

THE CHURCH OF
**SAINT IGNATIUS
LOYOLA**



A ROMAN CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY INSPIRED BY THE
TRADITION OF ST. IGNATIUS,
ST. HEDWIG AND
ST. MARY'S ANNUNCIATION
PARISHES.



LENT 2018

FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This traditional Lenten exercise will be held each Friday of Lent at 5:30 PM. Come and enter into a profound meditation on the suffering, passion and death of Jesus Christ. It is wonderful to expose your children to this prayer.

CONFESSIONS

The Light Is On For You - **Mondays of Lent** from 5:30-7:00 PM. St. Ignatius and all the parishes in the Diocese of Scranton will be open for individual confessions. We will still hold our regular Saturday confessions.

LENTEN FASTING REGULATIONS

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, all Catholics 14 years old and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and the Fridays of Lent.

FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES LENTEN CAMPAIGN

We are especially reminded of God's mercy during Lent. We can spread God's mercy by generous service to those in need. With that in mind, the Religious Education Program's Lenten campaign, "**Families Helping Families**" will begin the first weekend of Lent. Please consider offering your change. Containers will be located in the foyer of the Church and Chapel beginning the first weekend of Lent. The proceeds of this campaign will be shared by St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen and St. Luke's Foundation, Haiti. Thank you for your continued generosity in advance.

We, the blended Catholic community of St. Ignatius Loyola, 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.

"Knowing God is more important than knowing about God." - Karl Rahner, S.J.

WORD—LEARNING ABOUT OUR FAITH

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday, March 4th – Grade 5 Family Morning/ Class Mass. All grade 5 students, both public and private schools, and their families are strongly encouraged to attend this morning. It will begin at 9:15 am in Conlan Hall with a light continental breakfast and family activity followed by the class Mass at 10:30 am .

Wednesday, March 7th – Grade 7 and 8 release time.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

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 2018 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 10th**. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made by calling the Rectory by **March 1st**.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

If you are interested in helping with couples preparing for marriage, please call Father McKernan in the parish office.

EASTER MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES

Special Easter Mass Intention envelopes can be found in your monthly March packets to remember both living and deceased family members and friends. **Please write the names 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 intention. Please place the envelopes in the collection basket. Thank you.



CEMETERIES CLEAN UP

Monday, March 12th is the final day to retrieve any decorations from the graves of your loved ones in St. Ignatius, St. Hedwig and St. Mary's Cemeteries. This will enable the maintenance staff at the cemeteries to prepare for Easter and the upcoming Spring season.

Your co-operation is greatly appreciated. Please note, any decoration remaining after the **March 12th** cutoff date will be disposed of. Thank you.

The Altar Breads and Wine for this week are offered

*In Memory of
Genevieve Cawley
as requested by
Family*



**Sanctuary Candles Burn
this week**

In Memory of

Michael Herbacsek

By Family

In Memory of

Rose Budanovitz

By

Family



We encourage you to spend quiet time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament throughout the week with a special prayer intention in mind. Just pick up a card after your visit to Church and send it off to the one in your prayer. The cards may be used on First Fridays by those attending Eucharistic Adoration.

Think gospel! Please make room for your neighbor in Church and slide to the center of the pew.

**BOXTOPS FOR
EDUCATION**

Please leave Boxtops for Education with UPC bar code and soda tabs to benefit Good Shepherd Academy. Boxes are located in the Church and Chapel foyers.



In recognition of our need to give, and the many needs of our church and parish, and in gratitude for God's gifts to us, we declare our willingness to return a portion of our Treasure to our parish, as part of our total Christian stewardship.

Sunday Tithe
\$13,595.61

This Week's Expenses
\$44,569.81

WORSHIP—LITURGY AND PRAYER

RCIA (THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

The RCIA will continue at 11:30 AM on Sunday at the Rectory. All are welcome. This is for those who wish to explore the Catholic Faith more deeply. It is open to all - Non-Catholic and Catholic alike. It will look at basic Christianity and the person of Jesus Christ. The RCIA will explore basic and central Christian teaching. If you are interested in coming to understand Catholic Christianity and the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church, please join us. If you are interested in perhaps becoming a Catholic just come or call ahead 570-288-6446 or email the office at siloffice@aol.com. Interested in helping with the RCIA, please call Father Joe Mosley.

TAIZE PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS

Taize Prayer will be celebrated on **Monday, March 19th** at 7:00 PM at St. Nicholas Church, 226 S. Washington St., Wilkes-Barre. This particular prayer will focus on the Passion of Christ, with time to venerate the cross. Rob Yenkowski, the music director at King's College and The Cantores Christi Regis choir will be the ministers of music for this prayer. A freewill offering will be taken up at the end of the service to show our appreciation for their time and ministry. This prayer will surely enhance your Lenten journey to Easter.

ATTENTION EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS, LECTORS AND SERVERS

If you wish to be scheduled for Palm Sunday, Holy Week or Easter, please call the Rectory by **Thursday, March 15th**. Also, if you desire any days off for April or May, please call those days in also. Thank you for your cooperation.

WEEKLY MEDITATION

Transfiguration

Jesus in dazzling splendor! The voice of the Father validating Him and His mission! Can you imagine anything more glorious, exhilarating? The message was not merely for those moments on a mountaintop 2000 years ago, it is a message for the ages: "Listen to Him." While we live in a culture which often rejects this command, *each of us* can follow the Lord's bidding by the choices we make in our daily living. Here's a little Lenten exercise: every evening consider your thoughts and actions during the day. Did you "listen to Jesus" - can you do better tomorrow?

Don't forget! Food Collection each and every weekend at the vestibules of the Church and Chapel.

COMMUNITY—GROWING TOGETHER

PIEROGIE BOARD NEWS

Back by popular demand, and with a little more help, we will be making our delicious pierogi. **Monday, March 5th** - prep; **Tuesday, March 6th** - production - sweet cabbage, potato/cheese. **Monday, March 19th** - prep; **Tuesday, March 20th** - production - sweet cabbage, farmers cheese. Prices will remain the same: \$8.00 - potato and \$9.00 - sweet cabbage, farmers cheese. Pierogi may be purchased after 12:10 pm Mass on production Tuesdays and after Saturday Masses if sign is out. No orders will be taken. We look forward to seeing all our faithful workers and any new volunteers. Come enjoy good fellowship and a nice lunch on Tuesdays. The making of pierogi gives us the opportunity to have our wonderful Lenten broiled fish dinner. A date will be set for a Friday later in Lent. More information to come. Any questions, please call 570-817-3430, 570-574-1585 or 570-287-6554.

BAPTISM

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish is a joyous occasion. Families of infants and children who make arrangements with the parish staff are invited to participate in the sacrament the third Sunday of each month after the noon Mass. Special times and dates may be arranged, including celebrating the Baptism during Mass. Support for families of the newly baptized begins with a preparation session held the Monday evening before the Baptismal Sunday. Extended family, friends and parishioners are then invited to attend this beautiful Sacrament of Initiation into the Church and its family. For infants, a subscription to the semi-annual newsletter from *Our Sunday Visitor* provides greetings and advice as their little one grows until the age of three. Our parish Prayer Shawl Ministry, an outreach of Mary's Ministry, is particularly happy to be involved by creating a memorable gift for each infant or child. Families and the newly baptized are then invited to the semi-annual "New Parishioner Breakfast" to get even further acquainted with their parish family. If you are interested in serving on this ministry, or desire to have a member of your family be baptized, please contact the Parish Office @ 570-288-6446.

PENNY AUCTION

The Reginas of Kings College will hold their annual Penny Auction on **Sunday, March 18th** from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. The Doors will open at 1:30. The Penny Auction will be held on the third floor of Sheehy Farmer Center Kings College campus downtown Wilkes-Barre. Cost is \$2.00 and that includes light refreshments. There will be door prizes as well as a 50/50 drawing. Lots of games and prizes for all ages. Plenty of free parking. All proceeds from the auction benefit local Students. If you have any questions, please call Maureen Finnerty at 570 288-8706.

CATHOLIC CHORAL SOCIETY LENTEN CONCERTS

In a 69 year tradition of inspiring prayer and meditation through music, the Catholic Choral Society will present their annual Lenten Concerts in Swoyersville and Forest City. The first concert will be on **Sunday, March 11th** at 3:00 PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Swoyersville. The second concert will be held on **Sunday, March 18th** at 3:00 PM at the Forest City Historical Museum. The concerts are open to the public free of charge. For more information, call 570-575-1040.



Monday

Bell Choir - 6:30 PM - Church
Word Team Meeting - 6:30 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)
Service Team Meeting - 7:00 PM
Conlan Hall

Tuesday

Alpha Meeting - 6:30 PM
Conlan Hall

Wednesday

Cantor Rehearsal - 6:00 PM
Church
Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 PM
Church
Knights of Columbus - 7:30 PM
Conlan Hall

Thursday

Children's Choir - 6:45 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)
Contemporary Ensemble
7:30 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)

Saturday

Prayer Shawl Ministry
12:00 PM
Bergan Parish Center
(1st Floor)



REMEMBERING Feb. 26th - March 4th

Monday

7:30—Margaret A. Gallagher *Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Ardoline*

12:10—Janos Tileki *Erzsebert Kane*

Tuesday

7:30—Dr. Sam DePasquale *Pittston High School Class of '55*

12:10—Conrad Goeringer-ALM *Family*

Wednesday

7:30—Margaret Crossin *Michael & Anthony Liuzzi*

12:10—Michael McEvoy-ALM *Family*

Thursday

7:30—Judith Granick *Hannon Family*

12:10—Joann Tregan-ALM *Gary Quick*

Friday

7:30—Anthony Filipczyk-ALM *Wife & Children*

12:10—Joseph Naparło-ALM *Family*

Saturday

7:30—John Lukas-ALM *Nancy Needle & Family*

4:00 PM—Anna Segda *Ray & Rose Poplawski*

5:30 PM—For the People of the Parish

Sunday

7:00 AM—Mary Ann Karis *Brenda Vanderhoff*

8:30 AM—Helen Sileski *Eleanor & Joseph Yasenchak*

10:30 AM—Irene Lloyd *Lloyd Family*

12:00 PM—Robert Golightly *Kopicki Family*

SOUP FOR THE SOULS

Exaltation of the Holy Cross Church, 420 Main Road, Buttonwood, Hanover Township, Soup for the Souls soup sale will be held on **Thursday, March 8th**. Soup of the month is Vegetable Beef. Pickup time is from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Cost-\$8.00. Pre-orders are appreciated. For more information, call 570-825-6370.

SERVICE—HELPING OTHERS

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Catherine McAuley House in Plymouth, our Emergency Shelter Residence in Luzerne County, is looking for volunteers for daytime, evening, and overnight shifts. Please call Sr. Breige Lavery, Director of the Catherine McAuley House, at 570-779-2801 for more information.

PRAYER SHAWLS & LAP ROBES

Handmade prayer shawls and lap robes are available at no charge from Mary's Ministry for those in need of support or comfort. Please contact the rectory or stop at Bergan Hall on Saturday afternoons if you wish to have one for yourself or someone else. Additional volunteers are always welcome to help make these gifts. If you do not already know how to knit or crochet, teachers are available to assist you and all supplies are furnished. Anyone wishing to participate in this endeavor may stop at Bergan Hall on Saturdays between 12:00 & 3:00 PM or leave your contact information at the rectory.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

The Little Sisters of the Poor are kicking off St. Patrick's Day in Scranton at their fifth annual St. Patrick's Day celebration and dinner on **Sunday, March 11th** at Holy Family Residence, 2500 Adams Ave., Scranton. The event will begin with Mass at 11:00 AM followed by the dinner and entertainment from 12:00 to 4:00 PM in the auditorium. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 10 and younger. For tickets and more information, please call 570-343-4065

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

To date we have received 80% of our goal (\$72,014.02) of \$90,000.00.

To date: 28% have contributed (497 out of 1,775)

Thank you!!!!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 3rd & 4th

Saturday 4:00 PM
Lectors
J. Blewitt & P. Ochman
Communion Ministers
N. Bellas
M. Graham
N. Krasniak
Altar Servers
S. Carlisle & R. Falchek
Saturday 5:30 PM
Lectors
J. Gallagher & K. Smedley
Communion Ministers
E. Rishcoff
A. Naylis
Altar Servers
L. Flannery & C. Hoidra
Sunday 7:00 AM
Lector
L. Palmeri
Communion Ministers
J. Donlan & M. Fiske
Sunday 8:30 AM
Lectors
S. Arbogast & S. Verdone
Communion Ministers
J. & J. Lyons
Altar Servers
N. Vender
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FAMILY HAM &
CABBAGE DINNER

St. Andrew Parish is holding a Family Ham & Cabbage Dinner on **Sunday, March 4th**, in their Church Hall (St. Patrick's) on Parrish St. in Wilkes-Barre from Noon to 4 PM or until sold out. The dinner will consist of ham, cabbage, potatoes, butter beans, bread, dessert, and beverage. The cost is \$12 for adults, which includes the meal and a complimentary Theme Basket ticket. All tickets will be sold at the door. Take-outs available.


**Food Pantry
Donations Needed**

Our foods at the moment include:
canned pasta, spaghetti sauce,
canned fruit, canned vegetables,
soup, peanut butter,
jelly and cereal.

Thank you for your kindness

ALPHA


We will meet on Tuesday evening
at 6:30 PM in
Conlan Hall.

JMJ CATHOLIC RADIO

Listen at 98.9 FM or 750AM. The 98.9 FM is 24/7 and is a stronger signal. Learn more about your faith! Fr. McKernan has a regular program on this station. Please keep this work in your prayers.
Times: Tuesdays at 3:30 PM; Thursdays at 6:00 PM and Saturdays at 9:00 PM.



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Sunday Stewards

Families receive envelopes

February 17th

386 attended the **4:00 PM Mass**
170 Families used their envelopes and
offered **\$2,688.50**

110 attended the **5:30 PM Mass**
59 Families used their envelopes and
offered **\$1,900.00**

February 18th

131 attended the **7:00 AM Mass**
50 Families used their envelopes and
offered **\$1,048.00**

103 attended the **8:30 AM Mass**
46 Families used their envelopes and
offered **\$982.00**

351 attended the **10:30 AM Mass**
89 Families used their envelopes and
offered **\$2,185.00**

101 attended the **Noon Mass**
60 Families used their envelopes and
offered **\$1,503.00**

Received in Mail:

54 families mailed their envelopes and
offered **\$2,826.00**

Total Envelopes Used: 528

*Thanks to all who are supporting
the parish!*

Food Donations

Thank you for bringing food for the needy to Mass. Each week we will bring a basket up in the Offertory Procession to remind us we are in solidarity with the poor.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

If you or someone you know is going to be admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please call the parish office and let us know. Due to privacy rules, the hospitals do not notify us unless specifically requested by the patient. Also, if you know of a parishioner that is sick or homebound, please let us know. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE: CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

The conference for the Diocese of Scranton will take place at King's College on **Saturday, May 5th, 2018.**

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Continued

Sunday 10:30 AM

Lectors

Religious Ed. Class

Communion Ministers

M. Girton

D. Mosca

S. Smith

Altar Servers

Religious Ed. Class

Sunday 12 Noon

Lectors

B. Anzalone & B. Habler

Communion Ministers

M. Heffers

M. B. Zelinsky

Altar Servers

C. Dec & K. Nilson



Mary Novitsky

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY—NIGHT AT THE RACES SATURDAY, APRIL 21ST**

The Holy Name Society will sponsor its Annual Night at the Races on **Saturday, April 21st** in Conlan Hall. Doors open at 6:00 PM. Admission is free and seating is first come-first serve basis - no reserved seating. Food and refreshments are ALL included. Horses will be able to be purchased before and during the event. This is an adult only event. Please come out and support our society and the Church and have fun with your neighbors and parishioners. If anyone wishes to sponsor a race (\$25.00) or donate prizes, or bake treats, please call Tom Havrilak at 570-287-7768.

Saint Ignatius Holy Name Presents

“Night at the Races” - Saturday, April 21st

\$10.00 entry fee

Name of Horse _____

Name of Sponsor _____

Telephone _____

Name of Seller _____

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE ANNULMENT PROCESS?

In the Diocese of Scranton, the annulment process is now more “user friendly” than you might expect, and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact one of the priests of the Diocesan Tribunal Office at 570-207-2246 to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to these questions and to renew your connection with the Church.

BAPTISM

Expectant and new parents are asked to participate in a seminar on Baptism. Please call the Rectory at 570-288-6446. Godparents are welcome to attend, though it is not required. Please call the rectory to register at your earliest convenience. The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism is on the third Sunday of every month.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations! You are asked to contact one of the parish priests at least six months before the date of your marriage so that the appropriate preparations can be made for this special celebration.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please call the office for visitation of the sick at home, in the hospital, or health care facility.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Urgent calls will be attended to at any time of the day or night.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Grades 1–6 – Sunday morning from 9:15 AM to 10:20 AM.

Grades 7–8 – Released Time Confirmation Program

High School– Sunday Evenings (Monthly)

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register by calling the rectory. Those moving should inform the office as soon as possible.

DEVOTIONAL LIFE

The Rosary is prayed after the 7:30 AM Mass daily and before the 8:30 AM Mass on Sundays at the Chapel of St. Ann. Eucharistic Adoration is held the First Friday of the month at Saint Ignatius Church beginning at 12:45 PM concluding with Benediction at 4:00 PM. (September–May)

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This is a process the Catholic Church uses to bring adult members into the faith. Anyone interested in becoming a part of this process or in obtaining more information can call the Rectory at 570-288-6446. This journey in faith is concerned with the total formation of the person into living and serving with the Church community.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Good Shepherd Academy: Principal, Mr. James Jones

Phone: 570-718-4724

Holy Redeemer High School: Principal, Michael S. Reese

Phone: 570-829-2424

MINISTRY COUNCILS

Pastoral Council – Father McKernan, Deacon O'Connor, George Andresky, Nancy Bellas, Michelle Butcher, Pat Cole, Robert Dupre, Maria Edmunds, Maura Fennell, Gloria Galante, Molly Kachmar, Cynthia Liskov, Kimberly McNulty, Jeremiah Taylor

Finance Council – Father McKernan, Bob Gabriesheski, Ellen Kornfeld, Mary Lewis, Lou Mondy, Art Piccone, Lisa Rinker, Kay Smedley

Buildings & Grounds Committee - Pat Clemente, Steve Ellis, Matt Fiske, Carl Kachmar, John Schwartz, Jared Urbanski

Word Coordinating Team – Sally Barnes, Patricia Cole, Carmella Faust, Mary Fiske, Gloria Galante, Linda Goff, Cindy Liskov, Ruth McEvoy, Katie Mihailoff, Arthur Piccone, Danielle Cino Taylor, Tony Verbyla

Worship Coordinating Team – George Andresky, Elaine Blessing, Cindy Liskov, Debbie Lyons, Kathleen McCarthy, Nick Mirigliani, Denise Mosca, Peggy Yanklunas

Community Coordinating Team - Mary Bednarek, Kate Corgan, Nancy Flannery, Betty Habler, Molly Kachmar, Nancy Larralde, Sally McGinley, Helen O'Brien, Mike Stretanski

Service Coordinating Team - Deacon O'Connor, Steve Durk, Tom Hamill, Pat Kupetz, Kim McNulty, Tom Scappaticci, Mike Stretanski, Bob Tuttle



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Mrs. Elaine Blessing,
Contemporary Ensemble &
Children's Choir Director
Mrs. Carmella Faust, Handbell Choir
Mrs. Pat Fennell, Accompanist
Mrs. Caprice Ryman, Accompanist
Mr. George Andresky, Accompanist

Maintenance Bill Gross

Sacristan Matt Fiske

Visiting Clergy Rev. Joseph Adonizjo
Rev. Dan Issing
Rev. Andrew Sinnott
Rev. Richard Zavacki