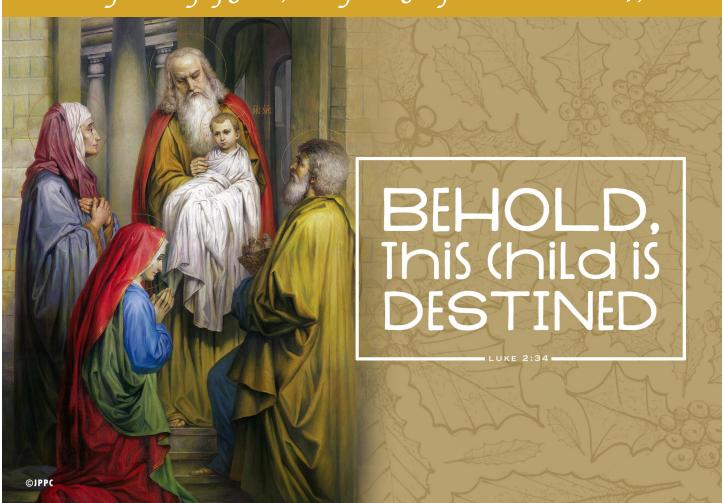


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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 27, 2020



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 6:00PM

Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00AM *Special Schedules for Holy Days

PERPETUAL ADORATION

The chapel will remain closed at this time for Perpetual Adoration. Please see page 4 regarding Eucharistic Adoration in our main church.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 to 5:00PM

Confessions will also be heard upon request. Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday—CLOSED

*Monday-Friday 9:00AM—4:00PM

Saturday—CLOSED

(*Please see details on page 2)



Sunday December 27, 2020

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22, 39-40

7:30AM Dorothy and Peter Kelly Jr. (Diane and Bill Costello)

9:30AM Krystel Eladm (Najat and Emil Abinader) 11:30AM Harold "Buzz" Taylor (Joan Taylor) 6:00PM All Living and Deceased Parishioners

Monday December 28, 2020 1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18 9:00AM Mary A. Fazzalore (Frank Fazzalore)

Tuesday December 29, 2020 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35 9:00AM Alice Crowner (James and Monica Walsh)

Wednesday December 30, 2020 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40 9:00AM Elinore M. Aiello (The Koerner Family)

Thursday December 31, 2020
1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18
9:00AM Dorothy Miller Paullin (The Miller Family)
5:15PM Deceased Members of the Humphrey and
Keefe Family (Tom and Lorriane Humphrey)

Friday January 1, 2021 Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21 9:00AM The LaMantia Family (Family)

Saturday January 2, 2021 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28 **5:15PM Juliet C. Sommer (Pat Shandley)**

Sunday January 3, 2021Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

7:30AM The Pryor Family / living
(Joesph and Lesia Pryor)
9:30AM Michael Fanelli III (The Fanelli Family)
11:30AM Frances and Louis Frease
(The DiRienzo - Paglione Family)
6:00PM Dominick P. Bartenope Jr. (Julie Young)

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Church Sanctuary Candle burns in loving memory of Erik Nally requested by The Nally Family.





December 27, 2020 The Holy Family Jesus, Mary, and Joesph

Reading I: Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14

Fidelity to the Lord implies many virtues. Chief among them is our duties toward our parents. The traditional blessings are then listed.

Reading II: Colossians 3: 12-21

This section is an early baptismal instruction. It describes the Christian community which a new member embraces through his/her baptism.

The Gospel: Luke 2: 22, 39-40

This section points out the necessity of the Nazareth years in Jesus' life. It was there that He grew strong in the full experience of a human nature. In that way, He could bring the Spirit of God into contact with every area of our lives.

RECTORY HOURS

The rectory office is open Monday through Friday from 9AM until 4PM. All other times will be by appointment only. For your protection, and the protection of the staff, we ask that all persons over the age of 2 wear a mask while in the rectory. Please do not hesitate to contact us at 215-493-3377 or contact@stignatius.church before you stop by as most things can still be accomplished with a phone call.

Ministerial Staff

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Whether it's your first time here or you have been coming to Mass here for years, we welcome you to join our parish. Please contact the rectory to register.

We welcome the Bayliss, Begvall, Blessing, Capaci, Fiorelli, Galvis, Harris, Johnson, Mahony, Miller, Murphy/Zambon, Myers, Noel-Spence, Ranallo, and Werez Families who have recently joined our parish community.



The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on Sundays at 12:45PM. Pre-Jordan class, for the first child only, is required for parents. Class is held on the first Monday of the month at 7:00PM in room 2B on the 2nd floor of the Meeting Center. Parents, please call the rectory to register for the class or for a Baptism.

We welcome Livia Kate Erb, Dominic Aloysius Gilroy, Harrison Charles Amann, Isabel Declyn Bingham, Brynn Elizabeth Karo, John Francis Miller, John Carl Marcinkowski, Charlotte Catherine Woodley, Louisa Anne Hosler, Sarah Juliette Fucich, Wade Douglas Files, Nathan Anthony Cooper, Quinn Marie Covely, Griffin James Covely, Jack Francis Nicastro, Greta Sophie Mancuso, Daniel Edward Davidson, Mark Guszti Davidson, Rikardo Francis Davidson, Zachary Michael Bergvall, and Madeline Vaughan Murphy who have recently been baptized into our Catholic Faith.

FISCAL CORNER

2020-2021 Annual Parish Appeal

If you have not yet contributed to our 2020-2021 parish appeal, there are only a few more days left for your donation to count in 2020. Right now we are at \$102,240.71 or 68.16% of this year goal and can only reach our goal of \$150,000 with your help! This critical parish financial appeal will run through the end of January. This is one of our largest sources of income, aside from our normal Sunday collections, and is greatly needed for the daily operation of our parish. If you need an appeal envelope, they are located in the entrances of the church. Please return your donation by placing this year's appeal envelope in the collection basket at Mass. You may also mail your contribution or drop it off directly to the rectory. Thank you for your generosity!

Our Nativity set is almost complete! We have sponsorship opportunities available for the Ox (which we have already purchased) - \$3,000, the woman shepherd - \$3,000 and the Camel - \$5,000. If you are interested in sponsoring one of these pieces, please give the rectory a call!



 12/15/2019
 12/13/2020

 Sunday Offering
 \$ 18,444.50
 390
 \$ 13,060.00
 193

 Online Parish Giving
 \$ 5,959.50
 \$ 10,040.71

 Total Weekly Contribution
 \$ 24,404.00
 \$ 23,100.71

Due to the Christmas Holy Day, last weekend's collection will appear in next weekend's bulletin.





SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD MASS SCHEDULE

On Friday, January 1st we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated on Thursday, December 31st at 5:15PM and Friday, January 1st at 9:00AM.

RECTORY OFFICE HOLY DAY CLOSURES

Wednesday 12/30 Open 9am to 12pm Thursday 12/31 - Closed Friday 1/1 - Closed Please RAY
for the sick of our parish and
those that care for them

Lord hear our prayer for the sick in our community that they return to the comfort of good health:

Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Baby Brianna, Lorraine C., Rich C., Ruthann Carroll, Roberto Carvajal, Brynn Clare Connor, Evelyn Conway, Stacie Crane, Mary C. Crawford, Rose Ann Grall, Jonathan Grubb, Madeline Guarnieri, Lou Gunkel, Charles Jacobson, Nathan Kilgore, Michael Kotwicki, Dave Maclay, Sean Marriott, Toni McConnell, Pam McGrath, Dorothy McMullen, Baby Eva McNamara, Christine Nassar, Nabil Nassar, Carolyn Rupprecht, Irene Schuka, Walter Shimp, Darwin Stout, Catherine Torres, Edward Torres, Anne Warchol.

Brian Basheda, Daniel Basheda, Matthew Bauer, Melissa Bishop, Christian Blaydon, Erik Bresnahan, For our Sara Brill, Mark Buckley, Michael Joseph Buckley, Brad Bullman, Evan Cumming, Brent Cummings,

Kevin O'Brien Darby, Staten DeTample, Andrew Dill, Ronald Ernst, Anthony Fuscarello, Rick Fuschetti, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Jonathan Grubb, Edward Hill, David & Christine (Kawoczka) Krueger, Matthew Krall, Justin Kumor, Daniel LaMorte, Thomas LaMorte, Marty Alexie Leonard, Nels Alexie Leonard, Matt Leonardo, James Limer, Matthew Listner, Michael Lowe, W. Kyle Magrisi, Joseph Marchand, Greg Marolo, Matthew McGurk, Phil Melandez, Chris Merrick, David Morgan, Kevin Nash, Stephen Neder, Fred Olivari, John O'Rourke, John Parente, J.C. Peabody, Laura Perazzola, Gregory B. Procaccini, Jason Propst, Matthew Rieser, Brett Ryan, Luke Stapleton, James Tams, Scott Toro, John Worman.

JRNEY PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Gof God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, Andrew Lane, Philip Cheung, Erik Reyes, Anthony Albanese, and Juan Builes, to pre-

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HEED THE CALL

pare for the priesthood. Grant them the grace to grow closer to You through daily prayer. Help them form their personalities as credible witnesses to others. Bless them while they study Your word and the teachings of the Church, and give them generous hearts to serve Your people. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our great High

Priest. Amen

To learn more about our seminarians visit http://heedthecall.org/poster/



Pray for our beloved deceased especially those who have no one to pray for them, and the Holy Souls in purgatory.



The Children's Liturgy of the Word has resumed with safety measures in place. All participants will be asked to wear masks/face shields. The children will be spaced six feet apart while we process downstairs at the start of Children's Liturgy and again while we process upstairs afterwards. In addition, we will set up the worship space on the floor of the auditorium to provide additional room to spread the children. The children will sit on individual mats that will be disinfected each week. Siblings will be permitted to sit next to one another, if they choose, but all other participants will be spaced six feet apart. For the time being, leaflets will not be distributed. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mary Alice LaMorte at malamorte@verizon.net at any time. We look forward to an interactive Children's Liturgy with your children once again!



~A Legacy of Faith and Family~

Telephone: 215-493-3867 Email: mrschrenk@sischool.org St. Ignatius of Antioch School, a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, is a small private Catholic school founded by the Sisters of St. Francis in 1958. As part of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, we provide an academically rigorous, core curriculum, faith-based education to the families of St. Ignatius of Antioch parish and the surrounding area. We emphasize academics, a wide range of activities, and the latest in classroom technology. We achieve a close family environment where students are committed to Christian values, high academic skills and a positive self-image.

Mr. John Schrenk, Principal - mrschrenk@sischool.org Mr. Jake Wild, Assistant Principal - mrwild@sischool.org Mrs. Helene Crozier, School Secretary - office@sischool.org Mrs. Jackie Madden, School Secretary - office@sischool.org



From the Religious Education Office ... The PREP office is open from Sundays through Thursdays. I am in the Antioch Center (old rectory) on Sundays and weekday evenings.

Religious Education PREP REGISTRATION:

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) is for children in Grades K to 8. PREP classes are being held remotely at the present time. Parents can find the lessons on the parish website. (Go to stignatius.church, and then click on PREP. The grade levels will come up, so click on the level you want. Finish up by completing the Interactive Session Review and send results to Mrs. Perini's email – lperini@stignatius.church). Each class's lesson will be available for 3 weeks only. Then the next lesson will replace it. Registered families can communicate with the teachers by email. If you missed registration, please stop in our office or call us (215-493-5204) to receive the registration form by email.

<u>Special Needs:</u> Parents, are you aware that we have a PREP class for students with special needs? If we could help to give your child a religious education in a small group environment, please call Annmarie at 215-493-5204.

8th Grade Students: Our program this year is Matthew Kelly's Decision Point. Parents, please encourage your 8th graders to continue their study of God and his Church. Confirmation is not graduation from learning about God; this is a lifetime commitment.

SACRAMENTS:

***FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION: If you missed the informational Parent Meeting for First Penance/Holy Communion, we will have a Zoom meeting on Thursday, January 7, at 7:00 p.m. I will email you the link earlier that day. For those of you who were not at the in-person meeting, I will also email you the informational papers earlier that week. First Penance will take place on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. First Communion is scheduled for Saturday, April 17, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. Mass and 12:00 noon Mass.

CONFIRMATION:

***If you missed the Zoom Parent Meeting for Confirmation, I did send out the kids' paperwork that is due no later than January 31. If you need me to email it again, just let me know. Confirmation is scheduled for Saturday, April 24, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., with Bishop John J. McIntyre.



Mother of Mercy House: A Mission of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia 720 E. Allegheny Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19134

December 1, 2020

St. Ignatius of Antioch Church 999 Reading Ave Yardley, PA 19067

Dear Friends

Thank you for your gift of \$250 to Mother of Mercy House. Your kindness and support allow us to meet the needs of the Kensington and Allegheny neighborhood through a unique spiritual approach. We strive to establish our programs and outreach with prayer, guidance and support in order to lead people to Christ.

Friends, your contribution is a crucial part of sharing the Mercy of God with all. You allow us to maintain the presence of the Church in the Kensington and Allegheny neighborhood, which is an essential part of our role in this community and in the Church. Your gift provides us with the necessary resources to actively proclaim and share the love of God with our fellow brothers and sisters through events and street outreach.

We depend on your generosity, as well as your faithful prayers and friendship. Your support is a valuable blessing to many – the Church, the people of Kensington and all who seek to follow Christ.

We are sincerely grateful for you and all that you bring to our family. Please keep Mother of Mercy House, and all those we serve, in your prayers, for you are in ours.

Thank you and God bless you!

Rev. William Murphy

Sister Mary Ellen Broderick OHN Sister Mary Ellen Broderick, IHM

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Mother of Mercy House did not provide you with goods or services in consideration in whole or in part for your gift. This substantiation and acknowledgment are required by Federal law and must be retained by you to substantiate your income tax charitable deduction.

We Thirst: Christian Reflections on Addiction

We Thirst (Christian Reflections on Addiction) is a popular inspirational series that educates about the topic of addiction from a Christian perspective. Due to popular demand at live events, the series has been recorded live and is now available for your church, community, or institution on video. The We Thirst program consists of FIVE COMPREHENSIVE SESSIONS that have proven useful for a wide variety of audiences. Each session includes: prayer, educational lectures, videos, music, suggested songs for reflection, summaries, and much more to create an educational and inspirational event for your parish or congregation that will leave attendees ready to spread the light of faith, hope, and love!

Visit: https://www.wethirstseries.com/video-series-about

ROSARY

All are invited to recite the rosary after the 9:00 Mass. For those who can stay longer, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is also recited.



Exposition will be held Monday thru Friday from 10AM to 8PM. The restrictions for church attendance such as social distancing and wearing of masks apply. To assist with church sanitizing we are designating the front 3 pews for this devotion. We hope to resume 24/7 Perpetual Adoration in the Chapel when it is advisable. In the meantime, let us pray for each other and may God continue to bless you and your families.



LIVESTREAMING ON OUR WEBPAGE AT 9:30AM

until we gather again in WORSHIP

know that you are

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Respect

Sat. Dec. 26 is the feast day of St. Stephen, the first FORMATION martyr, the very first person who died for his faith. Is your faith strong enough that you would die for it? If

not, why not? Stephen was a Deacon in the early Church in Jerusalem who aroused the enmity of members of various synagogues by his teachings. He was accused of blasphemy at his trial where he made a speech denouncing the Jewish authorities who were sitting in judgment of him and was then stoned to death. He was one of seven Deacons assigned by the Apostles to distribute food and charitable aid to poorer members of the community of te early Church. The Greek speaking Jewish widows were being discriminated against in preference to the Hebrew speaking. Acts chapter 7 gives his testimony at his trial. His martyrdom was witnessed by Saul of Tarsus (St. Paul). He died between 33-36 AD at the age of 28-32. At the moment of his death it is said that he looked up and cried 'Look! See heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' He prayed that the Lord would receive his spirit and his killers be forgiven and sank to his knees and fell asleep. He is known as a patron saint of altar servers. Sun. Dec. 27 is the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Let us read on stories of the Holy Family and pray for their intercession for peace and wholeness in our own families and follow their example. Happy New Year to all and let us hope 2021 will be a better year. St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.

FOOD COLLECTION

With your help, the Social Action Committee continues to support Mary's Food Cupboard at Catholic Social Services. Please consider donating to our collection on the second Sunday of each month. There are burlap bins at each church entrance labeled "Food Collection" to accept your donation of non-perishable food items, paper goods and baby needs. Donations may also be dropped off anytime in the baskets provided at the Adoration Chapel.



"Like Our Blessed Mother welcomed Jesus, we are called to cherish and protect the gift of

human life, at every stage and in every circumstance."

This Monday, 12/28 we celebrate the feast of the Holy Innocents which commemorates the children slaughtered by King Herod in his attempt to destroy the infant Jesus (Matt. 2:16). When Herod heard that a child had been born who would become King of the Jews, he had every male child under the age of two in Bethlehem destroyed. Since 1973, our country has slaughtered over 60 million children, both boys and girls through surgical abortions and perhaps another 500 million chemically through the hormonal contraceptive pill/IUD and abortion pills. Why did Herod wish to kill any child that may interfere with his 'kingship'? The answer may be the same for why all the children were killed through abortion that may 'interfere with people's 'lordship' over their lives???? We really need to pray and meditate on what we have done in the past, what we are doing now and why it is that we are doing it? And then ask ourselves, is this what God would want us to do with His children that He created? Of course, Mary and Joseph fled to Egypt for 7 years until Herod died; we have no place to flee and even if our laws 'die' we will still have abortion with us, so, we need to change to a culture of Life.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: For all Christians:

That the wondrous birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ will awaken our hearts to the priceless gift of every child; We pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life Intention: For a new culture of life for all, born and unborn.



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PHILADELPHIA 2021 MARCH FOR LIFE

Saturday January 23rd, 2021







*We will be practicing social distancing, and we ask that everyone wear a mask while at the event.

9:00AM Roman Catholic Mass (All are Welcome!)

Archbishop Nelson Perez will kick off the day by celebrating mass at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul (parking will be avaliable at the Cathedral).

12:00PM Rally

We will conclude the day with a rally at Independence Mall!

10:30AM Let the March Begin!

The march will begin at the Cathedral and proceed to independence Mall with several stops along the route, including Philadelphia Women's Center, where 6,500 abortions are committed each year.