

St. Ignatius Church – Chapel Point

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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.

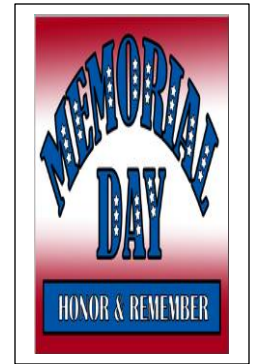
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: If you would like to learn about becoming a Catholic, please contact the Religious Education Office. Classes begin at the end of the summer.



The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

May 30, 2021

“I am with you always, until the end of the age.”



Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 29 – 5:00 p.m. – James H. Thompson +

Sunday, May 30 – 11:15 a.m. – Walburga M. Hager +

Sunday, May 30 – 6:00 p.m. – Frank Mudd +

We Remember on Memorial Day Living a mile from Route 301, I know should avoid trying to cross Crain Highway at an intersection without a traffic signal on this weekend. Yes it is the season of the dual migration. Marylanders heading to beaches in the Carolinas. Virginians and folks farther south heading to the boardwalks and amusements of the Jersey Shore. This year, it is also a symbol of a return to “normal”. However glad we may be as we continue to our emergence from our protective cocoons, we must remember that Memorial Day is a day of remembrance.

When debate and negotiations fail, there are those who bear the burden of defending nations and ideals in combat. We remember both their sacrifice and the inability of peoples to unite in resolving moral and even just practical problems. Those who died we remember with reverence and sorrow, those who failed to find ways to live in justice and peace, we remember to focus our energies to prevent such sacrifice by uniting around the good.

We also remember that we used to memorize. It is good for the mind and also good for the soul. My mother memorized the Gettysburg address, and could recite it well into old age, because she repeated it often enough to keep it fresh, and because words stirred her child’s heart and strengthened her as an adult. So we reconsider it as remembrance and challenge.

Four score and seven years ago, our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate—we can not consecrate—we can not hallow—this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

I only committed the first two sentences to memory. Perhaps you may test your own memories.

We thank our veterans, living and deceased who have sacrificed their lives all who have served our great nation. We remember you this Memorial Day. God bless America.

Memorial flowers on the altar this weekend were given by the Hager family in memory of Walburga Hager. Thank you.

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

Archbishop Neale School's Aftercare program is hiring Group Leaders and Aides to work 3.5 hours a day in the afternoon for the 2021-2022 school year. Anyone 18 years old and over interested in working with children in grades PreK-3 through 8th grade please contact Margaret Morris at 301-934-9595 or 301-934-7005 or at mmorris@archbishopnealeschool.org.

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.

IGNATIAN YEAR Summer Series Study continues Wednesdays at 9:00 AM or 6:30

PM. You choose which time works best for you. Come to some sessions, or come to all! We have been learning about different prayer techniques to deepen our relationship with Jesus, and spend time in prayer with Scripture. Come check it out, we'd love to have you join us! We meet in the Parish Hall. 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.

CONGRATULATIONS to our Confirmandi! We had a beautiful evening on Wednesday as our Confirmandi were sealed in the Holy Spirit. During the Mass of the Holy Spirit, we even had strong winds and storm, I imagine just as the apostles experienced at the first Pentecost. We are grateful to His Excellency, the Most Reverend Roy E Campbell, Jr., a Charles county native himself, for celebrating our Mass, and to a much beloved local, Deacon Robert Martin for serving as Master of Ceremonies. Please lift up in prayers and thanksgiving our Confirmandi: 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).

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.

THANK YOU to our AMAZING CATECHISTS! Our parish is so blessed by our catechists who bring enthusiasm to the faith. They have been truly amazing in handling the many challenges of navigating in-person CCD during a pandemic. They have brought joy and love to all of our parish's children. Please thank them when you see them, and hold them in your prayers: Ashley Hafera, Tina O'Neil, Kim Hayden, Courtney Thompson, Kristy Dosberg, Holly Michael, and Dana Johnson. Enjoy your summer!

END-OF-YEAR FAMILY LAWN PARTY for Faith Formation was a SUCCESS! Thank you to all who came! Have a wonderful summer, and see you in the Fall!

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.

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 stigoffice@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 We had another “light” distribution day on May 15: 13 families, 35 adults, 5 teens and 15 children for a total of 55 clients. We anticipate the numbers to climb to pre-COVID levels as more normality returns. Distribution for June is Saturday, June 19, with stocking on Wed., June 16. If you can help at either time, please contact Dianne Lyon d.e.lyon@comcast.net.

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 22-23, 2021: Offertory \$5,787; Votives \$17; Cath. Communications \$75; Peter’s Pence \$10; TOTAL: \$5,889. Thank you for your continued generosity.

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 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



Remember -
our fallen heros.
They are the reason
that we are free.