

OCTOBER 3, 2021 ~ THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. IGNATIUS

*October 2021*

RESPECT LIFE MONTH



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Hope Blooms:  
A VIRTUAL Retreat for Catholic Women  
Healing from Betrayal Trauma  
October 22-23, 2021

This virtual retreat is for women seeking healing from betrayal trauma, that is, discovering a spouse's or significant other's pornography use, infidelity, and/or sex addiction.

Gather with us as we lay our pain, our sorrow and our betrayals at the Lord's feet. With expectant faith, let us open our hands and our hearts to receive His merciful outpouring.

Join us for this powerful virtual retreat experience: talks, meditations, sacred movements, small group healing prayer, Mass and Adoration.

Retreat leaders are Father Allen Hoffa, Laura Ercolino of Hope's Garden, De Yarrison of You Are Made New Ministry, Bonnie West and Marian West Veilleux.

Find the full schedule and register at [hopesgarden.com/hope-blooms-virtual-healing-retreats](http://hopesgarden.com/hope-blooms-virtual-healing-retreats) or email De: [de@youaremadenew.com](mailto:de@youaremadenew.com).

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Job openings in St. Ignatius Loyola School:  
Grade 3 teacher Middle School Social Studies teacher  
Part-time Computer teacher

Substitute teachers Extended Care workers

Please contact Mrs. Wood by phone at 610.678.0111  
or by email [cwood@stignatiusvikings.org](mailto:cwood@stignatiusvikings.org).



EXCITING NEWS TO SHARE!!

**!! PREP CORNER !!**

Currently, we are in need of some additional teen helpers to assist in our classrooms and adult Greeters to monitor our halls and doorways. If interested, please call Kari Mallozzi@610.655.5443!

**BELOVED HEARTS PROGRAM  
HAS OPENINGS FOR THREE NEW STUDENTS.**

This is a great program that works with kids with special needs to learn about our faith and get their Sacraments. If interested, call Kari Mallozzi at 610.655.5443.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:  
STATIONS OF THE NATIVITY**

Stations of the Nativity is a beautiful Advent journey that chronicles events in salvation history leading up to and celebrating Christ's birth. PREP will be recruiting students to participate in the service this fall. Anyone interested in working with us to plan this great event please call the **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE @ 610.678.0676**.

We are looking for people who could help make props, provide music, and have fun!

**Launching 8YM – Volunteers Needed!**

8YM (8<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Ministry) will be launching this year for all 8<sup>th</sup> Graders in the St. Ignatius PREP program. These events will be focused on building community, encountering Christ, and living out the faith.

We are looking for volunteers to be a part of the 8YM Core Team. The Core Team Members will walk with the 8<sup>th</sup> graders throughout the year, build relationships with them, and help lead small group discussions. 8YM events will be held Sundays at 4 PM twice a month.

If you are interested or want more information, please contact Tim Wood at 610.223.5908 or by email at [youthministry@stignatiusreading.org](mailto:youthministry@stignatiusreading.org).

**St. Ignatius  
Knights of Columbus  
SANDWICH SALE**



- \$4.00 Coupon good for 6" sub (Italian/Turkey/Ham & Cheese)
- Redeemable at any **Redner's Market** (wrapped) or **Redner's Quick Shoppes** (fresh)
- No expiration date

Coupons are available for sale at the Rectory.

## Announced Masses for the Week Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

### Monday, October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi

6:30 a.m. Militza Kuzmann  
8:00 a.m. Michael & Teresa Iacono  
9:00 a.m. Jim Luke

### Tuesday, October 5

6:30 a.m. Joseph P. Camerino  
8:00 a.m. Mary Ann Szustak

### Wednesday, October 6

6:30 a.m. Stanley Romanowski  
8:00 a.m. The George & Jeff Lucas Family

### Thursday, October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary

6:30 a.m. Marguerite Borst  
8:00 a.m. Jim Eaman

### Friday, October 8

6:30 a.m. Peter & Sira Fernandes  
8:00 a.m. John J. Mullen

### Saturday, October 9

8:00 a.m. Evelyn Leshock  
4:00 p.m. James P. Buser - 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Death

### Sunday, October 10 - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Laino & DiSpirito Families  
9:00 a.m. Bill & Mary Papp  
10:30 a.m. Paul J. Mowry  
12:00 noon The Castanaro Family  
5:30 p.m. Our Parishioners

### GOSPEL MESSAGE

Conjugal love, lived in fidelity to God's original plan, is to be one of the principal manifestations of the kingdom proclaimed by Jesus. Through baptism into Christ, we join with him in having one and the same Father.

### STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

The phrase in today's psalm, "May you see your children's children," is really a prayer for a long life. The good steward knows that everyday is a gift from God, to be lived with joy and thanksgiving. "May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives!"

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR OCTOBER 09/10

WIS 7:7-11 / HEB 4:12-13 / MK 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

### THIS WEEK... LET US PRAY...

For all Catholics, on this Respect Life Sunday,  
may we resolve anew  
to protect the gift of every human life.

### St. Ignatius Seniors



Our next meeting will be  
Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 10:00 AM  
in the Parish Education Ctr. Meeting Rms.

Our program will be a presentation of  
**"Shotguns in the Valley: A History of  
the Construction of Lake Ontelaunee".**

Donations for the Food Pantry  
will again be accepted. Suggested items are  
cereal, tuna and canned fruit.

**'21-'22 memberships are being accepted.**

Any questions, please contact  
Barb Kunder at 610.763.1383.

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& SUPPORT MINISTRY

1 in 10 people have a substance disorder.  
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*There is help and there is hope.  
Please reach out to the following agencies for help.*

*For treatment contact:*

- Caron Treatment Center 800.854.6023
- Reading Health System (Tower Health)  
484.628.8186
- AA 610.373.6500

To speak to someone from this Ministry,  
please call the Rectory at 610.678.3767.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

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



### PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.  
Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of  
the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and  
do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power  
of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who  
prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

The Church Office has reopened  
*in the Narthex of the Church*  
after the 4:00 PM, 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,  
10:30 AM and 12 Noon weekend Masses.  
*Mass cards and  
new parishioner registrations available.*

## St. Ignatius Loyola Bereavement Support Group

Free • Non-denominational • Open to All

This support group is for those grieving the death of a loved one. The group offers an opportunity to come together to work through the grieving process with the help and support of others who have experienced this difficult journey.

Dates: October 25  
November 1, 8, & 15

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Parish Education Center Room #128

Participants must register by calling 610.678.3767.

For more information call the Rectory - 610.678.3767.

Please note the businesses advertising on the last pages of our bulletins. We thank them for their support and ask you to consider patronizing them.

## New Parishioners, welcome to St. Ignatius!

Are you officially registered in our parish?

If you are not receiving our offering envelopes or the AD Times in the mail you may not be registered.

To register, visit the Rectory Monday-Friday, 9AM-5PM.

You must be a registered parishioner for 3 months to:

- serve as a sacramental Godparent or Sponsor
- begin Marriage Preparation
- have your child/children Baptized.

## ACTIVE PARISHIONER STATUS FOR SPONSORSHIP

We receive many requests from parishioners to be a godparent or sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation.

Part of that request is to be able to verify that a **person is an "active member" of our Parish.**

### An "active member" of this parish is one who:

- Is properly registered
- Faithfully attends Mass on Sundays/Holy Days
- If married, must be validly married, i.e., married in a Catholic Church by a priest or deacon
- If single, must be 16 years of age and received the Sacrament of Confirmation
- Participates in parish activities when possible
- Regularly contributes through the Sunday offertory collection by use of the parish envelope system or direct withdrawal.

(your envelope use confirms attendance at Mass)

**While assessments of an inquirer's status will be made individually, the above are the main factors considered in making that determination.**

## SAVE TIME & MONEY

Spend less time, and use a lot fewer checks by signing up for our electronic stewardship program (ESP). Your weekly or monthly contributions can be withdrawn automatically from your checking account. It works in the same manner as automatic payments to a utility or mortgage company. This is a completely optional program. If you would like to avail yourself of this opportunity, please complete the direct debit form below and mail it to the Rectory or drop it into the collection **basket in a sealed envelope marked "ESP".**

Contributions can be made *weekly* (Mondays) or *monthly* (1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month). Since this program is not yet available for Holy Days or special collections, envelopes will continue to be distributed unless you wish otherwise. If you have any questions, please call Terry at the Rectory at 610-678-3767.

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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(PLEASE DO NOT ATTACH DEPOSIT TICKET)



STAND UP FOR LIFE AND LIBERTY  
at the

*Berks County Life Chain*  
*Sunday, October 3, 2021*  
*2:00 to 3:30 PM*

*Penn Avenue, West Reading*

For more information contact Pam Snyder - 610.790.9197.

Now more ever, please consider taking a public stand,  
in prayer, with hundreds of like-minded individuals  
**at this critical juncture in our nation's history; before our**  
1<sup>st</sup> Amendment rights are stripped away  
right before our eyes.

Prayer walk takes place Sat. evening October 2,  
beginning at 5:45 PM at St James Church.  
**Come out to ask for God's blessing on the Chain.**

Understand that the Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful  
activity, committed to presenting the truth about abortion  
and the healing power of Jesus Christ.

**JUST ONE HOUR!** Please join us!

103<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the Fatima apparitions and our  
13<sup>th</sup> **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 16<sup>th</sup> - Noon - 1:00 PM  
Call Joan Reedy at 610.678.5683 for details.  
or visit [www.Americanneedsfatima.org](http://www.Americanneedsfatima.org).

**DONATIONS TO:**

**The St. Ignatius Memorial Society**

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October 17 - 2:00-6:00 PM - Reading Liederkrantz.

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**Logos and Lagers**

*An engaging Catholic Bible Study*  
*consisting of a reflection and discussion of the*  
*upcoming Sunday Mass readings and fellowship.*

Readings will be provided.

All young adults of Berks County ages 18-35 (21 to drink)  
single, married, Catholic & non-Catholic,  
are welcomed.

*We meet monthly at St. Ignatius and St. Catharine's.*

Our next event will be  
**Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at St. Catharine's**

Led by

Fr. Philip Maas, Assistant Pastor - St. Ignatius  
[pmaas@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:pmaas@allentowndiocese.org)

AND

Fr. Stephan Isaac, Assistant Pastor - St. Catharine's  
[sisaac@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:sisaac@allentowndiocese.org)

**The Catholic Woman's Club of Berks County**

*is celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*  
*with a luncheon and program at the*  
*Double Tree Hotel of Reading on*  
*Sunday, October 24, 1:00 - 4:00 PM.*

For information: Call Marcia at 484.794.0680 or email [mwertrn@ptd.net](mailto:mwertrn@ptd.net).

**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  
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## **GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

Our readings this week speak to each of our domestic churches - the little churches that we call our families.

The First Reading from the book of Genesis takes us to the beginning of creation when God made man and woman. When **Adam sees the woman he says, "This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman.'"**

We can almost hear the longing, gratitude, and appreciation in **Adam's voice when he meets Eve as he says, "at last."** She was a gift because she was an equal partner to him.

This was before the fall of man, meaning sin had not entered the world. Adam and Eve only viewed each other in total acceptance and love.

Our Gospel brings us to life after sin had entered the world - a time that is familiar to us. As the Pharisees questioned Jesus about divorce, He expressed that Moses permitted it because **of the hardness of man's heart. However, Jesus was calling them to deeper holiness. He was calling them to restore the original plan God had intended for marriage, "A man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."**

**Jesus' words still apply to us here and now in each of our domestic churches. It is the task of families to tirelessly work to restore God's original plan for marriage and family life - homes filled with gratitude, acceptance, and love.**

It takes a daily commitment to live out our call to holiness to restore our families to this beautiful image.

*Thank you for your continued support and donations!*

*The UCC of Bishops has asked each diocese in the United States to take up a special collection for the relief of those affected by HURRICANE IDA.*

*Special DISASTER RELIEF envelopes can be found at the end of the Church pews. Please use these envelopes and include with your regular offering in the collection baskets on or before October 12<sup>th</sup>.*

## **INTRODUCING SPRINGS IN THE DESERT**

Springs in the Desert is a Catholic community dedicated to spiritually accompanying those experiencing infertility and loss to discover the fruitfulness God has planned for their lives and marriages.

The ministry was founded in 2019 by Kimberly Henkel, PhD and Ann Koshute, MTS, graduates of the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family.

Springs in the Desert is supported by Team Members and Contributors including Sydnee Blackburn, parishioner at St. Ignatius. Sydnee serves as a blog and social media content contributor.

For more information about Springs in the Desert, visit [www.springsinthedesert.org](http://www.springsinthedesert.org). Sydnee Blackburn can be reached at [sydnee@theonewithinfertility.com](mailto:sydnee@theonewithinfertility.com).

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM, 12 Noon, & 5:30 PM

Daily: Monday through Friday: 6:30 & 8:00 AM YEAR-ROUND  
 5:30 PM Advent/Lent ONLY

Saturday: 8:00 AM

First Friday: 7:00 PM ~ 5:30 PM during Advent / Lent

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

*AND*  
 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: By Individual Family and By Appointment*

*Baptism Seminar: Currently via ZOOM by appointment.*

*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**

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610.871.5200 ext. 2204 or [prusso@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:prusso@allentowndiocese.org)

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