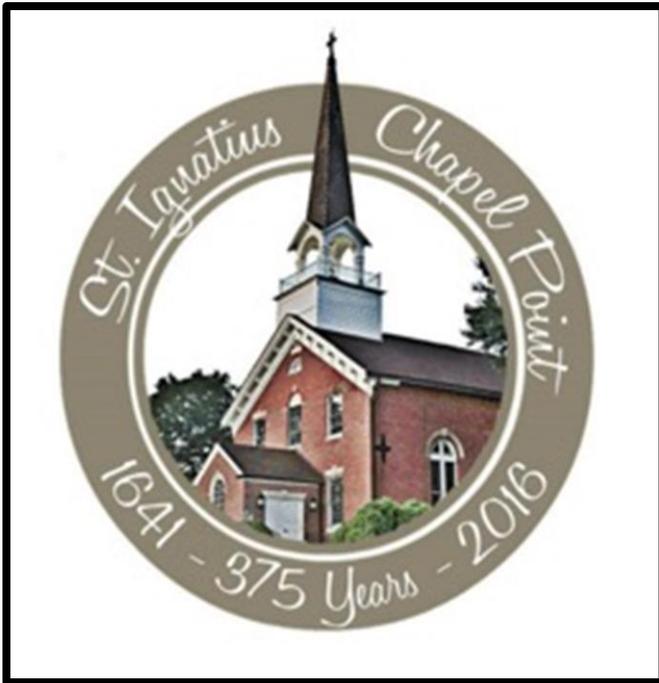


# St. Ignatius Church – Chapel Point

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

**The Eucharist**

***Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.***

***Sunday Mornings: 7:30, 9:00, 11:15 a.m.***

***Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.***

***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.

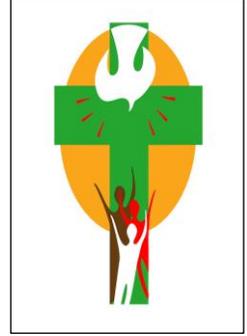
**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** If you would like to learn about becoming a Catholic, please contact the Religious Education Office. Classes begin at the end of the summer.



## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19, 2020

“The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness;  
for we do not know how to pray as we ought.”



### Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 19 – 9:00 a.m. – The family of Doris Simmons (healing)

Sunday, July 19 - 11:15 a.m. – Clyde McClintock +

Monday, July 20 – 8:00 a.m. – Deacon Scott Stuart +

Friday, July 24 – 8:00 a.m. – Bert Ferren +

**Religious liberty cases** As you might suspect the understanding of money, regulations and religious liberty have evolved rather substantially over time. At the time of the ratification of the Constitution, a number of states had religious taxes to support a specific local church either congregational or Episcopalian, depending on the state. The association of Episcopal Church with England helped end the support of the established church in the southern states. While radicals like Patrick Henry advocated a general tax to be distributed to various churches according to their membership, James Madison and Thomas Jefferson won the day opposing all government tax support for religion.

In New England’s congregational churches- the local parishioners; not a bishop, directed church policies. Local government, sensitive to those voters, continued to support their local churches for several more decades. Between 1807 and 1833, the practice of taxing to support churches disappeared in New England, driven by objections by nonbelievers and disfavored churches.

The Common or public school movement reintroduced taxes in support of religion. As the public recognized the contribution of free public education for a functional and deliberative population and electorate, support for education emerged. Free school societies began to provide education in cities; but free will offerings were not up to the challenge of the education of whole cities. City government began to contribute money to the cause. Many of the school societies were religious, in origin and practice. That worked, as long as there were few dissenters. Things blew up in Philadelphia in 1844, when Catholics demanded the freedom to use their own bibles instead of the King James Version in public schools for reading and prayer. In a series of protests, riots and fires, two Catholic churches and a convert were burned. Eventually secular public school boards appeared in many, but not all cities. Bible reading and a prayer such as the Our Father continued for years. So did objections. The question evenly divided Catholics because some accepted a compromise in Minnesota, in which parishes would lease schools to the local school system for the bulk of the school day for secular instruction. After hours the same teachers, chosen by the parishes, taught religion. Who knows if that would have worked over-time, but Jesuit theologians complained to Rome about giving the state any compulsory role in education. Religion’s role in a free nation has been a highly debated issue from the beginning of the Republic. Back in the 1940’s the state of Maryland approved public funds for buses to religious schools. The local press was filled with righteous indignation at state support for the largely Catholic schools.

The recent U.S. Supreme Court (Espinoza vs Montana) case asks a different question. Many might ask if a state **may provide** assistance to religious schools. The recent cases asks; if a state provides assistance for students in private schools, **may it prohibit** that aid to religious schools? In a 5-4 decision, the court found the denial of funds to private schools, because they are religious; violated the rights of the students in religious schools. The decision does not compel states to support religious schools, unless it provides assistance to secular private schools.

**Our sincere sympathy to Rose and Tim Moore** on the unexpected passing of their son, Kevin Moore this past week. Mass of Christian burial will be held here on Friday, July 24; visitation 10-11 a.m. (social distancing) and funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Kevin’s arrangements provided by maederquinttiberi.com of Columbus, Ohio.

**Our sincere sympathy to Mary Simmons and her family** on the sudden passing of her son, Rick Simmons this past week. A service will be held on Monday, July 20 at 3 p.m. at Raymond's Funeral Service. Please remember them in your prayers.

**Thank you Sarah MacMillan** for organizing our first virtual Vacation Bible School.

**Mass Missals** are available in the back of church. Since we are unable to have books, flyers or any paper in the pews of the church, we will still be receiving our regular subscription of the pew missals. Rather than recycle them, if you'd like to have one to **take home and bring back and forth with you to Mass each week,** we have them in the back of the church. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE THEM IN THE PEWS. Take them home with you.**

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

**Please take note:** 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. **To make a reservation, email: [stigooffice@yahoo.com](mailto:stigooffice@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 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 [stigooffice@yahoo.com](mailto:stigooffice@yahoo.com).

**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 do not leave handouts, prayer books and devotionals in the back of the church.

**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)

**Crab Feast Loyola on the Potomac** **Sunday, September 13, 2020 from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm**  
ALL YOU CAN EAT CRABS, fried chicken, hamburgers, hotdogs, corn on the cob, coleslaw potato salad, watermelon and our fabulous homemade Loyola cookies. Early Bird Adult tickets \$50. (\$65 after September 1) Children 7-12; \$35, 6 and under free. **Contact: Alice Case (301) 392-0819 [alice.case@loyolaretreat.org](mailto:alice.case@loyolaretreat.org)** Purchase tickets online at: [www.loyolaonthepotomac.com](http://www.loyolaonthepotomac.com).

**On-Line Giving** We now have a fully functional electronic giving link on our webpage: [www.chapelpoint.org](http://www.chapelpoint.org). 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**, and are still not comfortable coming back to church, 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, you can give on line or call the office for a pledge card. All papers have been removed for safety. **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.**

**Collection Report for July 11-12, 2020:** Offertory \$5,693; Peter's Pence \$50; Votives \$32; TOTAL: \$5,775. Thank you for your continued support during these difficult financial times.

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

**Please remember the following people in your daily prayers:** Peter Dahl, David Dixon, Elizabeth McCarthy, Alice Pickett, Pat Stuart, For those affected by the COVID19 virus, Brenda Pilkerton, Nellie Pearce, Mary 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, 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