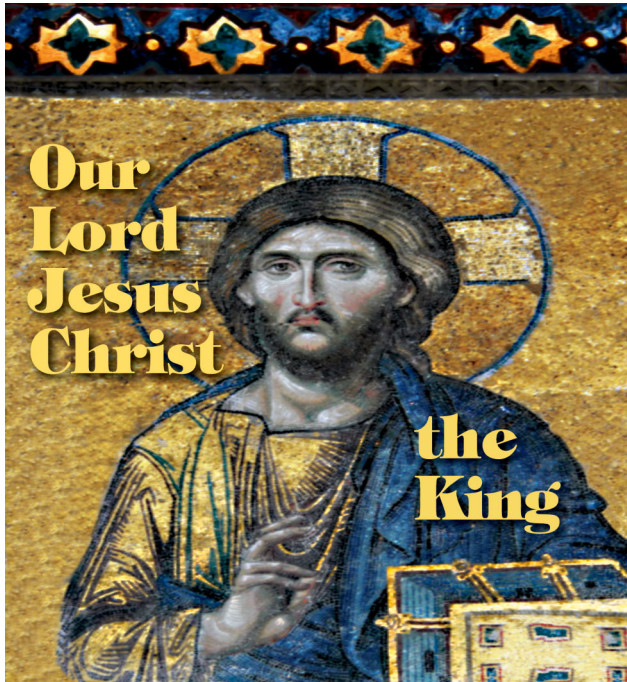


St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

999 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 19067

November 20, 2016 *Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



KINGSHIP

The book of Samuel recounts for us today the anointing of David as king of Israel. It was the elders of Israel who declared David king that day, but it was God who called David to shepherd Israel. Thus mandated by the citizens of his kingdom and by his God, David took his place in a long line of kings. The apostle Paul speaks to us of kingship as well, but on a much higher plane: the kingship of Jesus our Lord. As great as David was, he and all earthly monarchs who came before and after him in their kingdoms around the world are minor kings by comparison to the true King. And lastly, we hear the story of that true King in perhaps his weakest moment: near death, hanging on a cross, taunted by a common criminal and by the world at large.

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NEW PARISHIONERS

New to the parish? Please call the rectory for an appointment to register.

WEDDINGS

Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Please call the rectory to make an appointment with one of the parish priests.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

Saturday: 5:15 PM Vigil Mass
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30AM, 6:00PM
Children's Liturgy of the Word: at 9:30 Mass
Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM.
Holy Day Schedule: 7:00PM Vigil Mass, 7:00AM, 9:00AM, and 7:00PM.
Special Schedules for Christmas, New Years & Easter

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 4:00 to 5:00 P.M.
Eves of First Fridays: 7:00 to 7:30 P.M.
Confessions will also be heard at any reasonable time on request.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory at 215-493-3377 ext. 211 if someone is sick. The Holy Eucharist will be brought to anyone homebound.

BAPTISMS

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on Sundays at 12:45P.M. Pre-Jordan class, for the first child only, is required for parents. Class is held on the first Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in room 2B on the 2nd floor of the Meeting Center. Parents, please call the rectory to register for the class.



PLEASE NOTE

The distribution of the Precious Blood for the faithful is suspended from November until April due to the cold/flu season. The faith of the Church teaches that Christ, whole and entire, is received even under only one species.

ADVENT CALENDARS



St. Ignatius PREP will be selling **Religious Advent Calendars** with Bible verses. We have some free-standing calendars and some with chocolate candy. All calendars are \$5.00 each.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For those who would like to inquire about the Catholic Faith, information is available. Please contact the Director of Religious Education, Annmarie Flanagan, at 215-493-5204 or 215-370-5701.

ROSARY



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



TODAY'S READINGS

- First Reading -- David is anointed king of Israel (2 Samuel 5:1-3).
- Psalm -- Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord (Psalm 122).
- Second Reading -- The Father delivered us to the kingdom of his beloved Son (Colossians 1:12-20).
- Gospel -- The repentant criminal receives Jesus' promise of Paradise (Luke 23:35-43).
- The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass (c) 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
- Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
- Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
- Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28
- Thanksgiving Day (suggested): Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
- Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11 -- 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
- Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
- Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday	November 20, 2016
7:30AM	Carl A. and Marge C. Lantzy (Children)
9:30AM	Shirley and Jack Baltrus (Jean and Stan Raykovitz)
11:30AM	Giuseppa Covello (The Covello Family)
6:00PM	Walter Breen (The Cardone Family)
Monday	
9:00AM	Mary A. Tomlinson (Roxana and Vince McKernan)
Tuesday	
9:00AM	All Living and Deceased Members of the Parish
Wednesday	
9:00AM	Joseph and James Murphy (The Murphy Family)
Thursday	
9:00AM	Robert Kely Sr. (Family)
Friday	
9:00AM	Ruthann Carroll and Family (The Carroll Family)
Saturday	
8:00AM	Theolinda Scaringi (Frances and Nick Tarallo)
5:15PM	Joan Fairbairn (Joan Taylor)
Sunday	November 27, 2016
7:30AM	The Deceased Members of the Gresko Family (The Carroll Family)
9:30AM	E. Thomas Morrison Jr. (The Twomey Family)
11:30AM	Patrick N. Brady (Mary C. Crawford)
6:00PM	Thomas Lee Carroll (The Carroll Family)

PARISH APPEAL UPDATE

So far we are doing well with our 2016-2017 Annual Parish Appeal, but we still need your help! This critical parish fundraiser will run from October 16th 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. You should have received our appeals materials in the mail. If you have not, there are appeal envelopes 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.

As of our fifth week of the Parish appeal, 202 families have contributed \$58,626.17 toward our goal of \$150,000. We are at 39.08% of this year's goal. Thank you for your generosity!

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

	<u>November 15, 2015</u>	<u>November 13, 2016</u>
Sunday	\$ 18,950.00 466 Env.	\$ 15,361.50 413 Env.

Registered Households: 2,549—Percentage of households using envelopes: 16.20%

We are very grateful for the support of our parish!

ADORATION CHAPEL

Come let us Adore Him



What is the Importance of Eucharistic Devotion?

The following is an excerpt from the USCCB (US Conference of Catholic Bishops) resource on the Liturgy: "This practice, repeatedly praised and recommended by the Magisterium is supported by the example of many saints. Particularly outstanding in this regard was St. Alphonsus Liguori, who wrote: "Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the most helpful to us." The Eucharist is a priceless treasure by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass. We are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of Grace."

Our Adoration Chapel is open 7 days a week 24 hours a day. Won't you make some time for a visit? Also, please consider taking one of our open hours: Monday 12pm, 1pm Tuesday 11am, 3am, Wednesday 2am, Thursday 3am, 2pm, Friday 6pm and Saturday 1am, 1pm. Even if you can help for a limited time, it is appreciated. For more information call Marianne Kloc at 267-346-0152. God Bless you!

COPING WITH LOSS AT HOLIDAY TIME

Are you grieving this holiday season, feeling alone, and don't know what to do? Are you feeling unsure about how to celebrate this year? Are you having a hard time talking about your loss while others are celebrating?

Consider attending the Annual Holiday Support Group for adults facilitated by Dr. Rosemarie Cataldo, Licensed Clinical Psychologist. Topics to be covered include:

- ~Dealing with role changes and expectations with your holiday traditions.
- ~How you and your children can remember and include your loved one during the holidays.
- ~How to cope with the stress of the holidays.

The support group will meet from 7:00pm to 8:30pm on Fridays: 11/18, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16 and 1/6/2017. Sessions will be held in the old Rectory Building - Room 2B (directly across from St. Ignatius Church). There are no fees or costs to attend. If you are interested in attending one or all of the sessions, kindly call Rosemarie Cataldo at 267-391-7351 and leave a message.

Pray For

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WE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

that they return to the comfort of good health: Elizabeth Alvino, Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Ann Birchler, Lucille Brantl, Ruthann Carroll, Gloria Cheeseman, Brynn Clare Connor, Cliff Conway, Louie DiTanna, Mark Maholick, Marlene Drainville-Spillene, Frank Fazzalore, Mary Fazzalore, Olga Fleming, David Fry, Michael G., Sherry Golden, Rose Ann Grall, Madeline Guarnieri, Paul Hahn, Andrew Kelly, Diane Kelly, Fr. Lawrence Kozak, Ellen Masterson, Vincent Masterson, Lily Murphy, Robert Murphy, Christine Nassar, Daniel O'Brien, Thelma Pisano, Alicia Simon, Darwin Stout, Jonathan Sutton, Jeanne Tobin, Jane Wallace, Donald Weston, Sabrina Wooding, Barbara Zenno. **(Please call the rectory to submit prayer requests for the sick, and also to remove a name from the list. Names will be removed after a month, unless you request otherwise.)**

WE PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED,

all of our service personnel killed while serving our country, those who have no one to pray for them, and the Holy Souls in purgatory.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY :

Matthew Bauer, Melissa Bishop, Christian Blaydon, Sara Brill, Mark Buckley, Michael Joseph Buckley, Brad Bullman, Evan Cumming, Brent Cummings, Kevin O'Brien Darby, Staten DeTample, Ronald Ernst, Kevin Frawley, Anthony Fuscarello, Joe Galle, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Jonathan Grubb, Edward Hill, David & Christine Kawoczka Krueger, Matthew Krall, Justin Kumor, Daniel LaMorte, Matt Leonardo, James Limer, 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, Laura Perazzola, Gregory B. Procaccini, Jason Propst, Matthew Rieser, James Tams, Scott Toro, John Worman.



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SONS OF ITALY

“The Piazza Nuova Lodge, Order of Sons of Italy in America, holds their monthly meetings on the 2nd Monday evenings each month at 6:30 p.m. (except July and August). All people of Italian descent and their spouses are welcome. For further information, call 215-493-4120.”

Clothing Collection

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You can donate wearable, used clothing at the Thrifty Irishman clothing bin in our parking lot. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

All are invited - as we sing God's praises and share in His Word and His Love in an intimate community of faith. We meet every Tuesday from 7:00-8:30PM in Room 2F in the Meeting Center. Deacon Bob Skawinski is our spiritual Prayer Group Director.



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H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People Everyday)



H.O.P.E. is a group of concerned parishioners who are willing to help anyone in the geographical boundaries of our parish.

What we do: Visit shut-ins; prepare meals in a crisis situation; grocery shop or run errands for shut-ins; take others to the grocery store; take people to Mass one day a month; drive to medical appointments, bank, post office, etc.

What we CANNOT do: Transport people in wheelchairs, be called as an emergency ride, do personal care (feeding, bathing, toileting, house cleaning, or respite care), respond on short notice. (If possible, please give us 2 weeks notice).

To volunteer for H.O.P.E. or to use H.O.P.E., call Pat Furst at 215-801-0820.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



When was the last time you learned anything new about your faith? What is your faith? Why must we have faith? Is faith a virtue? What are other virtues? How can we have a better relationship with God? Do I really know how to pray? Does God answer all prayers? How can I merge my life in this world with my relationship with God? Do you know why you are here? Do you really understand the Eucharist? Is there really an afterlife?

We at Adult Faith Formation try to address these issues and more. Our next program will be on January 14, 2017...yes, next year! On Moral Relativism with Dr. Peter Kreeft.

St Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.

ROSE OF LIFE INTENTION

RESPECT For all those who have lost their lives to abortion or euthanasia.



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November is the month of All Saints and All Souls. The 58 million aborted children since 1973 all had souls that we can only pray through God's mercy are now Saints. We honor and celebrate them this month. Please pray not only for them but their parents and ultimately our country who has legalized killing children in the womb under the notion of choice. The Respect Life Committee wishes to continue to promote the truth about abortion and respecting all life from conception to natural death. Please join us the first Monday of every month in the Parish Meeting Center at 8 PM.

Also, we are repeating our Rose Parade before the 9:30 AM Mass on Sunday, December 11 with a procession of persons born between 1973 and now to each carry a rose in memorial of all aborted children. Please let me know if you would like to join us, one person per year-contact me at lruppersberger@gmail.com.

“Through his victory, Jesus has opened to us his kingdom. But it is for us to enter into it, beginning with our life now – his kingdom begins now – by being close in concrete ways to our brothers and sisters who ask for bread, clothing, acceptance, solidarity, catechesis. If we truly love them, we will be willing to share with them what is most precious to us, Jesus himself and his Gospel.”

The Second Great Commandment is to love neighbor as self; why? Because YOU are created in the image and likeness of God and so IS your neighbor, so to love God you must love the God within you and the God within your neighbor and take care of yourself and your neighbor, because your bodies are the Temples of the Holy Spirit.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer

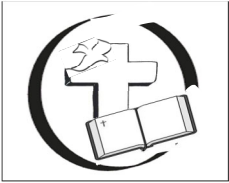
For the Church's ministries: May they have the full legal protection to continue fulfilling their mission of bringing God's love to the world; We pray to the Lord:

ADVENT GIFT-GIVING MASS



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On Tuesday, December 1, at 7:00pm, we will have our annual Advent Gift-Giving Mass. We ask each family to attend the Mass and bring a gift (toys or clothing) for a poor child who would not otherwise receive a new gift for Christmas. Representatives from St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Chester and Sacred Heart Parish in Camden will be present to accept your gifts. Please do not wrap the gifts, but you can put them in gift bags, as long as the gifts can be seen. You are invited for refreshments in the auditorium after Mass. Even if you are unable to attend the Mass, you can still bring a gift to the sacristy in Church during the day. St. Ignatius has always been very generous in helping people who have far less than we do. Let's continue this great tradition!



**Take courage;
get up, he is
calling
you.
Mk 10:49**

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Simply Visit: www.formed.org
Enter Our Parish Code: 40742e
Register yourself and enjoy the content available to you and your family!



“It’s beginning to look a lot like Christmas,” or, at least that’s the assumption based on that familiar holiday song. But what does that look like at your house? Most of us anticipate the great sales at the mall on the day after Thanksgiving, string lights on the outside of our house, and decorating the inside of our homes. But how exactly are we preparing our hearts for the greatest gift we’ve ever been given? Through an exploration of the mystery of the Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, and the events surrounding the arrival of Jesus, this Advent study

offers an opportunity to experience the joy of the true meaning of Christmas.

**St. Frances Cabrini Parish is Proud to host a Parish Retreat
“A Time of Grace”**

All are welcome to join us December 4 –7 for “A Time of Grace” with Augustinian Father Michael Sullivan from Villanova University. Father Sullivan will be speaking each evening on aspects of our faith while adding a bit of humor and fun to the retreat. “A Time of Grace” focuses on the power of the Spirit, forgiveness, commitment, and community. The talks will be at 7:00PM Sunday through Wednesday at St. Frances Cabrini Parish located at 325 S. Oxford Valley Rd. Fairless Hills, PA 19030.

MUSIC MINISTRY NOTES

Dr. Frank Klose ~ Music Ministry
Phone: 267-393-0843
E-mail: music@stignatius.church



St. Ignatius Children’s Choir

The St. Ignatius Children’s Choir will soon start rehearsing to prepare for the 4:00p.m. Christmas Eve Liturgy. The choir is open to all children in grades 2-8. With the exception of the final rehearsal, the rehearsals will take place in the Music Ministry room of the Old Rectory from 5:30-6:30.

Rehearsals will be held on the following Thursdays:

- December 1
- December 8
- December 15
- December 22** Mandatory rehearsal in the Church

For a children's choir registration form or for more information, please contact Ashley Sassaman at ashley@siparish.org

BOOK n' BEAN

Our group is growing and we are always adding new members. How about joining us on the last Tuesday night of each month beginning in September (except December and summers) to discuss our selected book of the month? We meet in the Religious Education Office across from the School Cafeteria from 7:30 - 8:45pm for a relaxed discussion. Bring your own beverage.

Contact Linda Stewart

at: dremom@verizon.net or call me at 215-968-3577 with questions. Our schedule is:

- Tuesday, Nov. 29 The Sympathizer ~ Viet Thanh Nguyen
- Tuesday, Jan. 31 Custer's Trials: a Life on the Frontier of a New America ~ T. J. Stiles
- Tuesday, Feb. 28 The Road from Coorain ~ Jill Ker Conway
- Tuesday, Mar. 28 Black Flags: The Rise of ISIS ~ Joby Warrick
- Tuesday, April 25 Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet ~ Jamie Ford
- Tuesday, May 23 Nightingale ~ Kristin Hannah

**AID FOR FRIENDS
GIFTS OF WARMTH**



Gifts of Warmth are invaluable to our homebound friends during the cold, winter season. Please use the Aid for Friends donation boxes at any of the church entrances to leave your unwrapped gift. Some suggestions for donation include: men’s or women’s robes and pajamas, blankets, socks, sheets, sweat suits, toiletries, Ensure or Boost, etc. Thank you! Your kindness and generosity are always appreciated.

ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA METROPOLITAN TRIBUNAL

Divorce is a reality for all people, even for Roman Catholics. The Catholic Church respects the validity of all marriages, not just Catholic marriages. There are divorced persons who seek to remarry in the Catholic Church. In such cases, the Church will consider the divorced marriage to see if someone entered the marriage with an understanding, ability or intention contrary to the Church’s teaching on marriage. This process, called a Declaration of Nullity, enables people to marry in the Catholic Church and enables Catholics to participate fully in the sacramental life of the Church. For more information visit www.archphila.org and go to the “How do I” tab. Select “Start the Annulment Process”. Or, call 215-587-3750 with any questions or to receive an application.



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Youth and Young Adult



ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH SCHOOL
"A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence"
"A Community of Faith, Academics and Service"

The Year of Mercy officially closes today on the Solemnity of Christ the King. Last week the Holy Doors were closed in churches throughout the world. This was a year where the Holy Father prayed that all men learned "once again" that the fate of the world is not in the hands of men, but in the mercy of God. Our students celebrated "Vocation Week" this past week learning about the states of marriage, single life and priesthood. They were guided by Mr. Ray and Mr. Jeff, the two seminarians who come each week, in hearing about their call to the seminary.

The Student Council will lead us in a prayer service of thanksgiving on Wednesday before we dismiss for the Thanksgiving break.

Congratulations are sent out to our Disciples of the Month for October. The students were recognized for displaying gratitude for what has come their way: Tessa Ruppertsburger, Sean Marriott, Isaac Koehler, Karly Falkenstein, Nora Schmitz, Ava Spera, Nolan Schmitz, Kelly Larr, Peter Patrick, Miranda Sibaja, Matthew Badman,, Michael Carroll, Kate Abdalla,, Ines Dominique, and Elizabth Mimm.

School will be closed beginning at noon on Wednesday through Monday, November 28th. We will reopen on Tuesday, November 29th.

The faculty, staff and students of St. Ignatius School wish each one of you a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!



Maria Gdovin
Director of Youth Ministry
St. Ignatius Parish
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youth@stignatius.church

Thank you to all who ordered a pie with the youth ministry. Please remember to pick up your pies this Wednesday, 11/23, at the old rectory. Representatives will be distributing from 12-3 on Wednesday.

Saturday, December 4th we will be baking cookies for The Breathing Room Foundation. This counts as service hours for youth in 6th-12th grade. In order to accurately coordinate with The Breathing Room, please RSVP by December 1st.

Save the date! Christmas babysitting will be offered again this year on Dec 10th from 12-4. This is for children ages 3-9. To register, please email Maria at youth@stignatius.church.

The youth ministry will be attending Steubenville this summer! Youth entering 9th-exiting 12th grade are welcome to attend. Please email Maria for more information.

From the Religious Education Office ...



The Religious Education Office opens on Sunday at 7:00 a.m. and from Monday through Thursday at 9:30 a.m. The office is closed on Friday, but I do check phone and email messages.

ADVENT GIFT-GIVING MASS: Our annual ADVENT GIFT-GIVING MASS, which benefits the children of St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Chester and Sacred Heart Parish in Camden, will be on Tuesday, November 29, at 7:00 p.m. Please come and bring a new, unwrapped toy for a needy child. There are refreshments after the Mass in the auditorium.

PREP CHRISTMAS PAGEANT: Please come and join us for our little Christmas Pageant in Church, on Tuesday evening, December 13, at 6:30 p.m. We will sing traditional, religious carols, and the Pageant will remind us of the true meaning of Christmas. All are welcome.

REGISTRATION FOR 2016 – 2017 PREP YEAR

You can still register for our Religious Education Classes.

Come on in!

Our Religious Education program is open to students in grades K through 12.

Parents of students in grades 7-12: Please encourage your sons and daughters to continue their Religious Education after Confirmation. Confirmation is a beginning, not an end. Don't deprive your older kids the chance to learn more about God. We all know how much we need God in our lives.

Special Needs PREP class: Parents, are you aware that we have a PREP class for students with special needs? This class meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. If we could help to give your child a religious education in a small group environment, please give Annmarie a call at 215-493-5204.

PLEASE REMEMBER

The first day each week for Catholic Education in School and PREP begins on Saturday/Sunday with attendance at Mass.



The Westminster Conservatory of Music is offering at St. Ignatius school, voice classes, children/adult private instruction in voice, piano, and violin. For more information please contact Danielle Cargas at [215.493.3514](tel:215.493.3514)

FATHER McCAFFERTY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A suggestion to our parishioners - see if the company you work for might consider a matching gift to your donation to our Scholarship Fund. We are in need of several donations to the fund in order to assist needy families with school tuition.