

December 24, 2017 ~ The Fourth Sunday of Advent

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A Eucharistic Adoration Parish in the Chapel



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Friday 8:00 am & 12:05 pm
8:00 am is in the Chapel & 12:05 pm is in the Church
Saturday: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00, 10:30, 12:00 Noon & 5:00 pm
National Holidays: 9:00 am

Exposition is in the Chapel from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm
Holy Day: 8:00 am, 12:05, & 7:30 pm (Holy Day)
Christmas Day: 8:00, 10:30, & 12:00 Noon
Day after Christmas: Tuesday 12/26: 12:05 pm only
New Year's Day: 8:00 am & 12:05 pm
Legion of Mary: Monday 12:45 pm or Tuesday 7:00 pm
Cenacle, Marian Movement of Priests:
Tuesday 1:30 pm
Night of Reparation: 1st Friday 7:30 pm

SACRAMENTS

Confessions:
Saturday: 3:45 to 4:45 pm and after the 12:05 pm Mass on
1st Friday only

Baptisms:
Arrangements for the Sacrament of Baptism are to be made at the Rectory Office after the parents and Godparents have attended the Pre-Jordan program.

Marriage:
Arrangements for Marriage must be made at least six months before the intended wedding to allow time to gather the necessary documents and for pre-marriage preparations.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please call the Rectory Office.

Way of Christ Convert Program (RCIA): Call the Religious Education Office.



THEME

Today's Mass is a summary of Salvation History. God always seems to do the unexpected. He took a shepherd boy, David, and made him king. He promised that David's dynasty would last forever, but this happens in an unexpected way. Unexpectedly, God reconciles Jew and Gentile in Christ Jesus. In order to save us, God himself becomes one of his people! Let us renew our trust in God who shows us his unexpected love and mercy.



23 SATURDAY - ST. JOHN OF KANTY, PRIEST
 8:00 am Wedding Anniversary Intentions of Manolo & Barbara Gonzalez
 5:00 pm †Dr. & Mrs. Robert W. Shackelford

24 SUNDAY – THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
 8:00 am †Thomas J. Evans Jr.
 10:30 am †Theresa Pellegrino
 12:00 pm †Rick Kvortek
 5:00 pm †Peter P. Cekaitis
 8:00 pm Living & Deceased Members of the Donovan Family

25 MONDAY – THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
 8:00 am People of St. Isaac Jogues
 10:30 am People of St. Isaac Jogues
 12:00 pm People of St. Isaac Jogues



26 TUESDAY – ST. STEPHEN THE FIRST, MARTYR
 12:05 pm †Deceased Members of the Pachella & Cottone Families

27 WEDNESDAY – ST. JOHN, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST
 8:00 am †Theresa Pellegrino
 12:05 pm †Sung Dinh

28 THURSDAY – THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS
 8:00 am †Therese Pellegrino
 12:05 pm †Drake Stelle

29 FRIDAY – ST. THOMAS BECKETT, BISHOP
 8:00 am †Josephine & Ben Morkun
 12:05 pm †Richard Indiveri

30 SATURDAY
 8:00 am †Tom Witte
 5:00 pm People of St. Isaac Jogues

31 SUNDAY – THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS MARY & JOSEPH
 8:00 am †William Rose
 10:30 am †Dominick J. Vinci
 12:00 pm Intentions for a Good New Year for the People of St. Isaac Jogues
 5:00 pm †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Dear Parishioner,

May the Infant Jesus born on this Christmas Day, bring peace into your souls and abundant blessings into the home of every parishioner. May ever heart be opened to the infant Prince of Peace by a fervent reception of the Sacrament of His love.

This Christmas wish we send to you together with our grateful thanks for your very kind cooperation and good-will during the past year.

Let us continue this kind spirit of cooperation and good-will in the years to come and ask the Divine Infant today to bring peace and happiness into our hearts and homes and blessings upon our parish. On Christmas morning you will be remembered in all the Masses.

*Sincerely in Christ,
 Rev. Stephen A. Moerman
 Pastor*

Mass Schedule (4th Sunday of Advent)
 Saturday, December 23rd, 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 24th
 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12 Noon

Christmas Eve Masses
 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Christmas Day Masses
 Monday, December 25th
 8:00 AM – 10:30 AM – 12:00 Noon
 (No 5:00 P.M. Mass)

Tuesday, December 26th
 12:05 PM

New Year's Day Masses
Mary Mother of God
 Monday, January 1, 2018
 8:00 AM – 12:05 PM (in the main Church)

The Holly Wreath



The holly wreath symbolizes the crown of thorns worn by Jesus at Calvary.

Its red berries represent the blood He shed for the forgiveness of our sins.

The endless circle is eternal life obtained through Him.



The Readings for the Weekend of December 30 & 31
 First Reading – Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3 (17B)
 Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
 Second Reading – Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19
 Gospel – Luke 2:22-40

THIS WEEK AT ST. ISAAC'S

Holy Hour of Life - Each Monday the Legion of Mary will lead a Holy Hour for Life from 11AM to 12PM in the Chapel. Would you like to join us for the Perpetual Rosary Crusade by praying the 15 decades of the Rosary one hour each week for the overturn of abortion? All are welcome.



The Rectory Office will be closed on Sunday, December 24th, Monday, December 25th, and Tuesday, December 26th, in observance of the Christmas Holiday.

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New Rectory Office Hours
Beginning January 2, 2018 the Rectory Office Hours
Monday through Friday 7:30 AM to 2:30 PM
Closed Saturday
Sunday after the 10:30 AM Mass until 1:30 PM

Why should we register at St. Isaac's? Parish registration is necessary to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Penance, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, and to receive sponsor letters. If you are not receiving mail you are probably not registered. Please call or stop by the Rectory Office to register. (610-687-3366) **Also, please notify the Rectory Office** if you are moving out of the Parish or if any of your information is incorrect.

Respect Life -The parishioners of St. Isaac Jogues have been invited to join the St. Monica bus trip to Washington, D.C. on **January 19th, for the March for Life.** The cost is \$25 round trip for adults. *Students and children are free.* The bus will stop at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception for anyone who would like to stay at the shrine for the day. The bus will return for them at 3:30PM. Please call Ann McCarthy #484-924-8308 or email mccarthy409@gmail.com for more information or to reserve a seat. There is also a sign up sheet in the chapel. *We hope you can join us.*

Advertising - Our parish benefits greatly from the ads you see in the bulletin. The revenue pays for its printing, which is an important means of communication for the parish. We thank the many local businesses that have renewed their ads, as well as the many new advertisers in our bulletin. If you would like to promote your business to the families of our parish, please call Bob Arnold at 610-203-6474.



In case of illness please contact the Rectory Office to advise the Pastor.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish:

Roberta Adams, Bobbie Bauer, Bernie & Catherine Brill, Roger Burgess, Brandon Clark, Helen Debus, John Deenis, Sal DiMaiuta, Michael Fullam, Bud Gosnell, Farzanh Hafezi, Pary Hafezi, Patricia Kaine, Clare Krause, Janet Lennon, Annette McCauley, Mary McNabb, Charles McKeough, Jacob Nichols, Steve Pannella, Linda Patton, Jim Pizzo, Mary Redmond, David Rothhaar, John Schrems, Dave Scidurlo, Jane Taddeo, Maureen Travagline, Alicia Uribe, Michael Wusinich and Brian Wood and all our homebound, parishioners in Nursing Homes and Hospitals.

Also the members of our Military:

TSgt. Megan Burton, US Air Force
Sgt. Ryan Burke, US Marine Corp
Sgt. Bruno Sicilia, US Army, Iraq
Capt. Adam Bouvier, US Army, Iraq/Kuwait
Maj. Katherine L. DePaul JA, US Army
Corp. Brendan Burke, US Marine Corp
Lt. Colonel Patrick Mulloney, US Army, Afghanistan
SSgt. Tim Selman, US Air Force, Korea
1st Lt. Joseph C. Toole, US Marine Corp



We know our prayers are heard and answered. Please call the Rectory when the individual's health improves or they have returned home from service duty so they can be removed from the list.



God of power and mercy, you destroy war and put down earthly pride. Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears that we may all deserve to be called sons and daughters. Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died in the cause of freedom and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



"Snow is in the Air" – *In the event of severe snow the 8:00 am Weekly Daily Mass Schedule will be based on the Tredyffrin School District Schedule. If the school is closed or delayed there will be no 8:00 am Daily Mass that day, thus giving time to get the lot cleared for the 12:05 pm Mass. Please call 610-240-1970 to check for school closings. Channels 3, 6 & 10 news school number Chester County 854.*

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Parish Giving - is a safe, convenient and effective way for you to support our parish. Our goal is to significantly increase the use of this important stewardship tool here at St. Isaac's. Over the next few weeks we will be asking that you prayerfully consider enrolling in Parish Giving. Visit the website www.stisaac.org or call 1-866-307-7140.

The end of the tax year is fast approaching. As you calculate your 2017 contributions for your federal income tax return, don't forget St. Isaac's in your year-end calculations. As we noted recently, St. Isaac's wish list includes some very ambitious and costly projects. Thank you for your regular offerings throughout the year. There is still time to achieve your 2017 contributions goal with a year-end gift to St. Isaac's.

Bishop Shanahan High School Winter-Summer Programs:

Comprehensive 35-hour training experience in a **PSAT/SAT** (with a student teacher ratio of 8:1 in math), classes begin **January 10th, 2018**. We also have information on our **summer programs** which include: **Algebra I enrichment program** (grades 5-9) and **Math Programs in Geometry, Algebra 2, Pre-Calculus and Calculus** (all grades); **“Critical Thinking and Study Skills”** program (grades 8-12); and a **PSAT/SAT Program** (with a student teacher ratio of 8:1) summer classes start **June 18, 2018**. For more information call Dr. Fuller 610-247-5933 or BSHS 610-518-1300.

Some Calls are Meant to be Answered! - Have you ever considered being a priest? What an awesome life it is! Do not be afraid to **HEED THE CALL** of Christ. For more information, please see our website www.HeedTheCall.org or call 610-667-5778.

Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



WHAT DRAWS PEOPLE INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH? - While there are many different circumstances that lead a person in the direction of Catholicism, the simple answer is, "Because God has called them."

Most often, God calls to us through the people closest to us, through our families and friends. Most who have entered the Church have been influenced by a Catholic spouse, fiancé, or close friend. For many of these people, a desire to raise their children in the knowledge of God spurred them to action. What is this if not the action of the Holy Spirit?

If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about Catholic Faith and Worship contact Louis Valenti at 610-687-2481 or email SLJDRE@gmail.com.

YOUTH MINISTRY

www.stisaac.org and click on "Youth Ministry."

Liturgical Schedule December 23 rd -25 th			
	Extraordinary Ministers	Lector	Cantor & Organist
Saturday 5:00 PM	Ellen Hendrickson Rick & Mary Ann deSante	Mary Grady	Steve Giblin John McEnerney
Sunday 8:00 AM	Karen Stellabotte Mary Gibney Brenda Wilson	Robert Morris	No Music
Sunday 10:30 AM	Barbara Smith Maureen Scott Terry Scott	Diana Morris	Lauren Wildoner Charles Paschall
Sunday 12:00 PM	Tom Cummings Mark & Lauriel Wisely	Veronica Wisely	Lauren Wildoner Charles Paschall
Christmas Eve 5:00 PM	Mary Grady Carol Robinson Joe Aquilante Rick & Mary Ann deSante	Amy Laursen	Children's Choir Mary Therese Knab
Christmas Eve 8:00 PM	Meg Price Mark & Lauriel Wisely	Diana Morris	Thad Shirey Charles Paschall
Christmas Day 8:00 AM	Maria Avitabile Karen Stellabotte Mary Gibney	Harry Habbel	Steve Giblin John McEnerney
Christmas Day 10:30 AM	Maureen Scott Tony & Cathy Witczak	Terry Scott	Terry Shirey Charles Paschall
Christmas Day 12:00 Noon	Tom Cummings Marianne Keyser	Theresa Wisely	Thad Shirey Charles Paschall

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