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November 16, 2025 - THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wisdom from the Pews

Malachai is one of the last books in the Old Testament and the last of the 12 Minor Prophets, which we turn to in the last couple weeks of ordinary time before entering advent. Malachai is speaking to a people who are no longer in exile, who have rebuilt their temple in Jerusalem. In a sense they've "made it." Then why the searing words of "the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all

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

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the proud and all evildoers will be stubble"?

Have you ever, like me, had the experience of making it to that new job, new school, holiday break, or new year and wondered why you feel the same as you did before? If that new thing isn't going to change how I feel, then what will, we might wonder. I have often felt this way around the Advent season and Christmas. I want to soak up every moment; reveling in wreaths and candles and cozy gatherings. But



in the days approaching Christmas, something can feel off. Just seeing someone out in the cold pierces my heart more deeply, and I can hardly bear to think of those who are lonely. And that

clashes harshly with the merriment I'm trying to enjoy. The injustices of our world can feel like a crushing grief in the season of joy.

The people of Israel may also have had high hopes for how life would feel once they were back in Jerusalem. But there, too, was corruption and poverty, their commitment to God's values was slipping. Enter Malachai who, in the Malachi 3:19-20a 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 Luke 21:5-19



form of a dialogue, dramatizes the current state of the relationship. The people are questioning God's love. They aren't bringing the best they have to offer to sacrifice. And they're betraying their covenants with each other. Rest assured, says Malachai, justice is coming "blazing like an oven" and "fire, leaving them neither root nor branch."

But wait, there's hope "for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays." A healing kind of justice-heat is also foretold. The responsorial Psalm says, in no uncertain terms, "the Lord comes to rule the earth with justice."

What if this is the season to let iustice be burned into our own hearts? Malachai was speaking to a people who'd arrived physically but not spiritually. They were back in Jerusalem but their Messiah had not vet turned up. We have the benefit of reading Malachai knowing the next chapter in the Great Story. But let's not skip too fast over the Malachai chapter, the chapter of reckoning, even grieving what hasn't vet come to pass, that justice still doesn't reign in our lands and lives. In the tradition of the last minor prophet, let's dialogue with each other to locate the injustice dwelling within our own hearts, even if it burns a little.

Grace Martin is a psychiatric nurse practitioner who has attended St. Ignatius for less than a year. You'll find her at the 10:30 AM mass.

PARISH PROGRAMMING

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



will begin in January 2026, offering an opportunity for you to earn to listen to other's sacred stories. Insight will consist of quarterly retreats, as well as monthly cohort meetings, designed to either deepen your skills as a spiritual companion, or to result in certification as a Spiritual Director. Insight will draw on Ignatian Spirituality, The Franciscans and the Carmelites. Women Mystics, as well as the spiritual psychology of Thomas Merton, The Cloud of Unknowing, Gerald May, and more. Interested? Contact Joseph Byrd jbyrd@sipdx.

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 December 6th at the Loyola Jesuit Center for this Advent Morning of Reflection and Retreat.

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/20F0E4CA5A92EA1FE3-60093839-advent



A ministry for Adults in their 20s/30s

Join us for

Spiritual exercise: Advent reflection

Dwelling in God's Love made Incarnate

Sunday December 7th, 5-7pm

For more information or to join our mailing list, please contact Deacon Mac at firepitpdx@gmail.com

Mass Intensions

Mon, November 17

† Souls of Divine Mercy Center

Tue, November 18

† Peter Linh Nguyen

Wed, November 19

† Dominic Bao Nguyen

Thu, November 20

† Patricia Obradovich

Fri. November 21

† Raymond Koudossou

Baptism for infant up to age 7

Parents who are registered in the parish and attend Mass are asked to prepare by participating in one of the Infant Baptism Preparation Sessions. If your child is seven years of age or older, an additional session will be required for both you and your child.

To foster a hospitable and supportive environment, sessions are conducted in small group settings; therefore, class sizes are limited. Sign up at: **sipdx.org/baptism**

Next dates: Jannuary 10, 2026 & February 14, 2026



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



Thanksgiving Mass

at 9:00 AM on Thursday, November 27, 2025,

as we come together to praise and thank God for His abundant. blessings and grace throughout the past year.



GI VING TUESDAY

This Giving Tuesday, we invite you to share in caring for our parish home.

Your generosity helps maintain and renew the spaces where we gather, pray, and grow together.

There are Campus Maintenance Envelopes in the back of the church if you wish to give by cash or check.

Or simply scan the QR code below to visit our Realm giving page. From the drop-down menu, select "Building Maintenance and Renewal" and enter your gift amount. You may choose a onetime or recurring donation.

Thank you for your generosity.

Bake Luck Sunday, November 23, 2025

Join us after the 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Masses to share your delicious baked goods with the community.

Coffee will be provided!



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!



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
Oct. 27-Nov. 2, 2025	11,149	10,445	107%
Month of November	11,149	52,225	21%
Year-to-Date	168,103	585,000	29%



Make a Year-end Donation to St. Iquatius Parish!

If you are age 73 or older, the IRS requires you to take required minimum distributions each year from your tax-deferred retirement accounts. A qualified charitable donation (QCD) is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA, payable directly to a qualified charity such as St. Ignatius Parish. As 2025 draws to a close, please consider making a year-end donation to help us maintain and care for our beautiful church. A charitable IRA rollover is an easy way to make a gift to St. Ignatius Parish to help us grow our endowment.

You can directly transfer any amount up to \$100,000 from your IRA and pay no income tax on the distribution, while making a charitable donation to our parish.

- * You must be $70^{1/2}$ or older.
- * The transfer must go directly from your IRA to St. Ignatius.

Please check with your tax or financial advisor to see if this type of gift is right for you. If you need help with this transfer or have any questions, please call the parish office.

Thank you for your generosity.

ST. IGNATIUS SCHOOL

Our students are having a fabulous time learning with fun, hands-on experiences! Our preschoolers have been busy painting leaves for their fall bulletin board. The kindergarteners learned about their five senses through a pumpkin exploration lesson. The first graders have been busy serving our campus through stewardship and leading Masses. Our second graders have been busy exploring the piano in music and building birdfeeders in science. Our third graders have been learning multiplication and what it means to be a good citizen. In fourth grade, the students are expanding their knowledge of prefixes and suffixes in small group work. Fifth graders enjoyed reading with the first graders. In sixth grade math the students have finished up learning about ratios, proportions, and percents. The seventh graders explored how rivers shape the Earth through a hands-on stream lab allowing students to witness erosion and deposition in action. The eighth graders have been learning about European nations colonizing North America. What active learners are students are becoming!











Our school has much to celebrate as we finished strong for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. You can see our highlights and financials in our annual report.

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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.

Our 22nd Annual Turkey Bingo is coming next Saturday, November 22nd. You can purchase tickets for this adults only event online through our Greater Giving page. We will ask families to sell a minimum of six tickets per family. Raffle tickets may also be purchased online through our Greater Giving page. The raffle prize is \$1,000 to the winner! Space is limited

for this popular event, so please purchase your tickets early to be seated in the gym space.



Help Us Reach Our Goal! Support the Under One Roof Capital Campaign

At St. Ignatius, our mission is to build lives, strengthen faith, and foster a community rooted in love, justice, and compassion. For generations, Dillon Hall has been at the heart of that mission—hosting games, celebrations, and meaningful moments for our students and families.

Now, **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 brandnew 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





As we remember dearly departed this month. mav we find comfort in the promise of the resurrection and life everlasting. "If then you were raised with Christ. seek what is above. where Christ is seated at the right hand of God," Colossians 3:1.

> Carol Pausz Principal





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