

# Liturgy

## Weekly Word Psalms 27:1, 4, 13-14

“Yahweh is my light and my salvation, whom should I fear? Yahweh is the fortress of my life, whom should I dread? One thing I ask of Yahweh, one thing I seek: to dwell in Yahweh's house all the days of my life, to enjoy the sweetness of Yahweh, to seek out his temple.

This I believe: I shall see the goodness of Yahweh, in the land of the living. Put your hope in Yahweh, be strong, let your heart be bold, put your hope in Yahweh .“



**Prayer Requests:** *To request prayers, please call the parish and register the intention for the coming Sunday.*

Let us remember in our prayers, those who are sick including Cora Harris, Lola DeCarlo-Coles, Joan Chisholm parishioners, the residents of St. Ignatius Nursing and Rehab Center and Centennial Village.

**The Rosary and Miraculous Medal Prayer will be said before mass every Sunday. Copies of the Prayer will be handed out.**

## 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 22, 2023

**1st Reading** Isaiah 8:23-9:3

**2nd Reading** First Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

**Gospel** Matthew 4:12-23

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**Mass Intention:** Akyra Monet Murray, Preston L Butler



To everyone for your Stewardship of Treasure to our parish. Your tithes are very important as it helps our operating budget and expenses. If you can increase your offering, that would be a blessing to our parish and to you.

**If you can not attend church please continue to send in your tithes via mail or you may drop it off at the rectory.** Again, thank you very much.



Parents, if you have a child/children in need of Sacraments please call our DRE, Janet Cosby at the Rectory or email [stignatius.dre@gmail.com](mailto:stignatius.dre@gmail.com) to sign your child up.

**RCIA Program,** Do you know any adults interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith? If so, please contact Janet Cosby at the rectory.

## Stewardship Status

**Parish Weekly Contribution Goal \$3,000**

**January 15, 2023: \$2,470.83**

**Second Collection: \$142.83**

## Our Lady of Africa Queen of Peace Association

Please join us on the last Sunday of every month at 2:00 pm to celebrate Mass with our Ghanaian Catholics families with prayer and songs that honor our Ghanaian culture.

**Celebrant: Fr. Sy Peterka & Fr. Daniel Tettetji**  
**Chris Sarpong - 215-554-8868**  
**Ed Scott - 267-779-1771 or email:**  
**[Ourladyafrica@gmail.com](mailto:Ourladyafrica@gmail.com)**

## BIBLE STUDY



Bible Study continues Every Wednesday 6pm to 8pm via Conference call. If you would like to join the Bible Study please contact our DRE Janet Cosby at 267-255-2965. You may also join the Bible Study Group at St. Cyprian, every Thursday morning at 9am in person or on ZOOM. More information for the St. Ignatius Bible Study Group, please call the rectory. More information for St. Cyprian's group please call 215-747-3250.

## PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.  
~Pope Francis Prayer to St. Joseph

## LECTOR/COMMENTATOR SCHEDULE

### January 22nd

**1st Reading**— Barbara Stanford-Allen

**2nd Reading**—Sr. Pat Rogan

**Commentator**— Barbara Stanford-Allen

### January 29th

**1st Reading**— Elsie Goss-Caldwell

**2nd Reading**— Lamar Bustion

**Commentator**— Elsie Goss-Caldwell

# Faith Formation

**May Jesus Christ, who calls us to follow His way to love, be with you!**

We began this month of January celebrating the new year; praying it will be a blest, healthy and prosperous one. Then we celebrated the birth and legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King. Remembering his gifts, talents, and selflessness is important. While progress has been made, we know there is more to be done to fight against racism, injustice, inequality and social ills.

Today, is also a day of remembrance. This is the anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision legalizing abortion. God did not create us to destroy ourselves. New life is a gift from God. We must protect the life of the unborn, as well as protecting all life, from womb to tomb. May we keep this day in prayer. Statistically, more abortions are performed in the African American community. Life is a gift, and we must cherish it.

Last Sunday, I spoke about Missionary Discipleship. We are all called to be disciples for the Lord. As time goes on, we will offer ways on how we can all demonstrate ways of being a disciple for the Lord, and our church.

Our readings for today's Mass reminds us of Christ's beginning of his public ministry. He came to bring people out of darkness into His wonderful presence. Christ invites us to follow Him as did Peter, Andrew, James and John. These men followed Christ, learned from Him and then proclaimed Him to all parts of the world. This is referred to as Missionary Discipleship.

May we hear Christ calling us into His wonderful light, and journey with Him, then proclaim Him to all we meet.

Peace and Blessings, Msgr. Britto

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

The Archdiocesan Catholic Charities appeal has begun. The appeal is very important to many Archdiocesan organizations and parishes, including our parish. Please be very generous with Appeal. Our parish is a recipient of this goal. The goal this is year: \$4,323. Let's try to reach our goal this year! To date our parish has raised **\$2,594.40**.



**Communion to the Homebound**— If any homebound parishioner is in need of Holy Communion and a visit, please contact the rectory.

## THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

**Goal:** "Embrace your inner awesomeness!"

**Question of the Week**— "Can I commit myself to studying scripture daily in 2023, making it central in my life?"

## Prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O Most Holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore Thee, I love Thee and with a lively sorrow for my sins, I offer Thee this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to thy will. Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in Thee and for Thee., Protect me in the midst of danger; comfort me in my afflictions; give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, Thy blessings on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Within Thy Heart I place my every care. In every need let me come to Thee with humble trust saying, "Heart of Jesus help me", Amen.

## ANNIVERSARY OF SUPREME COURT DECISION

Today is the anniversary of the Supreme court's decision legalizing abortion. The bishops in the United States have declared January 22nd a day of prayer (to be observed January 23rd this year.) Use this day to pray for the life of the un-born. Statistically, black babies are aborted at a higher percentage than any other ethnic group.

**National Black Catholic Congress** - will be held in Washington D.C. July 20th -23rd 2023. Black Catholics from around the U.S. will gather to discuss the gifts of Black Catholic Church. If interested in attending the Congress, contact the rectory. The registration fee will be paid for by Martin de Porres. Lodging and transportation not included in the registration.

## Pastoral Council Members

Msgr. Britto	Thomasina Kweku-
Michele Bustion	Kennedy
Nellda Harris	Cedric Scott
Lorna Horsey	Crystal Lanham
Lauren Cherry	

**Prayer to St. Michael**—Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

# Parish Life

## SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL PARISH CENTER UPDATE!!!!

### Exterior of Building—Items Completed:

1. **\$41,000—New Roof**
2. **\$3,725—Exterior Wall**
3. **\$2,650—Roof Gutter**
4. **\$3,600—Front Porch roof & Pillars**

**EXTERIOR TOTAL— \$50,975**

### Interior of Building—Items Completed:

1. **\$3,150—2nd Fl, Bathroom**
2. **\$10,000—1st Fl. Hallway Ways & Stairway Walls**
3. **\$3,450— 3rd Fl. Bathroom**
4. **\$350— 1st Fl. Bathroom**

**INTERIOR TOTAL TO DATE—\$16,950**

### Interior of Building—Items Still in Need of Repair:

1. **\$5,500** Ceiling Repair, Paint and Flooring, Building materials, misc. ( 1st and 2nd floors)

**GOALS - \$70,000**

**TOTAL RAISED TO DATE—\$76,387.00!!!**

**TOTAL SPENT—\$73,925.00**

## FROM THE COMMISSION ON RACIAL HEALING

This commission continues to be a resource to the Archdiocese as it finds way to combat racism and establish racial healing among all peoples. Our parish will be part of a pilot program to establish a healthy discussion and conversation with a suburban parish. If you wish to be a part of this discussion group contact the rectory.

## DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAM—

This is a silent deadly disease in our community, and perhaps, family. This Faith based Diabetes Prevention Program is a pilot program for our parish. Materials will be provided to help us with the understanding of diabetes and how to control it. Join our parish programs and read the materials and take serious this disease.

## MARY MOTHER OF CAPTIVES—

Proverbs emotional support to the families of the incarcerated. They also offer a Pen Pal Program to the incarcerated. Meetings are held at 7pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month at St. Charles Borromeo Church hall, 3422 Dennison Ave. Drexel hill. For more information, contact: Marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org. Also contact John or sue at 610-259-3178.

## PARISH THEME

Every year, our parish held a Parish theme. In 2018 the Parish theme was: “Walk in Love like Christ.” In 2019, it was: “Celebration of Faith Through Speech and Action.” This year’s theme will be: “**Faith Demonstrated Through Action.**” It will begin on the First Sunday of Advent. Each month our parish will demonstrate a spiritual or corporal work of action based on this theme. Each parishioner is asked to participate in this parish theme.

## BIBLE STUDY/FAITH SHARING

Beginning January 13, 2022, Bible Study at St. Cyprian will begin again starting at 10am in the rectory. It will also be streamed on zoom. Please contact St. Cyprian rectory with any questions.

## HOME BLESSINGS AND HOLY COMMUNION

Anyone who wishes their home to be blessed., please call the rectory. If any of our homebound or shut-in parishioners wish to receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory.

## HALL RENTALS

St. Ignatius School Hall is Available to Rent to Parishioners **ONLY.**

There are a total of 15 round tables and 200 chairs available for use.

Please contact Portia at the Rectory to go over rental contracts, fees and to schedule a date on the church calendar.

## FUNERAL/REPAST

For Funeral arrangements or information regarding a repast please contact Portia the rectory.

# What's Happening at St Ignatius

## ST. IGNATIUS KITCHEN

January 22nd — Kitchen Open

January 29th—Choir

### **Regular MEETINGS** (Mitchell Room)

MONDAY: **Line Dancing Class**: 6:00 pm — 7:30pm

TUESDAY: **Food Pantry**: 10 am — 12 noon

SECOND TUESDAY. \* Liturgy Committee **Every Month**: 6:30 pm

SECOND WEDNESDAY. \* Parish Council **Every Month**: 6:30 pm

### **TIPS FOR A HEALTHIER EATING ROUTINE**

- ◆ Read food labels to help you select foods with little or no saturated fats.
- ◆ Lower your sodium intake by using herbs and spices instead of salt, and choosing lower- sodium foods.

**MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP**—A Missionary Discipleship is on who encounters a personal relationship with Christ surrendering oneself to Christ; and follow Him. A Missionary Disciple: 1) Worship; Give praise to God and also attend Mass regularly. 2) pray. Have a personal prayer life. Spent time in prayer. 3) serve. Look for opportunities to help others, both within the Christian community and outside of it. 4) learn,. Eager to learn as much as they can about Jesus and the church.



### **PAINTING WITH A TWIST**

Presented by St. Ignatius Church ,  
with Latonya Lynch (Paint R Way Artist)  
**WILL BE SATURDAY MARCH 25TH**  
1pm to 4pm. Tickets \$40 Includes, Instructor  
Fees, Canvas, Paint, Beverages ( both non-alcoholic and alcohol ), & Light Refreshments. Please see Portia for Tickets.  
This is an Adult only Fundraiser.

### **CALENDAR MEETING**

**TUESDAY JANUARY 31ST 6:30PM MITCHELL ROOM**

**PLEASE COME PREPARED WITH DATES**



### **CHILDREN'S VALETINE'S DAY**

#### **CUPCAKE SOCIAL**

**FEBRUARY 12, 2023**

Hosted by the Jr. Daughter's in the Parish Center  
Cupcake decorating and crafts included.  
Please RSVP with Mona Bradwell

**Bulletin Submissions give to Portia** by the  
**prior Monday**: 215-386-5065 or email  
[staff.manager636@gmail.com](mailto:staff.manager636@gmail.com)

### ***What's New From St. Ignatius Crew***

- Thank you for the Donations of Bread, Peanut Butter and Jelly
- We will meet every other Thursday at 1pm to make sandwiches.
- Total Number **2022: 4,800**
- Total Number of PB&J sandwiches for the Homeless for the **2023: 200**

### **FUNERAL ASSISTANCE**

FEMA is offering a \$7,000 funeral reimbursement to families who paid for a funeral of a COVID-19 related death after January 20, 2020. Funeral documentation must be provided. Please go to the links below for funeral assistance:

<http://FEMA.gov>

<https://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance>

**Applications begin on April 12, 2021**  
**COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Line (844)-684-6333 | Hours of Operation: Mon. - Fri. 8am to 8pm**

**Adeodatus Prison Ministry** -Is a support group for families who have members incarcerated and those who are arrested. They meet in St. Cyprian Community Hall every first Thursday of the month.

### **MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS**

For immediate help, call 911 or the **National Suicide Program Hotline: 1-800-273-8255**. Mental health is a very important issue affecting our community.



**Our Mother of Sorrows/St. Ignatius of Loyola School**  
**Independence Mission School Grades Pre-K to 8.**  
**TUITION CREDIT FOR NEW ENROLLMENTS AND TRANSFERS**  
contact the school at **215-222-3626** for more information.