

St. Ignatius Church – Chapel Point

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Sharing God's Word and Sacraments Since 1641

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

The Eucharist

Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m.

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

Holy Days: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Evening: 6:00 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

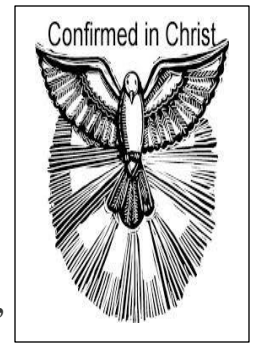
Baptism: Parents planning to have their child baptized must attend baptism classes. Please contact Sarah MacMillan to schedule the class ignatiusreligion@gmail.com.

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.



Pentecost Sunday

May 23, 2021



“Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.”

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 22 – 5:00 p.m.- Brenda Canter (belated birthday wishes)

Sunday, May 23 – 9:00 a.m. – William Anthony Eichhold +

Sunday, May 23 – 6:00 p.m. – Frank Mudd +

Wednesday, May 26 – 8:00 a.m. – Bill Blair +

We all need a Pentecost Inigo de Loyola was a very traditional guy in a time of change. Five hundred years ago, the middle aged (30 years old) Inigo de Loyola placed himself on a medieval wall defending Pamplona against the French. It was one of the many wars when emerging nation states absorbed formerly independent principalities. There were no great values at stake, in siding with the Spanish against the French, Inigo turned on Navarre, in whose court he had learned the ways of knights and courtiers. His insistence on holding out against a superior force, made little difference since the cannon barrage crushed the resistance. One of the cannon shots did shatter one of his legs and damaged the other forcing Inigo to leave the field of battle in defeat, retreating to convalesce in the family castle. Not only did his hopes of great honors and worldly acclaim disappear, but so did his physical stamina and hopes for chivalrous deeds.

Inigo had been baptized as a child, the youngest of thirteen children, but his understanding of his faith was one of obligation and guilt, not one of loving relation with God in Christ. His conversion to a deeper and personal knowledge and love of Jesus continued to evolve throughout his life, but it began in his sick bed. His immobility forced him to read for entertainment. The available books were a life of Christ and Lives of the saints. Freed from his prior desires by force and left to contemplate his future, he listened to the small voice of the Holy Spirit which led him to know and love the Lord. He made pilgrimages, poured out his soul to spiritual directors and confessors, begged for his tuition and support; all the while growing in familiarity with God. Ignatius was not with the disciples in the Upper Room when Jesus breathed on them giving them the Holy Spirit, nor was he there for the tongues of fire and swirling winds. He was there in his own time in meditation and petition. His convalescence was his Pentecost, but the rest of his life was his continuing conversion.

We each need to be open to a Pentecost in our own lives, looking to God in doubt, staying with Him in wonder. We celebrate a past sending of the Spirit once a year, but we need to be open to personal visitations of the Spirit throughout our years.

Second Collection Next Weekend will be our annual collection for Archbishop Neale School scholarships. Please be as generous as you can.

Welcome Back Procedures and considerations - Chapel Point Please remember, just because the pandemic is winding down, it does not mean that there might not be a new wave. Nearly half of Charles County residents over 18 years old have been fully vaccinated, as have 80% of those over age 65. Some of you are anxious to be rid of the masks and social distancing; some of you might be very uncomfortable around people without masks or distancing. We are trying to accommodate all within the guidelines passed down by the Archdiocese.

Modifications on the Church environment

- The Holy Water fonts and dispenser for Holy Water bottle will return.
- *Hard copy bulletins and other printed liturgical materials are back.*
- We will still have hand sanitizer in the back of the church.

Return of most but not all practices within the Mass.

- Procession at the beginning of Mass and recession at the end of Mass may be restored.
- The celebrant will greet parishioners after Mass, but shaking hands should be avoided.
- The offertory Procession of the Gifts will be restored next week.
- The Sign of Peace is restored with the use of a gesture, such as a bow or wave, but shaking of hands should be avoided.
- The distribution of the Precious Blood remains suspended until further notice.
- Distribution of Holy Communion – The priest will be at the foot of the altar in the center and the left and right side aisles, front to back, will come around to the back and up the center aisle and return to their pews. The center aisle will receive last, back to front, and return by the side aisles.
- The use of masks by priests and extraordinary ministers while distributing Holy Communion is still required (as is the requirement to sanitize one's hands prior to the distribution of Holy Communion. Holy Communion on the tongue continues to be discouraged, but allowed. If a minister distributes Holy Communion on the tongue, he or she should still sanitize his or her hands after the distribution to each individual on the tongue.
- **Reservations** -- No longer required. Thank you ushers for the great work you've done with this.
- **Masks**
- Those who have not been vaccinated should wear masks out of regard for others who are also not vaccinated. People who are at high risk from infections should also feel comfortable wearing a mask.
- **Seating**
- Those who prefer to be more secure through distancing as we have been doing, should sit on the left side of the church as you enter. We will continue to have alternate row seating there.
- Those who have been vaccinated and feel secure without distancing may sit on the right side as you enter, where the ribbon dividers have been removed.
- **Collections** once we have enough ushers again we will resume taking up the collection. Ushers will need to wear mask while taking up the collection, as it requires leaning into the pews.

CONFIRMATION: Our Confirmandi will be sealed in the Holy Spirit on Wednesday, May 26th. Please lift our Confirmandi up in prayer: Allison "Allie" Ament (Catherine of Siena), Claire Bright (Thomas the Apostle), Jackson Broome (Barnabas), Emil Burgos (Michael the Archangel), Jason Croson (Lawrence), Charles "Charlie" Dement (Ignatius of Loyola), Jase Gouldman (Sebastian), Garrett Higdon (Sebastian), Ayden Johnson (Medard), Tanner Lyon (Peter), Cole Michael (Ignatius of Loyola), Katherine "Katie" Poley (Catherine of Alexandria), Catherine "Catie" Presley (Catherine of Bologna), and Lila Sprague (Faustina).

IGNATIAN YEAR Summer Series Study continues Wednesday, May 26th at 9:00 AM or THURSDAY, May 27th at 6:30 PM. The evening change is due to Confirmation. After this week, all study sessions will resume on Wednesdays. Our study's theme is "How Do You See Jesus? Deepening our Relationship with Christ through Meditating with Scripture and Art". Come join together in fellowship and study with Sarah MacMillan on using imagery of Jesus to strengthen our spiritual life. We meet in the Parish Hall. Even if you can't make every session, come for what you can. Study runs through August 18th. Light refreshments will be served. Contact Sarah MacMillan at ignatiusreligion@gmail.com or (301)885-7020 to find out more, or if you would like to set up joining us virtually.

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.

LAST CLASS of FAITH FORMATION is this week! Thank you for bringing in items for our End-of-Year Lawn Party to 10:00 class.

END-OF-YEAR FAMILY LAWN PARTY for FAITH FORMATION is at NOON this Sunday, May 23rd. We look forward to kicking off our Summer with lawn games and fellowship!

LAST CLASS of CONFIRMATION PREP is in-person and virtually this Sunday at 5:00 PM!

YOUTH GROUP Summer Kick-Off Party is this Sunday, May 23rd from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM. All middle and high schoolers are welcome. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets if you like! We will have lawn games and a movie on the lawn.

VBS: SUMMER OLYMPICS returns in-person this summer! Mark your calendars for July 12th-16th. If you are able to volunteer, please reach out to Sarah MacMillan at ignatiusreligion@gmail.com or call (301)885-7020.

The Gift Shop will be open on WEDESDAY, May 26 (Confirmation), one hour before the Confirmation Mass begins.

Flower Ministry In need of someone (or a group) to order and care for altar flowers throughout the year, as well as decorate for Christmas and Easter. Contact Brenda Canter in parish office if interested; 301-934-8245 ext. 2 or stigooffice@yahoo.com.

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.

The Charles County Literacy Council needs tutors for adults who need help with reading, math, ESOL, and earning their GED. No teaching background is necessary; CCLC will train you. Our next training is scheduled for June 23 & 24 (evenings, via Zoom) and Saturday, June 26 for three hours at the CCLC conference room in LaPlata (United Way building on Rte 488.) Tutoring is still being conducted virtually. If you are willing to devote a couple of hours a week to help change someone's life, please call CCLC at 301-934-6488, email charlescountyliteracy@comcast.net, or contact Julie Mitchell at juliemitchell120@gmail.com. Check out the CCLC website: www.charlescountyliteracy.org. If you're not able to tutor but would like to support CCLC financially, donations are most welcome, since our fundraising efforts have been hampered. Our address is: P.O. Box 2672, LaPlata, MD 20646. Thank you for your consideration!

THE CARMELITE NUNS OF PORT TOBACCO The Carmelite Nuns of Port Tobacco will have their hand-crafted quilts on display for sale at the 12th Annual Market Day at the Port Tobacco Courthouse on June 5th from 9 am to 2 pm. In addition to the quilts, they will sell collector plates of the historic Monastery. Admission is free, lots of vendors, ample parking. Come support the nuns and your community.

The Catherine Foundation – Drive for Life – Charity Golf Tournament Thursday, June 3, 2021 at Wicomico Shores Golf Course. All skill levels, great fun, good cause! Proceeds benefit The Catherine Foundation Pregnancy Resource Center. For information call 301-932-9911 or email info@catherinefoundation.org.

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.

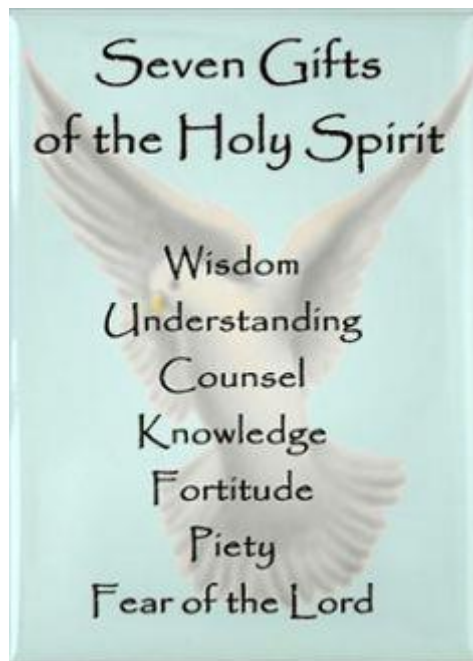
If you prefer not to use electronic giving, and are still not comfortable coming back to church, please mail in your weekly offering to the parish office. The address is 8855 Chapel Point Road, Port Tobacco, MD 20677. You can also drop them in the chute under the guestbook in the back of the church. 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.**

Wayside Food Bank Thank you for your monetary support and for donations of non-perishable items that are gratefully received by those that continue to come to distribution month after month. We could not be the success we are without each and every one of you.

Collection Report for May 15-16, 2021: Offertory \$3,218; Catholic Camp for Human Development \$664; Votives \$6; U.S. Missions \$5; TOTAL: \$3,893. Thank you.

Please remember the following people in your daily prayers: Denise Edelen, Joyce Edelen, Peggy Burch, Sarah Vaughan, 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 Hammes, 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



Come Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.