MAY 1, 2022 ~ THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

ST. IGNATIUS



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Come enjoy a great dinner with new and old friends while also supporting St. Ignatius Loyola Regional School. *(BYOB)* Great Silent and Live auction items available!

Saturday May 14th - doors open at 5:30 PM *Tickets are \$75 per person* (Can't attend? Bid from home for \$25)

Final date for ticket purchase is: May 6th, 2022

https://stignatiusvikings.ejoinme.org/2022Inspire



Example of some Live Auction Items: One Fantastic Smile donated by ROG Week in Marco Island Viking for a Day

Examples of some of the 150 Silent Auction items: Stunning artwork made by each classroom *(corn hole, serving trays, ...)*, Bourbon Trail Basket, BC Game Ready Basket, Jewelry, Dinner Out *(many gift cards to local restaurants)*, Villanova Tickets, Sports & Movie Memorabilia, etc...



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St. Ignatius Seniors The next monthly meeting of the St. Ignatius Seniors will be

SENIORS TO ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, May 4 at 10:00 AM IN THE ST. IGNATIUS SCHOOL GYM Please note location change.

Richard Polityka, from the Berks History Society, will speak about the History of Penns Commons (City Park) and local monuments. As always refreshments will be served and items will be collected for the Food Pantry. AND the Seniors are taking a Hike. On Thursday, April 28 at 10 AM we will meet and Hike at the Eyes of the Eagle Sensory Trail at the Dry Brooks Day Use Area of Blue Marsh Palisades Drive. Afterwards we will meet for lunch at Blue Marsh Italian Restaurant on Route 183 Questions, please call Barb Kunder 610.763-1383. Membership is always open. Come and join us.

Seniors Bus Trip Annapolis - June 21, 2022

Depart St. Ignatius 7:00 AM / Return St. Ignatius 7:00 PM \$87 per person - Motor coach transportation, Harbor Queen Cruise ticket and driver gratuity.

Fulton Theatre - Jersey Boys - July 20, 2022 Depart St. Ignatius 11:00 AM / Return St. Ignatius 5:30 PM \$121 per person - Motor coach transportation, lunch, show ticket and driver gratuity.

Contact Judy Jablonski at 610.670.0907 or Mail payment to: 113 Primrose Ln. - Reading, PA 19610

Logos and Lagers

All young adults of Berks County ages 18-35 (21 to drink) single, married, Catholic & non-Catholic, are welcomed. We meet monthly at St. Ignatius and St. Catharine's.

Our next event will be Wednesday, May 4th at 6:30 PM at St. Ignatius Led by Fr. Philip Maas, Assistant Pastor - St. Ignatius pmaas@allentowndiocese.org AND Fr. Stephan Isaac, Assistant Pastor - St. Catharine's sisaac@allentowndiocese.org



SAVE THE DAT SUNDAY, CACOOSING ME

Friends of St. Vincent de Paul plan to serve dinner at Opportunity House on Friday, May 13. We are looking for donations of meatloaf to feed 75 clients. If interested in preparing some meatloaf, please leave a message, with contact information, with Mary Ann Reardon at 610.670.5266.

SAVE THE DATE! DOVE DANCE MINISTRY'S performance "Praise His Name 2022" will be held Sunday, June 5, at 3:00 PM. in the St. Ignatius Gym.

ANNUAL PARISH CALENDAR **RESERVATION REOUEST** for Meetings & Events JUNE 2022 to JUNE 2023.

All parish organizations and groups must submit meeting space requirements to the Rectory to ensure reserved meeting space.

Please submit your requests on or before Wednesday, May 18th - by Noon.

Requests MUST include EACH SPECIFIC month & date, time, and room request for EVERY meeting request.

Please email requests to: rectory@stignatiusreading.org with Calendar Request in the subject and include your name and phone number.



Parish Recreational Volleyball has resumed! Each Sunday from 2:30 - 4 PM in the St. Ignatius School Gym.

Parish volleyball, which is always free, fun and competitive, is open to all parishioners & non-parishioners age 13 and above. Parish volleyball will then take place each Sunday until June 7th (unless otherwise noted). Spread the word and bring family and friends!

ADDICTION AWARENESS AND SUPPORT ADDICTION AWARENESS & SUPPORT MINISTRY

Treating the person with the substance abuse disorder and the family as a whole is vital for an individual's ongoing recovery. There is help available.

For treatment contact:

- Caron Treatment Center •
- Reading Health System
 - AA

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(Tower Health) 484.628.8186 610.373.6500

800.854.6023

To speak to someone from this Ministry, please call the Rectory at 610.678.3767.

| Announced Masses for the Week | |
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| Monday, May 2 nd - Sunday, May 8 th | |
| Monday, May 2 - St. Athanasius | |
| 6:30 a.m. | Karl Pfeiffenberger |
| 8:00 a.m. | Albert Shiner |
| 9:00 a.m. | Susan Krammer |
| Tuesday, May 3 - Ss. Philip & James | |
| 6:30 a.m. | Joseph & Theresia Koch |
| 8:00 a.m. | Stanley Romanowski |
| Wednesday, May 4 | |
| 6:30 a.m. | Louis & Nancy Godek |
| 8:00 a.m. | Harold J. Fasig - 3 rd Anniversary of Death |
| Thursday, May 5 | |
| 6:30 a.m. | Holy Souls in Purgatory |
| 8:00 a.m. | Jean Koch |
| Friday, May 6 | |
| | Joseph Thinh Doan |
| 8:00 a.m. | Gene Klinger |
| 7:00 p.m. | St. Ignatius Memorial Society Members |
| Saturday, May 7 | |
| 8:00 a.m. | Robert & Ruby Koueiki |
| 4:00 p.m. | Michael Paul Zampelli |
| Sunday, May 8 - Fourth Sunday of Easter | |
| 7:30 a.m. | Leon Crupi |
| | Jerry Lesanski |
| 10:30 a.m. | Our Parishioners |
| 12:00 noon | Rosemarie Calvaresi |
| 5:30 p.m. | Frances Gekoski |

GOSPEL MESSAGE

Jesus appears to seven of His disciples, among them Peter who proclaims his unfailing love for the Lord. Jesus commissions him to feed the sheep. Later, in the face of persecution, Peter and the apostles proclaim the name of Jesus, the Lamb who was slain and who rescues us from death.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells Peter again and again, "If you love Me, feed my sheep." He says the same to each of us, "If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve your brothers and sisters."

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MAY 07/08

Acts 13:14, 43 - 52 / Rev 7:9, 14b - 17 / Jn 10:27- 30

Sundays at 3:00 PM in our Chapel THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

will be recited. *All are welcomed! Join us! If you would like information or would like to learn more about praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet or praying the Rosary please call Jim Corson at 610.413.0949.*

PAGE 3 St. Ignatius Loyola Bereavement Support Group Free • Non-denominational • Open to All This support group is for those grieving the death of a loved one. The group offers an opportunity to come together to work through the grieving process with the help and support of others who have experienced this difficult journey. Dates: May: 3, 10 6:30 - 8:00 PM Time: Location: Parish Education Ctr. Room #128 To register or for more information: Donna Levanti - 610.670.1272 or the Rectory. ADULT ALTAR SERVER FUNERAL MINISTRY This ministry is open to adult men and women, age 18 and older, who will be tasked with serving Funeral Masses on weekdays & special circumstances. This ministry offers the opportunity to perform Corporal and Spiritual works of Mercy while serving our brothers and sisters in Christ during their final Mass, as well as offering

comfort and compassion to their families. If interested in joining this ministry, please contact the Rectory at 610.678.3767. New server training / returning server refresher training will be late April with consideration given to the availability of those who volunteer. Please consider becoming part

of this sacred ministry.

THIS WEEK... LET US PRAY....

For those who long for the equality of all persons, that their dedication to the unborn, the old, he condemned, and the forgotten, may grow every day.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION DEVOTIONS St. Paul - 9th & Walnut Streets, Reading First Friday - May 6th - 4-5 PM All are welcomed!

Join us at St. Ignatius Church for a Community Rosary Novena Every First Saturday of the Month - 12 Noon *

For:

- Ukraina
- Ukraine World Peace
- First Saturday Reparation Intentions for the Blessed Mother

* May 7- 2:00 PM to accommodate 1st Communion

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Visit our website: stignatiusreading.org

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BASKETS OF LOVE Please join the St. Ignatius Columbiettes for the 2nd Annual "Baskets of Love".

Collecting items for the young ladies of *"Mary's Shelter"*. Donations accepted in a box in the First Aid/Brides Room in Church April 24th through May 15th.

- Baby Books
- Baby Bottles
- Baby Wash/Shampoo/Lotion (NO oil or powder please)



- Bassinet Sheets
- Blankets
- Crib Sheets
- Diapers All sizes (Newborn Size 6)
- Formula Similac
- Nail Clippers

Socks

- New Underwear (2T 10/12)
- Pull-Ups All sizesPuzzle Books



• Toys - Baby to Age 8

Please check our website regularly for current and upcoming events and important Parish announcements. Visit our website: stignatiusreading.org

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

We are looking for young people interested in serving at the Altar of the Lord!

Open to St. Ignatius youth currently in grades 4 – 11.

Training will take place in our Church on May 19th & May 20th - 3:45 - 5:00 PM.

Please call or email the Rectory for information and to reserve your spot - 610.678.3767 or altarservers@stignatiusreading.org.

New Parishioners, welcome to St. Ignatius! Are you officially registered in our parish? If you are not receiving our offering envelopes or the AD Times in the mail you may not be registered. To register, visit the Rectory Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 5 PM. You must be a registered parishioner for 3 months to:

- serve as a sacramental Godparent or Sponsor
 - begin Marriage Preparation
 - have your child/children Baptized.

Sincere thanks for the Easter Blessings

We are so blessed as a Parish and that means having you here! We are blessed with wonderful clergy and a diligent staff that helped prepare us for a beautiful Triduum and our Easter liturgies. We are also grateful for everyone who worked so hard behind the scenes to clean, decorate, and set up our Church for the Paschal Feast. We are thankful for the choirs and the angelic music and all of our ministers serving in their specialized capacities. We are blessed with those who organized our Lenten Confessions and the Priest-Confessors and for so many of you who took advantage of this healing Sacrament. We are blessed with seven new Catholics who joined us at the Easter Vigil and grateful for those who walked with them through this process.

The Parish Priests are also so grateful to so many of you who thought of them with greeting cards and graced us with such delicious Easter gifts of candy, bacon, breads and goodies. We are most thankful though for our Lord God, who sent His Son Jesus to die for our salvation and then raised Him to new life to reveal to the faithful this same destiny.

Let us continue to live our faith in communion with Jesus so that we may one day share in His divine life.

"Christmas in July" Coming Soon!



St. Ignatius Theatre Group



Based on the book by Barbara Robinson

AUDITIONS

(Open to youth ages 7-18) Thursday, May 12th - 6 PM, in St. Ignatius School Auditorium - Bring a friend! Rehearsals begin June 13 and Multi-media (film and live) performances will be July 22-24 in St. Ignatius Church.

For more information call or email Carol Toomey: 610.777.0900 or rainbowact@aol.com

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SAVE TIME & MONEY

Spend less time, and use a lot fewer checks by signing up for our electronic stewardship program (ESP). Your weekly or monthly contributions can be withdrawn automatically from your checking account. It works in the same manner as automatic payments to a utility or mortgage company. This is a completely optional program. If you would like to avail yourself of this opportunity, please complete the direct debit form below and mail it to the Rectory or drop it into the collection **basket in a sealed envelope marked "ESP".**

Contributions can be made *weekly* (Mondays) *or monthly* (1st Monday of the month). Since this program is not yet available for Holy Days or special collections, envelopes will continue to be distributed unless you wish otherwise. If you have any questions, please call Terry at the Rectory at 610-678-3767.

ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA CHURCH AUTHORIZATION FOR DIRECT DEBIT OF WEEKLY OR MONTHLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Address

(Street, Route, P.O. Box)

(City State Zip Code)

Telephone Number

Parish Envelope Number

IF KNOWN

ELECTION

(check one & indicate amount to be debited from your account): Weekly contribution of \$ _____, beginning Monday __/ __/ __ Monthly contribution of \$ _____, beginning Monday* __/ __/ __ * *Monthly contributions will be deducted on the first Monday of the month.*

I (we) hereby authorize St. Ignatius Loyola Parish to debit funds, in the amount and frequency listed above, from the account at the Financial Institution designated on the attached voided check, and to initiate credit entries and adjustments for any debit entries in error to that account. I (we) acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my (our) account must comply with provisions of U.S. law. This authorization will remain in effect until the Parish has received written notification from me (or either of us) of its termination in such time and in such manner as to afford the Parish and Financial Institution a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Signature _____

Date

PLEASE ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK (PLEASE <u>DO NOT</u> ATTACH DEPOSIT TICKET)

ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA MEMORIAL SOCIETY

After the death of a loved one, more and more people are considering a lasting memorial gift given to their parish in memory of the deceased. Memorials also may be given in lieu of flowers or other charity. For details please call the Rectory.

ST. IGNATIUS SCHOOL TUITION ANGEL SPONSOR Help a St. Ignatius student in need of tuition assistance. If you would like to donate:

Donate any amount in memory of someone who has died, in honor of a special occasion or just make a charitable donation to help defray the cost of tuition for a St. Ignatius student. Donations payable to St. Ignatius School.

FRIENDS OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

The mission of the FOSVDP Society at St. Ignatius is to help our parishioners and neighbors who may need temporary financial assistance. Please contact the Rectory to request assistance / refer a family in need. *All information is held in the strictest confidence.*

DONATIONS TO: *THE MEMORIAL SOCIETY*

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Kevin & Donna Wright

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GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

In today's Gospel, we find the Apostles dejected and discouraged following the death of our Lord. Poor Peter decides to throw in the towel on the whole disciple thing and go back to his old way of life, declaring, "I'm going fishing." Upon hearing this, the other disciples follow him. How easy it is for all of us to backslide on changes we have made in our lives, especially when it comes to our spiritual lives. But look how Jesus treats the disciples during their "backslide." He is right there with them in the midst of it, already waiting for them on the shore when they come back from their unsuccessful return to the fishing business (after abandoning their mission as disciples). Our Lord greets them tenderly, gives them some fishing pointers, and then prepares their breakfast. How gracious He is to them!

He is just as gracious today. When we find ourselves "out at sea" - discouraged by our failures or for squandering the gifts God has given us, or simply by a lack of progress in our faith life, Jesus is with us! He is calling to us from the shore to come back to Him without shame or embarrassment, but with hope-filled trust in His steadfast love. He never tires of offering "do-overs" if we just keep returning to Him.

This constant process of turning back to the Lord, of reevaluating our goals and priorities as we aim for Heaven, is the essence of a stewardship way of life. Let us take heart as we continue our journey today, secure in the knowledge that Jesus is beside us every step of the way.

Thank you for your continued support and donations!

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please contact Clare Hollenbacher at 610.678.0864 to make arrangements for altar flowers in loving memory of someone or for a special occasion.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Recently, Western Berks Shepherding has had a big increase in new clients seeking our transportation services.



We are in need of new adult volunteers to drive our clients to local medical appointments. Volunteers can choose when and where they wish to drive as well as how often. Ministries It is a great way to volunteer that is flexible, very little commitment and extremely rewarding!!!!

For more information, please contact us at:484.294.7394 or WesternBerksShepherding@gmail.com.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM, 12 Noon, & 5:30 PM

Daily: Monday through Friday: 6:30 & 8:00 AM Saturday: 8:00 AM

First Friday: 7:00 PM

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER / ADORATION - CHAPEL Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesdays after 8:00 AM Mass until 10 PM AND

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesdays 6:00 AM until 7 PM Evening Prayer & Benediction

Reconciliation/Confession:

Saturday - 3:00 - 4:00 PM - Church Confessionals

Baptism: By Individual Family and By Appointment until July Baptism Seminar: First Sunday of each month - May 1st - 1:30 PM. Seminar attendance is required for parents before Baptism. Please call the Rectory at 610.678.3767 to register for the Seminar.

DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT INFORMATION

OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W, M.S. Secretary, Youth Protection and Catholic Human Services P.O. Box F, Allentown, PA 18105-1538 610.871.5200 ext. 2204 or prusso@allentowndiocese.org

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