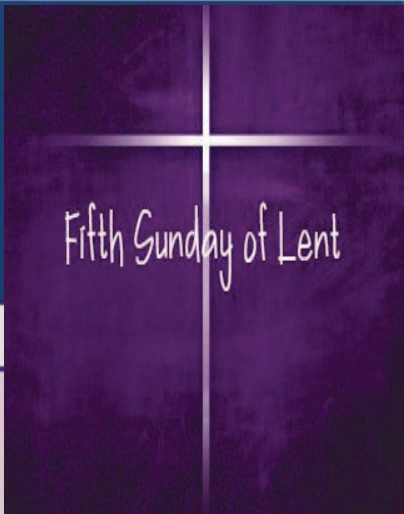




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Mass Times

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 17, 2024

A Message from the Pastor

On this Fifth Sunday of Lent, with the Elect we will hear the third great story about people coming to faith in the Gospel of John. It is the story of The Raising of Lazarus (Jn. 11:1-45). There are five important characters in this story—Martha, Mary, Lazarus, Jesus, and the witnesses. This story invites us to reflect on many faith questions. We can begin by asking ourselves three basic questions. First, with what character in this story do I identify most? Second, with what character in this story do I identify with least? Third, what do each of these characters represent in me?

Martha previously has gotten a bad rap. She is associated with being “busy about many things.” Martha does not need any more assertiveness training. She marches up to Jesus and confronts him with the facts. “If you had been here, my brother would not have died.” I believe this is less a criticism and more a statement of faith. Think of the life experiences where our hopes were dashed or our expectations frustrated. Couldn't we have uttered Martha's words?

And yet Jesus calls Martha to deeper faith when he tells her, “I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” That is the question that today's gospel (“good news”) addresses to us and to our Elect. “Do you believe this?” Do you believe that all things work together unto



good for those who love God? Do you believe that God calls us, even in the most difficult and challenging circumstances, to choose life the blessing? Do you believe that God's love is stronger than death? Do you believe that for those who love God life is changed not ended? Do you believe?

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Pastor's Message continued from page one:

Lazarus is in the tomb and bound. What are the places of death we have dwelt in during periods of our life? While we would not choose to live in tombs, some of our life choices can feel like they lead us into places of death rather than places where life is flourishing. What are the things that bind us? What are the things that prevent us from responding to Christ's invitation to life in abundance? While Jesus calls Lazarus out of the tomb, Lazarus has the ability to accept or reject that invitation. Have there been times when I have rejected Christ's invitation to "life in abundance" because of fear or other things that bind me? What do I need, at this time in my life, in order to respond to Jesus' invitation and command, "Lazarus, come forth."?



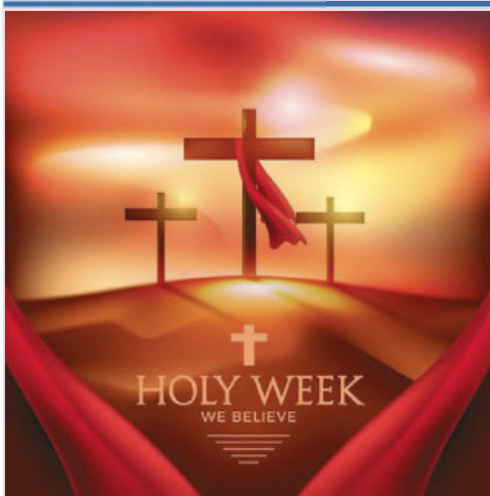
On this Fifth Sunday of Lent, let pray for our Elect and ourselves:

Lord Jesus,

by raising Lazarus from the dead
you showed that you came that we might have life
and have it more abundantly.
Free from the grasp of death
those who await your life-giving sacraments
and deliver them from the spirit of corruption.
Through you Spirit, who gives life,
fill them with faith, hope, and charity,
that they may live with you always
in the glory of the resurrection,
for you are Lord forever and ever. Amen.



Fr. Mike



Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024 7PM
Good Friday, March 29, 2024 7PM
Easter Vigil, March 30, 2024 8:30PM

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024
8:00AM and 10:30AM Masses
(no 7PM mass)

Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Mar. 17, 2024

Ezekiel 37:12-14
Romans 8:8-11
John 11:1-45

Mass Readings for Mar. 24, 2024

Isaiah 50:4-7
Philippians 2:6-11
Mark 14:1-15:47



St Ignatius School

One of the many benefits of choosing to become part of the St. Ignatius Parish School community is the time our students spend supporting one another. Our 8th grade leaders demonstrate wonderful leadership and serve as models for our younger students during their service class time on Friday afternoons. The students are split up into small groups or pairs and push into classrooms and hallways

working with younger students or assisting teachers. They read with students, play games, calculate math problems, and so much more. We are stronger together and blessed with the many gifts our students and parents bring to our community!

Many generations of families walked our hallways for 116 years! With our family groups and in school service opportunities, we work together much like a big family. Frequently our siblings find each other during the day to give a hug at recess or lunch or passing in the hallways. We are blessed to share the value of loving kindness toward all.



Our **Night of Pure Imagination** is inching closer! You can now **purchase your early bird tickets or raffle tickets** through our Greater Giving site here- <https://sispdx.ejoinme.org/nightofpureimagination> or through this QR code. This year's raffle prize is a cashier's check for **\$3000!** Imagine what you would do with **\$3000!!!**



Each week, we will highlight one of our live auction items. This week's highlight is a fun-filled trip for 3 days and 2 nights to a **beautiful Sunriver home!** Special thanks to Jane and Fiona from the 8th grade for designing a beautiful auction logo! We look forward to you joining us on Saturday, April 20th!



Great job to all of our Oregon Battle of the Books readers! Congratulations to the Sky High Readers (6th graders-Katarina, Sidney, Miriam, Emme, Olive), for winning the 6th -8th grade OBOB competition on Wednesday. They are headed to the Regional competition this weekend. Congratulations to The Bookshelf Bandits (5th graders-William C, Elizabeth, Lena, Heleya) for winning the 3rd-5th grade school OBOB competition yesterday! They will compete in a Regional competition next weekend. We are so proud of all our OBOB teams!



Our preschoolers are building their fine motor skills with creative, imaginative pasta designs. The kindergarteners are learning about Prayer, Almsgiving, and Fasting for Lent.

Our 2nd graders are participating in a fun March Madness of plants and animals competition, complete with brackets where they can choose if the animal or plant will win the competition. They are learning about so many fascinating animals and plants such as the kob, bear's head mushroom, or velvet worm. Our 5th graders have designed and created dioramas complete with summaries of the literary elements for novel studies they have recently completed.

The 6th graders created Bible story presentations that they shared with the 1st grade class this week. May we celebrate St. Patrick through this prayer in his honor:
May the Strength of God pilot us. May the Power of God preserve us. May the Wisdom of God instruct us.

May the Hand of God protect us. May the Way of God direct us. May the Shield of God defend us. May the Host of God guard us against the snares of the evil ones, against temptations of the world. May Christ be with us! May Christ be before us! May Christ be in us, Christ be over all! May Thy Salvation, Lord, Always be ours, This day, O Lord, and evermore. Amen.

Peace be with you.
Carol Pausz
Principal

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Easter Egg Hunt

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IGNITE - March 24, 2024 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>

Care of Creation Team "the word "creation" has a broader meaning than "nature" for it has to do with God's loving plan in which every creature has its own value and significance. Nature is usually seen as a system which can be studied, understood and controlled, whereas creation can only be understood as a gift from the out-stretched hand of the Father of all, and as a reality illuminated by the love which calls us together into universal communion." How grateful are we for all of creation? How do we treat a gift so wondrous? How can we collectively do better at loving creation?



Please join our Senior group for lunch at THAI SKY KITCHEN on 6030 SE Division St. (parking lot available on 61st) on **Thursday, March 21st at 12:30ish.** extensive menu; check out on line. Across from Courtyard. Fun conversation & good food!!

New guests always welcomed!!!

Senior History Heroes especially, come and share your knowledge.

RSVP judi_vc@yahoo.com or 971-344-3055: PLEASE, by Tuesday, March 19th.

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.



2024 Seminary Tea Portland Golf Club | April 24 [Seminary Tea Committee](#)



All are invited to the 89th annual Seminary Tea, hosted by the **Seminary Tea Committee**. Proceeds are for the education of seminarians preparing to serve in the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon.

Comfort Care Campaign



Please join in the *Comfort Care Campaign* to make our space more comfortable with air conditioning and to replace our piano!

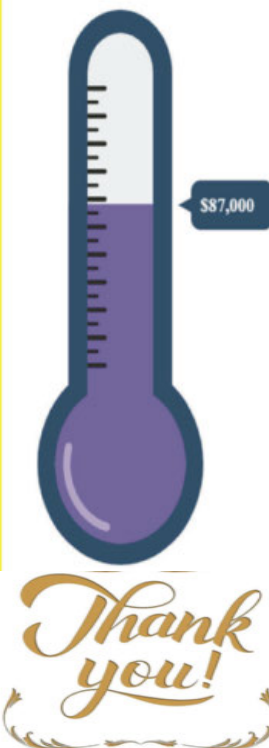
We are getting close to our goal thanks to some very

generous Parishioners!



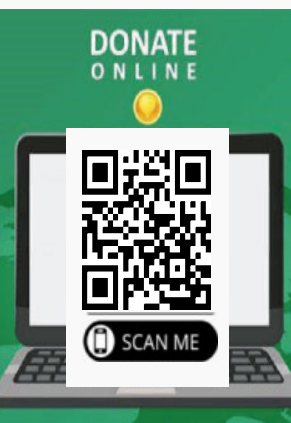
Help us to get there by using one of the *Comfort Care Campaign envelopes* found in the pews and at the doors of the church or donate on REALM using the *Building Fund* with a memo of "comfort care"

GOAL: \$150,000



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 3-3-2024 \$347,538.30

*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 18	†	Daisy Limpsot
Tuesday	Mar 19	†	Sheena Marie George
Wednesday	Mar 20	†	Theresa Pieretti
Thursday	Mar 21	†	Leonedes T. Gamolo
Friday	Mar 22	†	Victor Sacopayo



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