



St. Ignatius Catholic Church

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August 13, 2023

A Message from the Pastor

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil
at 5:00 PM

Sunday at 8:00 AM
Sunday at 10:30 AM
Sunday at 7:30 PM

Weekdays (M-F)
at 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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As a boy growing up in Phoenix, Arizona, I was exposed to some of the greatest beaches in the world. There was only one problem—we didn't have much water to make them proper beaches. So I loved going to the ocean and swimming in all that water until one fateful summer when I read the Peter Benchley novel "Jaws." From the time I finished that thriller, I imagined a Great White Shark with a taste for Irish pot roast lurking just under every ocean wave.

The water is not our natural element. No wonder we feel vulnerable and, at times, lost in it. From the time I finished "Jaws," every time I approached the ocean, I would hear this big and awkward robot in my imagination shout, "Danger, Will Robinson, danger!" But the scriptures record so many stories of God inviting people to leave the familiar to find Him in the unfamiliar, to distance themselves from the old in order to encounter Him in the new.

This reminds me of Rudolph Otto, a late 19th century German theologian, who defined the holy as a *mysterium tremendum et fascinans* (a "fearful and fascinating mystery"). We are both attracted by it and frightened of it. This might best describe what Peter was experiencing in this weekend's gospel when he attempts to aquambulate (i.e. "walk on water").

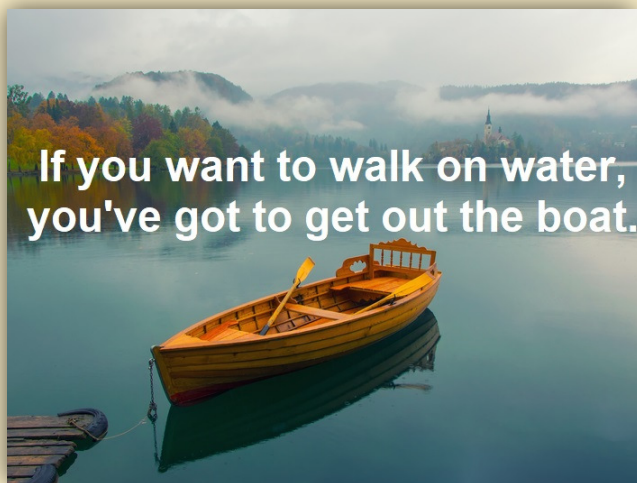
To encounter God in our lives, we are often asked to leave the comfortable and the familiar to discover God in uncomfortable and unfamiliar places and experiences. This will require living out of trust rather than acting out of fear. To paraphrase Shakespeare, "Fear doth make cowards of us all." In this weekend's story from the 14th chapter of Matthew's gospel, Peter is invited to confront and overcome his fear in order to deepen his trust in and relationship with Jesus.



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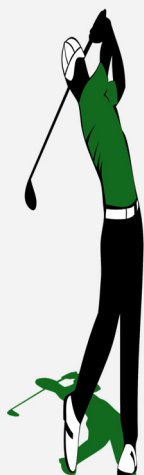
Pastor's Message continued from page one:

What fears are we being asked to confront, at this particular time, in our life? Some of us may be afraid of our aging process or "end-of-life" issues; perhaps Jesus wants to meet us there. Some of us may have parenting fears. We may have had questionable or, sometimes, bad experiences growing up because of our parents' limited child-rearing skills. We may be afraid that, if we have our own children, we will simply perpetuate such wounding or damaging upbringing. Perhaps Jesus is asking us to get out of the boat, to leave our fears behind, to meet him in healing and a new beginning. Some of us may be afraid of the poor or the hungry or the homeless that we see on our city streets or on our parish grounds. Perhaps Jesus is asking us to abandon our fear of being taken advantage of or not knowing what to do or say or how to help in order to meet Christ in the least of our brothers and sisters. Each of us is being invited "to walk on water," to come to Jesus, even though the challenge will be different for everyone.



But perhaps the greatest challenge to all of us is found in our first reading about the prophet Elisha. Like Elisha, we can get so caught up in the hustle and bustle, the busyness of the everyday, that we find it hard to carve out some quiet or gentle time to experience God in that "still small voice." But perhaps that is what God in Jesus is calling us to during these last days and weeks of summer. It will mean leaving the comfortable. It will mean leaving the familiar. It will mean leaving our fears and insecurities in the boat, but that pause and that period of "time out" prayer will be a pause that refreshes and renews us in our relationship with the Lord. Try it—you'll like it.

Fr. Mike



St Ignatius School Foundation—golf tournament

Sunday, **September 10th, 2023**

Golf includes: Boxed lunch Free range balls

Registration opens at 11:00 Shotgun start at 1:30, Banquet to Follow

Price Single Golfer - \$150 Foursome - \$550 Banquet Guest - \$25 Stone Creek

Golf Club 14603 South Stoneridge Drive

Oregon City, OR 97045

For more information and to register,
go to sipdx.org on the opening page

Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Aug 13, 2023

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

Romans 9:1-5

Matthew 14: 22-33

Mass Readings for Aug 20, 2023

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

Romans 11: 3-15, 29-32

Matthew 15:21-28



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary ~ Holy Day

**Celebrated on
August 15th at
8:00AM and 7:00PM
Masses in the Church!**

BREAD DROP: Do you have two hours once a month? A volunteer is needed to deliver bread the 4th Friday of each month to the women's transition shelter, located near Burnside and NE 11th. Bread is picked up at 4:00pm from Grand Central Bakery (SE Woodstock) then taken to the women's shelter. Contact Jim Mumby at mums.the.word@comcast.net or 503-519-8991

HELP



Ministry Morning! – Save the Date! Sunday, September 10, after the 8am and 10:30am Masses. Join us out on the plaza as we celebrate the beginning of a new program year. Contact Joseph Byrd (jbyrd@sipdx.org) to reserve your easel, and get ready to share information, make new friends, sign up new volunteers, and enjoy coffee and donuts together.



Justice Recommendation General Gathering **Friday August 18th, 9:00 - 11:00am (PST) / 12:00 - 2:00pm (EST)**

Join us for a presentation from the office of Peace and Justice at the USCCB as they share about recent work to engage seminarians in justice work, and their work to map interest in organizing and justice work at Diocese and seminaries across the country. Their presentation will be followed by conversations about mapping our local communities, followed by meetings of communities of practice (people working with youth, parishes, universities, religious orders etc.) and other updates and next steps in our network. To register: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYsd-GgrDwgGdTKuuQN2JMtDqPZ-0lu4Lmk#/registration>



PLEASE COME JOIN US FOR THE

St. Ignatius Renaissance Festival

Sunday, October 15, 2023
9am - 3pm

St. Ignatius Parish
3400 SE 43rd Ave. • Portland, Oregon
In Dillon Hall

FREE ADMISSION
FREE PARKING

Exhibitor Booths

Silent Auction

Food, Beer & Wine

Puppet Shows

Sherwood Forest (Kids Activities)

St. Ignatius Church Presents

IGNITE

Go Forth and Set the World On Fire

This year at IGNITE, we will explore Ignatian spirituality. Each semester will feature an Ignatian resource which you are encouraged to acquire in order to enrich your IGNITE experience. The invitation is simple:

COME- with an open heart to see what it is all about.

CONTEMPLATE - the presence of the Holy Spirit in your own life and experience.

CONNECT - to the Mass, the saints, the people of St. Ignatius, and your heart.

Fall Schedule

September 24th - Recognizing the "False Spirit"

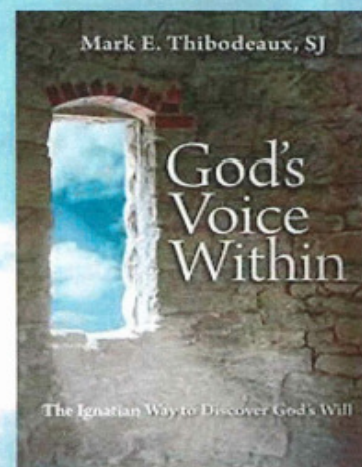
October 8th - Recognizing the "True Spirit"

October 22nd - Responding to Desolation

November 12th - Responding to Consolation

November 26th - Four Phases of Discernment

December 10th - After Deciding: Confirmation



Come to one class, or come to them all, as you desire.

IGNITE....We are looking forward to a new season of IGNITE this fall! This year at IGNITE will dive into Ignatian Spirituality! If you are interested in participating and would like to supplement your experience with a book, we will be using *God's Voice Within* by Mark E. Thibodeaux, SJ. Any questions? Contact Grace at gburd@sipdx.org More information online at: <https://www.sipdx.org/ignite>



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these are checked periodically during
summer.

Job Opening: "The day-to-day maintenance of all buildings and grounds at the LJC facility is directed and/or performed by the Facilities Maintenance Technician, who is under the direct supervision of the LJC Manager. This position includes the contacting, researching, and supervising of outside contractors as needed and ensuring that regularly scheduled preventive maintenance is performed in a timely manner.

https://www.jesuitswest.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/13/2023/07/JW_Maintenance-Technician.pdf



It's time to register for CYO Cross Country, Volleyball, Fall Hot Shots Basketball (co-ed, 1st and 2nd graders) and Swimming. **Click here** to find your club and register:

<https://cyocamphoward.org/content/24472/Athletic-Director-Info-and-Sport-Registration>

We are hiring officials for Basketball and Volleyball. **Click here** for more info:

<https://cyocamphoward.org/content/21552/Referee-Job-Opportunity>

Mark your calendars for our 12th annual Champions of Faith Benefit Dinner on Tuesday, October 17 at the Oregon Convention Center. Let's join together to ensure all youth are able to participate in our sports and camp programs. **Click here** to register and learn more: <https://cyoch.ejoinme.org/championsofffaith2023>



Communion



Confirmation

Sacramental classes Sign up for next year,

2023/2024 Registration will be available online, visit our website at www.sipdx.org click on Faith Formation for **First Reconciliation & Communion, and for Confirmation for 7-12 Graders.** Classes will begin in September.

R.C.I.A. ~ Are you discerning your call to the Catholic Faith? Every September we begin a new class for those who are interested in possibly joining the Catholic Church. The class meets weekly, and if you feel drawn to join the church, you will receive the Sacraments of initiation (baptism, confirmation, and communion) at the Easter Vigil. If you would like to learn more about the class, contact Grace Byrd (gbyrd@sipdx.org). If you know you are interested, register on our website for RCIA. **Get your paperwork done early!**

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 the 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. Mike.



Church tithing

Financial report (July 1, 2023—June 30, 2024)

2023-2024 Budget \$560,000.00

Sunday Tithe received through 7-23-2023 \$28,510.32

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

8:00AM Weekday Mass Intentions

Please keep in your prayers

Monday	Aug 14	† Bob & Judy Earnest
Tuesday	Aug 15	† Assumption
Wednesday	Aug 16	† Tomas Phan
Thursday	Aug 17	† Jim Emig
Friday	Aug 18	† Ed Gustafson



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