

JULY 4, 2021 ~ FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. IGNATIUS



FR. PHILIP MAAS

**WELCOME TO OUR
TWO NEWLY ASSIGNED
ASSOCIATE PASTORS**



FR. ZACHARY WEHR

ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA RECTORY
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Meet Father Philip Maas

He is the only child of James and Sandra Maas. He grew up in Center Valley, PA where his parents still reside. His father, one of nine, is originally from Berwyn, PA and his mother, one of three, from Malvern, PA. Father grew up in Assumption B.V.M. Parish, Colesville, and attended St. Michael the Archangel School. He graduated from Allentown Central Catholic High School in 2009 and from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 2013 with his Bachelor's in Electrical Engineering and a minor in Studio Arts. Following college, he moved to Allentown and, after working for Lutron Electronics in Coopersburg for two years, entered St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook, where he graduated with an M.A. in Theology. He was ordained a priest on June 5, 2021 by Bishop Alfred Schlert.

In high school, Father was involved in Science Olympiad, Scholastic Scrimmage, campus ministry, and ski club. He was also a member of his parish's Boy Scout troop and attained the rank of Eagle Scout in 2007. In college he was active in the Newman Club and served as Grand Knight of his college council of the Knights of Columbus and was a brother of Sigma Chi. Father enjoys playing golf and fishing in the summer and skiing in the winter. He likes to work with his hands and always finds something to fix or different projects to keep him busy, including working on his motorcycle.

Father began to discern a call to the priesthood after a profound moment in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on a retreat his senior year of high school. After many years of both discernment and indecision, he came to accept that the only way to know if one is called is to present oneself to the Church. He did so, was accepted to seminary, and is grateful to God for the gift of his priesthood!

St. Ignatius FACILITIES DEPARTMENT PARTIME SUMMER HELP NEEDED

FLEXIBLE HOURS - Work in Church and School
Please call the Rectory at 610.678.3767 if interested.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Job openings in St. Ignatius Loyola School:

Kindergarten teacher

3rd grader teacher (2)

5th grade teacher

Full time Special Education teacher

Part time Computer teacher

Part time Spanish teacher

Extended Care workers

Please contact Mrs. Wood by phone at 610.678.0111
or by email cwood@stignatiusvikings.org.

Meet Father Zachary Wehr

Father Zachary Wehr is the son of Dennis and Kathleen Wehr. He was born and raised in the Lehigh Valley area and most of his family still live there today. Father Zach has one younger sister, Emily, who just completed her journeyman apprenticeship and is now a licensed Master Plumber. Father Zach's mom works for St. Luke's Health Network as a Medical Biller and his sister and dad work together in the family plumbing business.

Father Zach graduated from Whitehall High School in 2009 and after graduation began his studies at East Stroudsburg University as a History and Secondary Education major. In the Fall of 2011, Father Zach transferred to St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia where he began his priestly formation. He graduated from St. Charles Borromeo College Seminary in 2014 with a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy. He continued his priestly formation at St. Charles Borromeo Theological Seminary in Philadelphia and graduated in 2019 with a Master of Arts in Theology. Father Zach was ordained by His Excellency, Bishop Alfred Schlert on June 1, 2019 at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena in Allentown. His first priestly assignment was at St. Catharine of Siena Church in Reading, Pennsylvania.

Father Zach served as an Altar Server for many years at his home parish and while in High School he assisted his mom in teaching CCD. He was a member of the Science Olympiad Team in both Middle School and High School and attended the Pennsylvania State Science Olympiad Tournament on a number of occasions. He was also very active in the Boy Scouts of America and achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in 2009.

In his free time, Father Zach enjoys spending time with his family and friends. He also loves to cook and is always willing to try his hand at creating a new dish. Father Zach enjoys singing as well as listening to a wide array of musical genres. He loves the outdoors and enjoys camping, hiking, fishing and shooting as well as playing golf and skiing when the weather is right. While it is true that Father Zach is a better golfer than Father Maas, it is also true that Father Maas is a much better skier than Father Zach will ever be!

Father Zach had considered a vocation to the priesthood from an early age. Although he initially pursued a career in education, he quickly realized that the Lord was calling him to something different. Father Zach credits his growing up as a Catholic, serving as an altar server and great priestly examples from his childhood as inspirations for his decision to enter the Seminary. Father Zach is grateful that the Lord has called him to be a priest of Jesus Christ and is excited to continue his journey here at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish. He looks forward to meeting all of the wonderful people of St. Ignatius and serving as one of their new spiritual fathers. Fr. Zach truly believes the words of our patron St. Ignatius that, "Love consists in sharing what one has and what one is with those one loves." He is moved by the great faith and devotion that he has seen here since arriving, and looks forward to sharing himself with those whom God has called him to love here at his new parish assignment.

Announced Masses for the Week

Monday, July 5th Sunday, July 11th

Monday, July 12

6:30 a.m.

8:00 a.m. Gordon Allison - 1st Anniversary of Death

Tuesday, July 13

6:30 a.m. Paul & Helen Yonkovitch

8:00 a.m. Nicholas Fasig

Wednesday, July 14

6:30 a.m. Dean Alegado

8:00 a.m. Lloyd Wolf

Thursday, July 15

6:30 a.m. Anna Marabella

8:00 a.m. Ernie & Anne Piro

Friday, July 16

6:30 a.m. Madonna Lovelace

8:00 a.m. Irene Yuskovic

Saturday, July 17

8:00 a.m. Loretta Deren

4:00 p.m. George & Theresa Katchur

Sunday, June 18 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Laino & DiSpirito Families

9:00 a.m. Our Parishioners

10:30 a.m. Manuel & Magdalena Fernandes

12:00 noon Brendan Lackman

5:30 p.m. The Bogdan Family

Ushers & Emergency Team Assistance Needed

Some time ago our parish established an Emergency Management Team to provide an independent and watchful eye over our congregation and parish facilities during Masses and other events. The team could use additional volunteers especially at the noon and 5:30 PM Masses. Ushers and EMT members work together to serve our parishioners by helping to assure their safety and security during Mass.

Please consider supporting our team and volunteering for either role.

Contact Gary Wheeler at 610.246.6900 or Mike Marcellus at 484.797.7914 for additional information.

Please join the **St. Ignatius Columbiettes** and support our campaign **"Helping the Homeless Young Boys"** at **Mary's Shelter**. Donations accepted in our Church Narthex **June 14 through July 26**



Suggested items to donate:

toothbrushes	toothpaste
deodorant	razors
shaving cream	socks
t-shirts	sweat shirts

Confirmation

AT ST. IGNATIUS HAS BEEN SCHEDULED:

Monday, October 18, 2021 - 4:30 PM



GOSPEL MESSAGE

Jesus is met with misgivings and rejection by His own relations. Like them, we often resist the prophetic word because of an obstinacy of heart, rooted in a self-pride which must give way to weakness and powerlessness.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

During this time, we celebrate the independence of our country. We would do well to echo the psalmist, saying, "Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for His mercy." May we always recognize and use wisely the gifts of freedom and abundance He has showered upon us.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JULY 10/01

Am 7: 12 - 15 / Eph 1: 3 - 14 / Mk 6: 7 - 13

ADDICTION AWARENESS AND SUPPORT

ADDICTION AWARENESS & SUPPORT MINISTRY

We need to begin to view the 40+ million Americans who are harmfully using substances through the same lens that we use for other chronic diseases. We need to consider a *relapse* as a recurrence of the disease that should be addressed through a new treatment plan, much like our approach to cancer.

There is help and there is hope.

Please reach out to the following agencies for help.

For treatment contact:

- **Caron Treatment Center 800.854.6023**
- **Reading Health System (Tower Health) 484.628.8186**
- **AA 610.373.6500**

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

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Parish Ministries and Contacts

Addiction Awareness Ministry:
Rectorry 610.678.3767

Altar Servers:
Rectorry 610.678.3767

Apostles of the Rosary
(Rosary Leaders): (*Weekend*)
Sue Vallone 610.670.9273

Baptismal Program:
Rectorry 610.678.3767

Berks Heim Bingo:
(*Second Tuesday*)
Joan Marello 610.714.0016

Bereavement Ministry:
Caryle Brayton 610.678.6751

Bible Sharing Groups:
Thursday Morning Women's Group
Marilyn Alberts 610.743.4301

Boy Scouts of America
Troop #430 (*Monday*):
David Beougher 610.743.5329

Catholic Soup Kitchen:
William & Susan Heffner
610.670.5457

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO):
Chris Stirr 610.207.8551

Childrens Liturgy of the Word:
Teresa Cunningham
610.750.5427

Church Cleaners:
(*Friday Mornings*)
Joyce Laino 610.678.1149

Church Decorators:
Rectorry 610.678.3767

Columbiettes:
Tracey Lamoreux 215.901.6395

Cub Scouts Pack #862:
Wayne Roffer 860.916.4774

Eucharistic Adoration:
Sheryl Lanciano 610.678.0676

Flowers for Altar and Weddings:
Clair Hollenbacher 610.678.0864

Funeral Ministry:
Amy Brown 484.336.8074

Home & School Association Advisory Board:
(*First Tuesday*)
Troy Pankowski 610.927.5882

Hospital Visitors:
Rectorry 610.678.3767

Kings Men:
David Ross 610.678.3552

Knights of Columbus:
(*Second and Fourth Monday*)
Ray Newmaster 610.401.1876

Lectors:
Michael Duff 610.678.6784

Legion of Mary:
Jake/Gina Gonzales 610.670.1429

Men's Bible Study:
Jeremy Clark 610.750.7875

Music Director:
Michael Adams 610.914.9607
Traditional Choir:
Michael Adams 610.914.9607
Holy Family Choir:
Gina Gonzales 610.670.1429
Contemporary Choir:
Chip Adams 484.256.6704

New Parishioners:
Deacon Ed Sanders 610.678.3767

**Nurturing Needles/
Prayer Shawl Ministry:**
Sharon Moyer 610.670.0934

Parish Life:
Sheryl Lanciano 610.678.0676

Parish Nurses:
Jean Gerhard 610.678.3757.

Pastoral Care Ministry:
Rectorry 610.678.3767

Parish Greeters:
Kristin Herbein 610.927.3170

Prayer Group:
Gerri Frink 610.678.1604

PREP / Religious Education:
610.678.0676

Seniors Group:
(*First Wednesday*)
Barb Kunder 610.763.1383

**Special Ministers
of the Eucharist:**
Neal Swarmer 610.670.2678

St. Gianna Pro Life
(Respect Life): (*Third Thursday*)
Jeff Leoni 610.780.5485

**St. Ignatius Loyola Regional
School (and Pre-Kindergarten):**
Carolyn Wood, Principal
610.678.0111

St. Teresa Dove Dancers:
Linda Petsu 610.693.5160

**Friends of St. Vincent de Paul
Society: (*Second Monday*)**
Vicky/Cathy 610.678.3767

Food Pantry: (*Fourth Thursday*)
Diane Duff 610.678.6784

Transportation:
Donna Unger 610.743.4905

Ushers:
Michael Marcellus 484.797.7914

**Well Within Women's
Spirituality Group:**
Linda Petsu 610.693.5160

Youth Ministry:
Tim Wood
Religious Education Office
610.678.0676



**WE WELCOME OUR
RECENTLY BAPTIZED**

CARSE	LIEB
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FOSKEY	THOMAS
	ZALEWSKI

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS
OUR RECENTLY DECEASED**



DOROTHY BIGOS
JOHN & LORETTA CHELIUS
JOYCE DERER
CARL DRAGONETTE, SR.
MARY KRATSAS
FREDERICK ORTH

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OUR NEW
FAMILIES/PARISHIONERS**



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Come and be a part of something special!
Berks Catholic H. S. is seeking enthusiastic teachers to join our BC family in the following academic areas:
Full-Time English – Grades 9-12
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Full-Time Spanish – Grades 9-12
Teachers looking to apply should have the appropriate certifications and background checks.
Please see our website for more information:
www.berkscatholic.org/employment
Please email a copy of your resume, clearances and references to Head of School, Mr. William Hess at bhess@berkscatholic.org or fax to 610.374.4309.

PRAYER TO SAINT 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.

The **LEAD** Men's Ministry is changing up the format for the summer. We will be discussing C.S. Lewis' classic work, "The Screwtape Letters," a couple chapters at a time on Mondays evenings 6:30 - 8:00 PM in the JPll Room. All are welcomed. Attend any or all of the discussions. For more information, contact Steve Henshaw at 484.706.2206.

THIS WEEK... LET US PRAY...

For those who work to defend the lives of the unborn, the sick, the infirm, and the aged, those who defend humanity's inalienable right to life.

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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.

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.

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.**

God's Plan For Giving

Our readings today remind us to live our lives in total surrender to God's care.

The Gospel recounts when Jesus instructs His twelve apostles to begin their missionary work two by two. He encouraged them to take very little — a walking stick and sandals.

If you can recall a time you packed for a trip, or even left the house for a day's travel, you might remember making a list or packing days in advance. We tend to pack so we know we will be comfortable.

If we extend this concept of "comfort" into other areas of our lives, we will most likely find a few instances where we ensure life is comfortable. It could be buying extra food at the grocery store, making sure we have the most updated technology, or even feeling safe in our bank accounts.

It is not bad to have extra food in the pantry or a new phone. And it isn't bad to save money. These things can be good when used properly. But what if we are looking to these things for comfort, security or even happiness?

Imagine if Jesus approached you and said, "Go out and do my work, but you can only bring a walking stick and shoes." Would you be willing to surrender all the rest?

A key component of living out our call as Christian stewards is total surrender. It is trusting in God during our best moments and our hardest. It is looking to Him for security, comfort and happiness.

Reflect on the ways you might be looking for comfort in the things of this world. Tangibly find a way to become independent from that "thing" so that you can become more dependent on God.

Thank you for your continued support and donations!



ALTAR FLOWERS

Please call Clare Hollenbacher at 610.678.0864 to make arrangements to donate flowers in memory of or honor of someone or for a special occasion.

Western Berks Shepherding Ministries

is getting busier with client transports and have lost some volunteers this past year. A few new faces could help keep up with the transport requests. Anyone interested in signing up or would like more information, please call 484.294.7394 or email us at westernberksshepherding@gmail.com.



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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 YEAR-ROUND
5:30 PM Advent/Lent ONLY

Saturday: 8:00 AM

First Friday: 7:00 PM ~ 5:30 PM during Advent / Lent

Eucharistic Day of Prayer: Tuesdays

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after
8:00 AM Mass until 10 PM Night Prayer & Benediction

Eucharistic Day of Prayer: Wednesdays

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after
8:00 AM Mass until 7 PM Evening Prayer & Benediction

Reconciliation/Confession: BY APPOINTMENT
PLEASE CALL 610.678.3767

Baptism: By Individual Family and By Appointment

Baptism Seminar: Currently via ZOOM by appointment.

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

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Secretary, Youth Protection and Catholic Human Services

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