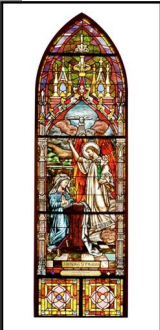


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Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 22, 2019

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Am 8:4-7

1 Tm 2:1-8

Lk 16:1-13 or Lk 16:10-13

Be Worthy of the Trust Given You

This marble statue by the baroque sculptor Gian Lorenzo Bernini commemorates the life of Pope Alexander VII. It sits above the *porta della pregluera*—the side door of St. Peter's Basilica—and it shows the Pope kneeling in prayer. The Pope was known to prayerfully reflect on his death, and supported many beautification projects in Rome.

Civil or religious authority should be a service. Public authority is conferred upon a person by election or appointment in order to promote the common good. Far from a career of self-aggrandizement, it's a call to place the good of others before one's own.

When speaking of this, Jesus places the emphasis on trustworthiness. Those delegated authority are there to serve and to honor the confidence given them. That's why financial or political corruption is so grievous. People who first win the trust of others only to misuse it by taking advantage of them violate their mandate. And when trust is lost in public life and personal relationships, life becomes a walk through a valley of fear where we are governed by self-preservation. Truly then, we become what the Latins wrote: "Man is a wolf to man."

So be worthy of the trust your family, clients, and others place in you. Be worthy of the confidence God has bestowed with all the talents he has given to use for the good of others. Make your life a responsible gift to others and rejoice in their flourishing more than your own!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Am I a trustworthy servant with the authority and gifts I have received?

Do I look more for my own progress and protection, or that of others?



[Jesus said,] "The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones."

Luke 16:10

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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.

WEEKLY MEDITATION

Today's readings tell us many things. Three are:

God remembers transgressions;
 God wants us to pray for those in authority;
 We cannot serve two masters.

Let us strive this week not only to treat everyone charitably but also to speak out when we see injustice. Let us pray for those in authority, that they may work for the good of all. Let each of us make every effort to serve God to the best of our ability.

RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you, a family member or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church? Are you married or a parent/grandparent and desire to know more about the Catholic faith to share and live with them? Are you a Catholic with a desire to complete the Sacraments of Initiation namely, Holy Communion or Confirmation? Do you desire to be baptized or been baptized in another Christian tradition and desire to be Catholic? Then RCIA is for you. Come learn about the RCIA and continue your journey of faith. Call or contact Deacon John or Mary O'Connor at the Rectory - 570-288-6446 or directly at 570-287-8536.

ST. AGNES - SEPTEMBER SAINT OF THE MONTH

Although Saint Agnes was born at the end of the third century, her story is relevant in these times when predatory sexual behavior is in the headlines and women are fighting to be treated with dignity and respect. Agnes was born into a wealthy and prominent Roman family and she was a beautiful young girl. Many men wanted to marry her. But Agnes chose to devote herself to Christ and be chaste, flying in the face of the patriarchal customs of the time. After a significant struggle, Agnes was given the choice to marry or be sent as a slave to a house of prostitution. In the ensuing struggle Agnes was stabbed and died at the age of twelve. This brave young woman was regarded as saintly soon after her death. She symbolizes the ongoing struggle of people to have the right to say no and make their own life decisions. Her feast day is January 21st and she is the patroness of youth, chastity and rape victims. To find her window, stand at the back of the church facing the altar and look left. Perhaps we should be cognizant of the fact that traditionally the followers of Jesus valued the right to say no and to choose ones calling and beliefs. We could pray to Saint Agnes to awaken powerful people to this truth.

*The Altar Breads and
 Wine for this week are
 offered*

In Memory of

John Machung

By Jean Petroski

Sanctuary Candles

Church

In Memory

Michael Herbacek

By Family

Chapel

In Memory of

Anthony Maloney

By Family

Stained Glass Window Highlight

for the Month of

September is

St. Agnes



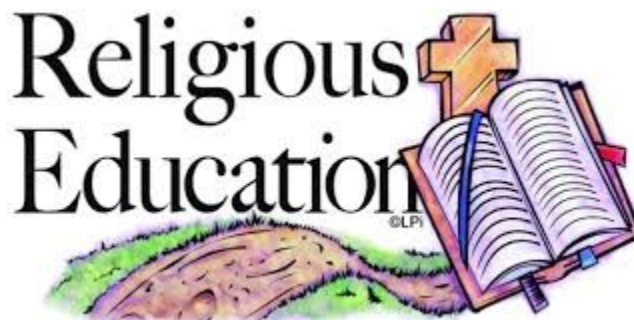


Sunday Tithe
\$10,036.15
 E-Offerings
\$55.00
 Total
\$10,091.15

Amount Needed
 Each Week to
 Meet Expenses
\$12,060.00

Box Tops For Education

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



Important upcoming dates:

Sunday, September 22nd - Grade 8 Confirmation parent meeting in **Bergan Hall**, following the 10:30 AM Mass. Service hours from last year are due at this meeting.

Sunday, September 29th - First Penance Parent Meeting - 9:15 AM - Conlan Hall

Sunday, September 29th - First Communion Enrollment - 10:30 AM Mass

CONGRATULATIONS

Through the **Sacrament of Baptism** we joyfully welcome into our Christian community the following babies: Kalina Marie Filak and Molly Mae Jenkins. Many prayers to them as they begin their new life in Christ Jesus.

LECTOR WORKBOOKS

The 2020 Lector Workbooks have arrived. Please pick up your copy at the Rectory during regular business hours. Thank you!

MYEOFFERING

Online giving is now available. Signing up is as simple as going to our Church website www.stignatiuspa.com and looking for the green computer mouse icon. That button will take you to the myEoffering page for our Church. Simply sign up and begin giving online today!



OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is the month of the ROSARY. It is also a time to honor Our Lady of Fatima as this year marks the 102nd anniversary of Our Lady's final appearance in Fatima, Portugal. Once again, we plan to gather together to hold a Public ROSARY RALLY to honor our Blessed Mother. Please join us on **Saturday, October 12th at Noon** on the **corner of Wyoming Ave. and Pierce St.** The more who attend, the merrier! So, do come, bring a friend, and your personal intentions to present to Our Lady on her special anniversary. For questions, call Mary at 570-690-7732.

Mass Intentions 2020

GUIDELINES FOR THE MASS INTENTION BOOK

The book of Mass Intentions for St. Ignatius Loyola Parish will open for 2020 on **Wednesday, October 9th**. We respectfully ask that your requests be for death anniversary Masses (**4 Masses per year per family**). We are required by Canon Law #953 that the parish may accept only the number of Masses that can be fulfilled within a year. Therefore, we will only accept requests for the daily Masses (7:30 a.m. Monday – Saturday and 12:10 PM Monday – Friday). **We will also be eliminating the 7 day and Month's Mind Masses** to enable us to fulfill the requests made when the book is opened. The weekend Masses are reserved for Masses that must be fulfilled including one Mass each weekend for the People of the Parish.

Also, please know that due to the number of Masses presently on record the parish will no longer be able to accept Mass intentions from an individual's estate (you may wish to consider a trust fund which can be established to distribute a certain amount each year to fulfill your requests. This would be handled by your estate planner, no more than 4 Masses per year can be accepted).

We would ask that you contact the rectory regarding a Mass intention directly and not make the request at the funeral home. Again, we are required to only accept the Mass intentions that can be fulfilled within the year. Your understanding as well as your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Please call Jen at 570-288-6446 to schedule the Masses.



Monday
Word Commission
6:30 PM
Conlan Hall

Tuesday
Bishop Barron's Series
6:30 PM
Conlan Hall

Wednesday
Bible Study
1:00 PM
Bergan Parish Center (1st)
Knights of Columbus
Our Lady of Czestochowa
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
Noon-3:00 PM
Bergan Parish Center
(1st Floor)



September 23rd–29th

Monday

7:30—William Fahey-ALM *John & Renee Margiewicz*

12:10—Frank A. Danna-ALM *Wife and Sisters*

Tuesday

7:30—Dec. Mbrs. Giussi Family-ALM *Patricia E. Podesta*

12:10—Elmo Clemente *Frank Sanfilippo, Jr.*

Wednesday

7:30—Paul Dargoy *Mr. & Mrs. Charles Naperski*

12:10—Ann & Frank Matcho-ALM *Patricia & Mario*

Thursday

7:30—Ann Marie Brady *Debbie Kuchemba*

12:10—Kathy Salvo-MM *Joseph & Anthony Alu*

Friday

7:30—Mary Williams & Linda Harvey-ALM *Arlene*

12:10—Eleanor & Edward Grimes-ALM *Son, Ned*

Saturday

7:30—Dr. Jorge Abrantes *Mr. & Mrs. Ned Rowan, Jr.*

4:00 PM—John Schwartz *Mr. & Mrs. Martin Gerrity*

5:30 PM—Anthony Blaso *Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Petroski*

Sunday

7:00 AM—Al Daugert *Carol Medvec*

8:30 AM—Walter Poplawski *Irene & Jack Williams*

10:30 AM—For the People of the Parish

12:00 PM—Margie Dixon *Marlene Kotarski*

**EUCCHARISTIC ELEMENTS
& SANCTUARY CANDLES**

The 2020 Book will open on **Wednesday, October 9th**. If you wish to request a Sanctuary Candle or the Eucharistic Elements, please call Jen at the Rectory. Sanctuary Candles - \$25.00; Eucharistic Elements - \$50.00.

BLESSING OF PETS

The Annual Blessing of Pets will take place on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on **Friday, October 4th** at 4:00 PM in the Chapel parking lot.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please note, the Federal privacy laws make it difficult for the parish to obtain information regarding a parishioner's status in one of the local hospitals or his/her placement in one of the area's long-term care facilities. We request that you contact the parish if a family member or friend is hospitalized (**especially if they are admitted through the Emergency Room**) or placed in a long-term care facility so that Msgr. Tressler, Fr. Mosley, or one of the members of our Pastoral Care Team can visit with them. We apologize to any parishioner that may have been hospitalized recently and did not receive a visit. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINES FOR

UPCOMING BULLETINS:

BULLETIN DEADLINE

OCT. 6TH SEPT. 24TH

OCT. 13TH OCT. 1ST

OCT. 20TH OCT. 8TH

ANNOUNCEMENTS RECEIVED AFTER

NOON ON THE DEADLINE DATE WILL BE

PUBLISHED IN THE NEXT BULLETIN.

PLEASE SUBMIT ANNOUNCEMENTS TO

officemanager@stignatiuspa.com

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 28th & 29th

Saturday 4:00 PM

Lectors

J. Blewitt & B. Matus

Communion Ministers

T. Crawford, K. Hungarter
N. Bellas, M. Graham
N. Krasniak, A. Petros

Altar Servers

A. Roper

Saturday 5:30 PM

Lectors

M. & P. Pisaneschi

Communion Ministers

N. Heffers, A. Naylis
M. O'Connor

Altar Servers

A. Ambrose

Sunday 7:00 AM

Lector

G. Thackara

Communion Ministers

P. Podesta, M. Fiske, T. Thackara

Sunday 8:30 AM

Lectors

W. Poplawski & L. Skvarla

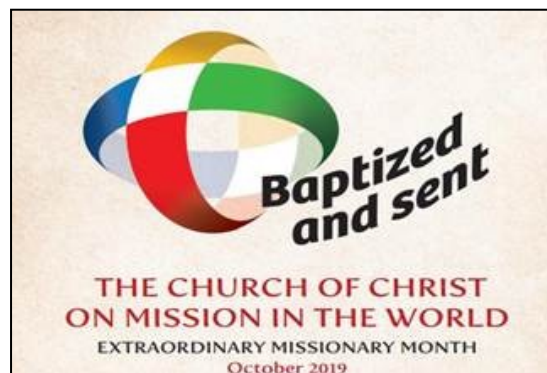
Communion Ministers

J. Semcheski, K. Corgan
P. Poplawski

Altar Servers

Not filled

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EXTRAORDINARY MISSIONARY MONTH MASS - OCT. 9TH

Reverend Brian J. T. Clarke, Director of Pontifical Mission Societies will be the celebrant and the homilist of the Mass at 6:00 PM. Following the Mass, there will be a time for reflection and refreshments in Conlan Hall.

BISHOP BARRON'S SERIES ON THE MASS

Starting **September 24th** and continuing till **October 29th**, you are invited to join us for a video presentation each Tuesday evening at 6:30 in Conlan Hall as Bishop Barron leads us through our most privileged encounter with Christ, the Mass. Following the 25 minute video either Monsignor Tressler or Father Mosley will expand on ideas presented, answer questions and share responses. Each session will run about an hour. There is no sign up and no commitment on your part. Just come and bring a friend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WHITE MASS

Knights of Columbus/Our Lady of Czestochowa, Assembly 1928 will be sponsoring a White Mass to honor all those within the medical field. This Mass will be held on **Sunday, October 13th** at the **12:00 Noon Mass** at St Ignatius Church. We are asking all who are involved in the medical field to attend this Mass and be honored for all the hard work that is done 24-7 by the great persons within this profession. Anybody who is willing to help by doing readings and special intentions are asked to contact Michael J Berish at 570-760-1175 for more information.



Current Food Pantry needs include: Canned Pasta, spaghetti sauce, pasta, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, canned fruit, applesauce, boxed potatoes, cereal bars and sandwich crackers. Any and all non-perishables are welcome and appreciated as are personal care items and monetary donations. Checks are made payable to The Al Beech Food Pantry. If you or someone you know are in need of food, please call the Pantry on any Monday or Thursday between 1:00 & 2:30 PM at 570-288-0934 to place an order for pick-up the following day. You will be asked a few simple questions and told what you need to do to pick up your order. For information only, please call Monday through Friday after 9:00 Am at 570-288-8434. If you would like to help pack orders at the pantry, please call the rectory at 570-288-6446 and leave your name and phone number. You will be contacted by one of our current volunteers. Thank you for your kind and generous support of our Al Beech Food Pantry. God Bless you!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Continued

Sunday 10:30 AM

Lectors

Religious Education Class

Communion Ministers

M. Hosey, A. Calderone
S. Smith, M. Butcher
M. Ferris, M. Girton, D. Mosca

Altar Servers

I. Calo, J. McGuire
H. Mendez, N. Mirigliani

Sunday 12:00 PM

Lectors

P. Boyle & M. McGinley

Communion Ministers

K. Smedley, B. Anzalone
C. Liskov

Altar Servers

R. Frey & K. Nilson

2019 Diocese of Scranton
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IN WITH HOPE
AND GRATITUDE



"We are able to help so many people in need because of your generosity.

As we reflect on our Catholic faith, may we open our hearts to be filled with God's grace and mercy and so enable us to reflect in our lives the theme of this year's Annual Appeal -

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MOST REVEREND JOSEPH C. BAMBERA, D.D., J.C.L.
BISHOP OF SCRANTON

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GERRITY'S AND

SHUR-SAVE MARKET SHOPPERS

If you shop at Gerrity's or other Shur-Save Markets and have not designated your community rewards in support of St. Ignatius Parish, please call our project leader, Patti Kupetz ASAP at 570-288-6856 and give her your Gold Card number and name on the card and she will be able to register you for our Parish. The income we receive helps support some of our outreach service projects.

MARY'S MINISTRY NEWS

HELP WANTED FOR AUTUMN FLING BINGO - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

Mary's Ministry is hosting a theme bingo fundraiser **Sunday, November 3rd** to help support their work in the parish and community. Please "Save the Date" and plan to participate. Currently, we are seeking 20 prize items or gift packs for children, teens, and adults with a retail value of \$100 or more and 5 special higher priced prizes for this event. If you are able to donate a prize, have a contact to help provide one or wish to make a monetary contribution to be a prize sponsor, please contact Michelle Butcher at (cell) 570-592-2465 or by email mjb2605@aol.com. Anyone interested in helping work on this event please contact Maura Fennell at (cell) 570-244-7846 or by email maurafennell@aol.com.



FLU CLINIC - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

St. Ignatius Parish will host a flu vaccination clinic on **Sunday, October 13th** from 1:00 to 5:00 PM in Conlan Hall. Medicare recipients are covered at no cost and most other insurances cover the flu vaccine 100%. Anyone age 9 through adult is welcome. For those age 9 through 18, a consent form (available on site) is required and a parent/guardian needs to be present. Please bring all insurance cards (Medicare/Medical/Prescription) with you.

No appointment is necessary, however, you may register in advance by calling CVS Pharmacy at 570-542-4250. Any questions can be directed to Jen at 570-288-6446.

SLOVENIAN CHOIR "MEGARON" TO PERFORM

Our Service and Community Commissions working with The Slovak Heritage Society, Good Shepherd Academy, and World Artist Experience will sponsor a concert at St. John the Evangelist Church, William St., Pittston. The free concert is **Sunday, September 29th** at 7:30 PM. Megaron is a premiere forty voice a copella choir from the Diocesan Classical Gymnasium at St. Stanislav's Institute in Ljubilijana, Republic of Slovenia. They have performed throughout Europe, Canada and the United States. We will assist in feeding and housing the group. On **Monday, September 30th**, the Choir will perform at Good Shepherd Academy followed by a brunch in Conlan Hall. Anyone interested in hosting or helping in other ways are asked to contact Mike Stretanski at 570-287-6554 or Raphael Mica at 570-301-9253.

FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS

Please join in the Fight Against Child Abuse - Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" - **Wednesday, October 16th** from 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM. Recipient will be the Local Non-Profit Agency "The Children's Advocacy Center." For further information, contact Peggy James at 570-709-3024. Your donation of a \$5.00 shopping pass entitles you to a full day of discounts through the store up to 25% off. Refreshments will be available. You have a chance to win one of four \$500.00 shopping sprees plus 47 \$100.00 shopping sprees. Shopping passes will be available next weekend after Masses.

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.

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, Mrs. Doreen Dougherty

Phone: 570-829-2424

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Mrs. Caprice Ryman, Accompanist

Mr. George Andresky, Accompanist

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