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November 30, 2025 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM
10:30 AM
7:00 PM
Adoration 6:15 - 6:45 PM
before 7:00 PM Sunday Mass
Weekday (M-F) 8:00 AM
at LJC - La Storta Chapel

Reconciliation

Saturdays, 3:30–4:30 PM, or
by appointment 503 -777-1491

Giving

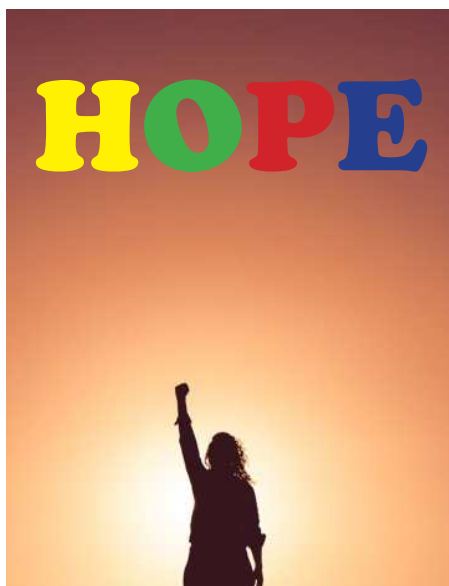


Mass Intensions

Mon, December 1
† Vince Obradovich
Tue, December 2
† Jaka Mercep
Wed, December 3
† Dominic Bao Nguyen
Thu, December 4
Healing for Bang Ngoc Hoan
Fri, December 5
† Bill & Margaret Regele

Wisdom from the Pews

Siblings. It's time to wake up. God is coming. The time is now to thwart evil with God's love and goodness. Hope is in the air.



There has been too much darkness this year. We have witnessed first-hand food being taken away from the hungry, families ripped apart by ICE, sex offenders walking free, and people being killed by our military without due process. I know your hearts feel heavy, as mine does too. How long can we keep listening to the news knowing that what's happening is antithetical to the Gospel we love? Hope seems to flit in and out like strands of light, and it always seems to slip through our fingers.

Today's ray of hope seems bigger though; in a way I can feel its strong grasp on my entire being knowing

Isaiah 2:1-5
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:37-44



that the Kingdom of God is at hand. Now is the time to "throw off the works of justice and put on the armor of light." As we continue to stand with marginalized groups, I feel more empowered to do so during this season of preparation. Advent is a time not so much to slow down and wait passively, but to interrupt our mindset to become focused on God as we wait for the coming of a poor child born in a barn who grew to change the course of human history through mercy, compassion, and forgiveness. Now is the time to speak, to act, to re-read Matthew 25: What we do for the least of these, we do to God.

With the Holy Spirit's gift of hope, let's enter into this season emblazoned by the Truth of God's commitment to the poor, the imprisoned, the foreigner, and the hungry. We are now God's hands and feet, and the hour is at hand.

Sarah Maher is a theology teacher at De La Salle North Catholic High School in North Portland and attends the 10:30 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 at jbyrd@sipdx.org or please consider registering to write your Wisdom from the Pews at: <https://bit.ly/wisdomfromthepews>

ST. IGNATIUS AVENT CALENDAR

Week 1



SUNDAY

November 30

Setup Advent wreath at home.
Pray for hope for those in need.

MONDAY

December 1

Watch, share, and discuss the US
Bishops' Statement on Immigration at
<https://www.usccb.org/>

TUESDAY

December 2

Donate to a charitable cause on Giving
Tuesday. Consider a donation to
[Under One Roof](#)

WEDNESDAY

December 3

Pray the Examen together
as a family before dinner

THURSDAY

December 4

Plant a bulb to remind you of hope
when it blooms in spring

FRIDAY

December 5

Call or visit a family member or friend
who could use a little hope

SATURDAY

December 6

Educate yourself on advocacy
by visiting ignatiansolidarity.net



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Monday to Thursday
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Advent Happenings

Patrick Lamb's A Charlie Brown
Christmas Concert

3 PM, Sunday, December 7, 2025

**Penance
Service**

7 PM, Monday,
December 15,
2025



**Church
Decoration**

Mon. & Tue.
Dec. 22 & 23,
2025

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Monday, December 8, 2025

Masses are in the Church at 8 AM and 7 PM

Joyfully Celebrating the Nativity of the Lord

Christmas Eve

Wednesday, Dec. 24,
4 PM & 8 PM

Christmas Day

Thursday, Dec. 25,
8 AM & 10 AM



**Feast of the Holy Family
of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

- Saturday Vigil, Dec. 27: 5 PM

- Sunday, Dec. 28: 8 AM, 10:30 AM, & 7 PM

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Thursday, Jan. 1, 2026: 10 AM in the Church

Join us for...

In the Steps of Saint Joseph: an Advent Morning of Reflection & Retreat

What wisdom do we glean from Saint Joseph, who has not one spoken word in Scripture? How does Joseph's life speak to ours today? How does Joseph's relationship with our triune God inspire our own? How might following in his footsteps carry us into this Advent Season and beyond?

Join us Dec. 6th at the Loyola Jesuit Center for this Advent Morning of Reflection and Retreat, presented by parishioner Tanya Rybarczyk.

Hospitality will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the program at 9 a.m.

\$20 donation suggested to be paid through [Realm](#) or at the retreat.

To register: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/F0E4CA5A92EA1FE3-60093839-advent>

IGNITE mini-series coming up

on November 30th, December 7th, and December 14th.

Zoom Link to Join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83390622228?pwd=eXJjZjRwRHliWS9jWXA2TzJpb0dmdz09>.

Meeting ID: 833 9062 2228

Passcode: IGNITE

Join Our Volunteer Team!

Starting in January 2026, St.

Vincent de Paul needs a volunteer to help pre-pack food boxes on the third Friday evening of each month. If you'd like to make a meaningful difference in your life, contact svdp@sipdx.org for details.



COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION

UNDER ONE ROOF - Fundraising Campaign



For years, Dillon Hall has been the gathering place for parish assemblies, school events, and student activities. Its roof now requires urgent replacement to preserve this vital space that unites our community.

Our fundraising goal is \$250,000, and your contribution will help us complete this essential project.

Please consider supporting us by scanning the QR code or making a [donation online](#) ("Under One Roof" Fund). Thank you for your generosity!

The graphic shows a notebook with a pen, a small potted plant, and a QR code. The text 'Planned Giving' is written in green cursive. Below the QR code is the text 'Scan the QR code above. To donate online.' The QR code is labeled 'St. Ignatius'.

Planned Giving

St. Ignatius

Scan the QR code above. To donate online.

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.](#)

July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

Church tithing	Actual	Budget	% of Goal
November 10-16, 2025	9,625	10,445	92%
Month of November	31,814	52,225	61%
Year-to-Date	188,768	585,000	32%

DONATE TO A CHARITABLE CAUSE ON GIVING TUESDAY

This Giving Tuesday, we invite you to join us in caring for our community.

Please consider a donation to the school's Under One Roof campaign for Dillon Hall.

Thank you for your generosity.

Scan the QR code to donate:



Or visit:
[Under One Roof](#)

Christmas Flower Donations

If you would like to honor your loved ones with a Christmas flower donation, envelopes are available at the tables.

Each name will be placed on a flower displayed in our church as a tribute of love and remembrance.



ST. IGNATIUS SCHOOL

Our students spent time in an Examen prayer recently. Our 8th grade leaders assisted the first graders in a simple five-finger Examen prayer led by Ms. Schultheis.



During the month of November, we ran a food drive to benefit Our Giving Table and our own St. Vincent DePaul food pantry to help the hungry in our local community during these challenging times.



Our students have been learning with gratitude. The preschoolers are honing their fine motor skills through drawing and coloring with crayons and colored pencils. The kindergarten students enjoyed using a parachute in music class. The first grade students put together the Transition Lunches. Our

second graders have been working on map skills and problem solving strategies. The third graders created beautiful fall trees as they reflected on being grateful, thankful, and blessed. Our fourth graders are learning about the Mayflower exploration. In fifth grade, the students have been multiplying multi-digit numbers and learning about the formation of our Constitution. Our sixth graders have been learning about percentages in math. The seventh graders have been learning about the importance of ground water in science. Our eighth graders used children's picture books to review how to write an essay in basic essay structure. Our students continue to strive for intellectual growth as they develop their eager minds!



Support our **Under One Roof** Capital Campaign! Make St. Ignatius your Giving Tuesday charity this year! We need your help to preserve and strengthen this beloved space.



Milestone Goal: \$125,000 by December 15

If we reach our goal, we'll install a brand-new gym scoreboard over winter break—just in time for basketball season!

Join us in keeping Dillon Hall thriving for generations to come.



Scan the QR code to donate:
Or visit: **Under One Roof**



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May we take time to thank our Lord for all of the many blessings in our lives. As we hear in the first book of Colossians three verse fifteen, ***“And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful.”***

As we prepare to transition from giving thanks for all of our blessings into the Advent season, may we experience peaceful joy as we await the coming of our Lord.

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.

Carol Pausz
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