



ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

UNDER THE CARE OF THE JESUITS

3400 SE 43RD AVENUE

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 15, 2022

A Message from the Pastor

Rabbi Moshe Leib of Sassov declared to his disciples: "I have learned how we must truly love our neighbor from a conversation between two villagers which I overheard.

The first said: 'Tell me, friend Ivan, do you love me?'

The second responded: 'I love you deeply.'

The first said: 'Do you know, my friend, what gives me pain?'

The second responded: 'How can I possibly know what gives you pain?'

The first said: 'If you do not know what gives me pain,

how can you say that you truly love me?'

Understand, then, my children—continued the Rabbi—to love, truly love, means to know what brings pain to your comrade."

If we all woke up tomorrow, every person on this planet, with the will to love one another, the old world would pass away in an hour. Imagine loving your enemies instead of hating and killing them. Imagine binding up the wounds of society rather than ignoring or deepening them. Imagine the fruits of the Holy Spirit—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control—being the universal pattern of human relationships. Being born again makes this "fantasy" a reality, one heart at a time. We don't have to wait for everyone to climb on board. Making things new starts with you and with me.

Last weekend—Mother's Day weekend—we focused on our mother's love for us. For many of us, our memories take us back to our youth when a simple smile and a generous hug would make all that was wrong in our lives right. And over the years, that really never changes. More phone calls were made last weekend in America than any other time of the year. Children sought to reconnect with mothers hoping to hear a smile in their mother's voice that would once again make everything right. Families gathered to celebrate that maternal love. Our deceased mothers were remembered in church services. They were also remembered at cemeteries, and in moments of quiet prayer everywhere.

Mothers and fathers can often embody the Love Command that we hear in weekend's gospel. Love—selfless, complete, and unconditional—marks our identity as baptized disciples of the Risen One. Jesus' commandment of "love" is envisioned in the community of Church that he leaves behind.



WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil
at 5:00 PM

Sunday at 8:00 AM
Sunday at 10:30 AM
Sunday at 7:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASS

Weekdays
At 8:00 AM

At LJC La Storta Chapel
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays -
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE:

This weekend's gospel takes place in the Upper Room the night of the Last Supper. Jesus has just completed the dramatic washing of the disciples' feet and has further shocked his disciples with the warnings of Judas' role in the events to come. After Judas leaves, Jesus addresses the remaining eleven—though they do not grasp the full import of what he is saying. An ending is at hand; but also a new beginning. Their present friendship is about to be transformed forever into a new community, bound together by the same love that binds Father to Son.

Jesus gives them (and us) a "new" commandment of love—what is "new" is the model Jesus leaves them of selfless, sacrificial, forgiving love: a "new" standard of love that transcends legalisms and measurements, that renews and re-creates all human relationships, that transforms the most Godless and secular world view into the compassion and justice of God.

As a faith community, we are called to "obey" Christ's Love Command. Now the word "obedience" literally means "to listen carefully to something," in this case that new command. Perhaps some days we are up to this. Perhaps some days we can muster the courage, the strength and the wisdom it takes to "carefully listen" to this command and respond to it through the actions of our life. More often than not, this command can seem like an unattainable goal, it can seem like the title of an old film—"A Bridge Too Far."

We can't do this on our own. That's why God, in his infinite wisdom and compassion, gives us his Word—to remind us when we forget, to encourage us when we are tempted to give up, to strengthen us when we're not sure we can muster the strength or courage to listen carefully and to fulfill this always challenging Love Command. That's why Jesus left us this Eucharist—to remind us of his love for us, to strengthen us to begin again, to fill us with gratitude for his constant and unconditional love of us that evokes a desire to express our gratitude through love of others—especially those most in need. That is why Jesus promises to send us the Spirit—to remind us, to inspire us, to empower us to respond to this Love Command in our families, in our faith communities, in our classrooms, in our work places, in our city and in our world.

So let us pray for one another today, that we can help one another listen carefully to Jesus' Love Command and respond to it by loving not just in word but also—and most importantly—in deed. So, we pray:



Make us the vision of your love, O Lord, for our own time and place.
May compassion be the light by which we walk;
may reconciliation be the road we journey;
may humility and selflessness be our guides.
In our own humble efforts to follow your commandment of love,
may others realize your love for them;
in our struggles to live your Gospel,
may the world recognize your presence in their midst.

Fr. Mike



MASS READINGS

Mass Readings for May 15, 2022

Acts 14:21-28
Revelation 21:1-5a
John 13:31-33a, 34-35

Mass Readings for May 22, 2022

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
John 14:23-29

WEEKLY JUSTICE RECOMMENDATION

May 15 International Day of Families Why It's Important: "We can appreciate the insistence of my beloved predecessor Benedict XVI that 'the language of the family is a language of peace.' Sadly, this is often not the case, as the number of broken and troubled families is on the rise, not simply because of the weakening sense of belonging so typical of today's world, but also because of the adverse conditions in which many families are forced to live, even to the point where they lack basic means of subsistence. There is a need for suitable policies aimed at supporting, assisting and strengthening the family!" Pope Francis

May 30 St. Joan of Arc: Patroness of Military Personnel Why It's Important: "War is never a reflection of what ought to be but a sign that something more true to human dignity has failed. The Catholic tradition recognizes the legitimacy of just war teaching when defending the innocent in the face of grave evil, but we must never lose sight of the cost of war and its harm to human life. Nations should protect the dignity of the human person and the right to life by finding more effective ways to prevent conflicts, to resolve them by peaceful means, and to promote reconstruction and reconciliation in the wake of conflicts." USCCB

TWO PARISH EVENTS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY, SAVE THE DATES!

PARISH BBQ

SUNDAY JULY 31ST, 2022

CELEBRATING THE
FEASTE OF ST. IGNATIUS

NOON – 2:00P.M.

RSVP COMING SOON!

PLEASE COME JOIN US FOR THE

St. Ignatius Renaissance Festival

Saturday, November 12, 2022

10am - 4pm

St. Ignatius Parish

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Requesting mass intentions:

An individual may request to **offer a Mass** for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

If you would like to schedule a future Mass, please call Patty at 503-777-1491. (There is a \$10.00 stipend per Mass.)

BELONGING & COMMUNITY AT ST IGNATIUS

These past two years have also highlighted the importance of smaller communities within our larger community. Many crave places where they can feel known and heard, and where they can reach out to others with needs or to offer support. Are you actively involved in a smaller community at St. Ignatius? Some examples would be: Ignite, Just Faith, Mom's group, Men's Spirituality group, or the Contemplative Prayer Group. If you haven't found your niche yet, we would love to help you find it. What is your dream for belonging? Do you have a passion or interest...art? a particular social issue? Bible study? Walking/hiking? A theological book discussion group? Cooking group? Service group? Faith-sharing group? Do you want to connect with people in your stage of life (newcomers, young adults, grandparents, parents with young kids, etc.) or even in your neighborhood (we have demographic data on St. Ignatius parishioners all around the metro area and in Vancouver, too). Let us know what you need and crave, and we will do our best to connect you with others who long for the same. Who knows where it could lead? The parish can offer resources, space, or a platform for bringing small groups together. The options are endless, and the parish is happy to help in this work of building community.

These don't have to be fancy, formal groups! In fact, the early Church usually met in homes and today many small Christian Base Communities all over the world meet in humble environments where they apply the gospel to their circumstances and let the Spirit lead.

Creating real communities of belonging is important work.

Send an email to Beth Schaller at bschaller@sipdx.org if you are interested in being part of a small group and let me know what kind of group you're looking for.

MOMS GROUP -PARENTAL WISDOM SHARING

Moms of St. Ignatius, you are invited to join us for a conversation with parish moms of grown children. We have invited six beloved mothers from our community to share their parenting wisdom with us over two different Sundays. Join us on Sunday, May 22 and/or Sunday, June 5th from 9:15-10:15 a.m. on the lawn behind the parish office. Thank you to our presenters: Kelly LeFave, Marian Cansdale, Jean Madden, Katie Hennessey, Jan Ferguson-Breese, Joyce Keane, and Grace Byrd. Different moms will be sharing each weekend so you can come for one or both meetings. For more information or to be added to our mom's group email list, contact Beth Schaller at

bschaller@sipdx.org.



8:00AM DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Please keep in your prayers

Monday	May 16	†	Santiago Gayomali
Tuesday	May 17		People of Ukraine
Wednesday	May 18	†	John Patridge
Thursday	May 19	†	Jim Emig
Friday	May 20	†	Jenny Jimenez



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We are gearing up for our Jog-a-Thon on Thursday, May 19th! Families are encouraged to find sponsors for donations to support the wonderful Jesuit faith-based education students receive at St. Ignatius School. Families raising at least \$200 are entered into a raffle for a \$250 Amazon gift card. The classes with 100% participation will receive free dress passes for their students. The class raising the most money will earn an ice cream popsicle party. And the family raising the most money will receive a dinner delivered with cupcakes.



Thank you for the amazing turn-out for our first Dine Out at Chipotle. Our school will receive a check for \$858.94 from the event! Way to go, Gators!!! Our next Dine-Out will be on June Tuesday, June 7th at DeNicola's Italian Restaurant.

Do you know any preschoolers looking for a great school? We are currently seeking new students, especially in our preschool through 3rd grade classes. Please spread the word about our amazing school.

Our students made paper sunflowers to post around the school to remember to pray for peace in our world. We hold all of the mothers, grandmothers, and children in Ukraine and all places with unrest in the world in our prayers during this month of Mary, our heavenly mother. May we take time to pray with Mary this month.

Proverbs 31:25-26 reminds us of all of the mothers that take care of us, *"She is clothed with strength and dignity, and laughs at the days to come. She opens her mouth in wisdom; kindly instruction is on her tongue."*

Carol Pausz
Principal



MASS HELP NEEDED



We are looking for a few more sacristans for our Saturday 5pm and Sunday 8am Masses. This important ministry involves preparing the sanctuary for Mass, serving as a Eucharistic Minister at communion, cleaning the sacred vessels after Mass, and closing up the church. We are also looking for more ushers for our Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8am, and Sunday 7:30pm Mass. This ministry involves taking the collection at offertory. It is a ministry that does not take a lot of time, and is vital to our parish. If either of these feeling like a ministry you would be interested in, please see Sarah Faux in person after one of the evening Masses, or contact her at sfaux@sipdx.org.

CHURCH TITHING

Financial report (July 1, 2021—June 30, 2022):

<i>Needed for the month of May</i>	<i>\$37,000.00</i>
<i>Amount received through 5-1-2022</i>	<i>\$13,687.50</i>

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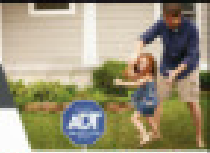
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