

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.

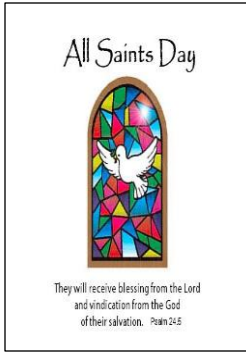
Cemetery: There are grave sites available for active parishioners in the new section at the base of the hill. Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington administers the sale of lots and burial. Because we do not have an adequate endowment, the costs of maintenance come from general parish funds. 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.

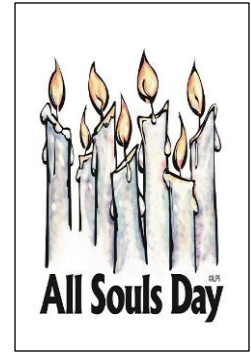
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: If you would like to learn about becoming a Catholic, please contact the Religious Education Office. Classes begin at the end of the summer.



Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 31, 2021

“Hear, O Israel!
The Lord our God is Lord alone!
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your mind,
and with all your strength.”



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 30 – 5:00 p.m. – Dorothy Weist +
Wednesday, November 3 – 8:00 a.m. – Anna Clifford +

Sanctity in origin

Sanctity in grace

Sanctity in eternal community

Sanctity in Destiny

From a policy perspective we speak of the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. From a faith perspective, we should speak of the sacredness of life from conception into eternal life.

Catholics commonly speak in terms of the sanctity of life which requires respect and protection. Sacredness of life is not something that Catholic Christians discovered fifty years ago, nor is it limited to the preborn and the aged. It is an understanding of our God-given nature throughout our lives.

Monday is the ultimate day in which we celebrate the sanctity of life. We remember those whose lives embodied holiness and sanctified our world. It is All Saints Day, when we celebrate those who having completed their lives on earth have shifted their position in the Communion of Saints- to those standing before God as part of the heavenly host. Because we are creatures of God, offered redemption and sanctified by grace we are sacred in origin and dignity, called to personal holiness. Those who through their cooperation with God's grace share in His presence are our intercessors or friends in God.

People should be protected and nurtured, because they are of God. They can be light to others, because they reflect the sacred light of God. If we reflect that light, we sanctify the world. Since Roman times Christians have sought to share their moral convictions so that they might convince others, even nonbelievers of the reverence humans are due and should share. If we want to transform society to give glory to God and his creatures, we give evidence of what is moral and good through convincing presentations and exemplary lives. Why? Because faith in Jesus Christ is not the standard against which we measure others, it is what gives us sanctity and decency. It is the saints who show each generation that it is possible to aspire to true sacredness in our words and actions, both for our own salvation and that we might convert the world to Christ through our constancy.

The saints can be great but at times rather uneven models of the sacred. We know that even those canonized may have led lives of sin and changed their ways late in life. Some who led lives of great sacrifice and heart-felt dedication to God could not find their way past the cultural blindness of their day. We are sanctified in the Body of Christ, but we suffer from limitations of knowledge, judgement and spiritual indifference. Saints lived out their lives in as whole a way as they knew, but they like we could not see beyond our times and culture. Fortunately, the sanctity of life does not depend on perfection of the person, but rather on God's creative love and the reflection of God's transforming grace.

All Saints Day- we celebrate all the saints, those canonized and those who were piously known only to the few. Masses for the Holy Day of Obligation will be celebrated at 8am and 7pm on Monday November 1. **All Souls Day** On the following day we pray to accompany the souls of those who have died as they are purged of the imperfections that prevent them from seeing the full Beatific vision of God on high.

Flowers on the altar this weekend this weekend were given by Dick and Brenda Mudd, in memory of her father, Joseph B. “Snorter” Martin.

The All Souls Book of Remembrance is in the back of the Church for those who would like to add their deceased loved ones names to the book and have them prayed for at Masses during the month of November. The book will remain on the altar during November.

Sincere sympathy to former parishioner and teacher of ANS, Mary Ann Grimm on the passing of her mother, Esther Grimm. Her funeral Mass was held this past week.

OUTREACH TO THE NEEDY

Fifth World Day of the Poor In early November, the Pope calls us to remember Jesus’ particular concern for the poor. Jesus statement; *“the poor you will always have with you”*, was a response to criticism of the woman who poured an expensive scented ointment on his head. *“The poor you will always have with you, and whenever you wish you can do good to them, but you will not always have me.”* He stands up for the devout woman and reminds those who have faked horror in the waste of money- that they have the opportunity to assist the poor themselves at all times. So this annual day is a way of reminding us to serve the poor. Two weeks from now on November 13-14, we encourage you to respond in a means you feel appropriate. Bring in food and baby supplies for the Wayside Food Bank. You may make a contribution for our parish outreach to the poor. Remember that Jesus was saying, *“whenever you wish you can do good for the poor.”*

The Knights of Columbus has teamed up with Cross Catholic outreach to fill 100 *Boxes of Joy* this Christmas. Please take a box from the back of the church, and when filled return it to the church. Help give a child a gift to open on Christmas Day! **The parish will pay the \$9 per box postage, so please don’t include a check with the box.** Just fill the box with suggested items and return it by November 14.

Wayside Food Bank October Report On Saturday, October 16, Wayside Food Bank's volunteers served 29 families; which represents 67 adults, 7 teens, and 25 children; for a total of 99 individuals served. This is quite an increase to the numbers we've been seeing since the beginning of the pandemic. We haven't had a wish list for some time due our low numbers. This month, we're asking for a few things that our clients may need for the holidays. Small bags and containers of sugar, flour, and condiments like salt, pepper, catsup, mustard and mayonnaise. We could also use small containers of bleach, detergent and bars of soap. You can leave your donations in the back of church.

Wayside Food Bank has another request: we are trying to get a list of "back up volunteers" who can help us when our regular volunteers can't be at stocking or distribution. The time commitment for both is a couple of hours, as needed. If you are able to help with either (some lifting is needed), please email Dianne Lyon. Her contact information is below. Our next distribution is Saturday, November 20, with stocking on Wednesday, November 17. If you can help or have any questions, please contact Dianne Lyon at d.e.lyon@comcast.net.

Adult Religious Formation The Parables -- Learn and Pray ---On Wednesdays, at 8:45 am and 7 pm, Fr. Clifford will have sessions on the Parables of Jesus. We will look at parables as a distinct type of preaching. Sometimes there are multiple meanings which we find in various levels of the story. They open up Jesus' teaching in ways we might miss. They can also help us to pray, not just to walk away with a moral saying. We will use excerpts from The Forty Parables of Jesus by Gerhard Lofink.

Help Wanted at Loyola on the Potomac Part time, weekend help is needed in the kitchen at Loyola. This is a great opportunity for high school kids (16 and up) who need a weekend job. Contact Freda Wells at 301-392-0800 for immediate consideration.

Fall Oysterfest, Benedict on the Patuxent, Saint Francis de Sales Hall, Saturday, November 6, 7209 Benedict Ave. 12-3 PM. Local oysters fried, scalded and raw at outdoor bar, steamed shrimp, ham, variety side dishes. \$20 per adult, reserve a table for six and one person eats free. Family rates. Call for more info 301-274-3416

Catherine Foundation is searching for instructors to present their clients with parenting skills that will strengthen their relationship with God and their children; to provide guidance and encouragement to the families that have said yes to life! Early Childhood Education background is helpful but not necessary, curriculum provided. For more information please contact info@catherinefoundation.org.

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. 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 Report **Weekend of October 23-24, 2021:** Offertory \$3,443; Mission Sunday \$1,018; Votives \$16; TOTAL: \$4,477. Thank you for your generosity.

Please see the Annual Parish Financial Statement below for your information.

Please remember the following people in your daily prayers: The Stolzhaus family, Susan Schwab, Cliff Barnes, Blake Oliver Burch, David Gardiner, Joann Plowman, Denise Edelen, Joyce Edelen, Buddy and Peggy Burch, Candice and Miles, Brenda Pilkerton, Sharon Reilly and the Reilly family, Lyn Gibson, Kelly LeSage, Judy LeSage, Peggy and family, Marie Jenkins, Gary Stumpf, Ruth Watson, Van Watson, Pat Kirkland, Eddie Fitzpatrick, Rose Langley, Francis Knott, 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 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

St. Ignatius Church - Annual Parish Financial Report July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021

The most notable feature of our annual report this year is the consistent generosity of parishioners. Despite the extraordinary effects of Covid on the nation and its economy, and the demands of a capital campaign, we are financially healthy and ready to move ahead in parish life and restoration work. Thank you all!

In the initial shut-down for Covid, both the Archdiocese and the Maryland Province of the Jesuits checked to see if we would need to borrow money. Fortunately, even when there were no public Masses in the spring of 2020, many parishioners still mailed in the contributions. We then got started with the on-line giving option and some set up weekly or monthly contributions. We also had reserve funds in both a money-market account at CBTB and investments at Morgan Stanley. We took advantage of a small (\$22,000) forgivable Small Business Administration loan (PPP), which has now been forgiven in the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Over the past two years, our ordinary income has been amazingly consistent. Our regular offertory collection at \$240,785 for the past year was down about only \$2,000. The combined collections from devotions, Easter and Christmas, was \$38, 809. That was down \$4,217 from \$43,026 the year before.

The Restore and Renew Campaign has also continued strong, which gives us a deceptively high total income of \$811,820. Last year, our restoration gifts listed under "building fund" was \$216,601. This year ending June 2021, is \$318,873. The restoration money increases our gross income, but can only be used on the restoration project. The miscellaneous revenues includes various one time specified gifts. These include, offerings at weddings and funerals, contributions for special projects, altar flowers, Christmas and Easter decorations, religious education, and so on.

The difference between the two years for "other revenues" jumped from \$61,192 to \$213,362. It did so for related reasons. Those reasons are not likely to repeat. We received a bequest of \$108,000 last January. Most of that estate gift came in the form of balanced stock investments, which more than doubled our investment account and showed investment gains instantly. It happened to be a great time to have more investments. In June of 2020, our investments had given back a lot of gains, because of the shock to investments in the early stages of Covid. Our investments essentially broke even in June 2020; the increase in investment values was only \$128. The next year, when investor confidence had returned we had \$41,643 increase in investment values by June 2021. The bequest along with the substantial increase in the value of those investments totaled about \$150,000. While we always hope for bequests and capital appreciation, this was an extraordinary year.

ONLINE GIVING Report

Total No. of People who have given online – 78

This includes one time gifts and non parishioners gifts,

Restore/Renew pledge payments, and regular weekly offertory – (monthly amounts through June 30, 2021)

Monthly Amount given online since online giving started in 2020:

April 2020	\$2006	Jan 2021	\$4941
May 2020	\$3175	Feb. 2021	\$6234
June 2020	\$3625	March 2021	\$4915
July 2020	\$4630	April 2021	\$5071
August 2020	\$4410	May 2021	\$9377
Sept. 2020	\$4500	June 2021	\$19520
Oct. 2020	\$3885		
Nov. 2020	\$4459		
Dec. 2020	\$10352	Average gift:	\$91.98

Second Collections: Archdiocese Second Collections Total: \$8038

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Statement of Activities

Annual Report - Summary Income & Expense Summary

June 30, 2021

	YTD Last Year	YTD Actual	Annual Budget	Next Year Annual Budget
Income				
Parish				
Collections Totals:	489,487.65	598,467.92	235,000.00	381,000.00
Other Revenues Totals:	61,192.49	213,352.75	71,709.00	104,520.00
Parish Totals:	550,680.14	811,820.67	306,709.00	485,520.00
Income Totals:	550,680.14	811,820.67	306,709.00	485,520.00
Expense				
Parish				
Parish Life and Worship Totals:	17,253.58	17,315.29	17,200.00	17,200.00
Rectory and Parish Clergy Totals:	85,984.00	78,816.00	78,832.00	85,092.00
Religious Education Totals:	36,906.36	15,482.37	18,400.00	26,462.00
Social Concerns Totals:	4,519.59	4,623.84	6,500.00	5,500.00
Administration Totals:	72,904.49	74,928.88	74,277.00	78,578.00
Physical Plant Totals:	55,091.18	61,628.51	57,500.00	108,188.00
Parish Other Totals:	100,309.40	58,382.22	54,000.00	164,500.00
CHRIS Totals:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Parish Totals:	372,968.60	311,177.11	306,709.00	485,520.00
Expense Totals:	372,968.60	311,177.11	306,709.00	485,520.00
Income - Expense:	177,711.54	500,643.56	0.00	0.00
