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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)
at 8:00 AM
At LIC—La Storta Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays -
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

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February 18, 2024

A Message from the Pastor

According to anthropologist Victor Turner, there are three aspects of ritual transformation: separation, transition, and reincorporation. Lent is not only a liturgical season for Christians, it is a ritual experience that can change us for the better. Ash Wednesday the color of the season changes from the green of Ordinary Time to the purple of Lent. Ash Wednesday we mark ourselves ritually with ashes. We proclaim to all those who see those ashes on our forehead that we are beginning a 40 day journey to Holy Week and Easter. During this journey we will engage in three specific practices—praying, fasting, and almsgiving. The season and these practices will be the catalysts of conversion or change for us.

Forty is an important number in the Bible and in conversion. The Israelites wandered in the desert for forty years before Joshua led them into the Promised Land. Those forty years changed them. Noah, his family, and the animals they gathered, lived in the Ark for forty days and forty nights before the flood subsided. Those forty days and nights in the Ark changed them. After Jesus was baptized in the Jordan, the Spirit drove him into the desert where he was tested for forty days. That baptism and those forty days in the desert changed him.

In the older translation of the First Lenten Preface for our Eucharistic Prayer, we would pray: "Each year you give us this joyful season when we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with mind and heart renewed." Lent is supposed to

change us bit by bit. Each week during Lent we will pray for the Elect who will be fully incorporated into our Faith Community during the Easter Vigil. Our prayer support of them these next six weeks will help change them. Their full communion with us in Word and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil will change all of us. . . .for the better.

**Your Ways, O Lord,
are Love and Truth
to those who Keep
your Covenant.
Psalm 25**



First Sunday
of Lent

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Pastor's Message continued from page one:

What might our Lenten observance—our praying, our fasting, and our almsgiving—accomplish in us? Poet David Whyte gives us a very clear idea in his poem *the Opening of Eyes*.

That day I saw beneath dark clouds
the passing light over the water
and heard the voice of the world speak out,
I knew then, as I had before
life is no passing memory of what has been
nor the remaining pages in a great book waiting to be read.

It is the opening of eyes long closed.
It is the vision of far off things
seen for the silence they hold.
It is the heart after years
of secret conversing
speaking out loud in the clear air.

It is Moses in the desert
fallen to his knees before the lit bush.
It is the man throwing away his shoes
as if to enter heaven
and finding himself astonished,
opened at last,
fallen in love with solid ground.



Fr. Mike



Through our Lenten observance—the imaginative ways that we pray, fast and give alms—may the Lord, who calls us into this transforming season, bring about “the opening of eyes long shut” to his presence and his love. Remember—we journey together. Remember—this journey will change us for the better, if we let it.

IGNITE - Feb 25, 2024 Now starting at: 5:30PM

- ◆ 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, to the Saints, to the people of St. Ignatius, and to your heart

IGNITE offers participants the opportunity to explore the Church, the Saints, and various sacred writings in a meditative way, inviting a personal experience of faith and spirituality. Each session includes teaching segments interrupted by breakout groups where members reflect and listen to each other. IGNITE includes faith sharing, sacred listening, study, and journeying with others. Information and/or zoom link & password:

[IGNITE | St. Ignatius Catholic Church | Oregon's Jesuit Parish | Portland \(sipdx.org\)](#)

Or <https://www.sipdx.org/ignite>



Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Feb. 18, 2024

Genesis 9:8-15
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:12-15

Mass Readings for Feb. 25, 2024

Genesis 22:1-2, 9A, 10-13, 15-18
Romans 8:31b-34
Mark 9:2-10



St Ignatius School

For our Ash Wednesday Mass, our 8th graders distributed ashes to their Family Group members. Our students enjoyed Family Group time last week which included a fun scavenger hunt in the school for class colored hearts. Students colored St. Valentine themed pictures too. Family Groups build an amazing sense of community across our whole school.

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*.



The first graders created beautiful painted mittens after studying the story *The Mitten*, by Jan Brett. Our 2nd graders learned about the Lunar New Year and painted dragons in honor of the Year of the Dragon.

We are gearing up for our **Night of Pure Imagination!** auction on **Saturday, April 20**. Are you or someone you know able to be an event **sponsor?** Several levels of sponsorship are available and come with a reserved table for eight. If you are able to be an event sponsor, please contact Caitlin Dickinson, caitlindickinson@gmail.com.

As we celebrate Presidents' Day weekend, may we heed the words in the first letter of John, chapter four, verse twelve, *"No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us."*

Peace be with you.
Carol Pausz, Principal

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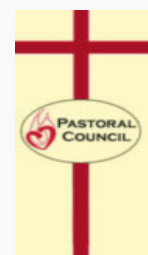
Are you engaged?

Congratulations! Preparing for a marriage in the Catholic Church is a **six month process** which hopefully offers some tools to help you navigate this wonderful transition in your life. If you're ready to get that process started, contact Grace Byrd for more information. gbyrd@sipdx.org



Our St. Ignatius Girl Scout troop #10094 is selling cookies again! We use our cookie money to help fund our troop adventures (like overnights or learning to cross country ski) and to give to charities that are important to us. Please support our troop and enjoy some delicious cookies. You can also choose to donate the cookies to Meals on Wheels if you prefer not to eat them yourself. Follow this link to buy your cookies:
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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.

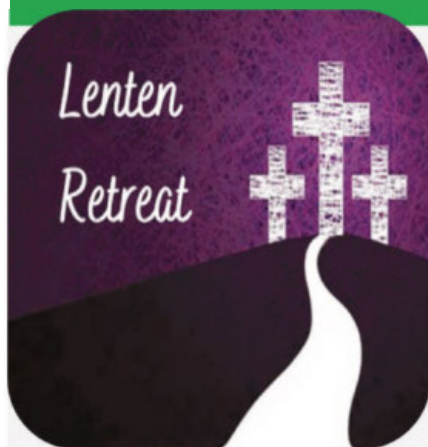


C H A N G E

TODAY!

February 18, 2024 SUNDAY EVENING MASS:

Start time is now 7:00PM



Lenten Retreat Do you desire to foster a deeper space of inner peace within yourself wrapped in God's Divine Love this Lent? Please consider joining fellow adult parishioners of all ages this Lent for an Ignatian Spiritual Exercises retreat beginning Sunday February 25th and ending Sunday March 24th. During the four weeks of the retreat, we invite you to spend approximately 30-45 minutes four days per week in prayer/ reading/reflection/journaling from the comfort of your home as well as five Sunday small group 'Spiritual Conversation' meetings (**Feb. 25th, March 3, March 10, March 17, March 24**) from 12pm-1pm on the parish campus following the 10:30am Sunday Mass. The retreat will be led by Deacon Mac and Katherine Radeka (SEEL). Cost is approximately \$20 to cover the purchase of your retreat book online. Please email Deacon Mac for more details or to RSVP a spot in the retreat: mac.a.chester@gmail.com

Cost: Purchase your copy of the retreat book online (approx. \$20 on Amazon: <https://a.co/d/dQmltW3>) + any cash donations to the parish are gratefully accepted for future retreats. If you can afford purchasing multiple retreat books we would gladly accept extra copies of "The First Spiritual Exercises: Four Guided Retreats" by Michael Hansen, S.J. to distribute to retreatants who may not be able to afford Hansen, S.J. to distribute to retreatants who may not be able to afford the retreat book and for future retreats. Hansen, S.J. to distribute to retreatants who may not be able to afford the retreat book and for future retreats.

Retreat journal (aka: "Listening Book") - any journal/notebook will do!

1. Sunday February 25th: 12pm-1pm Parish Office - Retreat introduction in large group
2. Sunday March 3rd: 12pm-1pm Parish Office - 1st guided Spiritual Conversation in small groups
3. Sunday March 10th: 12pm-1pm Parish Office - 2nd guided Spiritual Conversation in small groups
4. Sunday March 17th: 12pm-1pm Parish Office - 3rd guided Spiritual Conversation in small groups
5. Sunday March 24th (Palm Sunday): 12pm-1pm Dillon Hall (school cafeteria) - 4th guided Spiritual Conversation in small groups + retreat closure in large group

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 donations 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.

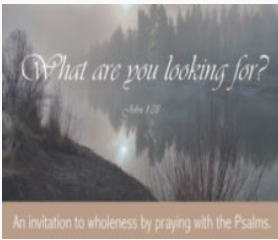


Tibbetts House "Open House" - You are invited! Learn about our Tibbetts House ministry — the needs of our clientele, the many opportunities to serve, and the community of servers you may wish to join. There will be two "open houses" online; WHEN:--- **Monday, February 19 at 7:00PM and Saturday, Feb. 24 at 7:00PM**; WHERE: <https://meet.google.com/ybg-dtot-usu> Please mark your calendars. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Le Tran at ongletran@gmail.com

Registration is open for **Summer 2024 at Camp Howard**. Attending camp, experiencing open-air fellowship, engaging in exciting activities with friends, is sure to be a summer highlight. [Click here](#) to learn more. **Family Camp weekend** registration is now open (June 27 - 30). [Click here](#) to learn more and register online!



Novena of Grace offered online at:



Novena: Missoula
February 26th thru
March 5th
Weekday Novena at
Noon & 6:00 pm, Satur-
day & Sunday at Noon
with a livestream
planned for Noon: [St.
Francis Xavier - \(sfmissoula.org\)](mailto:St.FrancisXavier@sfmissoula.org)

We are delighted that Father Victor Cancino, S.J. and Mayra Martinez will be our co-presenters
Theme: *"What Are You Looking For?" : An Invitation to Wholeness by Praying with the Psalms*



Novena of Grace: I Am the Beloved!

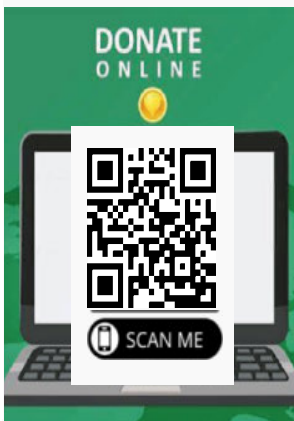
DAILY: THURSDAY, MARCH 7
- FRIDAY, MARCH 15
WEEKDAYS: 12:30-1:30 PM
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY: 11
AM-12 PM
CHAPEL OF ST. IGNATIUS,
SEATTLE UNIVERSITY
MALCOLM NELSON, SARAH PERICICH-LOPEZ, AND FR. MATTHEW PYRC, SJ,
PRESENTERS

In-person and online. Livestream available on this page each day.

[Novena of Grace 2024 — Ignatian Spirituality Center \(ignatiancenter.org\)](http://ignatiancenter.org)

[Praying with St Francis Xavier \(Novena\).pdf \(jesuitinstitute.org\)](http://jesuitinstitute.org)

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. Mike.



Church tithing Financial report (July 1, 2023—June 30, 2024) 2023-2024 Budget \$560,000.00

Sunday Tithe received through 2-4-2024 \$310,968.14

*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

Monday	Feb 19	†	Peter Thanh Nguyen
Tuesday	Feb 20	†	Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	Feb 21	†	Helen Sullivan
Thursday	Feb 22	†	Mary Hoban
Friday	Feb 23	†	Simon Andrew Dunlap



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