

Liturgy

Weekly Word Psalms 32:1-2, 5, 11

“ Praise ye the Lord, because psalm is good: to our God be joyful and comely praise. The Lord buildeth up Jerusalem: He will gather together the dispersed of Israel. Who healeth the broken of heart, and bindeth up their bruises. Who telleth the number of the stars: and calleth them all by their names. Great is our Lord, and great is His power: and of His wisdom there is no number. The Lord lifteth up the meek, and bringeth the wicked down even to the ground.”



Prayer Requests: *To request prayers, please call the parish and register the intention for the coming Sunday.* Let us remember in our prayers, the soul of who passed away, those who are sick including, **Barbara Stanford-Allen, Harriet Washington, Debra Alexander, Dr. Leda Reeves, Ed Mackey, John Mackey** and parishioners, the residents of St. Ignatius Nursing and Rehab Center and Centennial Village.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 11, 2024

1st Reading Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

2nd Reading First Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Gospel Mark 1:40-45

The Rosary and Miraculous Medal Prayer

will be said before mass every Sunday @ 9am. Join us for your intentions and the intentions of others. Copies of the Prayer will be handed out.



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.

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Mass Intention: Carrie Jordan & Elizabeth Conix



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 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

Total For February 4: \$3,640.00

Second Collection: \$244.00

Maintenance Fund: \$234.00



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 10am 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.

QUESTIONS TO PONDER

- How do I walk into God's hospitality and share that with others?
- In what ways do I think of my parish as being built on Christ the cornerstone?
- Do I anticipate being in the Father's house each day?

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

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 Tettej
Chris Sarpong - 215-554-8868
Ed Scott - 267-779-1771 or email:
Ourladyafrica@gmail.com

Faith Formation

May Jesus Christ, who preached the good news of salvation to all, be with you!

We are in the second week of Black History Month. Although the country celebrates Black History for one month, it is celebrated everyday for the average African American, it is American History. Everyone should know about the rich impact African Americans did for the U.S. I encourage you to study, read, listen to music, and even visit places where African American made their place in American history.

Please keep in your prayers those affected by this cold weather. Whether the people living in the streets or those living without heat in their homes. Pray they will find the resources to keep them warm, sheltered and comfortable.

Today's the last Sunday in Ordinary Time. We begin the season of Lent this Wednesday as we celebrate Ash Wednesday. St. Cyprian Parish will continue it's Lenten tradition with the Parish Lenten Journey. The schedule for the journey will be posted in our parish bulletin next week. I hope and encourage everyone to participate in the Lenten Season tradition.

As we close out the season of Ordinary Time, we are reminded of Christ generosity, compassion, and concern for the alienated. In the Gospel, Jesus cured a man with leprosy. Jesus broke down the walls where people were excluded for some reason. May we be like Christ tearing down the walls of discrimination, hatred, alienation of people with certain illness, and injustice.

Peace and Blessings,

Msgr. Britto

Question of the Week— “Who can I reach out to in order to help make my family/community/world whole? How can I go about doing this?”

Prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O Most Holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore Thee, I love Thee 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.



Try your knowledge on Black History Trivia:

Question 1: “Who was the first African American to appear on a U.S. postage stamp?”

Question 2: “Who was Martin Luther King Jr.’s closet friend and advisor who was central figure in the Civil Rights Movement?”

Answers from Last Sunday: 1. Guion Stewart Buford Jr.; 2. Althea Gibson

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

God our Father,
you reveal to us your love through Christ
and through our brothers and sisters.
Open our hearts so that we can welcome each other
with our differences and live in forgiveness.
Grant us to live united in one body,
so that the gift that is each person comes to light.
May all of us together be a reflection of the living
Christ.

Pastoral Council Members

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



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: Flexibility: “*Hold fast to dreams, For if dreams die, life is a broken-winged bird that can not fly.*” -
Langston Hughes

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

MISSION STATEMENT -We the members of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, proclaim that Jesus Christ, the Word of God, is the light of the world. We recognize our Baptismal call, to continue the mission of Jesus, confirmed by the gift of the Holy Spirit and with a strong commitment to our Catholic faith. We commit ourselves to accept the privilege of this call:

- To worship God by faithfully celebrating the sacraments, especially Holy Eucharist through liturgy that invites all to taste and see the goodness of the Lord, that highlights the ministerial gifts of the laity, that reflects a diverse spirituality and that energizes the congregation to witness and reach out.
- To nourish a warm and vibrant Christian faith community which empowers lay leadership, encourages our youth, fosters gifts of service, reaching out to inactive and shut-in members in order to sustain a sense of ourselves as a faith family.
- To proclaim the Good News by talking about the love of Jesus in our homes, and with our neighbors, listening to God's Word, and trying to live the Gospel and witness to the Lord daily.
- To teach the saving message of Jesus in our school and through ongoing religious education, preaching and hearing the word especially at liturgy and acting in a Christian way that deepens our love of God in union with one another.
- To serve our brothers and sisters by our tithing, generous acts of charity, supporting outreach programs that respond to the needs of our parishioners and our neighbors and fostering opportunities for our youth.

Through the intercession of Mary, Our Mother of Sorrows and Saint Ignatius of Loyola, our Patron, we pray for God's guidance and strength to continue to bear witness to Jesus and remain ever faithful to our mission through Christ, the Lord of Light.

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.

WOODWORK



JOIN THE WOODSHOP!

The Woodshop is up and running! **THURSDAYS AT 10AM!** If anyone is interested in working with wood working skills, please contact Fr. Vincent Burns at 215-896-7188 or Wendell Kennedy 215-939-8372. We hope to recycle and repurpose discarded wood items into something useful. The WoodShop will be located on the 3rd Floor of St. Ignatius Church in the old classrooms.

HALL RENTALS

St. Ignatius School Hall is Available to Rent to

Parishioners ONLY. Cost- \$900

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 at the rectory.

St. Ignatius Food Outreach Open Tuesdays: 10 am — 12 pm Those needing emergency groceries bring a photo I.D. and fill out an application. For information contact Lorna Horsey or Portia Edmunds. Non-perishable food donations may be dropped off at the church after Sunday Mass or during business hours at the rectory. **Starting December 5, 2023 we ask that you please bring your own reusable bag.**

LENTEN OBSERVANCE, FASTING RULES

On Ash Wednesday, and every Friday during Lent, everyone is abstain from eating meat. People ages 15 to 59 are obliged not to eat meat on Fridays during Lent. People 60 years and older and has medical issues do not have to follow this rule.

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.

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.

What's Happening at St Ignatius

ST. IGNATIUS KITCHEN

February 11th—Ladies Crt.#280

February 18th — 3 Degrees

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

Regular MEETINGS (Mitchell Room)

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

TUESDAY: Food Pantry: 10 am — 12 noon

2nd TUESDAY.* Liturgy Committee Every Month: 6:30 pm

2nd WEDNESDAY.* Parish Council Every Month: 6:30 pm

What's New From St. Ignatius Crew

- Thank you for your donations. We will meet every other Thursday at 1pm .
- Total Number of PB&J sandwiches for the Homeless for the (2023: 4,800)
 - 2024: 400



BOWLING PARTY!! - March 16th the Parish will be hosting another Bowling Party at Wynnewood Lanes from 2pm to 4pm. Tickets are \$25 per adult and \$15 for children 5 to 10yrs old. Tickets include 2 hours of bowling, shoe rental, food, and access to arcade games. If you would like to volunteer to help or purchase a ticket, please contact Portia at the rectory.

WOMEN'S DAY COLLECTION: The Women's Day Committee is collecting for the tree removal and follow-up repairs to the concrete. We have received a large donation of **\$1,000** which we graciously accept and will add to our collection making it a total of **\$3,425**. The cost for removal 2 trees, roots and cement repair is \$9,800. Please consider donating a minimum of \$10 to help with this project. Thank you.

Spiritual Devotion to do during Lent

1. Pray the rosary daily
2. Spend 10 minutes slowly meditating on the Our Father prayer
3. Attend Mass during the week, in addition to Sunday Mass
4. Do something extraordinary kindness to someone who would never expect it.
5. Participate in the Rice Bowl campaign

MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS

For immediate help, call **911, 988** or the **National Suicide Program Hotline: 1-800-273-8255**. Mental health is a very important issue affecting our community.

NAMI.org—National Alliance on Mental Illness is a mental health support group to help yourself or someone you know with mental health issues. **1-800-950-6264**

"THE CHOSEN"



Starting Feb. 18th the 1st Sunday of Lent the Biblical Series "The Chosen" will be shown on TV in the Parish Center after Mass. We will be showing a different episode of Season One each Sunday. If you have any questions regarding the series, please contact Janet Cosby. All are welcome to join us on this Lenten Journey to explore the life of Jesus of Nazareth and the people whom he met and interacted with.

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.

ASH WEDNESDAY—Masses will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday at 10am @ St. Ignatius; 8:00am, 10:00am and 7:00pm @ St. Cyprian.

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.

"No one can figure out your worth but you." **Pearl Bailey, Entertainer**

"Imagine what a harmonious world it could be if every single person, both young and old, shared a little of what he is good at doing." **-Quincy Jones, American record producer and composer**

OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS/ST. IGNATIUS INDEPENDENCE MISSION SCHOOL GRADES Pre-K to 8

ATTENTION: OMS/SI Catholic School is pleased to announce ENROLLEMNT HAS OPENED FOR THE 2024 - 2025 SCHOOL YEAR! If you or anybody you know is interested , please contact OMS/SI's Enrollment and Tuition Manager, Mickey Andrews, at 215-222-3626 with any questions! We look forward to hearing from you and welcoming you to the OMS/SI Family!



TUITION CREDIT FOR NEW ENROLLMENTS AND TRANSFERS