



When Will We Be Satisfied?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

In 1992, *Forbes* magazine published an issue titled “Why Do We Feel So Bad When We Have It So Good?” It featured articles by such luminaries as newsman Dan Rather, President George H. W. Bush, and author John Updike. Many of the writers reflected upon our passion for more and our hunger to live in affluence and how that fails to satisfy. In so many ways, we as a nation find ourselves seeking distractions from living with ourselves lest we be confronted by our ultimate loneliness. As a nation we are addicted to entertainment and smartphones, to drugs and pornography, to finding something new. We are confronted by rising suicide rates and a pervasive, deep-seated anger. Why are we not satisfied?

John the Baptist called the people of his day to repent, which is another way of asking them—and us—to look at life differently. Advent is really about getting in touch with our deep longing for more, a part of our human condition that ultimately is only satisfied by God. We have been created to long for more, a longing that feels like loneliness, a longing that seeks to be satisfied. In the end, we can only find a sense of peace in the midst of such longing by accepting that it can never be fully satisfied in this life. Like the spirituality of Alcoholics Anonymous, accepting rather than fleeing from our human reality becomes a path to new life. ●

Reflect

How do you deal with loneliness and a longing for more out of life?

John [the] Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

MARK 1:4



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Directory	Mass Schedule	Upcoming Events at St. Ignatius
Pastor Father Dennis M. Doyle 636-433-2678 sv-icpastor@centurytel.net Deacon Deacon Paul Hecktor (636) 932-4805 sphecktor@gmail.com Parish Office Manager Cindy Deters (636) 932-4445 cindy.deters@saintig.com Parish Council Members Fr. Dennis Doyle Nick Kluesner Tim Diermann Jeremy Hecktor Syd Fees Jenna Huddleston Donna Blahut School Principal Arlesa Leopold (636) 932.4444 lleopold@saintig.com School Secretary Sandy Walls (636) 932.4444 sandy.walls@saintig.com	<u>St Ignatius ~ St Vincent</u> <u>Immaculate Conception</u> <u>Saturday</u> 5:00pm SI <u>Sunday</u> 8:00am IC 10:30am SV <u>Monday</u> 8:00am IC <u>Tuesday</u> 8:00am SI <u>Wednesday</u> 8:00am SV <u>Thursday</u> 8:00am SI <u>Friday</u> 8:00am SV <u>First Saturday</u> 8:00am IC Holy Days —Please check the bulletin and/or website for Holy Day schedule. Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 4:00-4:45pm SI Sunday 10:00am SV, before Sunday Mass First Saturday of the Month 8:30am IC (following 8am Mass) Any other time by appointment Eucharistic Adoration Thursdays 8:30am-7pm Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions Tuesdays after Morning Mass at SI	12/09 Baptism after 5 pm Mass-Rountree 12/12 Rosary & Litany after Mass 12/14 Home & School Mtg 6:30 pm 12/16 Heggemann Family Reunion 2pm-10pm (Lobby/Cafeteria) 12/19 Rosary & Litany after Mass 12/20 Christmas Assembly 8am; 10:30 am Christmas Parties; Noon Dismissal 12/21-12/31 NO School Christmas Break 12/24 Diermann X-mas Party 1pm-10 pm (Lobby/Cafeteria) 12/25 Parish Office & School Closed-Xmas 12/26 Church Cleaning Team 10-Lisa Glosemeyer 12/26 Rosary & Litany after Mass 12/31 Shooting Match <u>St Ann's Ladies Society Christmas Party</u> <u>POSTPONED</u> <u>12/6/23</u> <u>New date 1/10/24—6:30 pm</u> Please bring a snack or dessert, and a non-perishable item for the food pantry. We will have a gift exchange game (rob your neighbor) if you want to participate, bring a \$10 gift wrapped. All ladies are welcome! <u>Special Announcement</u> During the cold and flu season, please refrain from receiving the Precious Blood at Mass if you have a cough, cold or any flu symptoms. Please pick up dishes used from the Thanksgiving Day Dinner in the Cafeteria. Please remember to turn in your St Ig Club Membership forms. The goal is 85 this year and we only have about 50 + turned in. Thank you—Home & School
<u>Parish Giving 11/27/23</u> General Fund \$1765.00 Loose \$45.00 Flowers \$130.00 <u>TOTAL \$1,940.00</u> 36 General Offering envelopes collected, including children.	<u>Special Warning Announcement</u> <i>Please make sure your vehicles are locked and you do not leave any valuable items in your car.</i> Thank you!	
<u>Parish Giving 12/5/23</u> General Fund \$5140.00 Loose \$65.00 Flowers \$100.00 Christmas \$50.00 <u>TOTAL \$5,355.00</u> 43 General Offering envelopes collected, including children.		
Seminary Collection \$25.00		



Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, December 9, 5:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: Paul Hecktor
Amanda Schwoeppe, Sue Hecktor, Alice Kluesner, Dianne Meyer

Lector: Donna Blahut

Ushers: Dianne & Tom Meyer

Servers: George Stanfill, Lane/Lilly Kluesner

Saturday, December 16, 5:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: Paul Hecktor
Jacob Lierman, Norbie Engemann, Lori Huenefeld, Christopher Engemann

Lector: Sheila Shortt

Ushers: Christy/ Ryan Engemann

Servers: Dane/Drew Hecktor, Grant Korman

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 9 Betty Gildehaus
5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 12 Fred Borges
8:00 a.m.

Thursday, December 14 Fred Borges
8:00 a.m.

Saturday, December 16 Rosemary Engemann
5:00 p.m.

Additional opportunities for Confession during

Advent:

Tuesday December 19, 7-8p.m. Joint Parish Reconciliation Service at St Vincent de Paul. There will be three priests available to hear confessions.

Wednesday, December 20, 7 p.m., Fr. Doyle will hear confessions at St Ignatius.

GIVING TREE

We will again have a "Giving Tree" to benefit Pregnancy Assistance Center in Washington. Please take an ornament, purchase the item, and return the **unwrapped** gift under the tree. Items will be picked up on Sunday 12/10/23 before noon.

Upcoming Events

December 10— "Old Fashioned Community Christmas" St Paul's UCC- Cost-Free event-2:00 pm-5:00 pm. Crafts, Hayride & Christmas Caroling, Visit with Santa 5pm, Refreshments/Hotdogs.

December 10— Our Lady of Lourdes "Parish Breakfast" Sunday December 10 8am- 11:30 am, Featuring Santa Clause. Adults \$12, Children 6-12 \$4, 5 & under eat free!

December 17— St Francis Borgia-Parish Breakfast-Sunday 7:30 am- 11 :00 am. All you can Buffet! Adults \$10, Children 6-11 \$5 and under 6: FREE. Hosted by: Cub Scouts.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Immaculate Conception-Augusta

December 24-9:00 p.m.

December 25-8:00 a.m.

St Ignatius of Loyola in Concord Hill

December 24—4:00 p.m.

December 25—10:30 a.m.

St Vincent de Paul in Dutzow

December 24—5:00 p.m.

December 24—10:00 p.m.

Please Pray for the Sick Ailing Recovering

Connie Buenemann

Jerome Heggemann

Joey Heggemann

Andrew Hellebusch

Betty Hellebusch

Carl Jacquin

Carol Jacquin

Judith Liermann

Jeffrey Lierman

Connie Struckhoff

Joan Meyer

Theodore Meyer

Tom Meyer

Richard Preis

Jim Smith

Matt Struckhoff

Natalie Ulett

Audrey Wagener

Marc Wagener

Leanne Davis

Jacqueline Heggemann

Jean Jaeger

Marilyn Heady

Terry Sullentrup

Fr. Finbarr Dowling

Rick Thiel

Amy Brakemeyer

Freya Greer

12.01.20 Donny Kopmann

12.02.01 Lucille Hellebusch

12.04.14 Catherine Marquart

12.05.03 Mark Voss

12.05.10 Merlin Kopmann

12.06.09 Bill Carr

12.07.78 Frances Nieder

12.08.14 Evelyn Peters

12.10.76 John Engemann

12.10.92 Alfred Lierman

12.11.12 Bonnie Engemann

12.12.95 Lawrence Glosemeyer

12.12.85 Herman Kopmann

12.02.22 Ralph Glosemeyer

12.16.81 Amelia Engemann

12.17.07 Eldina Heggemann

12.18.12 Dorothy Liermann

12.19.03 Mary Rose Hellebusch

12.25.11 Don Heggemann

12.26.96 Donald Garbs

12.26.04 Bernard Heggemann

12.27.97 Elizabeth Tillmann

12.28.94 Lester Hennecke

12.28.08 Orville Gildehaus Jr.

12.29.86 Antonia Mebruer

Anniversaries of Our Dearly

Departed

December 6, 2023

Dear Parishioners and School Families,

I am writing to reassure you that St. Ignatius School will be open for the 2024-2025 school year.

This past October I was visited by Fr. Brockland, Episcopal Vicar, and Dr. Sharon Lenger, from the Office of Catholic Education and Formation to discuss the long-term sustainability of St. Ignatius School.

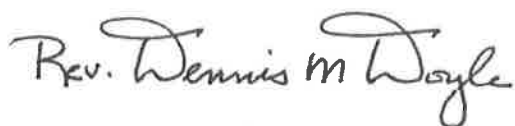
Following this meeting, I met with parish leaders, including the parish finance committee, the parish council and the parish school board to discuss various concerns and trends regarding the parish school. It was the consensus of our parish leaders that we keep St. Ignatius School open.

There will be a meeting on January 9, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Center open to all parishioners and school families to explain the current situation and to discuss some of the possible solutions. I hope that you will be able to attend.

I will continue to work with parish leaders on a feasibility plan that ensures the long-term viability of our parish school. Please continue to pray for the school and for all who are involved in this process.

May God bless you and your families during this Advent Season as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rev. Dennis M. Doyle". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Reverend Dennis M. Doyle
Pastor

We would like to personally thank each and everyone of you that helped make this year's Thanksgiving Day Dinner a HUGE success! We know that it is not easy to always give of your time to help but we deeply appreciate every single one of you. A special thanks to those who are not parish members and/or who were not on the work list and chose to come help us anyway. Last but not least at all we want to thank Father Doyle for not only coming and spending the day with us but asking to help in any way he could. There is no way that we could have pulled this off without all of you. We sold 1516 dinners (remember that does not include the little kids that eat for free) this is a record number for us at least back as far as we have written records. We once again apologize to anyone that I had to turn away or was not able to get carry outs to take home due to us running out of turkey, we will be ordering more next year. We also know you all are anxious to know the actual numbers as far as profit goes, however we are still waiting on a few invoices from advertising before we can put together our profit and loss spreadsheet and know our final numbers.

Raffle Winners this year were Alexis and Madison Couch - \$750

Tom and Luanne Hellebusch - \$500

Joan Bobbit - \$250

I can not speak for Shannan but I personally can not think of anything I would rather be doing for my Thanksgiving Day than to spend it with all of you and all of our guests that have made this their family tradition. We are already discussing things for next year, if you ever have a suggestion or idea we are always open to hearing from you. We honestly write down and go over every note that is taken.

Oh, and yes I still have some cranberry salad left if anyone still wants to buy some!

Thank you again,

Thanksgiving Day Dinner Committee

Mary Glosemeyer

Shannan Reel

Dear Padre,

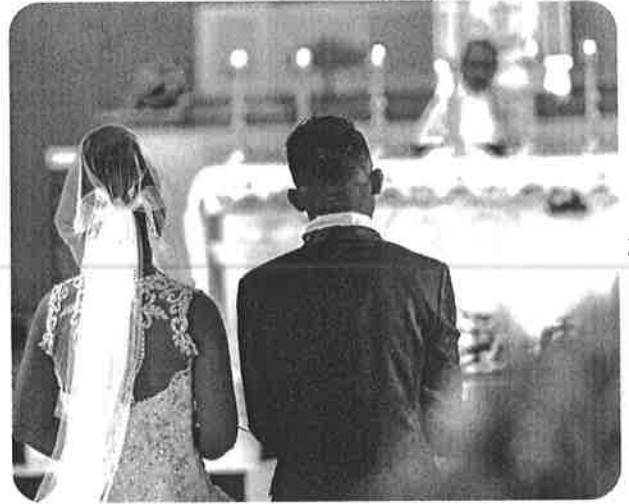
Do Catholics have to marry in the Church? If a couple decides to marry outside of the Church, are they still allowed to receive Communion and other sacraments?

Catholics are obligated to follow the laws of the Church, including those laws regarding marriage. If a Catholic marries outside the Church, meaning that they did not follow Church law, then they may not receive the other sacraments until their marriage has been witnessed by the Church.

A wedding is a sacred ceremony for the couple, but it is also a ceremony for the Church. The Christian community is called upon to witness the ceremony, with the bishop, priest, or deacon called upon to bless the union in the name of the Church. The Church can dispense from the form, that is, the place of the wedding, for good cause, and does so when necessary. When a dispensation from the law is granted, then the person has followed the marriage laws of the Church and is free to receive the sacraments.

A wedding is a sacred ceremony in which a sacrament is conferred. While the park may be pretty or the church down the street may be bigger, neither is a sufficient reason to ignore marriage law and marry outside the Church. ●

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Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

Since 1964, the Redemptorists' *Scrupulous Anonymous* free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit ScrupulousAnonymous.org.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
December 11	December 12	December 13	December 14	December 15	December 16	December 17
Advent Weekday	<i>Our Lady of</i>	<i>St. Lucy, Virgin</i>	<i>St. John of the</i>	<i>Advent Weekday</i>	<i>Advent Weekday</i>	<i>Third Sunday of</i>
Is 35:1-10	<i>Guadalupe</i>	<i>and Martyr</i>	<i>Cross, Priest and</i>	Is 48:17-19	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11	<i>Advent</i>
Lk 5:17-26	Zec 2:14-17 or	Is 40:25-31	<i>Doctor of the</i>	Mt 11:16-19	Mt 17:9a, 10-13	Is 61:1-2a,
	Rv 11:19a;	Mt 11:28-30	<i>Church</i>			10-11
	12:1-6a, 10ab		Is 41:13-20			1 Thes 5:16-24
	Lk 1:26-38 or		Mt 11:11-15			Jn 1:6-8, 19-28
	Lk 1:39-47					

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

In the Bible [conversion] means, first and foremost, to change direction and orientation; and thus also to change one's way of thinking. In the moral and spiritual life, to convert means to turn oneself from evil to good, from sin to love of God. And this is what the Baptist was teaching.

ANGELUS, ROME, DECEMBER 6, 2020

