

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 7:30 PM

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays -3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

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www.sipdx.org

September 3, 2023

A Message from the Pastor

I have been blessed in my life with many mentors who also became good friends. One of those mentors/friends was Doug Adams who taught theology and the arts at the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, California. For Doug, theology was "turning things upside down." He used art to "twist syntax in order to help us view familiar reality freshly."

I remember an exercise he did one class on "The Eucharist in Art." He put up 45 artistic depictions of the Eucharist on the four walls of the classroom. These depictions spanned the decades from the 4th through the 20th centuries. He asked us to walk around the room and view them all. Then he asked us to pick the artistic depiction that captured Eucharist for us, at this time in our life. Some depictions had seven or eight students huddled around it. Some had one. Some had none. Then he asked each of us to explain what we saw in this picture that captured Eucharist for us right now.



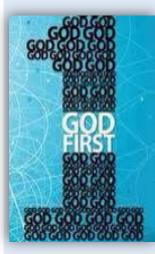
There are so many depictions of the cross. Just type in the word "cross" into the search engine of your Internet Explorer. When the results come up, go to the top of the page and click on images. You will be amazed at the variety of crosses that appear. Which of those images of the cross are you drawn to, at this time in your life.

In this weekend's gospel passage from Matthew, we hear Jesus tell us would-be disciples that if he is our teacher, we must learn to do three things: (1) deny ourselves, (2) take up our cross, and (3) follow him.

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To deny ourselves doesn't simply mean to give up something. During Lent we may deny ourselves



candy or ice cream or alcohol. That isn't what Jesus means. To deny ourselves means to make Jesus the center of our lives and universe. As William Barclay puts it, "To deny oneself means finally, once and for all to dethrone self and to enthrone God. To deny oneself means to obliterate self as the dominant principle of life, and to make God the ruling principle—more the ruling passion—of life. The life of constant denial is the life of constant assent to God."

To take up our cross means to take up the burden of sacrifice. As William Barclay notes, "The Christian life is the life of sacrificial service. The Christian life is the sacrificial life." Parents understand this. Grandparents understand this. Teachers understand this. Care-givers understand this. Mentors, who help young students discover and develop their latent potential, understand this.

To follow Jesus Christ is to be led where we don't always want to go. William Barclay notes, "The Christian life is a constant following of our leader, a constant obedience in thought and word and action to Jesus Christ. Christians walk in the footsteps of Christ, wherever he may lead." And Jesus leads us to the needy all around us—the homeless on our streets, the unwelcomed immigrants at our borders, the family relation it is difficult to respond to lovingly, the lonely or depressed or struggling stranger in our parish or neighborhood.



Christ asks a lot of us would-be-disciples this week. But St. Ignatius of Loyola reminds us that God's grace can only bring about such changes in our attitudes and behaviors gradually. St. Ignatius encourages us to "pray for the desire." So this week, together, let us ask God to give us the desire "to deny ourselves, to take up our cross, and to follow him." Alone it is impossible. Together, however, and with God's grace—all things are possible.

Fr Mike

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 (<u>jbyrd@sipdx.org</u>) to reserve your easel, and get ready to share information, make new friends, sign up new volunteers, and enjoy coffee and donuts together.



Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Sep 3, 2023 Jeremiah 10:7-9 Romans 12:1-2 Matthew 16:21-27 Mass Readings for Sep 10, 2023 Ezekiel 33:7-9 Romans 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20

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Pre-K to 8th - SE 4				
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: <u>https://cyocamphoward.org/content/24472/Athletic-Director-Info-and-Sport-Registration</u> 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/championsoffaith2023

St Vincent de Paul Do you know someone who might be food insecure or needs help paying rent or utility bills?

The St. Vincent de Paul Portland Council accepts requests for assistance at 503-235-8431. Requests from our neighborhood are then forwarded to our SVdP pantry that delivers food to those in need on Saturday mornings. You can help by bringing non-perishable food do-

nations to the 8am and 10:30am Masses or making a cash donation through Realm Connect. Your support is much appreciated. Contact us at svdp@sipdx.org if you have any questions.



Seeking items-

gift baskets, gift cards, gift certificates, services provided—for the **St. Ignatius Renaissance Festival's Silent Auction**. Your support will make this free, community event a time of joy for the parish, and for the whole community. Contact Joseph Byrd (jbyrd@sipdx.org) if you have something you'd like to donate.

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Interested in just making a cash donation to support the Festival? That's great, too! Donations of any size are welcome. Come join us on Saturday, October 15, in Dillon Hall, for an unforgettable day of family fun!



Family Day Registration closes on September 10th!

Are you looking for a way to get connected to other St. Ignatius families? Join us for this day of community, faith, and fun. Our day will conclude with a family mass (celebrated by Fr. Steve Dillard, S.J.), and

dinner. Registration is available online at Family Day at

Camp Yamhill (sipdx.org). Registration closes Sun, Sept. 10th. We are also looking for 2 more teen helpers to assist throughout the day. Interested teens or those with questions about the day should contact Beth at bschaller@sipdx.org.





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

Baptism for infant –7yr. Parents prepare by registering in parish and attending Mass for at least six months, after that time parents participate 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. Vist our Baptism information page at: https://www.sipdx.org/baptism



Next avail date for 2023: November 11th at 11:00AM.



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** 6:00PM-7:15PM on Zoom!



IGNITE....

We are looking forward to a new season of I GNITE 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 gbyrd@sipdx.org More information online at: https://www.sipdx.org/ignite



Heading to College? Do you know someone headed to college? Help get your college student connected with their Catholic community. Newman Ministry connects students with a Catholic community on campus, so their faith thrives in college and beyond! Get connected at:https://www.newmanministry.com/

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<u>REGISTRATION CLOSING SOON!!</u> Sacramental classes Sign up for

Fall 2023/2024 Registration will be available online, visit our website at <u>www.sipdx.org</u> 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 (<u>gbyrd@sipdx.org</u>). If you know you are interested, register on our website for RCIA. **Get your paperwork done early!**

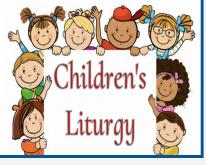
Children's Liturgy of the Word is back!When: Every Sunday at the 10:30am Mass

during the Gospel and Homily Who: **All children ages 3-8** What: A kid-friendly activity during the Gospel and Homily to parallel the teachings, **materials provided**

Where: Children will be walked over to the Parish Office in the Bradley room (I will send a video next week of how to enter the Parish office, get to the Bradley room, and access the materials)

Details: The children will be accompanied by two CASE trained adults and after their activity they will be walked back over to the church

Ask: Sign up to co-lead a Sunday if you can! Each session will need two adults, and if you're a St. Ignatius Parish School parent, each session you co-lead would count for 1 hour of service (30 minutes of actual kiddo-time, and 30 minutes of prep). Let me know if you have any questions! SignUp Genius Link:



https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4ba4ad2da2f5cf8-childrens#/ Thank you all for your time, Sarah Cunningham 608-320-5186

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 8-20-2023 \$63,926.14 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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Tuesday	Sep 05	1
Wednesday	Sep 06	-
Thursday	Sep 07	-
Friday	Sep 08	-

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