



St. Ignatius Catholic Church

OREGON'S JESUIT PARISH



First Sunday
of Lent

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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

March 9, 2025

Wisdom from the Pews

Jesus has just been baptized. John has been imprisoned. The baton has been passed. Jesus goes into the desert to discern what his mission will be. Satan is there, offering power, fame, and the temptation to use all his formidable gifts only for himself. Unfortunately, the Sunday reading ends here and doesn't tell us what Jesus chooses. Four verses later, however, Jesus proclaims his mission: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free and proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." Jesus has rejected the enticements to feed his ego with self-serving behavior. Instead, Jesus has chosen to be issued oriented. And his issue is nothing less than his father's kingdom.

I think of the ways I let my ego concerns motivate me instead of more Christ-like behavior. An incident the other night at our home illustrates this tendency. It was bedtime for my grandson, but he refused to move. I told him that this was my home, and in my house, you do what I say. My wife intervened and told him that she would read his favorite story for fifteen minutes once he went to bed. He thought it over, and went to bed quietly. In all of this, my behavior was ego-driven; my authority had been challenged. Can't have that! My wife, on the contrary, did not want to squelch him, but affirm his worth and preserve their relationship. I was driven by my ego; she was issue oriented, and their relationship was all important in how she got him to obey. Hers was Christlike behavior. Religion, after all, is about relationships.

Of course, that little act of sensitivity from my wife is something parents do all the time, and something which all of us have occasion to do multiple times a day.

Whether it's a reconciling word to someone who is angry with us, taking time to help a needed neighbor, being there for others who are in distress—all of these offer the chance to imitate Jesus who came not to be served, but to serve others. It also results in finding our true selves in joy, purpose, and genuine communion with others.

Tom Callanan

Please consider writing your
Wisdom from the Pews
<https://bit.ly/wisdomfromthepews>



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Leaning into Lent at St. Ignatius

Spirituality of Aging

This series, meant for parishioners over the age of 55, explores the newness of growing older, from relationship to self-perception, from our experience of world to our spiritual growth. Meets Thursdays at 10AM in the parish office dining room from 3/6-4/10.

Adoration

During lent, every Sunday from 6:15-6:45, you are invited to be with Christ through the intimate prayer of Adoration. This time of prayer will culminate with the celebration of Mass at 7PM.

Masses/Services

Ash Wednesday

March 5 at 8AM and 7PM

Parish Reconciliation Service

March 17 at 7PM

Triduum

Holy Thursday - April 17, 7PM

Good Friday - April 18, 7PM

Easter Vigil - April 19, 8:30PM

Stations of the Cross

This year's Stations of the Cross journey invites you to discern your call as a Catholic in a wounded world through music, scripture, and a series of reflections.

Wednesday, 3/26 - noon

Wednesday, 4/2 - 7PM

Wednesday, 4/16- noon

Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Mar 9, 2025

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Romans 10:8-13

Luke 4:1-13

Mass Readings for Mar 16, 2025

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Luke 9:28b-36

Welcome again to the Catholic Social Teaching corner of our bulletin. You have probably heard of the term “intrinsic evil” - a term in Catholic moral theology that means something is always wrong, regardless of the motivation or circumstances. In other words, it can never be seen as good, no matter what reason one gives for it. When you hear the phrase “intrinsic evil,” you probably think of abortion. And rightly so. But did you know there are other intrinsic evils that the Church insists on? Including deportation and disgraceful working conditions? What follows is an excerpt from *Gaudium et Spes*, the Church’s Constitution of the Church in the Modern World.

27. Coming down to practical and particularly urgent consequences, this council lays stress on reverence for human beings; everyone must consider their every neighbor without exception as another self, taking into account first of all their life and the means necessary to living it with dignity, so as not to imitate the rich man who had no concern for the poor man Lazarus.

In our times a special obligation binds us to make ourselves the neighbor of every person without exception and of actively helping them when they come across our path, whether they be an old person abandoned by all, a foreign laborer unjustly looked down upon, a refugee, a child born of an unlawful union and wrongly suffering for a sin he did not commit, or a hungry person who disturbs our conscience by recalling the voice of the Lord, "As long as you did it for one of these the least of my brethren, you did it for me" (Matt. 25:40).

Furthermore, whatever is opposed to life itself, such as any type of murder, genocide, abortion, euthanasia or willful self-destruction, whatever violates the integrity of the human person, such as mutilation, torments inflicted on body or mind, attempts to coerce the will itself; whatever insults human dignity, such as subhuman living conditions, arbitrary imprisonment, deportation, slavery, prostitution, the selling of women and children; as well as disgraceful working conditions, where people are treated as mere tools for profit, rather than as free and responsible persons; all these things and others of their like are infamies indeed. They poison human society, but they do more harm to those who practice them than those who suffer from the injury. Moreover, they are supreme dishonor to the Creator.

-Fr. James, SJ

Women's Lent Discussion Group

Join us for a time of fellowship after the 10:30 Mass every Sunday during Lent (March 9 - April 13). We will meet in Dillon Hall for prayer, discussion, and snacks. All women are welcome.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES Is Here to Help

For those in your parish experiencing challenges,

Catholic Charities is committed to helping. For more than 90 years Catholic Charities of Oregon has provided help and created hope in essential, life-saving services to the most vulnerable Oregonians. We believe everyone deserves compassion and to be cared for. Our services include refugee resettlement, housing programs, legal services, intensive case management and food & family services. Your support gives us the ability to continue, improve and grow our services in our community and beyond. *Please share the following contact information with your parish community:* Catholic Charities of Oregon is committed to helping:

<https://www.catholiccharitiesoregon.org/services/>

Catholic Charities Main Phone Number to Access Services: [503-231-4866](tel:503-231-4866)

A Prayer Before Reading the News by Rabbi Irwin Keller

My God, the soul you have placed in me is pure and vulnerable. I am afraid that looking at today's news will be painful. Encircle me in a robe of light so that I can witness the wounds of the world without being wounded myself.

*Let me learn what I need to know in order to be of my greatest use, without being overwhelmed by despair. I feel your protective light now as I open myself to the world's suffering and the world's joys.
Amen.*



St Ignatius School 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.

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Recently, we spent time learning about the Catholic practice of adoration. Over the next two weeks, Fr. San and Fr. James will bring over the monstrance and talk to the students about the practice of adoration. At the beginning of our next Lenten Mass, led by 1st grade on March 12, we will have an adoration time. Here are some resources for parents to learn more about adoration:

[What is Adoration? A how to video presented by St. Ann's Launch Children's Ministry](#) [What is Adoration?](#) [Why go to adoration?](#) | [WHY](#)

Mr. O'Brien and his crew served up pancakes before school for Shrove Tuesday last week. Then our students enjoyed the Ash Wednesday Mass tradition of sitting in family groups and having the 8th grade leaders distribute the ashes to their family group members. What a truly special experience! During the Lenten season, we

will support [Our Giving Table](#), a local nonprofit serving families suffering from food and shelter security. Students will collect coins in their decorated boxes which will be blessed during the Ash Wednesday school Mass. The coin collection will be split between **Our Giving Table** and **Transition Projects Lunches**.



Our students are enjoying learning in many different ways. Our preschoolers assembled our Transition Lunches this week, including creative artwork on the sacks. The kindergarteners are learning site words and practicing adding and subtracting. Our first graders worked on different ways to add numbers to the same sum. In second grade, the students wrote about adoration. In third grade, the students created unique art designs for their hallway bulletin board. The fourth graders are working on writing imaginative stories incorporating what they are learning about bees. The fifth graders are studying the phases of the moon. In middle school social studies, the sixth graders are studying about the ancient Aztec culture. The seventh graders are learning about the middle ages. And the eighth graders are learning about the American Revolution. On Mondays, our eighth graders have a "service class", where they are out and about in our school assisting younger students in a variety of learning activities. This week, some of our eighth graders read with second grade students for their service class. We are so proud of our students' eager minds and the joy they show in learning.

As we head into our first Lenten Sunday, may we reflect on the words of the responsorial psalm-

"Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise." May this season of Lent provide us rich opportunities to deepen our faith.

Peace be with you always,
 Carol Pausz,
 Principal

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It's the Year of Jubilee! In the month of **March**, Pope Francis has missioned churches to clothe the needy, we will be having a **Children's Clothing and Supply Drive** following items:



diapers, wipes, Pull-Ups, strollers, car seats, new or gently used maternity or children's clothes.





Care for Creation The Oregon Coalition for Environmental Rights Amendment (OCERA) is a grassroots effort to amend the Oregon Constitution with a fundamental, enforceable right to a healthy environment. READ MORE at <https://www.oceraunited.org/get-involved>



IGNITE This winter at IGNITE< we will explore our God-given gift of connection: to ourselves, to others, and to God. 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.

NEXT IGNITE is on Mar 9, 2025 at 5:30pm on zoom.....

Details:
www.sipdx.org/ignite

St Vincent de Paul Volunteer opportunity! We are in need of pre-packers on the 3rd Friday of the month. This is a once-a-month commitment in the late afternoon/early evening. Please respond to svdp@sipdx.org with your interest.



You can help by **bringing non-perishable food donations to the Masses on the weekends and placing your donation under the stairwell in the vestibule**, or making a cash donation through Realm Connect. Your support is much appreciated. Contact us at svdp@sipdx.org if you have any questions. **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.

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	
Feb 17-23, 2025	5,773	10,000	58%	
Month of Feb	46,538	40,000	116%	
YTD	346,713	560,000	62%	

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 Mar 10 † Theo Roche
- Tuesday Mar 11 † Joseph Dinh Thinh
- Wednesday Mar 12 † Anton Nhung Hoang
- Thursday Mar 13 † Anthony Hoang Ngoc
- Friday Mar 14 † Maria Dau Hoang



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