



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Ignatius Catholic Church

OREGON'S JESUIT PARISH



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Nov 17, 2024

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 PM
Sunday at 8:00 AM
Sunday at 10:30 AM
Sunday at 7:00 PM

Weekdays (M-F) 8:00 AM
At LIC—La Storta Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays -
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM
OR by appointment
503-777-1491

Wisdom from the Pews

The San Gabriel Mountains rise in grandeur above the Los Angeles basin. Mt. Baldy to the east and Mount Wilson above Pasadena are well-known peaks for Angelenos. You might be surprised to learn, that by one account, the City of the Angels is where "...the Son of Man (will be seen) coming in the clouds with great power and glory, and (from there) he will send out the angels..."

As an impressionable and imaginative youngster growing up in the 1950s in Covina, this is how I saw the end times happening. Vividly. Yep, Jesus in a massive cloud, with angels at his sides, coming right over Mount Wilson. Trumpets blaring. It was awesome, but very scary. Did the writers have to be so frightening?

The liturgical year always ended with such dreadful scriptures foretelling the end of the world. How would the stars fall? How dark would it be? What tribulations are we talking about?

Putting a child's imagination aside, what are Daniel and Mark talking about? Daniel introduces Michael as some kind of master guardian angel. He also speaks of an awakening (resurrection) of those asleep and a living forever, either in "everlasting horror" or as a "star forever."

Biblical scholars have several views of Mark's description of cosmic turmoil. Perhaps he is talking of the destruction of the temple in 70AD. What could be more disconcerting for a pious Jew? Or maybe he refers to darkness over the land at Jesus' crucifixion—a totally disheartening event for his followers. Or is Mark foretelling the end of time? At that time, the Parousia (the second coming) was generally believed to be imminent.

Whatever the reason for cosmic turmoil, Mark is saying be watchful, be ready, be prepared. How should we make sense of the times and these passages today? Why should the faithful not be afraid? How can we take Mark's admonition - be prepared for whatever - in a positive way and not be distressed?

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Pastoral Council



The goal of the Pastoral Council is to enhance the quality of parish life. We aid the pastor in identifying the pastoral needs of the community, develop a plan for

the parish's programs and services and evaluate their effectiveness. If you have feedback or ideas to share, please contact any of the Pastoral Council members directly or email :

pastoralcouncil@sipdx.org

Daniel 12:1-3

God's Reality
Regarding Your Life

Wisdom from the Pews continued from page one:

I offer two suggestions. One way is to be in awe of the creative beauty and energy of God. We can enjoy the fresh sprouting leaves of a fig (or peach) tree, or a budding rose, or an emerging crocus. We can ponder the words of Jesuit poet Gerald Manley Hopkins, "The world is charged with the grandeur of God...It gathers to a greatness..."

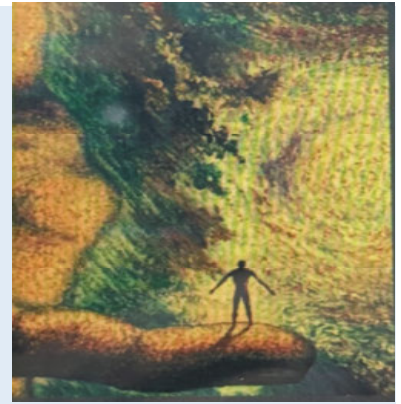
At Gonzaga University, in a stairwell, there hung a painting, by William Andrew Vachon, SJ, of the Cosmic Creator's finger, coming out of a billowing cloud, holding a solitary figure. Again, depicting the awesomeness of God's power. This is a joyful God; not One causing distress.

A second suggestion is to live each day to its fullest. Just today God, just today. Mark says only God knows "when". Daniel promises "the wise shall shine brightly" and if one leads a faithful life, one "shall be like the stars forever." Today, be wise, shine brightly, act justly. Today, be the hands and heart Christ. Today, love your neighbor. If today, we do live thusly, there will be no time to be afraid. God is not calling us to be fearful, but rather joyful, active, and full of awe.

I don't know the particulars of a second coming, but if Jesus were to come again, over Mount Wilson, in a cloud of angels, wouldn't you want a front row seat?

Leo Mellon, retired public school teacher and administrator, member of St Ignatius since 2020. Typically attend the 8:00am Mass.

Please prayerfully consider writing a reflection by signing up at <https://bit.ly/wisdomfromthepews>



Meet Collin Price, SJ



- Born and raised in PASCOC, WA
- Graduate of Tri-Cities Prep & GONZAGA UNIVERSITY
- Former CIVIL ENGINEER and bassist for local alt-rock band BOAT RACE WEEKEND
- Current JESUIT SCHOLASTIC directing the Jesuit Restorative Justice Initiative (JRJI) retreats in Los Angeles, CA



Know someone who would make a great Jesuit like Collin?



Pray for Collin and Jesuit Vocations

BeAJesuit.org
or reach out to your Jesuit Pastor or Associate Pastor

FIFTH SUNDAY PRESENTS

IN PRAISE OF Christmas


TUESDAY | 10 DEC | AT 7:30 PM

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Fifth Sunday presents a FREE Advent Concert for everyone! (Donation of canned goods is appreciated) **December 10, 2024 at 7:30 PM** in the church.

WISDOM from the pews

Have you enjoyed reading the weekly **Wisdom from the Pews**? Then this is a your chance to join other parishioners who have shared their faith journey as it relates to the weekend readings. Follow this link to sign up: see Joseph Byrd with any questions (jbyrd@sipdx.org) or <https://bit.ly/wisdomfromthepews>



Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Nov 17, 2024

Daniel 12:1-3
Hebrew 10:11-14, 18
Mark 13:24-32

Mass Readings for Nov 24, 2024

Daniel 7:13-14
Revelation 1:5-8
John 18:33b-37

Bakers Gonna Bake

Calling all bakers: get your favorite **FALL baked goods** ready for our Bake-Luck on **Sunday, November 24th** to be shared after the 8 and 10:30am Masses. Coffee will be provided!

*Thanksgiving Day Mass
at 10:00 am on
November 28th, 2024.
Join us for Mass*



Tibbetts House Ministry TODAY "Open House": You are invited! Learn about our Tibbetts House ministry — the needs of our clientele, the many opportunities to serve, and the community of servers you may wish to join. **WHEN:** Wednesday November 13 at 7:00 PM

WHERE: online, <https://meet.google.com/ybg-dtot-usu>



Potluck Lunch: Past, current volunteers, and those interested in participation are invited to a potluck lunch. **WHEN:** **Sunday November 17, 2024 at 11:30AM - 1:00PM.** **WHERE:** Dillon Hall, cafeteria **RSVP:** <https://forms.gle/tp97RppQDKJHZBnC6> Please mark your calendars. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Le Tran at ongletran@gmail.com



Homebound Communion. **With the busy season approaching, we are in need of a few more ministers.** The parish needs two more ministers to take communion once or twice a month to those who are homebound. Training is provided. Contact the Parish Office 503 777-1491. Thank you. Judy Litchfield. If you or anyone in your household is homebound and unable to come to church, the Homebound Ministry is here to keep you connected to the St. Ignatius Parish. Call the parish to request a visit 503-777-1491



St. Ignatius Church

Bookkeeper Position: St. Ignatius Parish and School are seeking a part time, benefits eligible [bookkeeper](#). If you or someone you know is interested in this position, a job description, and more information, see Joseph Byrd (jbyrd@sipdx.org)

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEEDS SOME MUSCLE! Catholic Charities of Oregon resettles refugees. One of the heaviest jobs is providing furniture. On the third Saturday of each month (except December), Catholic Charities convenes the Saturday Donation Team at its storage unit in Northeast Portland. There, volunteers help unload and organize furniture and household goods. You could be part of a team effort to make sure that the families have basic furniture for their new homes. Time commitment is 2-4 hours. Volunteers

must be 18 or older, or, if under 18, a minor release form must be completed by parent or legal guardian of the minor. If you are new to volunteering at Catholic Charities,

<<< **scan here:** [VOLUNTEER RESOURCES PAGE CODE]

Once you have completed all the steps to be a volunteer, you can join the furniture team by **scanning here >>>:** [SATURDAY FURNITURE TEAM SIGNUP CODE]

Questions: Peter Vins, PVins@ccoregon.org.



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We, the community of St. Ignatius School, in the tradition of Mother Marie Rose and St. Ignatius of Loyola, provide a faith-centered Catholic education guiding God's children toward building a just and compassionate world.

Next weekend, we will host our 21st Annual Turkey Bingo on Saturday, November 23rd. This year, you can [purchase tickets](#) for this **adults only** event online. **Tickets are selling fast for this event**, and space is limited, so please purchase your tickets now to be seated in the gym space. [Raffle tickets](#) may be purchased online. The raffle prize is cold, hard cash-\$1,000 to the winner! Anyone can sign up to **volunteer** for this fun event through the [Track It Forward](#) platform under 'events'!

We recently celebrated our first Schoolwide Learning Expectations awards assembly of the year for Eager Minds. We are so proud of the many ways all of our students are learning and growing in developing Eager Minds. Now we are focusing on our Passionate Hearts Schoolwide Learning Expectation through January. We will study the virtues of *Fore-sight, Trustworthiness, Kindness, Honesty, Responsibility, and Self-Control*.

The sixth graders took their first service field trip to visit seniors at Courtyard Mt. Tabor. We hosted a Service Fair with students from Central Catholic's Leadership Program. All of our middle school students were able to hear from several Central Catholic students about various service partnerships.

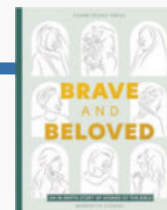


May we take time to thank our Lord for the many wonderful people we carry in our hearts, now and always. As we hear in the first book of Thessalonians 5:16-18, *"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."*

Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, exist to give witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As an apostolate of the Church, Catholic Schools minister the salvation of Jesus Christ, exercising His mission to teach (Mt. 28:19-20) by providing Mission Passionate Catholic Education.

Thank you,
Carol Pausz, Principal

The St. Ignatius Mom's Group invites you to join us for a women's Bible study this year. We will be using *Brave and Beloved* by Meredith Storrs, exploring the wisdom and diversity of women in the Bible. **Fall Meeting Dates:** Sunday, Nov. 24 – Make a "Mom's Advent Tea Calendar" for an inspiring and relaxing Advent Sundays: Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22 – Advent theme led by Anne Holt In January we will resume our Bible Study. Meetings are from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the parish office upper room to the right of the stairs on the 2nd floor. For questions or more information contact Beth Schaller at bethschaller@gmail.com.



Care for Creation Team... Suggested reading from a care of creation committee: *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer. As a botanist, Robin Wall Kimmerer has been trained to ask questions of nature with the tools of science. As a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, she embraces the notion that plants and animals are our oldest teachers. Kimmerer brings these lenses of knowledge together to show that the awakening of a wider ecological consciousness requires the acknowledgement and celebration of our reciprocal relationship with the rest of the living world.

Living Prayer: a Book of Hours for Renewing Creation. Simply written, *Living Prayer* invites readers to embrace our role as servant-cultivators in the ecology of God, celebrating and sustaining all that is. Following the pattern of the daily prayer of the church, *Living Prayer* offers a four-week cycle of morning and evening prayer to support a more sustainable lifestyle and embodies an ethic of care for our common home. Prayer for those seeking to respond to Pope Francis's call for greater care of our common home. A 2024 Liturgical Press publication.



St. Ignatius Parish is participating in [#GivingTuesday](#) on **December 3rd** and we need your help! On this day, people of goodwill everywhere are coming together to support their communities and make the world a better place. To help out, scan the QR code Or use the link: <https://onrealm.org/sipdx/-/form/give/now> and use the **Building fund!**



Benevity is a mobile application available for smartphones used by workplaces to track volunteer hours for matching with charitable organizations. If your workplace uses Benevity, you can designate St. Ignatius Church or St. Ignatius School as your charity.



Make a year-end donation to St. Ignatius. If you are age 73 or older, the IRS requires you to take required minimum distributions each year from your tax-deferred retirement accounts. A qualified charitable donation (QCD) is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA, payable directly to a qualified charity such as St. Ignatius Parish. As 2024 draws to a close, please consider making a year-end donation to help us take care of our beautiful church. A charitable IRA rollover is an easy way to make a gift to St. Ignatius Parish to help us grow our endowment. You can directly transfer any amount up to \$100,000 from your IRA and pay no income tax on the distribution, while making a charitable donation to our parish.

- ◆ You must be 70½ or older
- ◆ The transfer must go directly from your IRA to St. Ignatius Please check with your tax or financial advisor to see if this type of gift is right for you. If you need help with this transfer or have any questions, please call the parish office. Thank you for your consideration.

Planned Giving For several decades, St. Ignatius has been here in SE Portland serving people in faith, educating the young with hope, and engaging the world with the love of Christ and the Good News of the Gospel in the Jesuit tradition. Please prayerfully consider including the parish in your estate plans to help us sustain this mission for future generations. If you are interested in learning more about planned giving options at St. Ignatius Parish, please see the “Ways to Give” page on our website or contact Fr. San.



Church tithing	July 1, 2024—June 30, 2025		
	Actual	Budget	% of Goal
Oct 21-27	8,707	11,250	77%
Oct	38,164	45,000	85%
YTD	156,066	560,000	28%

Thank you, for also supporting other funds like our Campus renewal/Bldg., St. Vincent de Paul, School, Novena and more! May you be blessed abundantly for your generosity!

8:00AM Weekday Mass Intentions †

Please keep in your prayers

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| Monday | Nov 18 | † Judy Earnest |
| Tuesday | Nov 19 | † Sheila Riehl |
| Wednesday | Nov 20 | † Patricia Obradovich |
| Thursday | Nov 21 | † Peter Linh Nguyen |
| Friday | Nov 22 | † Raymond Koudossou |



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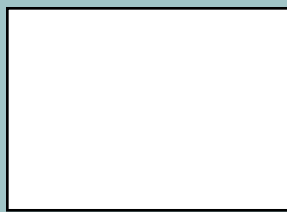
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