Virtual)

**Sacred Triduum**

**Holy Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>**

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper                      7:00 p.m.

Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Private Prayer ending at 10:00 p.m.

**Good Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**

Passion of the Lord - Noon

Church will be open for private prayer from 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m. – Good Shepherd Academy

**Holy Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**

Blessing of Easter Baskets – Noon (Church parking lot/Please remain in your cars.)

Easter Vigil – 8:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 a.m.      St. Ignatius Church

8:30 a.m.      St. Ignatius Church (Virtual and Public Mass)

10:30 a.m.     St. Ignatius Church

12:00 p.m.    St. Ignatius Church



## ***CELEBRATE THE RISEN SAVIOR! ALLELUIA!***

Dear Friends:

Our Savior is risen! He is truly risen! Alleluia! The Easter message of joy echoes throughout the world proclaiming our Savior's ultimate victory of light over darkness, grace over sin, life over death. It is the message upon which we build our lives and to which we share the victory with Him. Easter Sunday begins the solemn Easter season of 50 days for us to joyfully give thanks to God for the many blessings bestowed on us. Our Savior's Resurrection has conquered sin and death with the assurance that with Him we too shall live.

We are ever grateful to be together once again to celebrate as a faith community prepared to enthusiastically proclaim – OUR SAVIOR IS RISEN! ALLELUIA! With this proclamation all life and time is changed forever. That Jesus lived, died, and rose from the dead – and in His name so will we – is the core of all that we are about as believers.

The Paschal Mystery of life, death, and resurrection that we celebrate throughout the Easter season allows us to express, embrace, and embody our Christian life. God gives us so many ways to celebrate: baptisms, confirmations, marriages, first Communions, graduations, feast days, longer light to our days, budding of trees, the flowers, the greening of lawns, and warmer temperatures! All of these signs point us to our Risen Savior and in Him the promise of life over death, hope over despair, and light over darkness.

I am blessed to be the pastor of this parish and ever grateful to each of you for your support throughout these very challenging times. Also, I wish to express my gratitude to Fr. Simchock, our Parochial Vicar, along with Deacon Gerard Pernot along with Fr. Andrew Sinnott, Fr. Daniel Issing, C.S.C., Fr. Robert Sickler, and Fr. James Alco who faithfully assist us throughout the year. Also, Deirdre Drinkall, Notre Dame Intern, Harrison Rapp, Diocesan Seminarian, along with the entire parish staff who together serve our parish.

So as we move into the Easter season, I pray that God will give us the grace to believe and give witness to others of the Good News: Our Savior is Risen, Alleluia! I pray that your Easter days will be filled with precious joy that can only be found in the Risen Savior!

May our Risen Savior bestow on each of you His blessing and remain with you today and always! I assure you of my prayers and humbly ask for your prayers. God bless!

Sincerely yours in the Risen Savior,

*David L. Tressler*

Monsignor David L. Tressler

Pastor



## **PALMS**

Palms will be available at the end of each Mass on Palm Sunday and from 1:30 to 2:30 pm on a table in the front of the Church.



## **EASTER EGG HUNT**

The Holy Name Society will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from **1:30 – 3:00 p.m.** in Conlan Hall and the Rectory front yard.

## **EASTER MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES**

Special Easter Mass Intention envelopes can be found in your monthly packets to remember both living and deceased family members and friends. Please write the name of your loved ones on the back of the envelope. The envelopes will be placed on the altar during all of the Easter Masses to remember your intentions.

## **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – APRIL 24<sup>th</sup>**

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, which concludes the Octave of Easter. The feast day is observed by Catholics as well as some Anglo-Catholics of the Church of England. It is originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her encounter with Jesus and is associated with special promises from Jesus and indulgences issued by the Catholic Church. **Please pick up a Novena-Chaplet pamphlet in the back of the Church which have been donated by parishioners.**

## **METANOIA WITH FR. DAVE PIVONKA, TOR: A VIRTUAL FORMED STUDY**

Zoom with us Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. during Lent, (March 8-April 12), for this lively, virtual study on conversion. Email Echo Apprentice, Deirdre, [ddrinkal@nd.edu](mailto:ddrinkal@nd.edu) for the Zoom link or more information.

## **THURSDAY MORNING COMMUNITY PRAYER**

Check the St. Ignatius Facebook page at 6:45AM (or any time after) on Thursday mornings and join the St. Ignatius community for a 10-minute livestream prayer while getting ready for school, driving to work, or brewing the coffee! **Morning Community Prayer will not be held on Holy Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, but will resume on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.**

## **DIOCESAN YOUTH AWARD RECIPIENTS**

Congratulations to the following St. Ignatius Loyola Students who have been selected to receive the Diocesan Youth Award for their commitment and service to our parish. Grade 8: Anne Davis, Ally Davis, Harlequin Mendez, Isabel Shoemaker, and Charlotte Smith. Grade 12: Philip Evan and Emily Theroux. St. Ignatius students from Good Shepherd who received the award are: Mattea Santos, Oliver Singh and Madeline Szura. May God bless them as their continue on their life's journey. Congratulations!





**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES AND ST. IGNATIUS PARISH.**

**Monsignor David Tressler, with master baker, his niece Julia Morgan**

**PREPARING: Pineapple Upside Down Cake**



Go to the Diocese of Scranton webpage to view video of Monsignor Tressler learning how to bake. Please consider a vote for Monsignor Tressler and his niece. All information can be found on the Diocese of Scranton website.

**Rectory! Set! Cook!**

**The dollars generated will be split 50% to local food pantries and 50% to our parish. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Monsignor Tressler is most grateful to those who have already donated since our parish and local food bank will benefit from donations. The final day to vote is Sunday, April 10, 2022 by midnight.**



## **DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – 2022**

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 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2022 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 26. The event includes a 2:30 p.m. Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. The registration deadline for this event is May 29<sup>th</sup>. To register, please go to [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org) or contact Jen Housel (570-207-2213 x 1104 or [jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org)). Those celebrating couples who speak Spanish may contact Jose Flores (570-207-2213 x 1130 or [jflores@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:jflores@dioceseofscranton.org)).

## **ATTENTION HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS, CARE GIVERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Parish Visitors will be distributing Easter prayer packets from Mary's Ministry during the months of April and May to our parishioners. We ask all family members, friends, or caregivers to please contact the Rectory 288-6446 with names of homebound and nursing home parishioners who should be added to our list to be remembered.



**We Are Listening!**  
**The Church wants to hear from you.**

Online Survey Available Until Friday, April 29, 2022  
Visit [dioceseofscranton.org](http://dioceseofscranton.org) and click  
"Synod on Synodality"

*(Available in both English and Spanish)*

**Paper Surveys are available for those who do not have computer access at the entrance of the Church. Paper Surveys are due back by Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.**

## Mass Intentions Week of April 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>

<b>Monday</b>
7:30 AM – Raymond Kostick <i>Wife, Peggy &amp; Family</i>
12:10 PM – Helen Crossin <i>Children</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>
7:30 AM – Michael Rowlands <i>Family</i>
12:10 PM – Mary & Arthur Podesta <i>Patricia E. Podesta</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>
7:30 AM – Michael Chopick <i>Family</i>
12:10 PM – Mr. & Mrs. G. Murray Leighton & Son <i>Daughter</i>
<b>Holy Thursday</b>
7:00 PM – Mass of the Lord's Supper
<b>Good Friday</b>
12 Noon – Passion of the Lord
<b>Holy Saturday</b>
8:00 PM – Easter Mass Intentions
<b>Easter Sunday</b>
7:00 AM – Easter Mass Intentions
8:30 AM – Easter Mass Intentions
10:30 AM – Easter Mass Intentions
12:00 PM – Easter Mass Intentions

**Church Candle for the Week of April 11<sup>th</sup>**  
In Memory of Nicholas Volpetti – Requested by Family

**Bread & Wine for the Week of April 11<sup>th</sup>**  
In Memory of Nicholas Volpetti – Requested by Family

## FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR APRIL 3, 2022

Sunday Tithe  
**\$8,921.00**

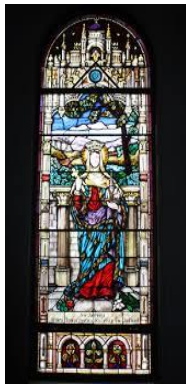
E-Offerings  
**\$1,717.00**

Total  
**\$10,638.00**

**Amount Needed  
Each Week to  
Meet Expenses  
\$12,700.00**

Father Simchock, Deacon Pernot, Deirdre Drinkall, and Harrison Rapp 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.





## SIL Parish Community Shred Day

Compliments of SIL Community Commission - Holy Name - Mary's Ministry

**Saturday, April 30, 2022 9:00 am - Noon**  
SIL Parishioners Only Rain or Shine

St. Ignatius Church Parking Lot - Enter from N. Maple Avenue Only!

**Safe, Secure, Shredded on Site**

Keep Your Identity Protected

*Bring any documents you no longer need that contain personal information, including social security numbers, credit card information and bank account numbers, etc.*

**Please Keep in Mind:**

- Suggested arrival: Last Name A thru M - 9-10 am & N thru Z - 10:30-11:30 am
- Masks required. Please remain in vehicle and follow directions on site
- Maximum 5 boxes per vehicle
- Shredding is limited to confidential and sensitive materials only (No Magazines, Newspapers, 3 Ring Binders, Plastics, Heavy Metals, Trash, Batteries, Cell Phones, CD's or Cardboard)



### SPRING HAS SPRUNG! MARY'S MINISTRY LADIES NIGHT OUT – GAME NIGHT

*Remember Scrabble, Pictionary, Trivial Pursuit, and Clue???*  
*Join us for some "In Person Fun" this Spring!!!*

**5:00-8:00 PM on Wednesday, May 4, 2022**

**CrisNics Irish Pub 189 Barney Street, Wilkes-Barre**

*Level parking, Good Lighting, and Covered Outdoor Patio -- Rain or Shine!*

Dinner buffet will include Pizza, Wing Bites, Salad, Cake, and Soft Drinks. (Cash Bar Available)

**Cost: \$15 - Paid in Advance**

*Deadline for Reservations with payment is Wednesday, April 27th by 2:00 pm*

*Checks payable to St. Ignatius Church memo: MM Game Night*

*Call Cindy Liskov (570) 472-8118 or Mary Stchur (570) 288-7320*

*to make your reservations and for directions on submitting payment.*

**Join us for a Night of Fun!!!**



Diocese of Scranton  
Guidelines for Public Masses  
**Revised March 11, 2022**

On **Friday, March 11, 2022**, 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 are most grateful for the cooperation regarding the mask request with our goal of protecting our neighbors. At this time and as long as case counts remain low, masks are optional. 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 to wear a face mask while distributing communion until Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Mask wearing for distribution of Holy Communion will then be optional; at the discretion of the minister of Holy 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 continues to be available for in-person attendance as well.

## **REINSTITUTING LITURGICAL PRACTICES.**

*As the virus numbers subside and hopefully will continue to be low, we are planning on reinstating the following liturgical practices effective Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022.*

- 1. Resuming the accustomed practice of taking up the offertory collection.*
- 2. Resuming the use of altar servers for Liturgies.*
- 3. Resuming the Presentation of the Gifts (Offertory Procession.)*
- 4. Holy Water will be returned to the fonts at the Easter Vigil.*
- 5. Liturgical Music will encourage full and active participation.*
- 6. Liturgical Processions will be reinstated.*

## **FACE MASKS OR FACE COVERINGS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS AND PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

*Face coverings are optional effective Thursday, March 3, 2022, 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 same 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.





## **Seeking Nominations for Parish Pastoral Council April 2nd – May 1st**

Please consider nominating yourself or someone you think would be a viable candidate for membership on the Parish Pastoral Council. We are currently seeking five new members who will serve for a term of two years with the option of continuing for two additional terms. The Council, which includes 12 parishioners, meets monthly and works closely with the pastoral leadership in guiding the direction our parish will take. All candidates must be an active member of St. Ignatius and at least 18 years of age. In the back of the church, you will find a table which contains detailed information on the nomination and selection process as well as the purpose and work of the Parish Council. On May 5<sup>th</sup>, all candidates will be invited to an information session. This is an excellent opportunity for anyone genuinely interested in the future of St. Ignatius Parish to get involved and to work with others in making a difference.

### ***Nomination Process for the Parish Pastoral Council***

Starting April 2nd and continuing till May 1<sup>st</sup>, the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will seek nominations to fill five positions for the fall. We invite and encourage you to become involved in the process, either by nominating yourself or someone you know who may help with the work of the PPC.

### ***What is the PPC?***

The PPC serves as a visioning and consultative body to the pastor and, in addition to the parish leadership, includes 12 selected parishioners. The PPC is responsible for planning and articulating the course our parish will follow. In addition to planning, the PPC works closely with the four Commissions, the Finance Council, and others to assist the parish in accomplishing the goals for Word, Worship, Community and Service.

***How Much Time will I Give as a Member of the PPC?***

The PPC meets monthly on the third Monday at 6:30 p.m. with the exceptions of July and December. Members are selected for a two-year term and may choose to serve for two additional terms; however, membership is limited to six years. Terms are staggered so that every two years some members will transition off and new members will begin. We are currently seeking five new members who will assume their seats in September.

***How Do I Know if I Should Consider Membership on the PPC?***

We are looking for people who are genuinely interested in the future of St. Ignatius Parish. We are looking for people who can work collaboratively with other parishioners in planning and identifying goals to meet the needs of our parish. All candidates must be 18 years old and active members of St. Ignatius.

***How Does the Nomination Process Work?***

You may submit your name or the name of someone you think would make a good candidate in a few ways. First, you can complete and submit one of the nomination forms found in the vestibule of the church. Second, you can contact a current member of the PPC with a name. Third, you can send an email [officemanager@stignatiuspa.com](mailto:officemanager@stignatiuspa.com). In the subject line note "PPC Candidate" and your name or person you are nominating in the body of the email. As indicated above, nominations begin April 1<sup>st</sup> and end May 1<sup>st</sup>.

***How Does the Selection Process Work?***

All persons nominated will be contacted to confirm their interest and invited to an information session on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. At the close of the session, nominees will be asked to take home reflection questions on parish life and return their responses to the Rectory by Noon on May 12<sup>th</sup>. The PPC will discern and identify new members at their May meeting, and members selected will be announced by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

If you have any questions or wish more information about the PPC or the nomination/selection process, you may contact Gloria Galante at 570-704-8496. Thank you and please pray for the success of our mission.