



St. Ignatius Catholic Parish

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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Weekend Mass times:

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 11:30 am, and 6:00 pm

Weekday Mass times:

Monday-Friday 7:00 am

Friday 6:00 pm

Saturday 8:30 am

Public Holidays 8:30 am

Confessions:

Saturday 5:00-5:45 pm

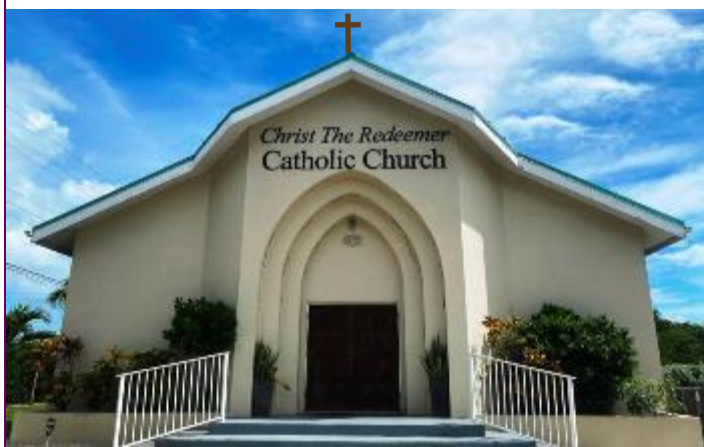
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Weekend Mass time:

Sunday 9:45 am



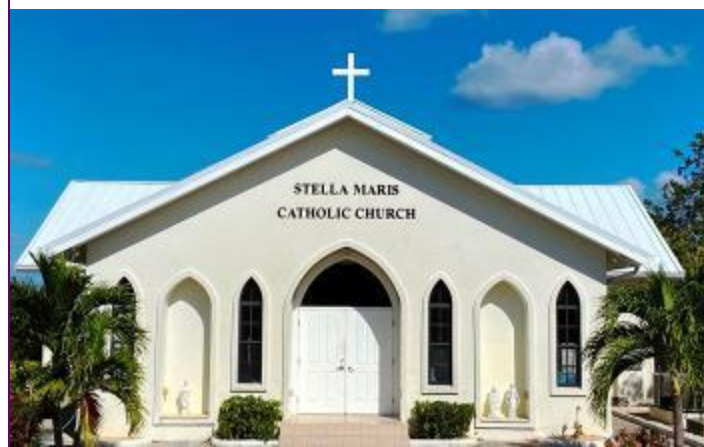
Stella Maris Catholic Church

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Weekend Mass / Communion Service:

See inside for latest updates



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Ignatius Parish is a welcoming Roman Catholic Christian Communion. We worship God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we celebrate Jesus Christ in the Word and in the Eucharist, we evangelise, we educate, and we serve as disciples of Jesus.

**PLEASE
remember
our Parish
in your Will.**

WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS PARISH, AND A SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL OF OUR VISITORS!



MEET OUR CLERGY (Left to Right)

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Naveen D'Souza, SAC
Associate : Rev. Fr. Anthony Fernandes, SAC

PARISH STAFF

**Religious Education Director and
Youth Ministry Team Coordinator**

Mr. O'Neil Miller

Church Secretary

Mrs. May U. Ursua

OTHER CONTACTS

Music Ministry — Organists

Mrs. Sarah Bertran

Mr. Albert Chin

Mr. McAllister Fernandes

Mrs. Rechel Latap

Food Pantry

Please contact the Parish Office

PRAYER MEETINGS AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Rosary (St. Ignatius):

Monday through Friday in Adoration Chapel 7:30 - 8:00 am

Saturday in Adoration Chapel after 8:30 am Mass

Morning Prayers (St. Ignatius):

Monday to Friday 6:40 am,

Saturday 8:10 am

Prayer Meetings:

St. Ignatius — Wednesdays 6:00 pm (English) and 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Missionary Families of Christ:

Last Sunday of each Month 1:30 pm

Faith Formation and First Communion:

Sunday mornings, 10:15 am to 11:15 am (September to June)

First Communion begins at 10:00 am. All children of the Parish are welcome.

Confirmation:

Classes are held on Sunday mornings, 9:45 am to 11:15 am (September to June)

for students in Years 7-9 of High School and other

High School aged students who have not been confirmed.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Pastoral: Fr. Naveen, SAC; Fr. Anthony, SAC

Chairperson: Wil Pineau

Other elected members:

J.C. Calhoun, Blas Serrano, Blaise Ting,

Renee Caudeiron, Denise Delpesh-Morain, Ramon Rayos del Sol

Commission Representatives:

Worship: Angela J. Miller

Evangelisation/Education: Tonja Wight

Stewardship: Elie Kozaily

Christian Service: TBD

FINANCE COUNCIL

Facilitates the means for pastoral priorities and planning, Monitors and Maintains parish goods, and Communicates with the Pastoral Council on prioritizing resources. Members are:

Fr. Naveen D'Souza, SAC

Frank Gallippi

Angela Miller

Jennison Nunez

Deborah Kirkconnell

Jasper Uy

Facilities Manager: Mr. Sambasivam Dhanasekar



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Principal: Mr. Simon Testa



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Together for our Future!
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details on how to donate!***

December 17th, 2023 Third Sunday of Advent

This Weekend's Readings

TODAY'S READINGS

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

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5

Second Reading: Hebrews 11: 8, 11-12, 17-19

Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son." (Hebrews 1: 1-2)



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY & SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD...REMEMBER...REFLECT...RESPOND

This feast has had several names through history. Most recently, it was called the Feast of the Circumcision and then the Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus. The Church finally settled on a more ancient title, Mary, the Holy Mother of God. It also has a secondary title of the Octave of Christmas, the secular title of New Years Day, and an honorary title of World Day of Prayer for Peace. Strangely, the title that is most confusing to non-Catholics is the official one.

When we call Mary the Mother of God, we are not saying that she somehow preceded God or is equal to God. We are simply recognizing that her human son Jesus is also the divine Son of God. We honor Mary because God honored her by choosing her to be the mother of Jesus. In her humble response of "let it be done to me," she agreed to be part of God's plan for our salvation. And so today's Gospel records one simple action of Mary: to keep these things in her heart.

Even in this simple sentence we are given a good example of being a disciple. Like Mary, we need to both keep, or remember, what God has done, and to reflect on what we remember. First, how much do we remember about what God has done for us? How well do we know the stories of salvation found in the scriptures? How well do we know God's actions in Church history? And how much do we remember of the personal graces given us by God? Do we recall the prayers God has answered, the guidance given, the love of God that others have shown us, the times God has forgiven us?

Second, how much do we reflect on what God has done? Even if we have many memories of God's goodness to us, we also need to pray over them and ask ourselves how we have changed because of what God has done. Am I more generous to others? Do I forgive hurts more readily? Do I share my faith with my family or friends? Do I support my parish with my time or offerings? Let us ask God's help to imitate Mary by remembering and reflecting.

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CHRISTMAS OFFERTORY COLLECTION

A special thank you to the following groups and individuals who have worked hard to make our Christmas Masses extraordinarily special this year: the Parish Staff; Sekar and the Facilities Team; Barbara Gee, Brian Gee and Molly Bryan; Dolor Pascual and her cleaning team; Jeovy and his team; the Altar Society; Andrew Hulse; Joy Anglin, Joan Lagman and their families; Denize Solomon and the Christmas Cheers Team and performers; our Parish Musicians & Choirs; Altar Servers; Ushers, Readers and Eucharistic Ministers.

ANNUAL 2024 CALENDARS

A small number of the annual calendars are available for pickup at the main entrance of the Churches. Leave a donation in the boxes provided.

CONDOLENCES

We extend our sincerest condolences to Mrs. Benedicta Conolly and her family on the passing of her brother, +Francisco Javier. Condolences also to Saul Gomes on the passing of his mother, Natalia Gomes, last week. May their souls and the souls of all the dearly departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

THANK YOU FR. JOSEPH

Thank you to Fr. Joseph Kirkconnell for assisting Fr. Naveen and I with celebrating the Sacraments while he is on his Christmas vacation.

Wishing you all a wonderful week and a 2024 filled with God's love and grace! - Fr. Anthony

STEWARDSHIP: TIME TALENT TREASURE

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?"

- Psalm 116:12

Offertory Collection for last weekend's Masses (4th Sunday of Advent): \$6,436.10

Offertory Collection & Donations for Christmas Masses: \$39,784.12

- Your offerings can also be transferred to the St. Ignatius Church Butterfield account 02 101 031 260.
- Alternatively, cheques can be mailed to St. Ignatius Church, PO Box 2638, Grand Cayman, KY1-1102.

Thank you for your generosity and good stewardship for all that God has given you!

MASS SCHEDULE, INTENTIONS, AND PRAYER LIST

St. Ignatius Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday:	December 30th	
Fr. Anthony	8:30 am	+ Caetano Felipe Azavedo
Fr. Anthony	6:00 pm	Damien Reidy & Faye Reidy
		+ Greg Norling
		+ Benjamin Negrete
		Bridget Giles
Sunday:	December 31st	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
Fr. Anthony	8:00 am	+ Caetano Felipe Azavedo
Fr. Anthony	11:30 am	Damien & Faye Reidy (Special Intentions)
		+ Andrew Rogers
Sunday:	December 31st	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Fr. Joseph	6:00 pm	People of the Parish
Fr. Anthony	11:00 pm	People of the Parish
Monday:	January 01st	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Fr. Anthony	8:00 am	People of the Parish
Fr. Joseph	11:30 am	People of the Parish
Tuesday:	January 02nd	Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory
Fr. Anthony	7:00 am	+ Caetano Felipe Azavedo
Wednesday:	January 03rd	The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Fr. Anthony	7:00 am	+ Caetano Felipe Azavedo
		Damien & Faye Reidy (Special Intentions)
Thursday:	January 04th	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Fr. Anthony	7:00 am	+ Kathleen Sheehan
		+ Caetano Felipe Azavedo
Fr. Anthony	8:15 am	Primary School Mass
Friday:	January 05th	St. John Neumann
Fr. Anthony	7:00 am	+ Caetano Felipe Azavedo
Fr. Anthony	6:00 pm	People of the Parish
Saturday:	January 06th	St. Andre Bessette
Fr. Anthony	8:30 am	+ Kathleen Sheehan
		+ Caetano Felipe Azavedo
Fr. Anthony	6:00 pm	Damien & Faye Reidy (Special Intentions)
Sunday:	January 07th	The Epiphany of the Lord
Fr. Anthony	8:00 am	+ Caetano Felipe Azavedo
Fr. Anthony	11:30 am	People of the Parish
Fr. Anthony	6:00pm	+ Francisco Javier

Christ the Redeemer Mass Intentions

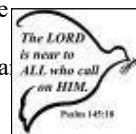
Sunday:	December 31st	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
Fr. Joseph	9:45 am	+ Monica Pegnam
		+ Edward Cox
		+ Janet Roper
Sunday:	January 01st	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Fr. Anthony	9:45 am	People of the Parish

Stella Maris Mass Intentions

Sunday:	December 31st	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
Frs. Pieter & Ted	11:00am	People of the Parish
Monday:	January 01st	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Frs. Pieter & Ted	11:00am	People of the Parish

Our Prayer List for the Sick

Dr. Joseph Ostroski
Tom Dunbar
Antonio Soriano
Thelma Galbraith
Eva Wiggan
Francis De Vera
Owen Henry
Twila Escalante
Linval Webb
George Webb
Barbara Man-Song-Hing
Carole Rozick
Pat Lynch
Eileen Ewing
Barbara Rutan
Bishop Lawrence S. Nicasio
Olive Bodden
Kelley Ayres
Donna Hurlston
Jean Denees Brown-Afable
John Michael Stafford
Jesally Ebasan Rocamora
Mike Carey
Chris Jacaban
Janet Pereira
Trigger Black
Jade Brown Afable
Burns Ruddy
Megan Stewart Greene
Mavis Hennings
Jennifer Scott-O'Sullivan
Anne Rodriguez
Tony Wood
Sarah Drebenstedt
Annabella Seaga Zia Mian
Casey Gill
Craig McCoy
Walwin Clarke
Damien Reidy
Esther Tatum



IMPORTANT UPDATE:

Please note that our prayer list for the sick was growing very lengthy, and some names have been on the list for a significant amount of time. As a result, any names that have been on the list for more than a year have now been removed. If any families would like any of the names reinstated, please contact the Parish Office via phone or e-mail. Parishioners are kindly asked to help us keep this list up-to-date by notifying the Office in timely fashion if any names need to be added or removed. Please pray that the Healing Hand of the Lord touches all our sick, bringing consolation to the aged, peace of soul to the terminally ill, and strength to those who are young and all those in our Parish and families who are suffering. May all of them know God's healing love. We pray for all the sick not listed and those in hospitals. Please contact the office to add/remove names.

PARISH YEAR OF EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL



FACE TO FACE AND EYE TO EYE: A Reflection on Eucharistic Adoration by Fr. Justin Kizwski

Imagine that you are on pilgrimage to Jerusalem during one of the high feast days during the first century. As you approach the outside of the temple, you notice a commotion. The priests are lifting up the holy bread (known also as “showbread”) on a golden table for everyone to see, saying, “Behold God’s love for you.”

The showbread of the Temple has a very interesting history in itself that may date back to Melchizedek (see Brant Pitre, *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist*, 127). Melchizedek is that mysterious priest, king of Salem (“salem” means peace—you and I know this priest-king’s town as Jerusalem). Melchizedek feeds God’s pilgrim people in the persons of Abraham and his companions with a sacrificial offering of bread and wine. That priestly sacrificial offering of bread and wine was repeated in the Temple liturgy on a weekly basis. The priests would bake bread with incense mixed into it, and then pass it through the Holy of Holies before leaving it on a table in the sanctuary next to the tabernacle for the next week. The old bread that was replaced would be consumed by the priests.

WHEN YOU AND I ARE AT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, WE ARE LOOKING AT THE TRUE “BREAD” OF THE PRESENCE, THE FACE OF GOD.

The showbread makes an earlier appearance in the life of David and his troops. They are hungry and in need of food. Escaping from the threats of King Saul, David and his soldiers are given the holy bread of the Tent of Meeting to eat. Typically, by this time, this bread was only eaten by the priests. This gesture suggests that David and his companions are also priests, and indeed they are. They are priests according to the order of Melchizedek (Pitre, 137). I draw attention to it now because it can provide an Old Testament example and anticipation of what is a far greater gift in the Eucharist.

Consider the other names for what often gets called “showbread” in our translations. It is also known as the “Bread of the Presence”; or again, it is called “Bread of the Face of God” (Pitre, 121). It was something from the Holy of Holies that all were allowed to see. It is alluded to in this line from the book of Exodus: “They beheld God, and ate and drank” (Exodus 24:11, Pitre, 121). The Bread of the Face of God was a memorial, a remembrance, of a heavenly banquet during which Moses and the elders had “seen” God.

What can we learn from these thoughts? When you and I are at Eucharistic Adoration, we are looking at the True “Bread” of the Presence, the Face of God. Adoration can remind us of those times in which we participated in the heavenly banquet, those times in which we “saw” or certainly experienced God’s love. We can think of those times he fed us in famine or rescued us from a threat. We can gaze at the true “Bread” of Presence and of the Face of God and remind ourselves of what the Old Testament priests said regarding its precursor: “Behold how God loves you!”

Look and See!

In fact, whenever we pray, it is good to begin by calling to mind the presence of God and how God looks at us. Try and imagine his gaze, his face. Spoiler alert: His gaze is always and only one of love. It is possible that his gaze of love will cause us pain if we are stuck in sin, or if we are conscious of any of our many betrayals. However, this feeling says more about us than about God. His gaze is one of love. His gaze can be one of purifying love if we allow it to be (cf. Luke 22:61). Perhaps his gaze prompts us to go to confession so that we can hear the voice that accompanies that look of love: “I absolve you from your sins.”

When we see the Eucharist, we can think of the Mass. When we see the Eucharist, we can be reminded of the presence, of the One greater than the Temple. When we see the Eucharist, we can recall God’s love for us. All of this is because the Eucharist is Christ, the “greater than the Temple,” the Lord of the Sabbath, the revelation of the work and love of the Father.

We can also see the gaze of love and be comforted. Looking at our Eucharistic Lord and imagining his gaze should console us. What we see explicitly is the gift of himself to us. The gift that reveals what love is. “Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends” (John 15:15). “I lay down my life.... No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord” (John 10:17-18). “Take, eat...this is my body which is given for you” (Matthew 26:27; Luke 22:19).

In the Eucharist, we experience the gaze of the love of Jesus Christ. But, we also experience the gaze of love of the Father. The Son was sent to reveal the Father. Jesus is what it looks like when God becomes man. When we see him, we see the Father (cf. John 14). He promises that anyone who comes to him, he will show the Father to him (Matthew 11). What we see in Jesus Christ’s passion and death is the work of the Father’s love. This work is what we see at Mass.

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I set this up as the work of the Father that we see on Sunday or anytime we are at Mass or Adoration for a very important reason. Jesus’ response to the accusation that he was working on the sabbath was this: “My Father is working still, and I am working” (John 5:17). His work reveals the work of the

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Father. In fact, the work of the Sabbath reveals the work of the Father. In this light, we can see the significance of the Lord's words when his disciples are criticized for picking the heads of grain and eating them on a Sabbath. The Pharisees are upset that Jesus' disciples are doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath. Jesus asks them if they have read about David's entry into the house of God and eating the bread of the Presence. He draws attention to the work of the priests who work on the Sabbath while remaining guiltless. His disciples, the priests of a new covenant, work to show forth the work of the Father, just like Jesus does. He concludes, "I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. And if you had known what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless. For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath" (Matthew 12:1-8). What or who is greater than the Temple? God himself, the One we see in the true Bread of the Face of God.

The apostles, by dealing with grain and eating it, reflect the eating of the Bread of the Presence by a more universal priesthood which shows forth the work of the Father by a sacrifice of bread and wine. Sound familiar? The Temple that is reflected in this Bread of Presence is the Body of Christ. It is the work of priests that reveals the work of the Father because it is the work of the Son. When we are at Adoration we can think of these gifts and the way that Christ is Lord of the sabbath, that he is the new way of being like God, the new way of God being with us. His body is the new temple and the new bread from heaven—an image of the Manna.

The Bread of the Presence was a sign that led the pilgrims deeper. It was a connection to the goings on in the sanctuary, a sign of the Temple. It was a sign of God's work in saving his people. It was a sign of God's love. It was meant to draw them deeper into the participation of the heavenly banquet. Eucharistic Adoration can be all of this for us. When we see the Eucharist, we can think of the Mass. When we see the Eucharist, we can be reminded of the presence, of the One greater than the Temple. When we see the Eucharist, we can recall God's love for us. All of this is because the Eucharist is Christ, the "greater than the Temple," the Lord of the Sabbath, the revelation of the work and love of the Father.

We are not just meant to look at the Son and see the Father; we are meant to grow in our identity as sons and daughters. When at Adoration, we can ask the Lord to show us the Father. We can ask him to make us more like a sons and daughters.

St. Thérèse Lisieux compared the appearances of the Eucharist to a curtain, to a veil. On the other "side," so to speak, of this veil is not the bride, but the groom. A fellow priest calls looking at the Eucharist "beholding the groom beholding the bride." In the Eucharist, we see the Groom's regard for his Bride. The Groom is Jesus. We can image the movements behind the curtain and the invitation to the wedding feast of the lamb. We are brought into this spousal relation with Christ so that his Father becomes our Father. We share his name in a covenantal relationship. We can look at the Eucharist like we would look at a spouse. We can look through him and see the relationship we have with his Father.

Here Comes the Son

Since we are thinking about the Son, we might also think in terms of the sun. I would tell children S-O-N not S-U-N, but there are similarities. The monstrance often resembles the sun with rays bursting from the center. Have you ever gone outside and turned your face toward the sun and soaked in its rays? I close my eyes and thrust out my chin and try to absorb the sun's warmth, light, and life-giving qualities. This metaphor would dim eventually because you can spend too much time in the sun, but taking in moderate amounts of sun can teach us something about any time we spend in front of Christ. We are changed. We are warmed, even baked, by the sun. Taking in the sun can be a Eucharistic image. Sitting before the Lord in the Eucharist, we are similarly changed, but spiritually speaking. We can receive greater hues of color and greater depths of warmth. Life abounds. We are like Moses on the mountain whose face was radiant or like Christ at the Transfiguration.

At the Transfiguration, Peter perceived that he was in the presence of God or that God was truly dwelling with him in Christ Jesus. God had pitched his tent in his Incarnation and Peter wanted to construct tents to dwell there with him, in the midst of the cloud, with heavenly witnesses. What Peter wanted, time to stay on the mountain top, is what we have in any time of Adoration. We have time to dwell with our transfigured Lord—transfigured now, not in a way that reveals his divinity and glorified humanity, but in a way that hides it. But the definitive dwelling of God with his people, the way that he does stay with us and so answers the disciples of Emmaus' prayer (cf. Luke 24), awaits us in Adoration.

We have spoken of presence, and the Son and the Father. We can use an image of a mother and child to help us if we find from time to time that during Adoration our minds wander. We may sit in silence in Adoration without much actually happening. This silence for us may seem empty, or boring, or absent. However, "God's silence is never ambiguous" (Acklin and Hicks, *Personal Prayer: A Guide for Receiving the Father's Love*, Steubenville: Emmaus Road, 2019, 73). His silence isn't awkward, or a silent treatment. He isn't mad at us. Remember, his gaze is always one of love. His silence is like the silent gaze of a mother upon her sleepy newborn. Acklin and Hicks offer this image as one describing God's silence in our prayer (cf. Acklin and Hicks, 64-65; 72), but it is also helpful in thinking about our wandering minds. I think it can be easy for us to get down on ourselves for not paying attention in Adoration to the love and person truly present in the Eucharist. However, this might be because we don't really understand his love. I think his love, reflected here in the relationship between mother and child, is more abiding. Imagine the mother gazing at her sleeping baby. The baby stirs, opens its eyes, and makes eye contact with her mother. Eye meets eye. The mother is understandably thrilled. Her heart leaps: "My baby looked at me!"

ADORATION SHOULD LEAD US TO CONSUMING THE WORD IN THE FLESH.

I imagine those times where the Lord brings our attention back to him or we are able to focus, if ever so briefly on him in the Eucharist. It is like the baby opening his eyes and catching the eyes of his mother. I imagine a similar metaphorical excitement on the Lord's part. He looked at me. Remember, the Lord loves. He loves passionately. Why wouldn't he get excited when the one he loves takes notice of him?

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Attention Stella Maris Cayman Brac



UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

- Sunday, December 31st: 10:30am Rosary; 11:00am Mass - Frs. Pieter & Ted
- Monday, January 01st: 10:30am Rosary; 11:00am Mass - Frs. Pieter & Ted
- Sunday, January 07th: 10:30am Rosary; 11:00am Communion Service
- Sunday, January 14th: 10:30am Rosary; 11:00am Communion Service

Please check out the Stella Maris Facebook page for weekly updates and/or any changes to schedule:

<https://www.facebook.com/Stella-Maris-Catholic-Church-Cayman-Brac-441278865976433/>

REQUESTS FOR LETTERS/REFERENCES FROM ST. IGNATIUS PARISH OFFICE

Anyone who resides in the Cayman Islands for more the 6 months and is requesting letters for the purposes listed below, must be registered, at St. Ignatius Parish, and be active Parishioners at either St. Ignatius, Christ the Redeemer, or Stella Maris (Cayman Brac):

- Infant Baptism overseas
- First Communion & Confirmation overseas
- Godparents overseas
- Permanent Residence and Caymanian Status References (must be active volunteers in Parish Ministries for at least 2 years)
- Bank References
- General Parishioners Letter
- Marriage overseas
- School Admission overseas/locally
- Sacramental Preparations locally

If you require a letter, and meet the above criteria, please give plenty of notice, as last minute requests may not be possible.

Please provide all necessary evidence.

Please contact the Parish Office by phone or e-mail if you have any questions.

Happy New Year

A new year is about to unfold
With new opportunities to explore
Doors will open for new experiences,
New adventures with the Lord

Remember not the former things,
The things of this past year,
The Lord will do new things in us,
Much more than we are aware.

-M.S. Lowndes



DEDICATION TO JESUS

Lord Jesus Christ, take all my freedom, my memory, my understanding, and my will. All that I have and cherish You have given me. I surrender it all to be guided by Your Will. Your grace and Your love and wealth are enough for me. Give me these, Lord Jesus, and I ask for nothing more. Amen.
- St. Ignatius of Loyola

SAINTS AND FEASTS THIS WEEK

- **Monday, January 01:** Mary, Holy Mother of God
- **Tuesday, January 02:** Sts. Basil & Gregory
- **Wednesday, January 03:** Most Holy Name of Jesus
- **Thursday, January 04:** St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- **Friday, January 05:** St. John Neumann
- **Saturday, January 06:** St. Andre Bessette

"If I had to advise parents, I should tell them to take great care about the people with whom their children associate . . . Much harm may result from bad company, and we are inclined by nature to follow what is worse than what is better."

- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

'My Parish App'

Download the St. Ignatius Parish app at <https://myparishapp.com/>, or by using the QR code.



THE GROTTO GIFT SHOP

We are **OPEN** after weekend Masses (right behind the Adoration Chapel).

Rosaries, cards, gifts and more in stock!

New items regularly arriving!
We look forward to seeing you!

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The Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel

Dedicated on December 4th, 2016

“...could you not watch one hour with Me?” - St. Matthew

The Adoration Chapel is open
daily from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm.

We invite you to sign up for a Holy Hour!

If you have any questions please contact
the coordinators, as listed below,
or via the Parish Office:

6:00 am to 12:00 noon:

Moirra Abbott: moirajmj@gmail.com.

12:00 noon to 6:00 pm:

Fay Anne de Freitas: fayanne@defreitas.info.

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm:

Lily Mc Laughlin: lilygcm0859@gmail.com.

List of Vacant Hours:

Mondays: 2:00-3:00 pm and 5:00-6:00 pm.

Tuesdays: 3:00-4:00 pm.

Thursdays: 12:00-1:00 pm.

Fridays: 9:00-10:00am, 12:00-1:00 pm, 2:00-3:00 pm.

Saturdays: 11:00 am-12:00 pm, 1:00-2:00 pm.



*Thank you to all those
who faithfully attend!*

Scripture Readings for the Week January 01st - 07th, 2024

Mon:	Numbers 6: 22-27; Galatians 4: 4-7 Luke 2: 16-21
Tues:	1John 2: 22-28; John 1: 19-28
Wed:	1John 2: 29-3:6; John 1: 29-34
Thurs:	1John 3: 7-10; John 1: 35-42
Fri:	1John 3: 11-21; John 1: 43-51
Sat:	1John 5: 5-13; Mark 1: 7-11
Sun:	Isaiah 60: 1-6; Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2: 1-12

See United in Christ Missal for alternate
readings, or please visit www.usccb.org.

MASS ATTIRE

Sacred Scripture — in Psalm 29, Psalm 96, and 1 Chronicles — calls us to “worship the Lord in holy attire and splendid in holiness”, and all parish-ioners are asked to reflect on the way that we dress as we prepare to attend Mass.

UPCOMING EVENTS - PARISH/SCHOOL

Dec 30/31	Holy Family Sunday
Jan 01	Solemnity: Mary Mother of God
Jan 02	OCIA Classes Resume
Jan 03	St. Ignatius Catholic School Resumes
Jan 07	Faith Formation Classes Resume
Jan 14	Baptism after 11:30am Mass
Jan 19-21	Confirmation Retreat
Jan 28	Baptism after 11:30am Mass
Jan 22	National Heroes Day - Public Holiday
Feb 04	Confirmation Mass with Bishop Cepeda
Feb 09-10	Parish Retreat: Eucharistic Revival with Sr. Joseph Andrew, OP
Feb 10	World Marriage Day Dinner
Feb 10/11	World Marriage Day Blessing of Marriages
Feb 14	Ash Wednesday
Feb 18	1st Sunday of Lent
Feb 25	2nd Sunday of Lent
Mar 03	3rd Sunday of Lent
Mar 31	Easter Sunday



ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers for this weekend, December 30 - January 01, 2024, were donated by **Mendes Family and Luz Gonzales**. Thank you!

The new sign up sheets are at the main entrance of the Church. All those who have signed up for flowers are reminded to please make the payment to the Parish Office at least one week ahead of time. Cost is \$100. Thank you!



CHRIST THE REDEEMER ALTAR FLOWERS

Helen Cronier has sponsored today's flowers.
Thank you!

Please sign up to sponsor flowers!
The sheet is on the notice board. Cost is \$50 per week.

CONFESSIONS:

SATURDAYS, 5:00-5:45 pm, St. Ignatius.



PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY

O Jesus, look graciously upon our family here before you. Once more we consecrate ourselves before you - our trials and joys - that our home may ever be the shrine of peace, purity, love and faith. Protect and bless all of us, both absent and present, and be merciful to those departed. O Mary, loving Mother of Jesus, and our Mother, pray to Jesus for our family, for all the families of the world, to guard the cradle of the newborn, the schools of the young and their vocations. O Joseph, holy Guardian of Jesus and Mary, assist us by your prayers in all the necessities of life. Be present at the pillow of the sick and dying so that we may all be united to Jesus and Mary and you for all eternity. Amen.

EDGE YOUTH MINISTRY

- Friday, January 12, 2024
Complimentary pizza and drinks!
All Youth in High School are welcomed!
Contact the Parish office for more information.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Reminder that any announcements for the Parish Bulletin should be submitted electronically to Ignatius@candw.ky by Wednesdays, 12 noon each week.

Mass requests must be made in person and paid for in the Parish Office by Wednesdays, 12 noon each week.
A minimum \$10 stipend is acceptable, per Canon Law.



Congratulations to the following babies who were baptised during this past week, by Frs. Anthony & Joseph

- *Caleb Grero Ganeshan*
- *Isaac Michael Clark*

Welcome to the family of God, and to His Holy Church!

PRE-MARRIAGE PREPARATIONS

Six months notice required and completion of pre-marital instruction.

Couples intending to get married are invited to contact the Parish Office well in advance and make an appointment to see the one of the priests and to register for the pre-Marital course.

Online Marriage Preparations have been discontinued.

Contact the Parish Office at Ignatius@candw.ky or 949-6797 to make an appointment, to register, and for further information.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!



We welcome all those families and individuals who have recently joined our Parish!

If you have not yet officially registered please visit our website at <https://ignatius.ky/forms>.

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM HURRICANES

Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Calm the storms and hurricanes that threaten us and turn our fear of your power into praise of your goodness. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



BAPTISMS

Baptisms will now be scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Parents and Godparents **MUST** do the online course **AND** attend the Pre-Baptismal classes prior to the Baptism. The next Baptism is on January 14th after the 11:30 am Mass.

Baptisms normally take place on the second and fourth Sundays of each month after the 11:30 am Mass. Baptisms are also scheduled on January 28th.

Contact the Parish Office well in advance for full details, to sign up for classes, and to book a date for the Baptism.

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



As we near the Christmas Holiday, please consider making a special gift to St. Ignatius Parish. As many of you may know, your Christmas donation is exempt from the Archdiocese of Detroit tax (7%) provided it is received up to and January 8, 2024. Thank you and God Bless.

THE ST. IGNATIUS FOOD PANTRY

There are many different ways that Parishioners may help!

1. Donations of non-perishable food items or toiletries are welcome!
2. Supermarket gift cards are welcome (Foster's, Kirk Market, Hurley's, Cost-U-Less)!
3. Plastic and/or reusable shopping bags are always much appreciated!
4. If you prefer to make monetary donations our volunteers can purchase items needed!

Food Pantry donations may be brought to the PARISH OFFICE or dropped off after weekend Masses. Please ensure that items have at least six months left before expiry date!

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink." -Matthew 25:35

Together, as a community, let us continue making a difference in the lives of others!

Items Needed!

- Supermarket Gift Cards (\$25 or \$50) so families can use these cards to shop at Christmas time.

Special Request

When donating items, please bring smaller sizes (bottles, cans, packs) whenever possible! This gives us much more flexibility when distributing the items to individuals or families. For example, 6 small bags of Rice is much better than 1 large one! Thank you!

ST. IGNATIUS/DOROTHY RICE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

How you can help:

- Donation envelopes are available at the entrances to the Church.
- On-line transfers can be done through Butterfield Bank... please e-mail Ignatius@candw.ky for details.
- Donations can also be sent in by mail to PO Box 2638, Grand Cayman, KY1-1102. If paying by cheque, please make your donations payable to: **ST. IGNATIUS**, and in the memo, please indicate **"Scholarship Fund"**.
- Perhaps your company would like to assist with regular contributions OR a one-off donation?

Please consider the Scholarship Fund from time to time when doing your charitable work throughout the year!

Many thanks to all those who have contributed to the fund during recent months and during the past several years!

For further information, please contact Fr. Naveen in the Parish Office or via e-mail: Ignatius@candw.ky

ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS - SAVE THE DATE!

St. Ignatius Church and School will be hosting our **ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE on Friday, March 01st, 2024** at the North Sound Golf Club.

It will be a four person scramble format, with a 12:30 pm shotgun start. Parishioners, parents, staff, students, and visitors are encouraged to play. The event will be limited to 88 participants. There will be lots of great prizes and food/beverages at the conclusion of the golf! Cost is CI\$190 per player (or CI\$760 per team of four). Registration forms and further details will be available soon.

For further information please contact st.ignatius.golf.scramble@gmail.com. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to donate any prizes OR if your business would like to be a sponsor for this event (sponsorships range from \$100 to \$5000).



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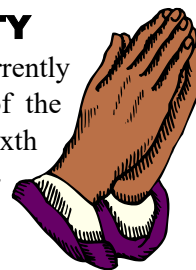
The intent of our Parish Facebook page is to keep parishioners abreast of the latest happenings and upcoming Masses and events within our Church community. To 'like' our Facebook page, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Ignatius-Parish-Grand-Cayman/400740876744368?sk=timeline> or alternatively you may conduct a Facebook search for: *St. Ignatius Parish - Grand Cayman*.

FOUNT OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP MEETS WEDNESDAYS AT 6:00 PM

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!" - Psalm 150:6
All are welcome to join in Fount of Life Prayer Group meetings at St. Ignatius Church, **Wednesdays at 6:00 pm**. We praise, worship, give thanks, petition, intercede, share, witness and fellowship at our prayer meetings. We look forward to seeing you!

LIVING HOPE COMMUNITY

The Living Hope Community is currently meeting on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at **3:00 PM** in the St. Ignatius Sixth Form Common Room. For further information and/or updates, please contact Bel Aurelio at belmd2001@yahoo.com.



NEW BULLETIN ADS!

ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS OR SERVICE!

Thank you to all those companies and individuals who have placed ads on these last two pages of the Parish Bulletin! We encourage ALL parishioners to support these fine businesses and tell them you saw them listed in the St. Ignatius Parish Bulletin!
Any companies or organizations wishing to take out a bulletin ad next time we print the covers are urged to contact the Parish Office before mid-February!

**The price of ads is \$250 (for a 1" by 2.5" block)
for 4 months... March 1st through June 30th, 2024.**

Ads will appear in full COLOUR!

The Bulletins are uploaded to the Parish website also. We require electronic copy of ads/logos, etc.
For further information, please contact the Parish Office by phone or e-mail.

Office Hours

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm and 2:00 to 4:00 pm.
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Please phone 949-6797 or e-mail Ignatius@candw.ky.

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