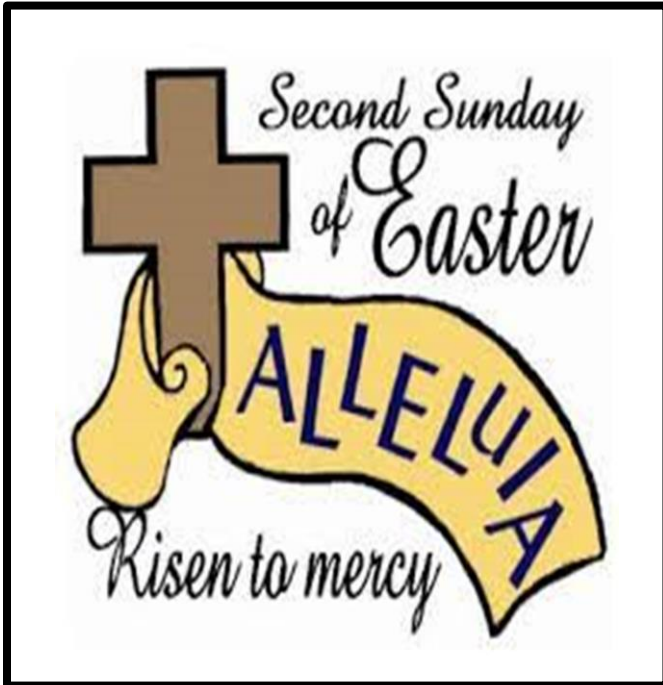


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Public Masses have 50% capacity limits. Reservations and Masks are Required

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 must attend baptism classes. Please contact Sarah MacMillan to schedule the class ignatiusreligion@gmail.com.

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 of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 11, 2021

"Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."



Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 10 – 5:00 p.m. – Mary Leck +
Sunday, April 11 – 9:00 a.m. – Philip Rieman +
Sunday, April 11 – 6:00 p.m.- Jose "Pepe" Quesada +
Thursday, April 15 – 8:00 a.m. – Anna Clifford +
Friday, April 16 – 8:00 a.m. – Becky Dement +

Catechesis on Prayer Pope Francis - 2021

Today, I would like to reflect on the connection between prayer and the communion of saints. In fact, when we pray, we never do so alone: even if we do not think about it, we are immersed in a majestic river of invocations that precedes us and proceeds after us. A majestic river.

Contained in the prayers we find in the Bible, that often resound in the liturgy, are the traces of ancient stories, of prodigious liberations, of deportations and sad exiles, of emotional returns, of praise ringing out before the wonders of creation... And thus, these voices are passed on from generation to generation, in a continual intertwining between personal experience and that of the people and the humanity to which we belong. No one can separate themselves from their own history, the history of their own people. We always bear in our attitudes this inheritance, even in the way we pray. In the prayer of praise, especially that which unfolds from the hearts of the little ones and the humble, echo parts of the Magnificat that Mary lifted up to God in front of her relative

Elizabeth; or of elderly Simeon's exclamation who, taking the Baby Jesus in his arms, spoke thus: "Now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word" (Lk 2:29)...

Prayer is always born again: each time we join our hands and open our hearts to God, we find ourselves in the company of anonymous saints and recognized saints who pray with us and who intercede for us as older brothers and sisters who have preceded us on this same human adventure. There is no grief in the Church that is borne in solitude, there are no tears shed in oblivion, because everyone breaths and participates in one common grace. It is no coincidence that in the ancient church people were buried in gardens surrounding a sacred building, as if to say that, in some way, the hosts of those who have preceded us participate in every Eucharist. Our parents and grandparents are there, our godfathers and godmothers are there, our catechists and other teachers are there... The faith that is passed on, transmitted, that we have received. Along with faith, the way of praying and prayer have been transmitted...

The Catechism explains that the saints contemplate God, praise him and constantly care for those whom they have left on earth. [...] Their intercession is their most exalted service to God's plan. We can and should ask them to intercede for us and for the whole world" (CCC, 2683). There is a mysterious solidarity in Christ between those who have already passed to the other life and we pilgrims in this one: from Heaven, our beloved deceased continue to take care of us. They pray for us, and we pray for them and we pray with them.

Maryland Veteran's Museum talk by Fr. Tom Clifford *Significant aspects of the ancient parish including military activity at St. Thomas Manor*; 6 pm, April 14. There will be a meet and greet at 5:30 p.m. (no food). 11000 Crain Highway, Newburg, Md.

A funeral Mass will be held for Becky Dement, wife of Dick Dement, who passed away last April this Monday, April 12 at 12:30 p.m.

Sympathy to the family and friends of Geraldine "Geri" Taylor, who passed away this past week. Her funeral Mass will be held here on Thursday, April 15 at 11:00 am.

Part Time Help Wanted (15-20 hours a week) at an office in La Plata. Must be proficient in WORD and EXCEL, experienced and committed. Some duties include maintaining a data base, mailings, etc. References required. Contact Katie Myers 301-396-3190.

Holy Angels Church Seafood Dinner On Sunday, **April 18, 2021** from 11:00 a.m. until sold out., Holy Angels Church in Avenue, MD is having our **Spring Seafood Dinner Carryout Only**. The menu includes: Fried Oysters, Steamed Spiced Shrimp, Fried Chicken, Parsley Potatoes, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, and roll. The cost is \$28.00. There will be delicious homemade cakes! Holy Angels Church 's address is 21340 Colton Point Road, Avenue, Maryland 20609. For more information, please call the rectory on at 301-769-3332 or email holy01angels@aol.com

PARISH HELP requested! Our second graders will be receiving their First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 2nd. Due to pandemic restrictions, we will be having a separate Mass of Holy Communion, but I wanted the children to feel the welcoming embrace of our parish. If you are able, would you please write a card of well wishes and encouragement and leave in the box labeled First Communion cards in the vestibule? Please turn in cards by Sunday, April 25th. Thank you!

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 or call (301)885-7020 if you'd like to learn more.

CRS Rice Bowls need to be returned to Faith Formation. Thanks so much for your support!

Faith Formation continues in-person this Sunday at 10 AM! Virtual Faith Formation remains available.

Confirmation Prep class continues in-person and virtually this Sunday at 5:00 PM.

YOUTH GROUP CHARADES Night is this Sunday, April 11th after the 6:00 PM Mass until 9:00 PM. All middle and high schoolers are welcome.

VBS returns in-person this summer! Mark your calendars for July 12th-16th.

MUSIC We are not yet back to congregational singing, due to the risk of spreading the virus which is still spreading. Carl, Holly and Mark began assisting us with instrumental music and of late a bit of singing by them in the balcony. As health progresses, we hope to be able to return to congregational singing this summer. John Hagar has also returned to play the organ and keyboard, so we are ready for when we can all sing. We can thank them when we return to singing by adding more volunteers to the music ministry.



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YOU are seeking the Chesterton Academy of St. Mary's!

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Pre-enrollment is open on our website!

Chesterton Chat, an information session

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

7pm (also on Zoom)

Holy Angel's School

For Zoom link, visit: <https://www.chestertonstmarys.org> 301-800-0227

Catholic Schools Virtual Open Houses Catholic schools provide a faith-based education that lasts a lifetime. Are you interested in finding the right Catholic school for you? Take the first step by attending a virtual open house or admissions event this month. Learn more at www.adwcatholicschools.org

Easter Memorial Flowers Thank you to all who made memorial flowers donations to help offset the cost to the parish. Special thanks to Brenda and Dick Mudd and those that helped them to decorate the church so beautifully.

Gift Shop It is the season for First Holy Communion, Confirmation, graduations and weddings. The gift shop will be open Sundays, April 11 and April 18 from 10 am to 11 am. COVID guidelines to be followed (masks and limited capacity). Dates and times for may TBD.

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.

Wayside Food Bank Report for March 2021 On Saturday, March 20, WFB continued our drive thru distribution on the grounds of Holy Ghost Church. We served 22 families; which represents 60 adults, 5 teens and 16 children; for a total of 81 individuals served. Our wish list for April is as follows: small containers of bleach, ramen noodles, and any non perishable canned food items. Please check the expiration dates. We are not allowed to distribute out of date food. Our next distribution is Saturday, April 17, with stocking on Wednesday, April 14. If you have questions, please contact Dianne Lyon, d.e.lyon@comcast.net.

Loyola on the Potomac Ignatian Weekend Retreat Schedule: April 16-18 (Men and Women); April 23-25 (Spanish-Men and Women) **Fee: \$245, \$195** for first time retreatants or young adults (35 and younger) **To Register go to www.loyolaonthepotomac.com.** For more information-contact alice.case@loyolaretreat.org or call Alice Case (301)-392-0819.

A One Day Retreat - St. Joseph: Tools for Our Journey, will be held on Saturday, May 1 (Feast of St. Joseph the Worker) at St. Joseph Church, 29119 Point Lookout Road in Morganza. Registration with Donuts and Juice begins at 7:15 am, the first talk begins at 8 am followed by Mass, two more talks with lunch served in between and ending with healing prayers. This Year dedicated to this great Saint is an invitation for us to learn more about him with the help of Fr. Drew Royals and Fr. Martin Flum. Tickets are available through Eventbrite:www.eventbrite.com/e/st-joseph-retreat-tools-for-our-journey-tickets-149071692445 or call Bread of Life Center for Peace at (301) 475-7139. You can also stop by Heavenly Presents to Register in person. The cost is \$15 which covers the cost of Lunch and Eventbrite fees. There is limited seating due to COVID restrictions. Registration ends on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

Celebrating Special Wedding Anniversaries: June 27, 2021 Jubilarian Mass Are you celebrating a special wedding anniversary? Each year the Archdiocese of Washington honors couples married 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 70+ years at the annual Jubilarian Mass. This year's Mass will be held Sunday, June 27 at 3:00pm at the Cathedral of St. Matthew. Seating is limited to allow for social distancing and the Mass will be live-streamed. To receive a signed Jubilarian anniversary certificate or to register to attend the Mass, please contact the parish office before May 14, 2021.

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 stigooffice@yahoo.com.

On-Line Giving We have an electronic giving link on our webpage: 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 between the two accounts.**

Collection Report for Easter weekend (April 2 – 4, 2021) Offertory \$7,955; Votives \$109; Catholic Relief Services \$10; Good Friday Holy Land Collection \$530; Operation Rice Bowl \$10; Church Missions \$120; Easter Flowers \$220; TOTAL: \$8,954. Thank you for your continued generosity to the needs and ministries of the parish.

Please remember the following people in your daily prayers: CJ Shaw, Brenda DiCarlo, Dennis and Ann Betar, Denise Edelen, Joyce Edelen, Peggy Burch, Sarah Vaughan, Susan Schwab, Candice and Miles, Brenda Pilkerton, Sharon Reilly and the Reilly family, Lyn Gibson, Fred Mower, Kelly LeSage, Martha Murphy, Clare, Bruce Posey, Lee Pilkerton, William Coughlon, Judy LeSage, Peggy and Dave Gaestal and family, Marie Jenkins, Traci Renner, Gary Stumpf, Ruth Watson, Van Watson, Pat Kirkland, Eddie Fitzpatrick, Rose Langley, Francis Knott, Chuck Gould, Danny LeSage, Joe, The staff and residents of assisted living and nursing homes, Amelia Zito, Karen Muhlenkamp, Peter Dahl, Elizabeth McCarthy, Alice Pickett, 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 Hamnes, Sharon Ryan, John Reese, Frankie Chiorcariello and family, Tim Moore, James Johnson, Victoria Liberty, Tamera Scroggins, James J. Nalley, Elaine Gaddis, Butch Hayden, Stacie Hayden