

# St. Ignatius Church – Chapel Point

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***Public Masses have resumed with 50% capacity limits. Reservations and Masks are Required***

***Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.***  
***Sunday Mornings: 7:30, 9:00, 11:15 a.m.***  
***Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.***

***The Eucharist***  
***Weekdays: 8:00 a.m.***  
***Holy Days: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.***

***Registration:*** We welcome all new members to our parish family. Your registration is important; it helps us to know those we serve. It is also necessary if you wish to be certified as an active member to be a baptismal or confirmation sponsor.

***Stewardship:*** Christians share their talents, time and treasure to carry on the work of the Church. Your offerings are essential to St. Ignatius Church, for us to maintain our staffing, programs and buildings.

***Cemetery:*** There are grave sites available for active parishioners in the new section at the base of the hill. Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington administers the sale of lots and burial. Because we do not have an adequate endowment, the costs of maintenance come from general parish funds. The phone number for Catholic Cemeteries is 301-932-1766.

***Reconciliation:*** Saturdays 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m., or by appointment.

***Matrimony:*** Registered parishioners planning to be married at St. Ignatius must contact the pastor at least six months before the wedding

***Baptism:*** Parents planning to have their child baptized attend baptism classes which are offered the first Saturday of February, April, June, August, October and December. Please email or call Fr. Clifford to register for the class.

***Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:*** If you would like to learn about becoming a Catholic, please contact the Religious Education Office. Classes begin at the end of the summer.



# The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

June 7, 2020

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.”



**Saturday, June 6 – 5:00 p.m. – Julian and Theresa Dyer +**  
**Sunday, June 7 – 9:00 a.m. – Donald Berens +**

**Why does it take so long to fix social problems?** Societies like individuals and families are ever changing. Sometimes they are improving sometimes they are declining but they are neither static nor perfect. At the moment we are once again aware of any number of issues which need to be addressed for the health of our nation and our people. Dealing with social problems is very different from a repair job on a bridge or a building. One can hire engineers to assess the strengths and weaknesses of a building. Then they can suggest repairs given the current state of the construction and the best available materials and techniques.

Families and societies are always changing, through the interaction of individuals and groups. They are made up of people with different needs, abilities and personalities. They are not as predictable as bricks and pipes. If properly engineered brick and pipes stay where they are put and do the job they have been designed to do for a long period of time. Societies always need to have the recommitment of people to their common good and the understanding of the common good is evolving. We are therefore not committing as citizens and Christians to a fixed means or end. This requires patience. That patience, does not mean accepting a lack of effort, but staying with a project over the long haul through peaks and troughs.

It takes each individual a couple of decades to become a mature person ready to live an active life. Then, later in life, there is a period of diminishment or decline. Multiply all those changes by people, the families, neighborhoods and communities making up the population of a nation, and you have a very complex, ever changing community.

Recently, we have seen how an unforeseen event can disrupt the lives of families, their members, businesses, churches, and the larger society. First, there was a crisis caused by a tiny virus which has killed nearly 400,000 people world-wide, interrupting the lives of many, as well as world-wide manufacturing, trade and farming. As sudden and frightening as the Corona virus has been, we are sure that at some point in the foreseeable future, technology and discipline will allow us to rebuild.

While we were allowing ourselves to hope the actions and inactions of some law enforcement officers 1,100 miles away not only ended one life and disrupted many others in cities which were just recovering from the pandemic; but it called into question whether we are closer or farther away from the human and Constitution's ideal of equal protection under law. Yes, this is 155 years since the definitive end of legal racial enslavement, but neither God-given rights nor the ideals of the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> amendment have as yet been fully imbedded in national and local practice. We cannot be patient with injustice; we must be patient with nurturing real progress, not rushing to declare victory or change course. We are long term projects with whom God is patience and nurturing. We must return the favor.

**Livestream our Mass** St. Ignatius Church will livestream Mass at **9:00 a.m.** on Sunday morning on Facebook. **PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE.** Go to our Facebook page or reach that page from our website: [www.chapelpoint.org](http://www.chapelpoint.org).

**Masses Have Reopened** It is with great joy that we reopen public Masses! All Masses will be held at their regular time, but face masks and reservations are required. If you have underlying health conditions and are in the at risk category, please consider waiting a little longer until things improve more. The dispensation is still in effect for attending Mass. If you need to make reservations, email [stigoffice@yahoo.com](mailto:stigoffice@yahoo.com) or call 301-934-8245 ext. 2 and leave a message. Leave your name, phone number and first and second choice of Masses. Please be patient with the regulations that are required in order to celebrate Mass.

**You don't need reservations for daily Mass at 8 a.m.**

**The bulletin via email** For safety, we cannot put out paper bulletins for the time being in the church. If you'd like to receive the weekly bulletin via email, please email Brenda Canter with your name and preferred email address at [stigoffice@yahoo.com](mailto:stigoffice@yahoo.com). Please let her know via email if you've requested to be put on our email list and are still not receiving the bulletin via email.

**Pamphlets, the Catholic Standard,** and other paper handouts usually found in the back of the church have been removed for the time being per the guidelines.

**Please continue to check in by phone on your elderly family, friends and neighbors** that are wisely staying at home while things improve with the pandemic.

**Mark Your Calendars: Sunday, November 22, 2020 Jubilarian Mass** The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples celebrating milestone-wedding anniversaries will take place on Sunday, November 22 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. *To register, couples should contact their parish office by September 30.* For more information, call the Office for Family Life at 301-853-4546 or send an email to: [visiblesign@adw.org](mailto:visiblesign@adw.org)

**Marriage Preparation Updates** During the time of the coronavirus, the Office for Family Life is offering virtual marriage preparation classes. The next session will start in June. For more information please contact the Office for Family Life at: [visiblesign@adw.org](mailto:visiblesign@adw.org) or call **301-853-4546**.

**Natural Family Planning Classes** The Office for Family Life will be offering an introductory NFP Class online on Saturday, June 27 from 10am - Noon. Please call the Office for Family Life for more information at 301-853-4546.

**Morning Reflection for Grieving Parents** The Office for Family Life will be offering an on-line one hour reflection for parents who have lost a child on Saturday, June 20 from 9am – 10am. Any parent who has lost a child is welcome to attend, no matter how long ago the loss or the cause. For more information contact the Office for Family Life at [visiblesign@adw.org](mailto:visiblesign@adw.org) or 301-853-4546.

**Mass Intention Scheduling** If you had previously scheduled a Mass before public Masses were closed, please call Brenda Canter in the parish office to reschedule a date and time that is convenient for you.

**On-Line Giving** We now have a fully functional electronic giving link on our webpage: [www.chapelpoint.org](http://www.chapelpoint.org). This has many advantages- especially in these times when we do not meet face to face. You can make donations using your checking account or credit card. You can make one time contributions, donations that repeat weekly, every two weeks or monthly, whichever you prefer. If you have an envelope number, please add that to the box that asks for it. The giving link can be found on the lower half, on the right side of the home page of the website.

**If you prefer not to use electronic giving**, we are asking you to please mail in your weekly offering to the parish office. Do not write offering or donation on the envelope- there is no need to create temptation. The address is 8855 Chapel Point Road, Port Tobacco, MD 20677. You can also drop them in the chute under the guestbook in the back of the church. Be sure to turn the handle so the donation drops into the safe inside the wooden column.

**Restore and Renew** If you'd like to make a donation or pledge to our Capital Campaign, there are envelopes and pledge cards which can go in the dropbox with other contributions. You can also give on line. Thank you for your continued support to the needs of the parish.

**PLEASE - We ask that you write a separate check for donations and pledge payments to the "Restore and Renew" capital campaign. We have a separate account for the restoration work.**

**Weekend of May 30-31, 2020:** Offertory \$7,085; Votives \$20; Peter's Pence \$20; Catholic Relief Services \$102; Restore & Renew \$260; TOTAL: \$7,487. Thank you for your support.

**Please remember the following people in your daily prayers:** David Dixon, Elizabeth McCarthy, Alice Pickett, Pat Stuart, For those affected by the COVID19 virus, Brenda Pilkerton, Beth Dent, Nellie Pearce, Mitch Mills, Mary Simmons, Rick Simmons, Dorothy Simms, Antoine Watson, Vickie & Greg Pickeral, David A. Proctor, Ms. Pickeral, Irene Proctor, Mary Jane Zuknick, Vibha Pubbi, Xavier Bean and family, Brian Thomason, Toni Gallagher, Bessie Farmer, Traci Renner, Bobby Terrett, John Abell, Dottie Gray, Ruth Watson, Pat Anderson, Rose Langley, Skyla Shirriel, Steve and Joann Oliff, Victims, families and survivors of abuse, Tyler Sage, Douglas Hamnes, Sharon Ryan, The staff and residents of assisted living and nursing homes, John Reese, Frankie Chiorcariello and family, Tim Moore, James Johnson, Shirley Watson, Victoria Liberty, Tamera Scroggins, James J. Nalley, Mr. Johnson, Theresa San Luis, Elaine Gaddis, Butch Hayden, Stacie Hayden