



Fourth Sunday in  
**Easter** YEAR B

## **Saint Ignatius Loyola Church Weekly Update April 25, 2021**

### **LITURGY SCHEDULE**

Weekday Mass will continue the Week of April 26, 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 due to capacity allowed under CDC guidelines.**

### **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.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**(10:11-18)**

Jesus said: *“I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep...I am the good shepherd, I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd.”*

### **Reflection:**

The good shepherd is concerned about, cares for, and protects the sheep even to the point of laying down his life for the sheep. The good shepherd fulfills the obligation of relationship. The relationship between shepherd and sheep (“I know mine and mine know me”) is likened to the relationship between the Father and the Son. This relationship requires of us disciples the same mission—to lay down our lives, too. Shepherding is serious business. It means that we cannot run away, but we must lay down our lives for the sake of others. It calls us to commit ourselves to good deeds, such as caring for the sick, feeding the hungry, clothing the poor, forgiving those who wrong us, loving others as God has loved us. These good deeds are the very “stuff” of our everyday living and loving, in our families and in our service to the poor.

### **Vincentian Meditation:**

The Manual of the Society states: To those served, Vincentians are expected to give the same deep and serious thought that they give to their own blood family. Sharing does not consist merely in the distribution of material goods; it also implies that our personal resources and potential of mind and heart, of time and influence, are placed at the service of others. Sharing means taking part in the joys and sorrows, in the worries and the hopes of others. It equally involves a readiness, on the part of the members and the Society, to accept help, suggestions, advice, encouragement, and collaboration. Sharing means being willing to be disturbed. It is a sign of the true spirit of charity to be ready to share ideas and to accept giving in on some of our own. We are all poor in one way or another. That is perhaps what draws us all closer to one another and to Him who consented to share our humanity. (US Manual, P.49)

## **MOTHER'S DAY MASS INTENTIONS ENVELOPES**

In your envelope packet for May, you will find an envelope for Mother's Day, Living and Deceased intentions. You are invited to write the names of your loved ones on the envelope and place an offering inside. These envelopes will be placed on the altar on Mother's Day and remain on the altar for the month of May.

## **SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS**

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

Edward Dougherty

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

## **HOLY NAME SCHOLARSHIP**

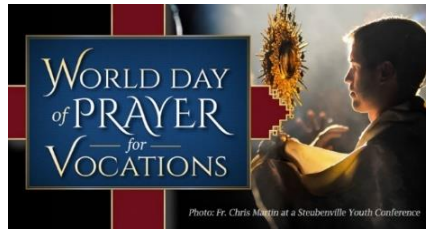
Once again, the Holy Name Society will be offering scholarships to qualified members of the parish for the years 2020 and 2021. Applications must be postmarked on or before June 18<sup>th</sup>. You may call the rectory to request an application and then arrange to pick it up. The applicant must be a registered member of St. Ignatius Parish.

## **2021 DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

**This year's celebration will allow for limited attendance at an in-person Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter.** (Due to ongoing pandemic concerns, there will be no reception afterward.) The Mass will begin at 2:30 p.m. and attendance will require advance reservation. **Couples for whom their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary has occurred or will occur in 2021, should register directly for the celebration via this link:**

<https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/parishlife/community/marriage/enrichment/wedding-anniversary-mass-june-6-2021/> .

If you are having a problem registering online, please call Jennifer Hayes Housel at 570-207-2213 Ext. 1104. The online registration form includes an option whereby a couple can include one or two photos, as well as a short reflection on wisdom they have gained through their married life together. We encourage couples to register for this celebration and recognition, even if they would prefer to not attend an in-person Mass. The registration form will allow them to note that preference, and those couples who do not attend the in-person Mass will be mailed celebratory materials.



The purpose of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly recognize vocations in all its forms. Many parishes and religious institutes commemorate this day with prayer for vocations and vocation promotion events. Considering that 73 percent of women and men professing final vows participated in one or more parish activities and 88 percent served in one or more parish ministries *before* entering religious life, our presence and participation in activities that mark this special day is essential. Consider asking parishes for opportunities to speak, pray, provide bulletin inserts, prayer cards, and conversation before and after Masses, in religious education programs, RCIA and confirmation formation classes on this day.

In the joy of simplicity, the joy experienced daily by those who care for what truly matters: faithful closeness to God and to our neighbor. How good it would be if the same atmosphere, simple and radiant, sober, and hopeful, were to pervade our seminaries, religious houses, and presbyteries! I pray that you will experience this same joy, dear brothers and sisters who have generously made God the *dream* of your lives, *servicing him* in your brothers and sisters through a *fidelity* that is a powerful testimony in an age of ephemeral choices and emotions that bring no lasting joy. May Saint Joseph, protector of vocations, accompany you with his fatherly heart!

--Pope Francis, World Day of Prayer for Vocations, 2021

### **Prayer for World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

Holy Spirit, stir within us the passion to promote vocations to the consecrated life, societies of apostolic life, diocesan priesthood, and permanent diaconate.

Inspire us daily to respond to Your call with boundless compassion, abundant generosity, and radical availability.

Help us to remember our own baptismal call to rouse us to invite the next generation to hear and respond to Your call.

Inspire parents, families, and lay ecclesial ministers to begin a conversation with young Catholics to consider how they will live lives of holiness and sacred service.

Nudge inquirers and motivate discerners to learn more about monastic life, apostolic life, missionaries, cloistered contemplative life, and evangelical Franciscan life.

Ignite our Church with the confident humility that there is an urgent need for religious sisters, brothers, deacons, and priests to live in solidarity with those who are poor, neglected, and marginalized.

Disrupt our comfortable lives and complacent attitudes with new ideas to respond courageously and creatively with a daily 'YES!' Amen.

**Mass Intentions Week of April 26<sup>th</sup> – May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

<b>Monday</b>
<b>7:30 AM – Joseph D. Fioti</b> <i>Family</i>
<b>12:10 PM – Kathleen &amp; Gerald Davies</b> <i>Daughter, Kathleen McCarthy</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>
<b>7:30 AM – James Speicher</b> <i>Bonnie Dwyer</i>
<b>12:10 PM – Charles &amp; Agnes Hosey</b> <i>Family</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>
<b>7:30 AM – Mary Louise English</b> <i>Joan Rish</i>
<b>12:10 PM – Andrew Balberchak</b> <i>Family</i>
<b>Thursday</b>
<b>7:30 AM – Teresa Clemente</b> <i>Frank Sanfilippo</i>
<b>12:10 PM – Helen O’Connor</b> <i>Family</i>
<b>Friday</b>
<b>7:30 AM – Robert Arale</b> <i>Goryeb Family</i>
<b>12:10 PM – Ned Whalen</b> <i>Tom &amp; Mark McDonnell</i>
<b>Saturday</b>
<b>4:00 PM – Gary Odeneal</b> <i>Mansueto Family</i>
<b>6:00 PM – Estelle Speziale</b> <i>J. Brown &amp; J. Booth</i>
<b>Sunday</b>
<b>7:00 AM – Edward Marcikowski</b> <i>Stanley Borish</i>
<b>10:30 AM – Claire Longo</b> <i>Molly &amp; Joe Columbus</i>
<b>12:30 PM – Ida Rollin</b> <i>Peggy Kostick</i>

**Church Candle for the Week of April 26<sup>th</sup>**

**In Memory of Roberta Turel – Requested by Lucyann Skvarla**

**Bread & Wine for the Week of April 26<sup>th</sup>**

**In Memory of Jeffrey Adams – Requested by Family**

**FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021**

Sunday Tithe  
**\$10,197.00**

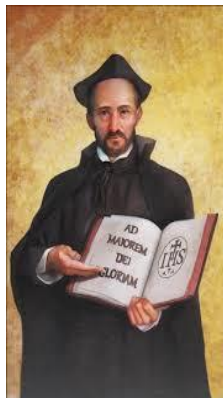
E-Offerings  
**\$896.00**

Total  
**\$11,093.00**

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

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.



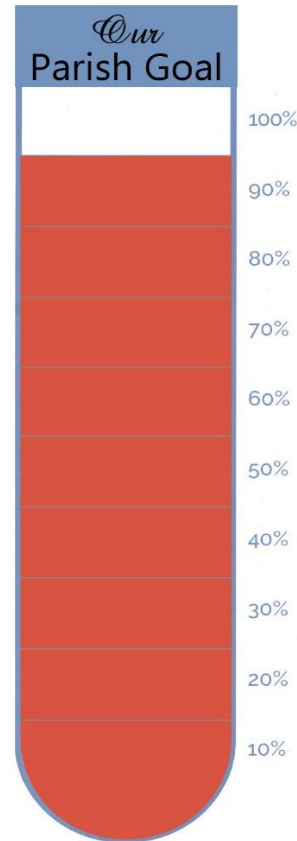
## We need your help to meet our parish goal!

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish has reached 90% of its goal. Only **\$7,297.85** needed to reach 100 percent.



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### **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL - Parish Goal - \$77,000.00**

Father Mosley, Deacon Pernot, and Monsignor Tressler wish to express their sincerest appreciation in advance for your support of the Diocesan Annual Appeal. 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. We are grateful to report that \$69,702.15 has been pledged, which is 91% of our parish goal. Your support is greatly appreciated.

We are in the final stages of the Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift you are encouraged to do so. Our diocesan ministries rely on the parishes of the Diocese for support.

## **PROTOCOLS FOR DAILY AND WEEKEND LITURGIES**

We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude for your continued cooperation and support of the health and safety protocols which remain in effect as we gather and pray as a faith community.

**Please continue to follow the guidelines listed below for the wellbeing of our entire community.**

- Face masks must be worn at all times except for the reception of Holy Communion.
- Face masks must cover the **nose and mouth** at all times while in the church and during the celebration of Mass.
- Church doors will open **20 minutes before** Mass begins. Doors will close when Mass begins. Please be punctual. Thank you.
- Entrance to Church will be through the center doors of the Church.
- 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 the touchless hand sanitizers.**
- Please follow the directions of the greeters for seating. All are asked when taking their seats to begin with either the middle seat of the pew or the seat closest to the stained-glass windows. The seat closest to the middle aisle should be the last seat taken in a pew. This process is necessary since some masses are nearly at capacity, namely the 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and the 10:30 a.m. on Sunday. This process enables us to allow as many people as possible to attend mass.
- The weekly collection will not be taken up; locked boxes are located by the elevator entrance and the main aisle for your donations.
- Holy communion will be distributed at the end of Mass and **all must exit the Church after receiving via the side doors on the porch.**
- **Individuals who wish to receive holy communion on their tongue are asked to come at the end of the line in order for the priest to follow the appropriate protocols for sanitizing his hands.**
- **The Church is sanitized after each liturgy including the restroom and elevator.**
- Confessions will be held on Saturdays at 12:00 noon and will end at 12:30 p.m.

*These guidelines are in compliance with the Centers for Disease Control and are in place to provide a safe and healthy environment for us to worship together. Our primary concern is the health and safety of all of us. Thank you for your continued cooperation.*

**The obligation to attend Sunday Mass continues to be suspended.**

**Thank you again and God Bless You.**