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Father John Meyer, Pastor
Father Kevin Magner, Parochial Vicar



NEW Reconciliation Schedule

5:30 pm on Mondays (one-half hour prior to Mass)

4:30 pm on Saturdays (one-half hour prior to Mass)



At the 10:30 Mass today, November 5th, we will recognize parishioners that have passed since All Souls' Day 2022, as well as all the faithful departed.

David Tuohy	Jack Driste
Dolores (Cassellius) Harder	Mary Worden
Elaine Manke	Bill Ledwein
Dianne Mosley	Larry Luetmer
Margi Kronquist	Ron Hoffman
Barb Wiegand	Anna Purcell
Mark Verhey	Betty Johnson
Gregg Chapin	Michael Nelson

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

~Amen~

Weekly Meditation

They tie up heavy burdens . . . and lay them on people's shoulders. (Matthew 23:4)

Today we read how Jesus accused Jerusalem's religious leaders of laying "heavy burdens" on people by imposing more and more rules on them (Matthew 23:4). But wasn't he doing the same thing? After all, he's the One who told people, "Take my yoke upon you" (11:29). Isn't a yoke—a contraption made of iron and hardwood—a burden as well?

Maybe so, but anyone who spent time with Jesus saw that the burden he spoke about was completely different—and much more attractive!

First, Jesus said that the burdens imposed by these scribes and Pharisees "nullified the word of God" (Matthew 15:6). They consisted of rules and fasts and tithes that were nowhere to be found in the Law of Moses. Some of them even contradicted God's will for his people. But Jesus' yoke is meant to help us "fulfill" the word of God (5:17). It's a yoke that calls us simply to love him and love our neighbor (22:34-40).

Jesus also said that his opponents placed burdens on people but did not "lift a finger" to help them (Matthew 23:4). By contrast, Jesus used the image of a yoke to describe his "burden." A yoke is an instrument that links two oxen together so they can help each other bear the load. And that's the point: Jesus wants to yoke himself to us so that he can walk beside us and help to lighten our burden.

Finally, and most important, the burdens of Jesus' opponents were made up of human regulations and restrictions, of additional fasts and tithes, that could not bring people closer to God. But the exact opposite happens when we accept Jesus' yoke. We come into an ever-deepening relationship with him. And that relationship fills us with the joy and comfort of his own Spirit.

So come to Jesus today. Let him yoke himself to you in a bond of everlasting love.

"Jesus, thank you that your burden is light!"

The Word Among Us - November 2023 Edition

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 11th @ 5:00 pm

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Luke & Ethan Millner

Eucharistic Ministers: Jeff Burkhardt & Red Petersen

Greeter: Linda Zimmermann

Lector: Isaac Millner

Sacristan: Mark Logeais

Ushers: Al Jude, Ron Mares, Cliff Zimmermann & Deb Goodale

Sunday, November 12th @ 8:30 am

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Celia Erickson & Alex Millner

Eucharistic Ministers: Michael Holthaus & Larry May

Greeter: Jen Holte

Lector: Susan Oie

Live Stream: Brent Danzeisen

Sacristan: Renee Logeais

Ushers: Brad Holte, Tom Gay, Jerry Elsenpeter & Paul Manuel

Sunday, November 12th @ 10:30 am

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Molly Schnabel & Rylan Mackedanz

Eucharistic Ministers: Lori Guck & Kathy Schultz

Greeter: Traci Arends

Lector: Angie Manuel

Sacristan: Pat Meuwissen

Ushers: David Spike, Al Guck, Craig & Traci Arends

Volunteers Needed

There is an on-going need for additional volunteers at St. Ignatius. Please prayerfully consider how you can help our parish stay active and run smoothly. Opportunities include:

Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Lectors, Sacristans, Ushers, Servers for Donut Sunday, and Servers for funeral luncheons.

If you are feeling called, please contact the parish office for more information.

Live the Liturgy

Christ turns the way of the world upside down: the great become the small and the honored ones become humble. Be small, and you will feel his greatness. Be humble, and you will know the honor of Heaven.

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COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (CCW)

Christ Child Luncheon:

1. Tradition continues and we are back. The Christ Child Luncheon will be **Fri., Dec. 1 from 10:45-1:00**. We will be asking for hot dishes and bars for desserts from your own kitchens. You will be receiving a call from one of your group's co-chairs between Nov. 11 and Nov. 20 asking you to donate a hot dish, pan of dessert bars or items for the Sweet Shoppe. Please reply to the calls that will be made to each of you. If they miss you and leave a message, kindly return their call as soon as possible. Your quick reply or return call, no matter what it may be, makes it so much easier for these women who are volunteering to do this important mission. Thank you!

2. We will be making 3 salads on Thurs, Nov. 30, in the afternoon. Help!

3. Sign-up sheets for the various jobs will be in Gathering Space the 1st & 3rd weekends of November.

NOTE: Luncheon and raffle tickets will be for sale after all Masses in November. Raffle tickets are \$2.00 each and luncheon tickets are \$12.00. We are also asking for donations to help cover expenses for the meals and sweets for the homebound. These individuals so appreciate the delicious lunch and greeting from our parish volunteers. Checks may be made to St. Ignatius CCW.

All proceeds go to 4 pro-life organizations.

Advent Day of Prayer Retreat:

All women of the Parish are invited to our annual Advent Day of Prayer Retreat for the NW Deanery CCW at the King's House in Buffalo,

Thursday, Dec. 7. This retreat makes the Advent season so meaningful.

Registration/check-in begins at 9 a.m. Lunch is included and the day will end with Mass. The CCW will pay for half of the \$50 registration fee. If you plan to attend, please register as soon as possible. Please email Sue if you have questions or if you are interested in carpooling- shughes@lakedalelink.net

Upcoming Social Event-You're Invited:

Ladies, invite a friend and join us at Lakeside Garden Center for some holiday crafting! Choose between making a porch pot or a wreath! This is a NEW social event for the CCW! Join us for some fun and fellowship and bring home or gift what you make! In order for this event to take place we need a minimum of 10 participants. Please RSVP to Alicia Millner at alicia.millner@gmail.com **no later than Wednesday, Nov. 8.**

When: Monday, November 13, 2023 at 6:00 pm

Where: Lakeside Garden Center, Annandale

What: Fun, Fellowship, and Wreath or Porch Pot Making!

Price: Your winter creation will ultimately depend on the materials used

Winter Porch Pot Planter Average price \$50-60

Wreath Average Price: \$20-\$35

Thank you:

A huge thank you to all of the St. Ignatius parishioners who contributed 26 boxes of goods and monetary donations to the ACCW-sponsored Appalachian Christmas and Papal Footprints Mission project. For over 50 years our Minnesota parishes and families have brought Christmas joy to families in Kentucky. Thank you to the Faith Formation teachers, students and families who brought in socks, underwear, toothbrushes and toothpaste. Thank you and God bless all parishioners for sharing your gifts and making Christmas Merry for others in need.





With holidays approaching, The Annandale Area food Shelf could use our help with increased donations. There will be a donation cart in the Gathering Space the month of November. Please choose healthy, non perishable options. Monetary donations are also appreciated— the food shelf has access to resources where they can purchase more for their dollars. Items the food shelf cannot often get at wholesale prices include: egg noodles, soda crackers, pancake mix/syrup, canned tuna or chicken, cake mixes, ramen noodles, dry potatoes, pork & beans, soups, mac & cheese, granola, cereal, juices, paper towels, toilet paper. Please place monetary donations in the collection basket in an envelope labeled “Food Drive” or drop it off in the parish office. On Thanksgiving Day Mass, the collection will be for the Annandale Food Shelf. Thank you for your generosity.

New Altar Server & Parent Orientation Session

A meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 8th at 4:30pm**. All students, 4th grade and up who have received their First Communion, are invited to become an Altar Server and join our wonderful group of young people who assist in the celebration of Mass. Please reach out to Faith Formation Director, Anastacia, to get signed up.

Personal Reflection— 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: The prophet Malachi informs the priests of Israel that God is aware that their instruction has caused many to stumble in their faith. Have you ever had to help someone who has lost their faith?

Second Reading: Paul expresses his gratitude to the Thessalonians for their openness to hear and believe the word of God taught by them. Who in your life might be open to hearing the word of God from you?

Gospel: Jesus challenged the crowds and his disciples to be as servants to each other, acting always in humility. How might you be a servant to someone at work or at home?

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Gospel Meditation

Last Easter season a new convert to Catholicism at my parish asked me with a grave tone in her voice: “Why do we call priests ‘father’ if Jesus says, ‘Call no man on earth your father, for you have one Father, who is in heaven?’” Thinking myself clever, I asked, “Do you think it’s okay to call someone your ‘teacher’ or ‘mister’ or ‘dad?’” She said, “Yes, I do.” I responded, “Well, Jesus seems to forbid that, too. So, it’s obviously hyperbole that he’s using.” She thought for a moment and declared, “Then I will stop using those words, too!” And she walked away. Not the outcome I was seeking.

We shouldn’t be too hasty in dismissing this complaint voiced by many non-Catholics. The expression “father” for ordained priests is not honorary for the individual man. The priest’s fatherhood doesn’t begin or end in him at all. Rather, the title “father” indicates that he is a sacramental sign of God’s Fatherhood revealed in Jesus. I can tell you, as a very unworthy bearer of that title, we should give and receive that title with some trepidation (because of God’s awesomeness) and with a little sense of humor (because of the lowliness of the men with the title).

The longer I’m a priest, the more I’m comfortable with people not using the title “father” and just calling me “John.” After all, only God is Father in the truest sense. At the same time, Jesus has brought the Father close to us, very close. We honor this closeness in some men with the title “father.” Who are the priests in your life whom Christ has sent to you? How wonderful that Christ has surrounded us with humble signs of his Father’s love. It’s good to celebrate that love with gratitude for the priests in our lives.

— Father John Muir

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REMEMBER
in your prayers

Larry Oberg
Joseph Niznik
Mike Meyer
Lynnea Stay
Katelyn Busch
Herman Wittsack
Mary Wittsack
Mary Danielson
Mark Johnson
Paul DeMars
Julie Pelarski
Sally Phenow
Reanna Braun
Lynnae Frappier
Dan Schultz
Louise Borstad

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Wayne Dearing
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Russ Fortner
James Utecht
Mary Malachuk
Jason Mitchell
Deb Cole
John Holker
Marlene Niewind
Karen Sommers
Loren Frappier
Monsignor Callaghan
Janet Aretz
Leon Zachman



Saturday, November 4th

5:00 pm † Ervin Schreifels

Sunday, November 5th

8:30 am † Francis “Ozzie” & Mary Logeais

10:30 am Parishioners

Monday, November 6th

6:00 pm † Fred Jude

Tuesday, November 7th

8:00 am † Mary Schumacher

Wednesday, November 8th

8:00 am † Ben Bechtold

Thursday, November 9th

8:00 am parishioners

Friday, November 10th

There is no daily Mass at St. Ignatius

8:00 am Mass available at St. Timothy’s

Saturday, November 11th

5:00 pm † Gordon Diethert

Sunday, Novem 12th

8:30 am † Marilyn & Jack Driste

10:30 am Parishioners



PARISH SUPPORT

Projected weekly giving\$5,890.00
494 parish families

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Total\$4,744.43

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Parish Pastoral Council

Council member information and meeting minutes are available on our website or by requesting a copy from the parish office. On the website, use the "Ministries" menu at the top of the page, and then select "Pastoral Council" on the drop down menu.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses - 8:30 am and 10:30 am

8:30 Mass is live streamed on the parish Facebook page and

You Tube channel

Daily Mass

Mondays 6:00pm

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays 8:00am

(No Daily Mass on Fridays)

Reconciliation

5:30 pm Monday (one-half hour prior to Mass)

4:30 pm Saturday (one-half hour prior to Mass)

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

Last Thursday of the month, 8:30 am - 7:00 pm

Sacraments

Baptisms

Please contact the parish at least two months in advance of the Baptism. Parents are required to attend a Baptism class prior to the Baptism. Baptisms are scheduled through the parish office, and are held following the 10:30 am Mass.

Marriage

Please contact the pastor at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date.

Bulletin submission deadline is Tuesdays at noon

unless an early deadline notice is posted here:

Submissions for Nov 19— Due Nov 8 by noon

Submissions for Nov 26— Due Nov 15 by noon



A Prayer for Veterans

Heavenly Father, King and Lord,
You instill in all of Your creation an order and value.
You call Your children "very good."

We surrender to You the conflicts that tear
your family apart.

We pray for an end to blindness that places pride,
greed, power, and selfishness above human dignity
and brotherly love.

We pray in gratitude for all of those who have defended
peace, virtue, and justice with honor.

We pray especially for those who have suffered in mind and
body from the ravages of war.

Let Your Kingdom come!

May Your peace that surpasses all understanding
reign in our hearts and in our world.

Amen.



Calendar of **EVENTS**

Tuesday, November 7: Cares Center Mass 10:30 am
Synod Small Group Leadership Training 6:30 pm
Wednesday, November 8: New Altar Server & Parent
Orientation Session 4:30 pm
Monday, November 13: CCW Social Event @ Lakeside
Garden Center 6 pm
Sunday, November 19: 5th grade Mass
Monday, Nov 20: Cemetery Committee Meeting 6:30 pm
Thursday, November 23: Thanksgiving Mass 9:00 am
Sunday, November 26: Donut Sunday
Thursday, November 30: Eucharistic Adoration
8:30 am - 7:00 pm
Friday, December 1: Christ Child Luncheon
Sunday, December 3: First Sunday of Advent
Tuesday, December 5: Care Center Mass 10:30 am
Thursday, December 7: CCW Retreat— King's House
Friday, December 8: The Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary— Holy Day of Obligation

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