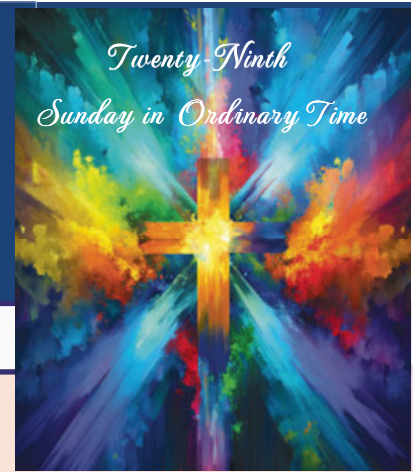




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Mass Times

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 LIC—La Storta Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays -

3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

OR by appointment

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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

Oct 20, 2024

Wisdom from the Pews

Today's first reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah is the last of the so-called Servant Songs. The early church identified the servant in this passage with Jesus. In the history of biblical interpretation regarding this and similar passages, Christ is the suffering servant whose sufferings take the place of sinful human beings. One approach is called "penal substitution", that is, God punishes Jesus instead or as a substitute for what humans deserve. God's wrath is rightfully directed at sinful humanity, but Jesus placates God's wrath by suffering in our place. This has led to violent images of God as one who exacts pain and suffering on Jesus, the innocent victim. The cross becomes the place of God's wrath on His Son.

I would like to suggest a different approach that, I believe, is more faithful to the totality of the biblical witness. Today's gospel says that "the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." A ransom is paid to liberate captives from bondage. So, Jesus's suffering is an act of love that frees us from the prison of death. The ultimate enemy is death that we are incapable of defeating. Only the Author of Life can undo death and all that is deadly by entering freely into the very heart of death and sin and defeating it from the inside.

As the reading from Hebrews tells us, Jesus is that high priest who has suffered the ignominy of all human sin, he has taken it all upon himself in an ultimate act of love and mercy. He has accomplished what we could never do. Consequently, we can "confidently approach the throne of grace and mercy...to find grace for timely help" (Hebrews 4:16).

Indeed, we are lost without the love and mercy of the Father in Jesus Christ. On the Cross, God utters his "No" to evil and sin, and His "Yes" to us his children. There

is nothing we can do of ourselves to unravel our dreadful situation. Our human baggage is heavy and manifold. But this is the beauty of the revelation of love made manifest in the God-man, Jesus Christ. To the degree that our human misery is deep, to that depth is the mercy of God.



Continued >>>

Wisdom from the Pews continued from page one:

Let me conclude by sharing a prayer by Karl Barth, one of the greatest theologians of the 20th century: *O Sovereign God, through Jesus Christ your Son you have humbled yourself in order to exalt us. You became poor to make us rich. You suffered and died, and in so doing gave us freedom and life. And this eternal mercy and goodness displays your might and majesty as our Creator and Lord... In your mercy remember us all and be merciful to us, now and forever, for without you we can do nothing.*

Fernando Serna (I have been with the parish since 2016, I think. Though there have been periods we attended other churches. I typically attend the 8 am Sunday Mass. I am a hospital chaplain and currently am the Manager of Spiritual Care at Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center.)

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



St. Ignatius Church is seeking a Bookkeeper.

For a job description, and more information, see Joseph Byrd (jbyrd@sipdx.org)

November Memorial Mass Nov. 2nd at 5pm

Have you lost a loved one this past year? You are invited to **bring a picture** of loved ones you want our community to remember in their prayers as we approach All Souls Day. Please be sure to put your **name** on each item and bring them over the weekend Masses— **Oct 26th & 27th**. We will have a basket for them and then place them for viewing for the Memorial Mass on **Saturday, November 2nd at 5PM**.



***** In November, we remember....** Make a donation in honor of your deceased loved one, whose name will be displayed in the church alcoves during the month of November.

Envelopes can be found at the doors.

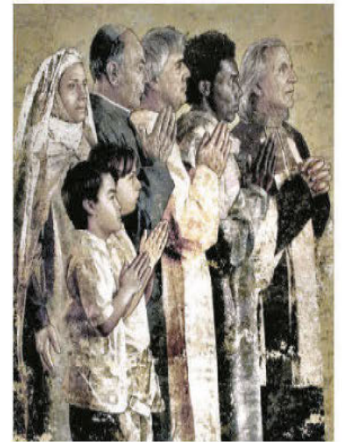
All Saints, ALL Souls– Masses

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2

We begin the month of November with the feasts of All Saints and All Souls. Here is the schedule of Masses:

**All Saints— Friday, November 1, 2024
(Holy Day of Obligation) 8AM & 7PM**

All Souls - Saturday, November 2, 2023 Memorial Mass at 5:00 PM



Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Oct 20, 2024

Isaiah 53:10-11
Hebrews 4:14-16
Mark 10:35-45

Mass Readings for Oct 27, 2024

Jeremiah 31:7-9
Hebrews 5:1-6
Mark 10:46-52

CONTINUES THROUGH OCTOBER:

Back to School 2.0

"Education is not the piling on of learning, information, data, facts, skills, or abilities - that's training or instruction - but is rather making visible what is hidden as a seed."

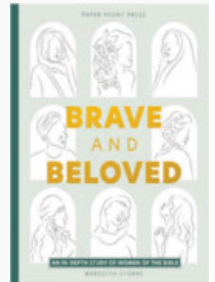
Oct 20 & 27 The Gospel of John 9-10:15AM
Oct 20 & 27 Upper Room Lectio Divina 9:15-10:15AM
Oct 20 & 27 Spiritual Exercises Short Retreat 12-1:30PM
Oct Sundays on the Avenue 4PM
October 27 IGNITE 5:30PM
CHECK website for details: sipdx.org

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:

Sundays: Oct. 27, Nov. 10 - Women's Bible Study (purchase a copy and bring it with you)
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.



Pancake Breakfast: We are excited to let you know about a returning parish-school event. Once a month, after the 10:30 AM Family Mass, we will host a Pancake Breakfast in Dillion hall for all school families and parishioners starting at 11:30 AM on Sunday, September 29. Each month a different school group will assist in hosting the Pancake Breakfast. Families will be able to work together to cook and serve the pancakes. Please mark your calendars to participate in these community building, memory making events. Here are the dates and hosting schedule for this school year:

- Sunday, October 27th, 11:30 AM = SAC hosts**
- (Open House) **Sunday, January 26th, 11:30 AM = 4th, 7th, 8th gr. hosts**
- Sunday, February 23rd, 11:30 AM = Kinder & 3rd gr. hosts**
- Sunday, April 27th, 11:30 AM = 1st & 5th gr. Hosts**
- Sunday, May 18th, 11:30 AM = preschool, 2nd, & 6th gr. hosts**

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 Sunday 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 on Oct 20th!! Call Now!

CYO Camp Howard news: Faith, Family, Fun paper available online at: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1swWn6-7v3VS1TAng72gOptz0F_4zyRGr/view



Mark your calendars :

Turkey Bingo November 23, 2024-come and support the school and win a Turkey!



Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10:00 AM on November 28th, 2024 in the church Please join us for Mass



St Ignatius School



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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.

Our students recently entered into the Examen prayer as a class with some classes opting to pair together for the Examen. The Examen is a five step prayer developed by St. Ignatius of Loyola, our school's patron saint, as a prayerful way to reflect on and see God's work in our daily lives. Each Monday, Fr. San and Fr. James will visit classes in our school. The third graders had lots of ideas about the "Kingdom of God" to share with Fr. James. What fun it was to have them start their visits this week!

This year we will be celebrating our loved ones who have passed through the celebration of Dia de Los Muertos. We will be creating a school wide Ofrenda where students can add pictures of family members, friends, and pets that have passed. This is a celebration for the remembrance of loved ones who are no longer with us, similar to a celebration of life. If you would like to explore more about Dia De Los Muertos please follow the link below. https://artsandculture.google.com/story/the-meaning-of-the-altar/_QUBc67IRPvBIQ

We look forward to celebrating Dia de Los Muertos and All Saints Day in a couple of weeks. Our University of Portland nursing students are spending time conducting vision screenings and teaching lessons on nutrition to classes. They are wonderful helpers for our recesses on Tuesdays too. What a blessing to have their skills and expertise!

Our third grade class made blanket ropes for the Oregon Humane Society, the 3rd grade service partner. One third grade student was able to deliver the dog toys to the shelter last weekend. Way to go, 3rd grade!



Our fifth grade class studied how to conduct an experiment with earthworms and learned their critical role in decomposing dead material while releasing valuable nutrients into the soil.

The eighth graders are reading Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* and acting out some scenes from Act 1 in class. The eighth graders also put up and take down our national and state flags every day. The students enjoy saluting the flags every morning. Lastly, our middle school students are enjoying various elective activities including a Book Club, Podcasting, GatorVision, Crafternoon, Mural Making and Team Sports. The book club is reading *One There Was* by Kiyash Monsef and made gnome house plant stakes to go along with the novel's magical creature theme. Middle school elective classes give students across the middle school grades an opportunity to get to know one another and build community across the middle school grade band.

The Archdiocese of Portland has developed a new department over the last year called the **Office for the Mission of Catholic Education (OMCE)**. As an archdiocesan school, St. Ignatius School is able to benefit from the many ways the newly formed **Office for the Mission of Catholic Education** supports all of our outstanding Catholic schools. The **Office for the Mission of Catholic Education**, in conjunction with Archbishop Sample, have crafted a mission statement uniting all of the Catholic schools in the Archdiocese. You will begin to see this mission statement shown below along with our St. Ignatius School's mission statement on formal communications, such as the Ignatian, and on our school webpage.

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.

This year, we will spend time examining all aspects of our school to write a 'self-study' report for our accreditation process. The self-study process allows us to celebrate all of the wonderful ways we are partnering with families in providing a rigorous, Catholic education for our students. Through the self-study process, we are able to set goals to strengthen areas where we can excel further in the coming years. We ask our parish community to complete an accreditation survey to provide us with valuable information on your insights into our school's strengths and areas for growth. Please consider taking a few minutes to complete our **accreditation survey**. The QR code for the survey appears below. Thank you in advance for your time and thoughtful responses contributing to our accreditation process. Accreditation survey- QR code



In trusting the slow work of God, may we rejoice in discerning God's path for us as we hear in Jeremiah 29:11- "For I know well the plans I have in mind for you—oracle of the LORD—plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope."

Thanks!

Carol Pausz, Principal



Care for Creation

Here is a book suggestion from our Care of Creation team!
Come, Have Breakfast: Meditations on God and the Earth by Elizabeth A. Johnson, CSJ

"'Come, have breakfast' (Jn 21:12). These three simple words followed by generous action open a portal into an ecological image of the living God who is active with cordial hospitality toward all creatures, nurturing their lives, desiring that all should be fed." (description from cover of the book)



Make a year-end donation to St. Ignatius. If you are age 72 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 2023 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
Sep 23 - 29	5,638	10,000	56%
Sep	45,986	50,000	92%
YTD	117,902	560,000	21%

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	Oct 21	† Frances Pearson
Tuesday	Oct 22	† Kenny Bibles
Wednesday	Oct 23	Anna & Julius Kuchar Sr.
Thursday	Oct 24	† Peter Linh Nguyen
Friday	Oct 25	† MaryAnn Kuchar



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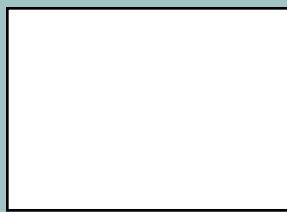
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