

Liturgy

Weekly Word Psalms 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

“Thus I have gazed on you in the sanctuary, seeing your power and your glory. Better your faithful love than life itself; my lips will praise you. Thus I will bless you all my life, in your name lift up my hands. All my longings fulfilled as with fat and rich foods, a song of joy on my lips and praise in my mouth. On my bed when I think of you, I muse on you in the watches of the night, for you have always been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice;



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

Let us remember in our prayers, the souls of who passed away, those who are sick including, **Debra Alexander, Dr. Leda Reeves, Ed Mackey, John Mackey** and parishioners, the residents of St. Ignatius Nursing and Rehab Center and Centennial Village.

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 2023

1st Reading Wisdom 6:12-16

2nd Reading First Thessalonians 4:13-17

Gospel Matthew 25:1-13

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: ***Sr. Ramona Dolan, S.B.S., *Sr. Elizabeth Tobin, S.B.S.**



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

November 5, 2023 Total: \$5,190.00

Second Collection Fuel & Utilities: \$329.00

Maintenance Fund: \$712.00



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.

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 Tettetdji

Chris Sarpong - 215-554-8868

Ed Scott - 267-779-1771 or email:

Ourladyafrica@gmail.com

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

Series on the Eucharist

Q: Why is the Eucharist important?

A: The Eucharist is at the heart of the Mass. It draws us and connects us to Jesus Christ. We become one with Jesus every time we receive Him in Holy Communion. Receiving the Eucharist also prepares us for what we look forward to in the eternal kingdom. By faith we are to believe in the real presence of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion. When we say "Amen", we are saying "I believe."

Faith Formation

May Jesus Christ, our hope of resurrection, be with you!

Although Veteran's Day was celebrated last Saturday today, we acknowledge all Veterans and especially those from our parish. We thank you them for their service, and we thank them for protecting our country and others countries. Let us also remember all our soldiers who gave of their lives to protect our country. We remember them and acknowledge them.

Next week is Thanksgiving Day. Mass will be celebrated at 10am. Let us come together as a parish family to celebrate this day and to give thanks to God for His ever presence in our lives. No matter our life situation, we should pause on this day to give thanks. I hope to see you on this day at Mass before you begin your Thanksgiving day.

I ask everyone to continue to pray for peace in our world and for respect for human life. Please pray for an end to these senseless wars and pray for all the innocent people caught in the middle of these wars. Add to your prayer list an end to the gun violence that continues to plague our cities throughout the country. Let us flood heaven with our prayers and special requests.

Today's readings is preparing us for the end of our earthly journey. Sometimes we may think we will live on for a long time. Only God knows when our time is up. However, we are encouraged to live our lives according to God's law and to live it to the fullest with charity, kindness, justice, service, faith, and happiness. Today's readings remind us to live our earthly journey with these virtues and at the same time to stay awake and ready ourselves for the coming of the Lord. So, stay awake.

Peace and Blessings,
Msgr. Britto

2023 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

2023 Catholic Charities Appeal has begun. St. Ignatius goal is \$4,323. May we all participate in this campaign. Our parish does profit from this appeal. This is an important Appeal to which our parish is one of the recipients.



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: “ With flexibility comes a greater choice of options.

Question of the Week— “What has worked for me in the past when I begin to get impatient? Going forward, what will I do to drain upon more patience?”

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.

BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

The following is a quiz on local Black Catholic History:

- Who was the first black priest to pastor the second parish founded for Black Catholics in Philadelphia?
- Who was the first Black Catholic Bishop to head a diocese?
- Who was the first religious order founded for black women, by a Black Catholic woman?
- Who was the Black Catholic Priest who first wrote African American music for the Catholic church?

LITURGICAL ETIQUETT:

- ◆ Spend time in prayer before mass.
- ◆ Genuflect, or bow, before the Blessed Sacrament when entering church as a respect to Our Lord.
- ◆ Bow your head when the name of Jesus is mentioned.
- ◆ No walking around church when mass begins.
- ◆ No walking during the homily and the Eucharistic prayer.

Pastoral Council Members

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

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.

"KEEP THE FIRE GOING"

We continue the process of evaluating the Parish Survey. We will keep everyone updated on the process. In the meantime, the following is the survey that was given out:

1. What motivates you to come to St. Ignatius Catholic church?
2. What is the best thing about our parish?
3. If you could change one thing about our parish what would it be?
4. What do you envision for the future of our parish?
5. How would you bring about that vision (3 suggestions)
6. What ministry or organization do you participate in? Name 2 or 3?

ADVENT REFLECTION SERIES

The season of Advent begins December 3rd. During the four weeks of Advent, a weekly reflection will be given by the priests of the parish (Msgr. Britto, Fr. Rene, and Fr. Fisher) and Deacon Anthony. It will be recorded on YouTube.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS—will be celebrated at 10AM. Begin your Thanksgiving Day with Mass and give thanks and praise to God for the many blessings received.

SCHOOL MASS—will be on Monday Nov. 20th at 10am All are welcome to join us.



THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY MEAL— will be on Tuesdays Nov. 21st 10am to 1pm in the lower church. All are welcome!

MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP—A Missionary Disciple is one 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
November 12th—3 Degrees
November 19th— Jr. Daughters

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

HOLIDAY RAFFLE !!!

TOP PRIZE—2 TICKETS TO EAGLES VS. GIANTS GAME CHRISTMAS DAY !!!

2ND Prize—BASKET OF CHEER

3RD Prize—\$150 & 4TH Prize—\$100

Tickets are \$5 Each OR \$20 for a Book of 5 tickets. Please See Marlene, Portia, Santa or Michelle for tickets. Drawing will be held on Dec. 17th. **Eagles tickets will be sent Electronically to the winner.**



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:** 3,800

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND DATES

Parish Council—Nov. 13th

School Mass—Nov. 20th—10am

Thanksgiving Day Mass—Nov. 23rd—10am

Liturgy Meeting—Dec. 5th



CHRISTMAS VILLAGE—The Christmas Village will be on December 3rd, 10th and 17th. 11am to 2pm Vendors Spaces are \$40 per table per day or \$100 for all 3 days. Please contact Portia if you would like to be a vendor. The Holiday Raffle will be announced on the 17th!



LADIES CRT. #280 are hosting a **SOCK DRIVE** Nov. 8th to the Nov. 17th. Collection Boxes will be at the back of church. They are asking for Men and Women's socks . All donations go to St. Ignatius Nursing Home.

MEMORIAL SHRINE During the month of November, we remember the souls of all our deceased loved ones. You can place a photo of your deceased loved ones on the memorial Shrine in front of the Blessed Mother's Altar.

WOMEN'S DAY COLLECTION: The Women's Day Committee is collecting for the tree removal and follow-up repairs to the concrete. So far we have collected a total of \$2,425. 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.

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK—Remember in your prayers all men and women in formation preparing to become a priest, religious information preparing to become a priest, religious sister or religious brother. These is a great need for priests, deacons, nuns and religious brothers

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

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.

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.

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