

# St. Ignatius Church – Chapel Point

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**Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.**  
**Sunday Mornings: 7:30, 9:00, 11:15 a.m.**  
**Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.**

**The Eucharist**  
**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

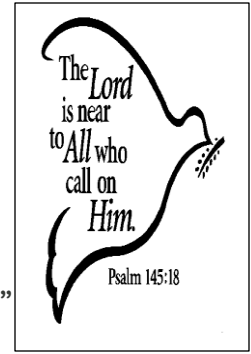
**Baptism:** Parents planning to have their child baptized must attend baptism classes. Please contact Sarah MacMillan to schedule the class [ignatiusreligion@gmail.com](mailto:ignatiusreligion@gmail.com).

**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.



## Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 29, 2021



“Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves.”

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 28 – 5:00 p.m. – Maureen Jacobs +

Sunday, August 29 – 7:30 a.m. – Blake Oliver Burch (healing)

Sunday, August 29 – 9:00 a.m. – Carolyn Simpson +

### The Church and Labor

On previous Labor days I have discussed Rerum Novarum Leo XIII’s encyclical on the working class, my great-grandfather’s membership in the Samuel Gompers’s Cigar Maker’s Union. From Pope Leo on, there has been a recognition that the distribution of the product of labor is often unfair to the ones actually doing the work of production and it should be corrected. On social and economic issues, it is always easier to recognize what is not working well than to produce the best results fairly and regularly. One might ask, why the church said little on questions of systemic economic justice before 1891. The answer is in part that comprehensive theories about how economic forces interact and what results they produce were few before the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Most economic writing in and out of the Church related to what was just or unjust activities in specific situations. Modern systemic economics is said to begin with Adam Smith’s groundbreaking book the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations in 1776. Karl Marx wrote his critique of prevailing capitalist theory and practice ninety-one years later in 1867. So, no; the church did not have economists trained in moral theory.

In the absence of a complete moral theology of capital and labor, many people have tried to address the weaknesses of capitalism in its treatment of laborers, and the fair distribution of goods through the intervention of right-minded people in real situations. Two such 20<sup>th</sup> century Catholic organizations in the United States were the Young Christian Workers and the Jesuit labor schools.

Both had as part of their expectation that the problem was best addressed by changing individual behavior by laborers and investor. They did so through education and discussion about correcting injustices. Both were clearly anti-communist, believing that the best way to avoid such radical measures was to eliminate the injustices that would bring on revolution.

The Young Christian Workers were founded in France and came to the United States in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. It focused on providing a sense of belonging and sound values. It targeted young unmarried Catholics who were employed outside the home, and often away from family support. My mother belonged to the YCW in Washington during World War II. It was a fortunate group because their chaplain was Fr. Stephen Hartdegen, OFM at the Catholic University of America. He was a Scripture Scholar who contributed significantly to the New American Bible. They had discussions about society and church teaching. They also formed a sense of community and lasting friendships by studying Scripture and church liturgy. While YCW produced dedicated and active Catholics, it could hardly be said to have had any significant impact on economic justice, beyond their immediate circle.

The Jesuit labor schools were founded at existing Jesuit high schools and colleges in cities such as Philadelphia, New York and Saint Louis, with large Catholic workforces. There are several Jesuits, noted for their roles in maintaining labor peace, and intervening for the benefit of workers especially on the waterfront. These often trained labor leaders, and educated management, to the needs and rights of workers. They have evolved to a number of academic institutes and programs dealing with labor. When I was in Philadelphia in the 1970s, there were two crusty old Jesuits in my community still running the labor school out of the library wing of St. Joe's Prep. Next week's column will feature a bit on the life of Dennis Comey, S.J., and his work for economic justice in Philadelphia from the 1940s to the 1970s.

**Read My Bricks Tour** Fr. Clifford continues his tours this weekend August 28-29; and September 4-5 after the Saturday, 5 pm Mass and after the Sunday, 9 am and 6 pm Masses.

**Second Collection Next Weekend** The Catholic University of America annual second collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. Please be generous.

**Dreaming of a festive Covid free Thanksgiving** I don't know about you, but I am so ready to return to normal church and family gatherings. We really need a last push vaccination push in Charles County (before we start booster shots). In Maryland 61% of the total population from birth to death are full vaccinated. Charles county is 8% behind at 53%. If we look only at those age 18 and over who have been eligible to shots for some time, the state has 73% fully vaccinated, in Charles County only 65%. We old codgers are for obvious reasons more vaccinated. This over 65 are 89% fully vaccinated statewide and in Charles county. Last week Maryland averaged 7 Covid deaths per day which really the best nationally. Even those of us fully vaccinated run a risk of up to about 10% of being infected and spreading the virus, so into September, we will need to wear masks to keep ourselves and those around us safe. Please get vaccinated and wear a mask until we put an end to the danger.

Remember the two shot vaccines required 6 weeks to get both shot and reach maximum protection. We can do this by Thanksgiving. Thank you.

**Earthquake in Haiti** On August 14, a massive earthquake hit Haiti, resulting in major devastation to this impoverished nation. Meanwhile, tropical storms are exacerbating the situation. An estimated 1.2 million people, including 540,000 children, have been impacted with more than 1,900 deaths and thousands more injured, leaving local hospitals overwhelmed. Homes, schools, businesses and infrastructure that stood there a month ago simply no longer exist today. The Haitian people are now in dire need of medical care, shelter, food, water, clothing, and other supplies, as well as the materials to rebuild. The recovery process will remain for years. Catholic Relief Services has a presence on the ground in Haiti and is assisting already. Should you wish to help provide immediate assistance for our Haitian sisters and brothers, please go to: <https://support.crs.org/donate/haiti-earthquake><<https://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=79081732&msgid=1196094&act=053E&c=686612&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fsupport.crs.org%2Fdonate%2Fhaiti-earthquake&cf=17356&v=f21fee24d59b883f5b1f3b7ddc5a033c32a4a22175f77561aadba4bdb5cdaedd>>. Your prayers and support can make a difference, and your assistance is greatly appreciated.

**CATECHISTS NEEDED** for the Fall! Have you thought about how you can offer God your time and talent? Our Faith Formation program would appreciate your help! Lessons are prepared for you. You can commit weekly, or if you are able to share class responsibilities and can commit to twice a month, we would appreciate your help! Subs are appreciated, too! Contact Sarah MacMillan at [ignatiusreligion@gmail.com](mailto:ignatiusreligion@gmail.com) or (301)885-7020 for more information.

**FAITH FORMATION & CONFIRMATION PREP** returns on Sunday, September 26th! Be on the look-out for an email regarding registration. Contact Sarah MacMillan at [ignatiusreligion@gmail.com](mailto:ignatiusreligion@gmail.com) or (301)885-7020 with any questions.

**Diaper/Baby Supply Drive** The Knights of Columbus 2279 are hosting a Diaper/Baby Supply Drive from August 28th til September 12th. All supplies donated will be given to the Catherine Foundation in Charles County. Here is a list of supplies the Catherine Foundation needs: Similac; advanced and pro-advanced baby formula; Baby Food/Cereal; Diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5 & 6) and pull-ups, Wipes, Baby wash/shampoo/lotion, Sippy cups, Bottles, Teethers. If you can donate any of these supplies, it would be greatly appreciated and will help with those facing crisis pregnancy and those in need who are pregnant. A donation box is at the entrance of the church from August 28th to September 12th.

**St. Thomas Manor Trust – financial aid** St. Thomas Manor Trust was formed for aid to the needy, preservation of the historic buildings, and financial assistance for children in Catholic schools. Since this is considered financial aid, we will need to ask financial questions; the reason financial assistance is needed. Please call the parish office to make an appointment for a meeting with Fr. Clifford if you are in need of financial aid for Catholic school.

**Gift Shop** We are resuming the annual St. Ignatius Christmas ornaments. Anyone having an image that could be reproduced in black and white format, please submit a digital image to [pastorchapelpoint@yahoo.com](mailto:pastorchapelpoint@yahoo.com) by September 11. The Gift Shop will be open September 12 and 26 after the 9 and 11:15 a.m., and the 6 p.m. Masses.

**A Workshop for Parents Whose Children Are Away From The Church** will be held at St. Catherine's Church Parish Hall on September 18, 2021 from 8 am to 2:30 p.m. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information or to register, contact St. Catherine Parish at [stcatherine-alexandria.md@adw.org](mailto:stcatherine-alexandria.md@adw.org) or call 301-934-9630. The cost is \$10. We have some flyers in the back of the church as well.

**Loyola on the Potomac, A Jesuit Retreat House-Crab Feast** 9270 Loyola Retreat Rd. Faulkner, MD **Sunday, September 12, 2021** 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm. All you can eat **on site**: Crabs, chicken, hamburgers, hotdogs, corn on the cob and more. Beer, Soda, Water. **Early Bird-Adult tickets \$50, Children 7-12 \$35, 6 and under free. After September 1, tickets are \$65.** Make Reservations on Website or call 301-392-0806.

**St. Mary's Bryantown School and Church** will be holding a Fall Flea Market on Saturday, September 18, 2021 from 8AM to 1PM. This event will be held Rain or Shine! There will be food, fun and bargains. There are tables available to rent. Contact Penny Bailey at 301-843-3387, if interested in renting a table at the Flea Market. The address of the event is 13715 Notre Dame Place, Bryantown, MD 20617. All proceeds will benefit the Social Concerns Committee for the less fortunate in our area.

**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. The giving link can be found on the lower half, on the right side of the home page of the website.

**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. Add "Restore & Renew" to the memo line, but make the check out to the church.**

**Collection Weekend of August 14-15, 2021:** Offertory \$4,315; Votives \$25; Assumption of Mary \$288; TOTAL: \$4,638. **Weekend of August 21-22, 2021:** Offertory \$3,199; Votives \$50; Assumption of Mary \$145; TOTAL: \$3,394. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**Please remember the following people in your daily prayers:** Blake Oliver Burch, David Gardiner, Joann Plowman, Frank Hopson, Denise Edelen, Joyce Edelen, Buddy and Peggy Burch, Candice and Miles, Brenda Pilkerton, Sharon Reilly and the Reilly family, Lyn Gibson, Kelly LeSage, William Coughlon, Donald and Judy LeSage, Peggy and family, Marie Jenkins, Traci Renner, Gary Stumpf, Ruth Watson, Van Watson, Pat Kirkland, Eddie Fitzpatrick, Rose Langley, Francis Knott, Chuck Gould, 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 Oliff, Victims, families and survivors of abuse, The Sage family, 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 heroes.  
They are the reason  
that we are free.

May God bless our military and keep them safe