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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 :

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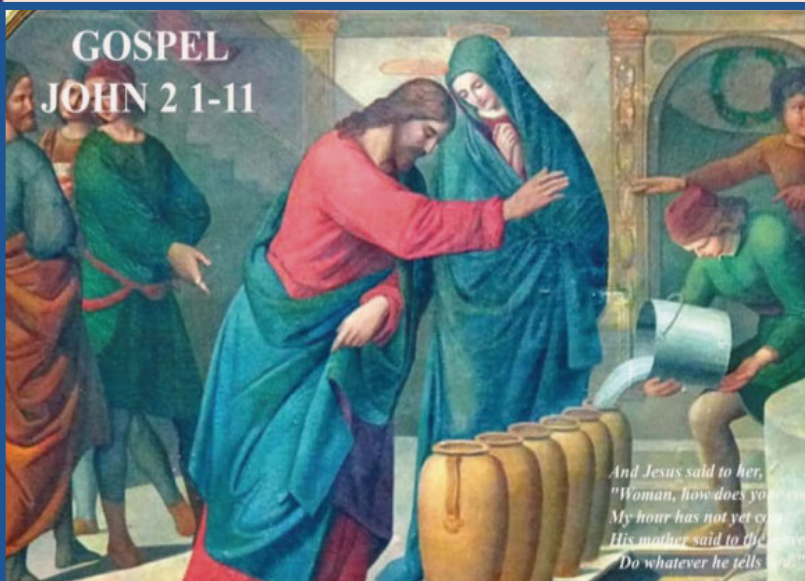
January 19, 2025

Wisdom from the Pews

My day-to-day life is blessed with gifts from God. They include my natural ability to make tedious tasks or boring stuff more enjoyable and meaningful. They also encompass the skills of adapting to new phases in my life when I have to face complex problems. These gifts, though sometimes overlooked, shape my life in various ways. In challenging moments, they provide a solid foundation, allowing me to respond to different invitations. Mary's faith in her *fiat* — "Do whatever He tells you" (John 2:5) — and Jesus' practical command to "fill the jars with water" (John 2:7) invite me to reflect deeply on how God's "marvelous deeds" manifest through my response.

Perhaps God's "marvelous deeds" are most fully realized through a faithful servant. But what does it mean to be a faithful servant? If it involves following Mary's advice — "Do whatever He tells you" — this path can evoke fear and resistance. The word "whatever" can feel overwhelming because it includes everything. "*Do whatever He tells you*" may challenge a life of wealth, a position of power and influence, or a notable reputation. It might also disrupt a carefully thought-out plan, a deeply held desire, or even a much-needed Sabbath moment if the will of God leads us on a different path.

Surrendering our all to God means emptying the jar of our lives, making us ready to be filled with the water of God's grace. We free these jars by letting go of the burdens that hinder us from deepening our relationship with our God. True emptiness awakens within us a profound longing for a filling that only God can provide — the gift of joy in the face of difficult trials, peace in the midst of chaos, gratitude in complicated experiences, and wisdom in discerning God's will. It is in this emptiness that we be-



come aware of how our very presence is filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. These gifts bless us and humble us, guiding us to live with humility in our thoughts, words, and actions. These gifts also remind us that our faith will sustain us through the challenges of life.

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Just as our jars need filling, the jars of others around us also require filling. By striving to act kindly, we can help fill their jars with God's love. Offering support and encouragement amid difficulties can rekindle their faith. Through prayer, we can bring their needs to God, asking for God's filling. Being a faithful servant is a choice — a choice that comes with delight and pain, comfort and sacrifice, healing and loss. It is a choice that enriches our lives with blessings, for we entrust ourselves to the plan of our God.

May the Holy Spirit give us the gift of wisdom so that we can choose to do whatever for the greater glory of God.

(My name is **Therese Tran**. I am a post-baccalaureate student at WSU. My family has joined St. Ignatius Parish since October 2024, and we usually attend 8 a.m. Sunday Mass)

Have you enjoyed reading the weekly **Wisdom from the Pews**? Then this is a your chance to join other parishioners who have shared their faith journey as it relates to the weekend readings. Contact Joseph Byrd with any questions (jbyrd@sipdx.org) or Please consider writing your Wisdom from the Pews <https://bit.ly/wisdomfromthepews>



Candlemas, Sunday, February 2nd, also known as the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus Christ, commemorating the presentation of Jesus at the Temple by Joseph and Mary. One of the oldest feast days in the church, **we invite you to bring your candles from home**, where they will be blessed during the liturgy.

Your blessed candles may be burned at home, symboling Jesus, throughout the coming year, as the Light of the World.

Prayer for Peace and Care for Creation led by Therese Fenzl. Thank you to all who joined us in Advent in praying for peace. I invite you to join me now in an ongoing **weekly** prayer for peace and care for creation. It will be on Monday evenings from 6:30pm until 6:45pm and similar to our Advent prayer. It will take place on zoom. Signing up to participate does not mean you are expected to show up every Monday--just whenever it works for you. You will always be welcome. It will begin on Monday, January 13. If you would like to participate please send me your email address. Thank you.

tfenzl@themadeleine.edu

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On Feb. 1, 2025 your 2024 Giving statement will be available on REALM, look for the 2024 Giving statement button on the giving tab. If I may be of any assistance or you have any questions, please call Patty at 503-777-1491 extension 221 during office hours Mon.-Thurs. 9AM-3PM.

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Sign into your REALM account anytime to view your current giving amounts and yearly totals.

Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Jan 19, 2025

Isaiah 62:1-5
1 Corinthians 12:4-11
John 2:1-11

Mass Readings for Jan 26, 2025

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

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Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

Pope Francis, announcing the Jubilee Year 2025, writes: “Everyone knows what it is to hope. In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring.”

Spes non confundit (Hope does not disappoint)

What is a Jubilee Year?

A Jubilee Year is a special time in the Church’s tradition encouraging holiness through acts of reconciliation and communion with our brothers and sisters. Jubilee Year 2025 will be marked by special opportunities for grace through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, local pilgrimages and the Jubilee Indulgence. The theme is “Pilgrims of Hope”.

What is a Plenary Indulgence?

A plenary indulgence is a special gift from Christ’s Church that completely removes the temporary consequences of sins that have already been forgiven in confession. These consequences are often referred to as the temporal punishment due to sin, which is purified in purgatory. Receiving a plenary indulgence can help us or the souls in purgatory on the journey to heaven.

The Church has the authority to grant indulgences through the power given by Christ to bind and loose sins (Matthew 16:19). This authority allows the Church to share the grace of Christ’s sacrifice and the merits of the saints with the faithful. During the Jubilee Year 2025, you have a unique chance to receive this grace through pilgrimage, prayer, and fulfilling a few important steps outlined by the Church.

How to Obtain a Plenary Indulgence During the Jubilee Year 2025

The Archdiocese of Portland invites the faithful to embrace the Jubilee Year of Hope by seeking a plenary indulgence through pilgrimage and prayer. Here’s how:

Fulfill the Following Conditions

- Be in a state of grace.

- Have complete detachment from sin, even venial sin.

- Make a sacramental confession within 20 days.

- Receive Holy Communion.

- Pray for the Pope’s intentions (e.g., say an Our Father and a Hail Mary).

Special Provisions for the Jubilee Year 2025

You may obtain a plenary indulgence twice in one day if you receive Holy Communion a second time during a Eucharistic celebration and apply it to the souls in purgatory.

The Jubilee Year began on December 24, 2024, and will conclude on January 6, 2026.

Pilgrimage Sites in western Oregon

One of the most important observances of a Jubilee Year is pilgrimage, recalling the need for silence and recollection, forming friendships with fellow travelers, and seeking Christ, who is the way and the gateway to eternal life. Knowing that very few of us can travel to Rome to pass through the jubilee’s Holy Doors, Archbishop Sample has designated 10 pilgrimage sites throughout the Archdiocese, where the faithful will be able to pray and unite themselves spiritually with all pilgrims.

St. Mary’s Cathedral, Portland

The Grotto, Portland

Holy Rosary, Portland

Our Lady of Lavang, Happy Valley

St. Paul, St. Paul

St. Vincent de Paul, Salem

St. Alice, Springfield

Shepherd of the Valley, Central Point

Sacred Heart, Newport

St. Monica, Coosbay





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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.

Spread the word about our wonderful school. We will host our Open House after Mass on **Sunday, January 26th from 11:30 AM- 1:00 PM**. Families interested in sending their children to our school for the 2025-2026 school year will be able to take a tour and meet the teachers. **Tuition assistance is available** through an In-Parish Tuition Assistance Grant for parish families and through FACTS for families with financial need with some families qualifying for both forms of tuition assistance.

Our **Aspire, Believe, Celebrate school auction** will take place on **Saturday, March 1, 2025** during **Mardi Gras** season. Our theme reflects our school's mission in that we **Aspire** to develop students committed to building a just and compassionate world for all. **Believe** in our students' gifts and talents. **Celebrate** our students' accomplishments along the way. With an earlier auction date, we need to solicit **sponsors** and procure items. We will accept **procurement** donations through Friday, January 31st. You can



purchase early bird admission tickets now for the discounted cost of \$75/person or \$125/couple through January 31. February 1 admission tickets will be a flat rate of \$100 per person. Spread the word to your friends and family to buy **raffle tickets**. Only 500 raffle tickets are sold and the prize is \$3,000!

May this new year bring many opportunities to deepen our faith journey in showing the way to God. *Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life,"* John 8:12.

Peace be with you always.
Carol Pausz
Principal

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.

Back to School 2.0 **Winter Classes**

The Gospel of Luke

A new year and a new look at Luke! Discover why the Gospel of Luke has been described as the Good News of the hospitality of God! led by Cliff Yearly, author of several bible studies from Liturgical Press and Little Rock Scripture Study.

Meets Sundays in February 9-10:15 in the parish office dining room.

Fostering a Culture of Care

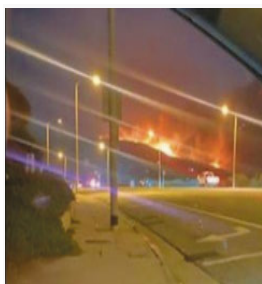
Matt Nelson will facilitate an exploration of the Catholic calling to care for creation and others through a study of Pope Francis' writings, *Laudato Si* and *Laudate Deum*.

Meets from 9:15 to 10:15 in the parish office on 1/19, 2/2, and 2/23

Spiritual Exercises Short Retreat

Join Deacon Mac for a retreat to foster inner peace centered in God's divine love on Sundays, 1/26-2/23 from 12-1:30.

Contact Deacon Mac to register - mac.a.chester@gmail.com



Evacuating our ecology gathering due to wildfires: a reflection; and a call.

Forty of us, Jesuits and lay leaders from Jesuit ministries across our Province, looked out at the mountains of Malibu Tuesday morning, praying in gratitude for the hope we find in creation and preparing for a day of discussion on our call to action in this 10th Anniversary year of Laudato Si', the Pope's encyclical on care for creation.

As we gathered back inside to begin our meeting, a teacher asked me to step back outside, and pointed to the red cloud of smoke coming up from the palisades mountains next door. The beautiful mountains we had just given thanks for moments ago were burning before our eyes. [READ More: Evacuating our ecology gathering due to wildfires, a reflection and a call.](#) Or <file:///C:/Users/office/AppData/Local/Microsoft/Windows/INetCache/Content.Outlook/1R8144SA/email.mht>

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 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
Dec 30 -Jan 5, 2025	25,184	10,000	252%
Month of Jan	25,184	40,000	63%
YTD	273,717	560,000	49%

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	Jan 20	† Patricia Obradovich
Tuesday	Jan 21	Salvatore Navaneri –healing
Wednesday	Jan 22	† Jose Miguel Razon
Thursday	Jan 23	† Raymond Koudossou
Friday	Jan 24	† Jan Oreskovich



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