

ISSUE 1

the ignatian flame

A SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP NEWSLETTER

Thank You!



We would like to offer a sincere thank you to all parishioners who generously contributed to make the trip to Oxford University possible. Our teachers were invigorated by the week-long fellowship and have already applied some of the innovations into their classrooms.





Color-Thon 2023

Our HSA is hosting a Color-Thon (formerly the Walk-a-Thon) to help raise money for our school. It is one of two major fundraisers St. Ignatius holds every year. Color-Thon is a fun event that not only raises money for our school but supports growing minds and bodies through exercise. The event will take place on Saturday, October 14 at St. Benedict's Picnic grounds at 10am.



Please help us reach our fundraising goal by supporting the St. Ignatius Vikings Color-Thon 2023! Scan the QR code if you would like to make a donation, send cash or check to the school office, or put it in the collection basket in an envelope labeled "Color-Thon". Thank you in advance for your generosity!





School Dismissal (2:15pm-2:40pm)

Just a friendly note as a reminder of our dismissal procedures. Parents begin to enter the lot at 2:15pm and go to their assigned parking spaces to pick up their child/ren. The dismissal process lasts until approximately 2:40pm. We kindly request if you are visiting the church during this time, that you park on St. Albans Drive or behind the church to avoid getting caught in our dismissal process. All vehicles in the lot are expected to wait until the vehicle in front of them has exited. We appreciate your cooperation as we try to ensure the safety of our students, staff and parishioners!

ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023 THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ROSARY RALLY

JUST ONE HOUR! Please join us! 105th Anniversary of the Fatima apparitions \ and our 15th **Rosary Rally** for our country and the unborn.

The Rosary will be prayed at the small parking lot between the St. Ignatius Gym entrance and the Rectory. October 14th - Noon - 1:00 PM

> Call Joan Reedy at 610.678.5683 for details or visit www.Americaneedsfatima.org.

Join the Rosary Rally EVERY Saturday during the month of October at Noon in the St. Ignatius Gym parking lot.



Patrician meetings are an opportunity to engage in discussion about what we believe as Catholics! Snacks included each meeting.

Tuesday, Oct 10

7:00-9:00 PM

Saint Ignatius School **Meeting Rooms**

This Month's Topic A Welcoming Church?

Same-Sex Attraction & Gender Theory

SENIORS GROUP REGISTRATION FORM Bring to Monthly Meeting or Mail to: B. Kunder ~ 2211 Gring Drive ~ Reading, 19610

Name

Address

Phone

Email

SENIORS BUS TRIPS

SENIORS (SOC)
ACTIVITIES

MULTI-DAY TRIP - NASHVILLE'S OPRYLAND COUNTRY CHRISTMAS Nov. 26 - Dec. 1 - \$1435 pp/do - \$2034 pp/so

Contact Judy Jablonski at 610.670.0907 or Mail to: 113 Primrose Lane ~ Reading, PA 19610 "Grief never ends ... but it changes. It's a passage, not a place to stay. Grief is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith ... it is the price of love."

All are welcomed to join the FALL SESSION of our BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

which will be held at a new time and location.

These sessions will be held on Tuesdays, October 3rd through November 7th from 3:00 - 4:30 PM

in the John Paul II Room in our Church.

OCTOBER 10, 17, 24, 31 & NOVEMBER 7 Registration is required and will be confirmed by calling the Rectory at 610.678.3767.

This "Good Grief" support group will be repeated in the Spring during early evening hours to accommodate those who work.

Lancaster Catholic Concert Choir

October 15

10:30 Mass



The Lancaster Catholic Concert Choir will be joining the St. Ignatius Traditional Choir for a Mass with beautiful music at St. Ignatius Church.

You won't want to miss this!

Fall 2023 Schedule



Come

10.12 - The Covenants

10.19 - Tradition "Capital T"

10.26 - The Trinity: A Mystery

11.2 - One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic

11.9 – Mary & The Saints

11.16 - Church Tour

11.30 - What is a Sacrament?

12.7 – Baptism

12.14 - Confirmation

12.21 - Healing of the Sick

FAITH BASICS

St. Ignatius Lovola **Education Center Meeting Rooms** 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Topic Presentation Q&A

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK Monday, October 9th-Sunday, October 15th

Monday, October 9

6:30 a.m. Jim Gallagher & the Int. of Hannah Gallagher 8:00 a.m. James P. Buser - 21st Anniversary of Death

Tuesday, October 10

6:30 a.m. Robert F. Borst, Sr. Thomas Devaney 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 11

6:30 a.m. Omer Allen Marion Lesanski 8:00 a.m.

Thursday, October 12

6:30 a.m. Intentions of Susan Correll-Smith

8:00 a.m. Susan Davis

Friday, October 13

6:30 a.m. Intentions of Megan Wood Lawrence & Marian Gormican 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, October 14

8:00 a.m. Mary Krok - 16th Anniversary of Death

4:00 p.m. Theresa Koch

Sunday, October 15 - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intentions of the Laino & DiSpirito Families 7:30 a.m.

Michael & Daniel Zampelli 9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Amy Hatlee 12:00 p.m. Rita Mullen

GOSPEL MESSAGE

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel. At vintage time the Master will return to receive the harvest. May we bear fruit in plenty, and be pleasing in His sight by living lives that are marked by love and respect.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

In the Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard sent messengers to collect his share of the harvest from the tenant farmers, but there was not a single good steward on the property God is the owner, we are the tenants. What sort of stewards are we?

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR OCTOBER 14/15

Is 25:6 - 10a / Phil 4:12 - 14, 19 - 20 / Mt 21:1 - 14 or 22:1 - 10

PLEASE NOTE: Next week. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, October 18, 19 & 20 there be NO WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST. IGNATIUS.

St. Mary in Kutztown will have a 7:30 AM Mass each day.

THIS WEEK LET US PRAY...

May God grant us the wisdom and courage to lovingly protect His gift of human life at every stage, in sickness and in health.

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CUB SCOUT PACK 862 Christmas Wreath Sale











Classic Style Wreath \$32 Spray \$28

Ciana Centerpiece \$38

Wreath \$38 Spray \$32









Victorian Style Wreath \$38 Spray \$32

Table Top Tree \$40

Wreath \$38

COLLECTING ORDERS THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 21st-22ND IN THE NARTHEX AFTER MASSES PICK UP WREATHS NOVEMBER 18TH-19TH IN JPII ROOM

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO ASSIST IN CLEANING OUR CHURCH EACH FRIDAY MORNING 8:30 - 10:00 AM Call the Rectory for information - 610.678.3767.

> Longing to come closer to Jesus through Mary?

All are welcomed to the LEGION OF MARY prayer/meeting. Join us to pray the Rosary, for spiritual guidance & sharing.

Each Thursday, 6:30 - 8:00 PM - JP II Room.

Sundays at 3:00 PM in our Chapel THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET will be recited.

All are welcomed! Join us!

If you would like information or would like to learn more about praying the

Divine Mercy Chaplet or praying the Rosary please call Jim Corson at 610.413.0949.

GOD'S MERCY!

IT'S TRULY A MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH. When your loved one is facing imminent death call 610.413.0949 any hour of the day or night and The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited for him or her by many!

Visit our website: stignatiusreading.org

FRIENDS OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

plan to serve meals at **KENNEDY HOUSE Catholic Soup Kitchen** on the weekend of November 4th & 5th. Donations of meatloaf, soup. and baked goods are needed and will be greatly appreciated. Anyone interested in donating or volunteering please contact Deb Christ at 610.374.5259.



R.S.V.P. - flanciano@allentowndiocese.org

Wrap-up

Donations will be

accepted in the box

in the Narthex

of the Church

November 4/5 & 11/12.

"Were not our hearts burning...

St. Ignatius Columbiettes Collecting Items for Berks Heim Residents

Suggested Items:

Cologne **Candies**

Stuffed Toys

Hand/Body Lotion

Costume Jewelry **Boxes of Tissues**

Lipstick/Lip Balm

Word Search No Crosswords or Sudoku

Snacks Tastykakes/Crackers/Goldfish

No powders, shampoos or soaps please.

The St. Ignatius FOOD PANTRY

4th Thursday of each month 3 - 4 PM May- October

(November & December - 3rd Thursday) If you know anyone who would benefit from this service, please ask them to call the Rectory - 610.678.3767.





SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15th 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM - PARISH HALL

ADULTS \$10.00 CHILDREN 12 TO 5 YRS= \$5.00 CHILDREN UNDER 5 YEARS FREE

37 YEARS SERVING YOUR BUFFET BREAKFAST THANK YOU!

ALL YOU CARE TO EAT



- SCRAMBLED EGGS
- HOME FRIES

- PANCAKES

- SAUSAGE / BACON - CREAM DRIED BEEF
- PASTRIES - COFFEE/TEA/ MILK
 - AND MORE...

- FRESH FRUIT

- CEREALS



AND WE DO THE DISHES! WE NOW ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS!

Deacon candidates in formation Dan Osle & Mike Kowalick are collecting items to be given as Christmas gifts to the WERNERSVILLE STATE HOSPITAL PATIENTS **SUGGESTED ITEMS:**

Lipstick Jewelrv

Shampoo / Conditioner

Toothpaste

Hair Ties & Scrunchies Hand / Body Lotion

Body Wash Lip Balm

Deodorant

Bar Soap

Adult Coloring Books* Canvas Carryalls

Purses with small handles

Coin Purses / Men's Wallets Make-up / Travel Bags

Hairbrushes

Cologne (plastic / no alcohol)

Aftershave (plastic / no alcohol) Word Search Books*

Fat Combs

Inexpensive Wrist Watches Playing Cards / Card Games

Body Powder

Alcohol Free Hair Gel

Baseball Caps / Winter Caps

Slipper Socks With Grippers

Sketch Pads*

Journals* / Notebooks*

Stationery* **Greeting Cards**

(*No staples or spiral bound)

Items will be accepted / collected in the Narthex the weekend of October 28/29. Call the Rectory with questions 610.678.3767.

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WE WELCOME OUR RECENTLY BAPTIZED

CHARITE DAVI GROFF LANGDON MULCAHY WHITE

WE WARMLY WELCOME OUR NEW FAMILIES/PARISHIONERS



ALVAREZ
ANGSTADT
DE HAAN
DELGADO GUZMAN
GARDNER
GENTILE
GEORGETTI

IDO
KENNEDY
KOZUB
MARQUEZ
RIVERA
SCHUETZ
STEHLE
VIEIRA

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

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PATRICIA BENNETT
ELIZABETH DIANE CIGAN
EVELYN HAYNES
ELIZABETH STERLEY HOULIHAN
MARIANNE MASTRISCIANO
GEORGINE MATTHEWS

DONATIONS TO:

The Memorial Society

WERE RECEIVED IN MEMORY/HONOR OF/FROM:

BARBARA MEALEY

Chris Earl

SHIRLEY MOLS

Mike & Betty Barnisin

Steve & Debbie Lange

ELIZABETH STERLEY HOULIHAN

Frank & Joanne Sarnes

THE MSGR. TRESTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND WERE RECEIVED IN MEMORY/HONOR OF/FROM:

FRANK FERKO

Mary Jo Yourkavitch

Please check our website regularly for current and upcoming events and important parish announcements. www.stignatiusreading.org



During the months of October & November, St. Ignatius of Loyola Church will be participating in Box of Joy, a Christmas shoebox gift ministry organized by local Catholic schools, parishes and groups nationwide. We will bless children suffering from extreme poverty by filling boxes with toys and other gifts, sharing the joy of Christmas, and planting seeds of hope through the Gospel

3 easy steps...

1-Take a box

2-FILL WITH GIFTS 3- RETURN BOX & \$9

Please look at the poster in the Narthex for more information and brochures to get started!



ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA MEMORIAL SOCIETY

After the death of a loved one, more and more people are considering a lasting memorial gift given to their parish in memory of the deceased. Memorials also may be given in lieu of flowers or other charity. For details please call the Rectory.

ST. IGNATIUS SCHOOL TUITION ANGEL SPONSOR

Help a St. Ignatius student in need of tuition assistance.
If you would like to donate: Donate any amount in memory of someone who has died, in honor of a special occasion or just make a charitable donation to help defray the cost of tuition for a St. Ignatius student.

Donations payable to St. Ignatius School.

FRIENDS OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

The mission of the FOSVDP Society at St. Ignatius is to help our parishioners and neighbors who may need temporary financial assistance. Please contact the Rectory to request assistance / refer a family in need. All information is held in the strictest confidence.



REDNER'S SAVE-A-TAPE

Thank you to all who are submitting Redner's register receipts to benefit

CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S JUSTICE.

Please remember that to receive credit your save-atape number must be visible on submitted receipts.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023 THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

We have been given so many gifts and blessings by our Heavenly Father. Yet, in our fallen state it is all too easy to take them for granted. Our readings today teach us that we must live with an intentional awareness of our many blessings and use them gratefully to glorify God.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus uses the image of a vineyard to teach the importance of using our blessings well. He tells the story of a landowner who plants a vineyard and leases it to tenants before he goes on a journey. Instead of tending the vineyard, the tenants mistreat the servants in the vineyard and even the son of the landowner, whom they kill. When the landowner realizes what the tenants have done, he puts them to death and leases his vineyard to tenants who "will give him the produce at the proper times."

By Baptism, we have received the gift of salvation and membership in Kingdom of God - we are now "tenants" called to work in the "vineyard" and produce fruit for its owner, our Heavenly Father. Jesus makes it clear that if we squander the gift of salvation, we will lose it. It is a sobering truth.

Let us use our intellect to think on these gifts throughout the day and resolve to use all our gifts for God's glory.

Thank you for your continued support and donations!





There are spaces available for parishioners to honor loved ones with a brick placed at the memorial.

Memorial brick order forms are available at the Rectory.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please call Clare Hollenbacher at 610.678.0864 to make arrangements for altar flowers for a special occasion or in loving memory of someone.



Please take note of the businesses advertising on the last pages of our bulletins.

We thank them for their support and ask you to consider patronizing them.

St. Ignatius Columbiettes SANDWICH SALE

Coupons for sale at the Rectory.



• \$6.00 Coupon good for SHORTI HOAGIE



Redeemable at any Wawa No expiration date.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM, 12 Noon

Daily: Monday through Friday: 6:30 & 8:00 AM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

First Friday: 7:00 PM

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER / ADORATION - CHAPEL
Tuesdays Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
after 8:00 AM Mass until 10 PM

Wednesdays Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 AM until 7 PM Evening Prayer & Benediction

Reconciliation/Confession:

Saturday - 3:00 - 4:00 PM - Church Confessionals

Baptism: Third Sunday of each month 1:30 PM.
Baptism Seminar: First Sunday of each month 1:30 PM - JP II Rm.
Seminar attendance is required for parents before Baptism.
Please call the Rectory at 610.678.3767 to register for the Seminar.

DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT INFORMATION

OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W, M.S.

Secretary, Youth Protection and Catholic Human Services P.O. Box F, Allentown, PA 18105-1538 610.871.5200 ext. 2204 or prusso@allentowndiocese.org

> VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR MRS. WENDY S. KRISAK DIRECT LINE: 1.800.791.9209

CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop,
please contact the

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone 800-276-1562.

PASTORAL STAFF

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St. Ignatius Loyola Regional School ~ 610.678.0111

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