

St. Ignatius Catholic Church

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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 LJC—La Storta Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Pastoral Council

The goal of the Pastoral Council is to enhance the quality of parish PASTORAL 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

Nov 24, 2024

Wisdom from the Pews

The Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, finds its multi-faceted expression in various passages of the Bible, striking in both their directness and their absoluteness, presenting a vision of Jesus that contrasts with the more nuanced and allegorical teachings often attributed to Him.

The narrative of Daniel 13-14 depicts a series of events showcasing divine intervention and the triumph of faith over idolatry. These chapters highlight the unwavering authority of God, and the starkness of these passages can be jarring, especially when contrasted with the more parabolic teachings of Jesus.

Psalms 93:1, 1-2 exalts the majesty and eternal reign of God. Unequivocal in their declaration of God's dominion and the stability of His creation, there is a sense of grandeur and unchallengeable authority that emphasizes the divine order of a world established by God's will.

Revelation 1:5-8 offers a vision of Jesus as the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth, portraying Jesus in all His glory and sovereignty.



The stark declarations in readings, however, leave little room for nuance, presenting a definitive vision of Jesus' kingship and divine authority.

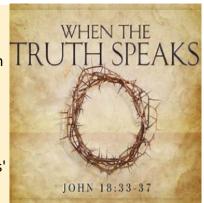
This contrast can be challenging for me, since I'm accustomed to the more subtle and compassionate aspects of Jesus' ministry. The image of Jesus as a humble servant, turning the other cheek and helping the marginalized, seems at odds with the confrontational and majestic depictions in these passages. It evokes the story of Jesus overturning the tables in the temple, an act of righteous anger that stands out against His otherwise gentle demeanor.

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As a 21st-century individual, I am often wary of absolutes, and uncomfortable with the notion of unchallengeable authority. Our cultural emphasis on personal freedom and relativism makes the directness of these passages feel imposing and, at times, unsettling.

However, deeper reflection reveals that these passages are not merely about power and might. They speak to us, the believers of Christ, offering a source of strength and guidance in times of difficulty. The absoluteness of Jesus' kingship is not a constraint but a beacon, providing a moral compass that can navigate the most turbulent of times. In moments of personal trial, the clarity

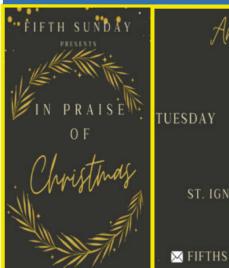


and certainty of these passages can offer solace and direction, reminding me of the unwavering support and sovereignty of Jesus.

Moreover, these passages urge me to view the world through the eyes of Jesus, to recognize the singularity and awe that His vision encompasses. In the hustle and bustle of modern life, it is easy to become distracted by the mundane and the insignificant. But today's readings call me to rise above the noise, to find moments of reflection and reverence that connect me to the divine.

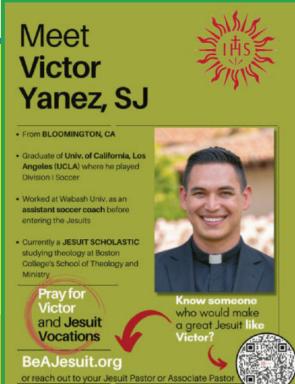
Hello; my name is *Matt Bartoloni*. Originally from Lake Oswego, I now live in Beaverton. I am married with two daughters and work with Providence Health as a Human Resources Manager. I have been a member of St. Ignatius since 2022 and attend the Sunday 10:30am masses.

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





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.



Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Nov 24, 2024

Daniel 7:13-14 Revelation 1:5-8 John 18:33b-37 Mass Readings for Dec 1, 2024

Jeremiah 33:14-16

1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

Luke 21:25, 34-36

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



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 <u>bookkeeper</u>. If you or someone you know is interested in this position, a job description, and more information, see Joseph Byrd (<u>ibyrd@sipdx.org</u>)



St. Ignatius basketball open gym. Any adult that is a St. Ignatius parish member and/or a school parent is welcome to participate. It will be held Tuesday evenings at the St. Ignatius gym (Dillon Hall). We ask that all participants are at least 21 or older please because this is an adult only event. If you are interested in attending, please contact Mr. Stephen Brobeck (sbrobeck@sispdx.org) and he will send you more information. Starting at 7:30PM Tuesday nights.

Yarn Please join us for an hour after the 10:30 mass on **December 8th** (11:30-12:30) in the Upstairs, Fireplace room in the Parish Office. *Mark your calendar:* Jan 12, 2025, Feb 9 2025, Mar 9, 2025 (Bradley rm,) May 11, 2025, Jun 8, 2025 Bring your own project or contact Maureen at (206) 889-7820 about materials. Masks are welcome but not required Any age, any level of skill welcome...all skill levels welcome!

This year on December 9, 2024 we will celebrate the Holy Day of the Immaculate Conception of the blessed Virgin Mary.

Masses are at 8:00 AM & 7:00 PM



Penance Service is at 7:00 PM December 12, 2024 in the church





Baptism for infant -up to age 7. Parents that are registered in parish and attend Mass, prepare by participating in one of the Infant Baptism Preparation Sessions. (If your child is seven or older, there will be an additional session for you and your child.) We seek to provide a hospitable, small group setting for our sessions, so class size is limited. Sign up on our website: sipdx.org/baptism Next Baptism dates are: January 11, 2025 at 11AM, February 8, 2025 at 5PM Mass, May 10, 2025 at 11AM, June 14, 2025 at 5PM Mass

St Ignatius School

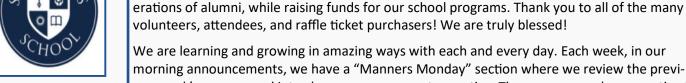


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compassionate world.

We are learning and growing in amazing ways with each and every day. Each week, in our morning announcements, we have a "Manners Monday" section where we review the previous week's manner and introduce a new manner to practice. The manners we have practiced so far this fall are: proper table manners including chewing with closed mouths, greeting

We, the community of St. Ignatius School, in the tradition of Mother Marie Rose and St. Ignatius of

Thank you to Ericka Skeldon for chairing our Turkey Bingo event this weekend. Turkey Bingo is a longstanding tradition building community across our whole parish, including many gen-

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people by name and with a smile, being on time for class, entering and exiting a room or elevator by letting people exit before entering, courtesy by helping people carry items and saying please, thank you and excuse me, and conversation starters by talking with others about the weather or future fun plans.

The 3rd graders are studying about why animals migrate. Our fourth graders are learning about three types of energy in science- gravitation-



al energy, transferred energy, and stored energy. The fifth graders painted their hand-drawn, from memory, world maps. The sixth graders are studying about cell structure including making models of parts of a cell. The seventh graders studied river systems with a hands-on activity where they recreated young, old, and mature rivers in the sand. Our eighth graders explored momentum using various types of balls, including racquetballs, tennis balls, and baseballs, to investigate how mass and velocity affect an object's momentum. The students used their critical thinking and data analysis skills by measuring and calculating the momentum of different balls colliding with a softball and observing how the momentum influenced the distance the softball moved. Finally, our middle school elective for mural making created a theme poster for our hallway, reminding us of the important work of peacemaking.

As we reflect on our many blessings this month, may we remember the words of Paul in his letter to the Colossians 3:17, "And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

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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 .











St. Ignatius Parish is participating in <u>#GivingTuesday</u> 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 yearend 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, 202	24—June 30, 2025	
	Actual	Budget	% of Goal
Nov 4-10	10,504	11,250	93%
Nov	23,083	45,000	51%
YTD	179,148	560,000	32%

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

Monday	Nov 25	† Wayne Crouch
Tuesday	Nov 26	† Herb & Millie Emig
Wednesday	Nov 27	† Rose Angela D'Ambrosia
Thursday	Nov 28	† THANKSGIVING
Friday	Nov 29	† Fr Josef Baur, OFM



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Duration: 29th Nov - 22nd Dec Hours open: Black Friday: 10am -6pm Mon - Fri: 4pm to 8pm Sat - Sun: 9am to 9pm Buy a Tree and Grow a Scout!

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