

St. Ignatius Church – Chapel Point

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The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ



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Public Masses have resumed with 50% capacity limits. Reservations and Masks are Required

The Eucharist

Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Mornings: 7:30, 9:00, 11:15 a.m.

Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.

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.

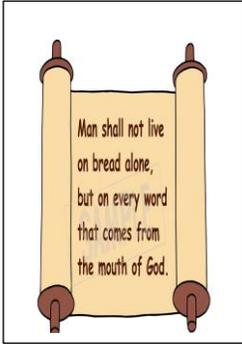
Cemetery: There are grave sites available for active parishioners in the new section at the base of the hill. Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington administers the sale of lots and burial. Because we do not have an adequate endowment, the costs of maintenance come from general parish funds. 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 attend baptism classes which are offered the first Saturday of February, April, June, August, October and December. Please email or call Fr. Clifford to register for the class.

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.



Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ CORPUS CHRISTI

June 14, 2020

**"I am the living bread that came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever."**



Corpus Christi Christians have four different reference points for the Body and Blood of Christ. For many, the last to jump to mind is the pre-crucifixion body of Jesus with blood coursing through his veins which sustained his human life until He suffered the excruciating death of asphyxiation. Second in time, was the Eucharist instituted by Christ under the form of bread and wine, giving us a share in his life even before he shed his blood and passed from earthly life. Third then, is the resurrected body, the same but different. It was glorified and not recognizable to the disciples on the road to Emmaus; just as he had not been recognizable on Sunday at the tomb. Jesus' disappointed followers recognized Him in the second form, in the breaking of the bread. Finally, we have the church as the body of Christ referenced wonderfully in the imagery of the early Church.

"As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit." 1 Cor 12:12-13

"Rather, living the truth in love, we should grow in every way into him who is the head, Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, with the proper functioning of each part, brings about the body's growth and builds itself up in love." Eph 4:15-16

As believers we cannot reduce Jesus Body and Blood only to that seen in the form of bread and wine. As Catholics we could not ignore Jesus in the Eucharist, He is truly present there, but while fully present soul and divinity in the Eucharist, we meditate on his gift of salvation which came in time through the shedding of blood and lacerating of human flesh. We live in his continuing breathing presence of his children in the church and world. We are so gifted by God's gift of Himself to us that we need to be careful not to take the Lord who is so tangibly present in the Eucharist and make that one presence the extent of God the Son in our lives and world. Christ's presence in the Eucharist, does not limit God the Son's presence which has always been. It expands the presence in a way we may receive into ourselves.

Continuing to adapt to the times Last week, 140 parishioners were able to join us in-person for Mass, because we continue to have 5 scheduled masses. At two of the masses, we filled most of the available spaces on the main floor. Once we pass 60 at any given mass, a reservation will be essential. Now, you are free to see if there is space without making a reservation; it just means that we may need to hold the later arrivals to be sure we have enough space. We sanitize the pews we have used after every mass. The virus is also spread by particles in the air. When we have our annual HVAC maintenance in two weeks, new ultraviolet treatment lights will be installed in our air-handlers. UVC treatment light kills bacteria and viruses; in addition to mold and mildew, making our air cleaner to breath.

If you have underlying health conditions and are in the at risk category, please consider waiting a little longer until things improve more. The dispensation is still in effect for attending Mass. **To make a reservation, email: stigoffice@yahoo.com or call 301-934-8245 ext. 2 and leave a message.** Leave your name, phone number and first and second choice of Masses. Please be patient with the regulations that are required in order to celebrate Mass. **You don't need reservations for daily Mass at 8 a.m.**

Livestream our Mass St. Ignatius Church will livestream Mass at **9:00 a.m.** on Sunday mornings on Facebook. Go to our Facebook page or reach that page from our website: www.chapelpoint.org.

The bulletin via email For safety, we cannot put out paper bulletins for the time being in the church. If you'd like to receive the weekly bulletin via email, please email Brenda Canter with your name and preferred email address at stigoffice@yahoo.com. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Due to issues in sending bulk emails from gmail, we have switched over to sending our bulletin out via *Flocknotes*. Please look for the bulletin each week in an email from us via Flocknotes, as well as other communications from the parish. Religious Education families are already familiar with Flocknotes.

Pamphlets, the Catholic Standard, and other paper handouts usually found in the back of the church have been removed for the time being per the guidelines.

Please continue to check in by phone on your elderly family, friends and neighbors that are wisely staying at home while things improve with the pandemic.

Mark Your Calendars: Sunday, November 22, 2020 Jubilarian Mass The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples celebrating milestone-wedding anniversaries will take place on Sunday, November 22 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. *To register, couples should contact their parish office by September 30.* For more information, call the Office for Family Life at 301-853-4546 or send an email to: visiblesign@adw.org

Natural Family Planning Classes The Office for Family Life will be offering an introductory NFP Class online on Saturday, June 27 from 10am - Noon. Please call the Office for Family life for more information at 301-853-4546.

Morning Reflection for Grieving Parents The Office for Family Life will be offering an on-line one hour reflection for parents who have lost a child on Saturday, June 20 from 9am – 10am. Any parent who has lost a child is welcome to attend, no matter how long ago the loss or the cause. For more information contact the Office for Family Life at visiblesign@adw.org or 301-853-4546.

Mass Intention Scheduling If you had previously scheduled a Mass before public Masses were closed, please call Brenda Canter in the parish office to reschedule a date and time that is convenient for you.

On-Line Giving We now have a fully functional electronic giving link on our webpage: www.chapelpoint.org. This has many advantages- especially in these times when we do not meet face to face. You can make donations using your checking account or credit card. You can make one time contributions, donations that repeat weekly, every two weeks or monthly, whichever you prefer. If you have an envelope number, please add that to the box that asks for it. The giving link can be found on the lower half, on the right side of the home page of the website.

If you prefer not to use electronic giving, we are asking you to please mail in your weekly offering to the parish office. Do not write offering or donation on the envelope- there is no need to create temptation. The address is 8855 Chapel Point Road, Port Tobacco, MD 20677. You can also drop them in the chute under the guestbook in the back of the church. Be sure to turn the handle so the donation drops into the safe inside the wooden column.

Restore and Renew If you'd like to make a donation or pledge to our Capital Campaign, you can give on line or call the office for a pledge card. All papers have been removed for safety. **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.**

Weekend of May 30-31, 2020: Offertory Weekend of June 6-7, 2020 (totals include mail in offerings) Offertory \$4,430; Peter's Pence \$30; Easter \$1,000; TOTAL: \$5,460. Thank you.

Please remember the following people in your daily prayers: David Dixon, Elizabeth McCarthy, Alice Pickett, Pat Stuart, For those affected by the COVID19 virus, Brenda Pilkerton, Nellie Pearce, Mitch Mills, Mary Simmons, Rick Simmons, Dorothy Simms, Antoine Watson, Vickie & Greg Pickeral, David A. Proctor, Ms. Pickeral, Irene Proctor, Mary Jane Zuknick, Vibha Pubbi, Xavier Bean and family, Brian Thomason, Toni Gallagher, Bessie Farmer, Traci Renner, Bobby Terrett, John Abell, Dottie Gray, Ruth Watson, Pat Anderson, Rose Langley, Skyla Shirriel, Steve and Joann Oliff, Victims, families and survivors of abuse, Tyler Sage, Douglas Hammes, Sharon Ryan, The staff and residents of assisted living and nursing homes, John Reese, Frankie Chiorcariello and family, Tim Moore, James Johnson, Shirley Watson, Victoria Liberty, Tamera Scroggins, James J. Nalley, Mr. Johnson, Theresa San Luis, Elaine Gaddis, Butch Hayden, Stacie Hayden