

St. Ignatius of Loyola

## **PSR NEWSLETTER**

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Our theme for this year is: "We are Many Parts, We are all One Body". Our scripture focus is: "As a body is one though it has many parts, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit." (1 Corinthians 12: 12-13)

### MAY/SUMMER 2019

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

May 5- Last Class; May Crowning at 9:40 in Church-bring a flower for Mary; 6th grade parents-watch for updated information from Mr. Hunt regarding Confirmation binders

June 25-28 Totus Tuus \*see the bulletin or contact Emily Branscum at <a href="mailto:ebranscum@sainti.org">ebranscum@sainti.org</a> for more information

July 29-Aug 2-Vacation Bible School-PK-4 \*look for information later in this newsletter and contact Elaine Kroger at <a href="mailto:ekroger@sainti.org">ekroger@sainti.org</a> for more information.

# August 1- Registration and payment for 2019-2020 PSR classes due

August date TBD-Summer picnic and family social

August 23-25 St. Ignatius Summer festival

September 15- Opening Mass at 8:30 and Meet the Teacher event after Mass

#### A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

What a blessing it has been this year to work with you and your amazing children! On behalf of the PSR staff, thank you for a great year.

Congratulations to the seventh graders who celebrated their Confirmation on April 12, and the Second Graders who celebrated their First Holy Communion on April 27! Please keep these children in your prayers as they continue to practice their faith. Thank you to Mrs. Janet Wimberg and Mr. Rick Thomas for all of their time and effort in preparing our children for these most important Sacraments.

Please note the important dates listed for summer opportunities for continued faith formation for your child. If you have any questions regarding any of the activities listed, you can call the parish office or contact me at <a href="mailto:ekroger@sainti.org">ekroger@sainti.org</a>.

Finally, we would like to say "thank you" and "best wishes" to some of our staff who are moving on to the next stage of their lives and will not be returning to PSR next year: Mrs. Christy Weber, Mrs. Janet Wimberg, and Mrs. Marlene Dole who each have served our parish for MANY years; as well as Mrs. Kris Schoettmer and Mr. Tom Fronk who returned this year after many previous years of service, and finally Ms. Samantha Mossing who joined us this year as a new teacher. May God continue to bless them all in their faith journeys!

Blessings! Elaine Kroger,

#### MAY CROWNING

We will end the 2018-19 school year on Sunday, May 5th with a May Crowning ceremony in Church from 9:40-10 am. Please send a cut flower with each of your children that day, as each classroom will have an arrangement to present to Mary. We ask that the second graders wear their First Communion outfits and the seventh graders wear their Confirmation attire. Please mark your calendar now so that you can attend this beautiful dedication to Mary. Students will process into Church starting at 9:35 am.

<u>ATTENTION SIXTH GRADE PARENTS</u>
CONFIRMATION 2020 NEWS -

Please see upcoming information from Mr. Hunt regarding Confirmation 2020.

#### **PSR REGISTRATION FOR 2019-2020**

Please read the packet coming home with your child today carefully as there are some changes to the process this year. There is now an early registration discount for anyone registered before August 1!

Paper packets can be returned next Sunday morning to your child's teacher or any of the office staff that are in the hallways, or returned to the parish office at your convenience. This early registration helps us with planning for next school year. Thank you for taking the time to complete the forms early!

We are working to set up an online registration, and once it is up and running, an email will be sent to all current parents with a link if you would like to register via this option.

Any questions regarding PSR for next year should be directed to Elaine Kroger at <a href="mailto:ekroger@sainti.org">ekroger@sainti.org</a>.



#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Join us on a journey to Mars and Beyond as we explore where God's power can take us!

Students in grades PK-4 are invited to join us on an out of this world adventure each morning from July 29-August 2. Please watch the bulletin for more details regarding registration information coming in May.

We are currently seeking adult leaders to help plan and execute this awesome mission for the youth of our parish. Older students from grades 5-12 will be needed as team leaders, too. Please contact Elaine Kroger at <a href="mailto:ekroger@sainti.org">ekroger@sainti.org</a> if you would like to volunteer, or if you have any questions.

#### **PSR SUMMER PICNIC/ FAMILY SOCIAL**

Plans are being finalized for a summer get together/social for PSR families. Information will be emailed to you this summer. We hope you can make this event and spend some time getting to know other families.

#### PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITY

To celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the dedication of St. Ignatius of Loyola Church [which will be on Sunday, March 15, 2020] we are organizing a pilgrimage to Spain, birthplace of Ignatius, in July of 2020 prior to the feast of St. Ignatius on Friday, July 31.

We will experience "The Barcelona of Saint Ignatius" and have an in-depth excursion to Montserrat where St. Ignatius visited the Benedictine monastery of Santa Maria; other possible sites include Loyola and Manresa. As of our departure date, youth pilgrims are to be ages 12-19. Questions: call Greg Niehaus at 598-8880 or email him at gniehaus@zoomtown.com.

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Shelter House**- needed once a month for dinner preparation and serving, contact Emily Branscum at the Parish Office.

**Vacation Bible School-**summer- teachers and junior high/high school students are needed as aides; please contact Elaine Kroger at <a href="mailto:ekroger@sainti.org">ekroger@sainti.org</a> for more information.

**YOUTH MINISTRY** for Junior high students, grades 6-8, roughly every other Monday from 7-8:30 in the Hilvert Center. Contact Emily Branscum with questions.

