

**St. Ignatius Church – Chapel Point**  
**8855 Chapel Point Road, Port Tobacco, MD 20677**  
**Sharing God’s Word and Sacraments Since 1641**  
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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.*

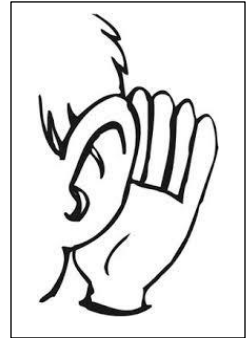
**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** *If you would like to learn about becoming a Catholic, please contact the Religious Education Office. Classes begin at the end of the summer.*



## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 17, 2021

“Speak, for your servant is listening.”



### Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 16 – 5:00 p.m. – Dorothy Weist +  
Sunday, January 17 – 9:00 a.m. – Pat Reilly (Healing)  
Tuesday, January 19 – 8:00 a.m. – Bruce Rooney +  
Thursday, January 21 – 8:00 a.m. – Brooke Hooper +  
Friday, January 22 – 8:00 a.m. – Special Intention

### Binding together a nation takes constant effort, trust and prayer

You might think that belonging to a hierarchical church and living in a democratic republic would have little in common. Yet even within the lives of the apostles there were divisions over how we could best preserve and explain the gift of redemption in Christ. We live in a democratic federal republic which grew out of conflict with our mother country and division among the inhabitants of the newly freed states. It took the church until the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D. to reach a commonly held understanding of our essential beliefs. The United States clarified and redefined our form of government 12 times in the first seventeen years. Immediately after the Civil War was another burst of three amendments to abolish slavery and begin to undo racial distinction in citizenship and voting. On either side of the First World War there were 4 more amendments.

My point is simply that defining governing structures and protecting an evolving understanding of rights is not easy. Making those structures work is even harder. While we may never before have experienced what we have recently, we have as a nation had to take stock and recommit ourselves many times.

Just before I was born, the twenty-second amendment was ratified limiting presidents to two terms. We now have 27 amendments. Ah I can hear the hear boards tapping out searches- what are those other five amendments? When the Constitution was crafted there was no Bill of Rights. The first Congress had to propose a series of amendments to address the concerns of citizens of the new nation that they were creating a government without limits. At first, the House of Representatives proposed 17 amendments; by the time the proposal made it to the states for ratification there were only twelve amendments. Some seemed on reflection to be unnecessary, repetitive or dangerous. The states at the time failed to ratify two of the amendments. At several times when citizens became disenchanted with their representatives a few more states would ratify one of the orphaned amendments. This little known tend led in 1992 to ratification of an amendment first proposed two centuries earlier. It says simply that an increase in Congressional pay may not take effect until after the next election, so the citizens could throw out those who might have unreasonably benefited from your taxes.

There is no single sentence we can craft to heal the division among American citizens, but if we only did the easy things we would not have survived the administration of John Adams. To survive as a republic we must have a basic level of trust. We pray with the nation this week that we will not run out of patience before we reach another period of tranquility. Fr. Leo O'Donovan, S.J. will offer the invocation on Wednesday, may God inspire him to truly lead the nation in prayer.

**NO Faith Formation, Confirmation Prep or Youth Group on Sunday, January 17th** in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

**Thank you** to those who assisted us in preparing lunches for two days for Safenights! Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** is offered at St. Ignatius during the **9:00 AM Mass**. It's a wonderful opportunity for our parishioners ages 3-6 years to hear the Word of God at their level. Contact Sarah MacMillan at [ignatiusreligion@gmail.com](mailto:ignatiusreligion@gmail.com) or call (301)885-7020 if you'd like to learn more.

**YOUTH RETREAT ON LIFE on Friday, January 29th!** We'll be livestreaming the ADW Virtual Mass & Rally for Life, followed by opportunities for learning why and how to advocate for life, along with time in prayer. Excused absence from school for religious activity. Contact Sarah MacMillan at [ignatiusreligion@gmail.com](mailto:ignatiusreligion@gmail.com) or (301)885-7020 to find out more!

**No Catholic Charities Lenten Food Drive** We received notice from Catholic Charities that in light of the pandemic, and to protect their staff and volunteers, they would not be providing bags for the annual Lenten Food Drive. We are still accepting non perishable food donations for Wayside Food Bank, as always. Please leave donations in the back of the church on the rolling cart.

**Pancake Supper** We will not be hosting the Parish Pancake Supper this year.

**We need help! Volunteers to lector, usher and clean at all Masses.** Please contact the parish office if you can help with any of these things.

**There are still a few 2021 St. Ignatius Church Calendars** are in the back of the church. The calendars are a gift to the parish from Mike and Tina Raymond of Raymond's Funeral Service.

**Christmas Memorial Flowers** Thank you to everyone who donated to help offset the cost of decorating the church with Christmas memorial flowers. A BIG THANK YOU to Brenda and Dick Mudd and their helpers for all the time and hard work decorating the church this past week. **Poinsettias in back of church can be taken by anyone who'd like one..or two ...or three!!!.**

**Help Our Marriage** Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped many couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on January 29th - January 31st, 2021, please visit: [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org), call (443) 400-7017, or email: [3015@HelpOurMarriage.org](mailto:3015@HelpOurMarriage.org).

## **Upcoming Retreats at Loyola on the Potomac Ignatian Weekend Retreats**

**Upcoming Retreats for 2021: Ignatian Weekend Retreats** January 22-24 (Men); January 29-31 (Men and Women), February 26-28 (Men), March 5-7 (Men), March 12-14 (Women). *The weekend retreat fee is \$245/ \$195 for first time retreatants or young adults (35 years and younger).* **Directed and Private Retreat: January 4-8, 2021** *Fee: \$425; Directed/ \$380 private.* **Days of Prayer** January 11, 2021--*All things New*; February 15, 2021—*God so Loved the World*; March 1 and March 29, 2021—*Finding Hope in the Cross*. *Each day of prayer begins at 9 am and includes: Continental breakfast, Lunch, and Mass. Fee \$40.* **Young Adult Retreat** (For Adults 18-35); *His Name was Ignatius: March 26-28 2021* *Fee: \$165.*  
*For more information go to [www.loyolaonthepotomac.com](http://www.loyolaonthepotomac.com) or call (301) 392-0819.*

**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).

**VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER:** When you go to Communion, leave your mask UP until you get to the priest. Either reach under your mask with the Eucharist you've taken from the priest to place in your mouth; or pull down your mask briefly and immediately pull it back up before moving back to your pew. This protects you, the priest and others.

**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 [stigoffice@yahoo.com](mailto:stigoffice@yahoo.com).

**To make a reservation to attend weekend Masses, email: [stigoffice@yahoo.com](mailto:stigoffice@yahoo.com) by 3 pm on Friday or call 301-934-8245 ext. 2 and leave a message** Leave your name, phone number and first and second choice of Masses. If you have underlying health conditions and are in the at risk category, the dispensation is still in effect for attending Mass. If you decide at the last minute you want to attend, please come and we'll make room.

**On-Line Giving** We have an 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. 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 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. It confuses the tracking of funds when they have to be transferred in between the two accounts.**

**Collection Report for January 9-10, 2021:** Offertory \$5,258; Votives \$4; Christmas \$245; Solemnity of Mary \$40; TOTAL: \$5,547. Thank you for your continued support during these trying times.

**Please remember the following people in your daily prayers:** Pat Reilly, Bruce Posey, Lee Pilkerton, The family of John Mattingly, William Coughlon, Judy LeSage, Keech Edelen, Charlie Hayden, Peggy and Dave Gaestal and family, Marie Jenkins, Traci Renner, Gary Stumpf, Ruth Watson, Van Watson, Pat Kirkland, Eddie Fitzpatrick, Jules Greenwell, Rose Langley, The Dunphy Cosenza family, Francis Knott, Chuck Gould, Danny LeSage, Shirley Watson, The staff and residents of assisted living and nursing homes, Amelia Zito, Karen Muhlenkamp, Peter Dahl, Elizabeth McCarthy, Alice Pickett, For those affected by the COVID19 virus, Brenda Pilkerton, 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, Toni Gallagher, Bessie Farmer, Bobby Terrett, John Abell, Pat Anderson, Steve and Joann Oliff, Victims, families and survivors of abuse, Tyler Sage, Douglas Hannes, Sharon Ryan, John Reese, Frankie Chiorcariello and family, Tim Moore, James Johnson, Victoria Liberty, Tamera Scroggins, James J. Nalley, Theresa San Luis, Elaine Gaddis, Butch Hayden, Stacie Hayden.



Martin Luther King, Jr.