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UNDER THE CARE OF THE JESUITS

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

FEBRUARY 7, 2021

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Open the Door

Dear Parishioners:

Jesus went home with his friends after the service in the synagogue, that Sabbath in Capernaum. This was the town about fifteen miles from Nazareth where he and his family had settled when the hostility in Nazareth had forced him to leave.

It is likely that James and John, Simon and Andrew -- who were natives of Capernaum -- were boyhood friends before they became disciples. So spending a Sabbath afternoon at Simon's house would have been a normal and pleasant thing to do. By the way, archaeologists have discovered that the house of Simon was just 85 feet from the entrance to the synagogue.

Now on this particular Sabbath, things were not normal -- this was the day that Jesus had healed a fellow who was possessed by an evil spirit, and he had done it in the synagogue, in front of everyone. People had seen with their own eyes a work of power. After they returned to their homes, they talked. Talk spread from house to house through the afternoon. Imagine the excitement. Yet no matter how much excitement there was, remember that observant Jews were bound to rest on the sabbath, so the excitement was contained and subdued.

Imagine the little group in Simon's house, sitting together after the meal -- perhaps a little constrained at first because of the extraordinary events of the morning. And now the healing of Simon's mother-in-law. It was a strange new knowledge of this man, the one who had already attracted them by his personality, whose message was changing their lives. But here was something more. Healing was outside their experience, even though stories of healing were common in scripture -- as were prophecies of healing when God's day of salvation should come.



As the hours drew towards sunset, perhaps they began to realize that to proclaim the reign of God must bring healing to body and mind as people were set free from all that oppressed them.

But something else was going on beyond the walls of the little house. As long as the Sabbath endured, nobody could walk far, or carry burdens, or work in any way. But the Sabbath ended at sunset. As the sun sank, the group of friends in Simon's house became aware of strange sounds outside in the street. There were footsteps and sounds of people pulling carts or dragging something heavy, sounds of moaning, and encouraging shouts, pushing to get to the door of the house.

Try to imagine what those in the house felt as they began to realize what was going on. Imagine the murmuring from beyond the door, then the fists knocking, voices crying for Jesus to come out, pleading and demanding, sobbing and almost threatening, as people do who are desperate.

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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 10:30 AM Mass: *Mid-Morning Service* – Sign up online at sipdx.org (button on opening page,) or call leaving Name, Number in group, phone, & date. You will get a confirmation number before attending Mass. (Thank you!)

TUESDAY & THURSDAY: 12:00 PM weekday Mass in the church, *no sign up needed*

SATURDAY: Recorded Mass available online, the link is on our website: sipdx.org

RECONCILIATION, by appointment 503-777-1491

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

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Imagine what that moment meant for Jesus himself. The news of the healing had spread. Years of hidden desperation were literally coming into the open because suddenly there was hope. The tide of need, fear, and wild hope beat against the door of Simon's house. Jesus must have known that once he opened that door and went out, he could never retreat.

The people outside the door could have echoed Job's words, the experience of life is an intolerable string of days filled with meaningless work and nights of despair. Immediately Jesus would recognize the danger: would he gain fame as a healer of diseases, or would he become known as a messenger of God's reign, calling people to change their lives?

You can imagine that some of his friends suggested that Jesus climb out the back window and slip away, avoiding the rising hysteria. Yet there was a moment when Jesus rose, told Simon to unbar the door, then open it. His friends, watching in fear, saw him engulfed by hands demanding his help.

For Jesus, that night was a revelation -- hour after hour -- a revelation of what his life was going to be like from then on. No wonder, when finally the people withdrew and the dark streets were left empty, he slipped away alone without telling anyone. He needed to be alone, to realize the meaning of what had happened, to pray, and from his prayer, to draw new strength and understanding.

As the quiet of dawn returned, the friends in the house realized that as the healed and their families had disappeared, so had Jesus. But they knew him, and they went after him without telling others where he was to be found. "Everyone is looking for you," they said. And they were not surprised when he told them that his mission would now be to preach in other towns. They, too, recognized that this was a turning point -- now the real public mission was to begin.

But they also noticed that Jesus did not say, "I must go elsewhere." He said, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns." As they had shared with him the turmoil and fear and wonder of the night, so they were now an inseparable part of his mission. Soon, they too would be sent to preach and to heal.

There are doors, like Simon's door, in our lives. You and I can hear the cries on the other side, and we know that on the other side is need, and danger. You may not at all be sure that it is right to open the door. What will happen to your life, to your well-being if you allow yourself contact -- even in your imagination -- with the misery and anger out there?

Notice that all this began in a home. Jesus was in a house, with some family and friends. That house, that home is the symbol of where each of us starts, where we return for our own healing and renewal. We return home to the people who trust each other and care about each other. Throughout his life, Jesus turned to homes to find rest and friendship -- to share insights and problems.

There are all sorts of needs knocking at our door. The paradox is that only when you and I open that door will the healing presence of Jesus come to greet people once again. Let us be attentive to those who knock at our door. May the healing presence of Jesus dwell in our response to those in need.

Fr. Craig Boly, S.J.
Pastor

WEEKLY JUSTICE RECOMMENDATION

The Joy of Justice, Unity, & Peace: Lessons from Sister Thea Bowman, FSPA: A Dramatic Presentation

This two-hour online event will center on the life and work of Sister Thea Bowman and applications for today's demand for racial reconciliation. Spanish language interpretation will be available.
Co-hosted by St Anthony Catholic Church in Tigard and MACG

Monday February 22, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

For inquiries email Danny Rauda at drauda@satigard.org

To register, visit bit.ly/sisterthea or email drauda@satigard.org

MASS READINGS

Mass Readings for Feb 7, 2021

Job 7:1-4, 6-7
1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23
Mark 1:29-39

Mass Readings for Feb 14, 2021

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1
Mark 1:40-45

ST IGNATIUS SUNDAY MASS SIGN UP

Limited Attendance at Mass Beginning Feb 21st

We are very excited to offer in-person Mass to St. Ignatius parishioners! We are working with guidance from the Archdiocese and honoring the recommendations of health officials. The pandemic situation continues to change, so it's possible the system we are developing may also change in the coming weeks. Thank you so much for your patience and cooperation during this time.

- Please wear a mask, this is required for entry.
- Don't attend Mass if you're sick or believe you've been exposed to COVID-19.
- Families from the same household may sit together as a group.
- Please maintain social distancing and keep your group at least 6 feet from others while at Mass.
- The faithful are still dispensed from their Holy Day obligation, so attendance is not required.

(Sign up must be received the Thursday before the Mass date by NOON. Thank you!)

- 1) Sign up button may be found on our website, there is a link on the opening page at the TOP. >>



SUNDAY MASS SIGN UP ▾

You will be asked to fill in your:
Name, Number of family to attend, email and phone.
And choose a Sunday Mass date (10:30 AM)

OR

- 2) You may call 503-777-1491 x 221 and leave a message with your
Name, Number of family, and phone.
And choose a Sunday Mass date (10:30 AM)

**(You will be contacted with a confirmation number
before attending Sunday Mass)**

WE'RE GLAD TO HAVE YOU BACK!

Thank you for your patience and support as we continue to work to bring the Mass to as many people as possible. We are looking forward to seeing you!

**WEEKDAY MASS WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY & THURSDAY AT 12:00 PM,
no sign up required.**

ASH WEDNESDAY ~ FEBRUARY 17, 2021

Ash Wednesday Drive-Through Ash Distribution

Join us on Wednesday, Feb. 17, for drive-through ashes, administered through your open car window as we ladle ashes on your passenger's heads
from 12:15 to 1pm.



**Enter on 45th, through the School parking lot, and
follow the cones toward Dillon Hall where we'll
distribute ashes, exiting out onto 43rd.**

In thanksgiving for the life of Marie Tamulinas

SCHOOL



This week we welcomed the third graders back to campus! We will now take a “pause” to assess our safety measures before welcoming more students back to campus. The fourth graders are scheduled to join us on February 22.

Last week, our seventh and eighth grade classes read about the work of Pope Francis related to encouraging teens--and all people--to strive for happiness in their lives, including an article about Pope Francis’ ten keys to happiness. Our middle school students came up with their own additions to share with Pope Francis:

- Make time for nature
- Share things with people who are in need
- Always have an open mind whether it be to others’ beliefs or to broaden your own beliefs
- Always spread positivity
- Remember that expressing your emotions is okay
- Stay present and realize how amazing life is
- Spend time with loved ones, because life is too short and we need to spend time with the people we love
- Be yourself; we find joy when we are ourselves and express what we are
- Be quick to forgive and be slow to anger
- Take time to do things that make you happy
- Participate in the practice of forgiveness
- Do not let the judgements of others bring you down
- Be patient with yourself and others gentle Nativity
- Seek the good in yourself
- Chase your dreams
- Let go of things that are holding you back



These are certainly words to live by and remind us of just how important it is to find joy and happiness in our everyday lives.

Kathleen Downing
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ST VINCENT DE PAUL

A HUGE thank you to everyone who participated in the school’s food drive for SVdP. Your efforts garnered \$40 cash and 553 lbs of food for our pantry. We would also like to thank Girl Scout Troop 10094 for thinking of us and choosing to donate \$100. Lastly, thank you to everyone who continually supports us and those in need in our community – SVdP Volunteers

WOMEN’S RETREAT

WOMEN’S VALENTINE RETREAT

Arise, my friend, my beautiful one, and come! (Song of Songs 2:13b)

Join us for a retreat about God’s love for us and our love for God.

Saturday, February 13, 2021
via Zoom, 10am – noon

Presenters: Tara Ludwig of the Faber Institute
& Ana Guizado

To register visit the St. Ignatius website at www.sipdx.org
Questions? Contact Beth at bschaller@sipdx.org.

Presented by: Women, Arise! Ministry

Donations gratefully accepted. Donate via the St. Ignatius website under “misc.” and include a memo to direct your donation or send a check to St. Ignatius Catholic Church.

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Our parish has an email based prayer chain you can submit prayers or sign up to pray for other's intentions, just email to prayerchain@sipdx.org

In the subject line please include either:

Asking for prayers
OR

Add me to the Email list to pray

FAMILY LIFE

Children's Liturgy – Sunday, Feb. 7th at 10:30 a.m.

*Special request - If you can change the name of the Zoom screen to your child/children's names, it helps our leaders!

Topic: CLW at St. Ignatius Catholic Church PDX

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71701337358?pwd=VTB3SWRuMWhMdlBDU2xLYUVKazhMUT09>

Meeting ID: 717 0133 7358 * Passcode: GodsLove

Mom's Groups Zoom Schedule Feb-Apr

The Mom's group meets 9:15-10:15 a.m. on 2nd and 4th Sundays and weekly during Lent. We welcome anyone for a one-time visit or a regular presence. If you want to receive our regular Zoom links and updates, email Beth at bschaller@sipdx.org.

Feb. 14 – Topic: Preparing for Lent (personally and in the home)

Feb. 21, 28, Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28 - during LENT we will meet weekly. We will use LTP's "Give us this Day" booklet to pray the morning liturgy of the hours. I will provide the prayer on our screen for each of our meetings so there is no requirement to pick up a copy or do any type of advance preparation. However, there are FREE copies of this booklet available in the St. Ignatius parish office front entrance. I highly recommend grabbing a personal copy because it is easy to follow and gives you a daily prayer guide.

EASTER season – we will meet 2nd and 4th Sundays and we will be discussing the spiritual needs and formation of the various ages and stages of children/teens.

Sacramental Preparation for First Communion – LAST YEAR & THIS YEAR

This week home-study students will cover Chapter 4: Giving Thanks and Praise. Please read the chapter and use the activities as needed. Students from last year are welcome to use our home-study schedule to review the material at home, too.

***IGNITE ~Go Forth and Set the World on Fire ~
NEXT MEETS ON Feb 14th***

To Join our mailing list, contact Grace at gbyrd@sipdx.org

CUB SCOUT PACK 351

Cub Scout Pack 351 is so sorry to be missing Scout Sunday this year! We have a message for the congregation in honor of Scout Sunday:

The Cub Scouting program at St. Ignatius is more than just an activity for our youth to learn about the outdoors. Scouting provides fun, fellowship, and training to our youth as well as youth in our community. It emphasizes honesty, self-reliance, and respect.

Through a year-round program, it affects character, citizenship, and personal fitness. But the success of our Scouting depends on our volunteers, who serve in a variety of leadership roles so that our young people may benefit from our Scouting ministry. As the Boy Scouts of America celebrates its anniversary, we salute the splendid volunteers who serve as Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, and Venturing Advisors, and in other positions of leadership. Our Scout unit would like to invite you and your family to be a part of their program. Deb Hilterbrand pdxpack351@gmail.com. (Cub Scout Pack 351 welcomes boys and girls in grades 1-5. If your child is interested in Scouting, but is older, our Troops and Crew are wonderful for our older young people.)

(Mike Benson is the Scoutmaster of Troop 351, Scoutmaster@troop351.org, and Traci Kienberger is the Crew Advisor, traciak@mac.com)

DAILY PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep in your prayers

Monday	Feb 8	†Patrick McDonagh
Tuesday	Feb 9	Theresa Obradovich Stankovik Family
Wednesday	Feb 10	†Joseph Charles D'Ambrosia
Thursday	Feb 11	†Marie Tamulinas
Friday	Feb 12	†Jim Emig





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