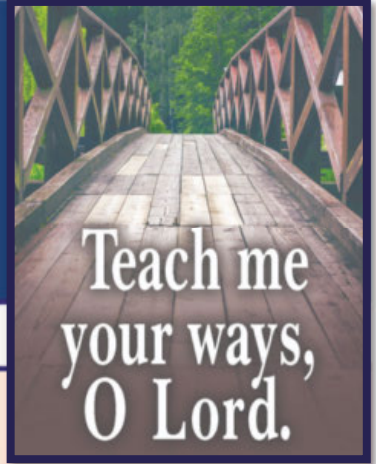




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January 21, 2024

## A Message from the Pastor

### Mass Times

Saturday Vigil  
at 5:00 PM

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

Weekdays (M-F)  
at 8:00 AM

At LIC—La Storta Chapel

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays -  
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

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I came across an article that appeared in a journal for Alabama lawyers. It was written by a judge and it dealt with the Top Ten Things Attorneys Should Never Say to Judges. The first was this—"With all due respect, your honor," because it is a prelude to disagreeing or objecting—both of which show no respect. The second is, "I'm not prepared today because. . . ."

If Jesus walked by us while we were casting our nets into the sea and said, "Follow me," I wonder how many of us would be tempted to say, "With all due respect, Rabbi, I'm not prepared to follow you today because. . . ." I like time to consider invitations. I like time to reflect on what all my options are. I like time to consider the ramifications of saying "Yes" or "No" to the invitation. I simply like time to mull things over. You may call this "a delaying tactic," but I simply don't like to rush into things before considering both options and consequences.

In Matthew, Luke or John's gospel, we are given time—as much as four chapters—to get used to the idea, to meet the one who's going to be inviting, to examine his background, and to sense something of what the risks will be in accepting the invitation. Mark's gospel seeks to convey the urgency of Jesus' mission and message. This is the gospel whose favorite word is "immediately." Mark uses the word "straightaway" or "immediately" over forty times in his sixteen chapters. It occurs several times just in the first chapter—"The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness"(1:12); "Immediately they left their nets and followed him"(1:18); "Immediately he called them"(1:20); "Immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and taught"(1:21); "Immediately the leprosy left him"(1:42).



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As Alyce McKenzie points out, Mark wants to get on with it. So, we shouldn't be surprised that he takes the remote and fast-forwards to the scene he chooses as the starting point of his gospel: "John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness. . ." He gives us a line or two of description of Jesus, then it's baptism, temptation and you're on—"Follow me." This is our cue. Are we going to drop our nets, leave Dad in the boat and follow Jesus? Or are we going to say, "With all due respect, your honor, I'm not prepared to respond today because. . ."

That's often how life comes at us. Death comes to a loved one and we say, "I'm not prepared to deal with death today." We find out we're going to be a parent and we may say, "This is wonderful news, but I'm not prepared to be a parent today." It's like that student in graduate studies who postpones his comprehensives because there is so much more he or she has to learn—"I don't know everything there is to know about my subject. I'm not prepared to be examined today." A new opportunity knocks on our door, and we say, "I'm not prepared to answer the door today because. . ." When life calls upon us to change, to risk, our response is often, "I'm not prepared to change today. I'm not prepared to risk today. I'm simply not prepared."



This is how Jesus comes at us. "Follow me," he says. He doesn't ask to see our curriculum vitae. He doesn't check our references. He doesn't ask to see a sample of our work. He doesn't make us audition or run timed sprints or submit a personal vision statement. As this weekend's gospel reminds us, Jesus just calls—and the disciples just followed. Who knows, maybe we will too.

Fr. Mike



Contemplative Mass is changing starting time—  
permanently!

Starting on the 1st Sunday of Lent

February 18, 2024 Start time is now 7:00PM



### Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Jan. 21, 2024

Jonah 3:1-5, 10  
1 Corinthians 7:29-31  
Mark 1:14-20

Mass Readings for Jan. 28, 2024

Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
1 Corinthians 7:32-35  
Mark 1:21-28



## St Ignatius School

Next **Sunday, January 28th**, we host an Open House for prospective students after Mass from **11:30 AM-1:00 PM**. Families interested in sending their children to our school for the 2024-2025 school year will be able to take a quick tour of our school. Spread the word about our wonderful school.



Our students are enjoying climbing around on the new play structure we installed this month as the final part of our *Playground Renovation Project*.

Our students are learning and growing each and every day! This week, students are learning the virtues of affability and courtesy. They are practicing being joyful, kind, and friendly toward all. The students learn about some of the saints that model affability and courtesy such as St. Francis of Assisi, St. Nicholas, St. Rose of Lima, and St. Vincent de Paul.



In preschool the students are developing their fine motor skills making their own mitten creations. In kindergarten, the students are 'feeding' their imaginary tissue box monsters while learning about subtraction. In 1st grade, students are practicing their addition skills and learning about cause and effect in reading. In 2nd grade, students are learning two digit subtraction and the properties of matter by creating hats out of foil, paper towels, and paper bags to simulate 'protecting' their heads from weather elements.



In 3rd grade, students created beautiful snowy winter scenes for the hallway bulletin board. Our 4th graders are learning to compare fractions in math. The 5th graders have created goals for 2024. Our 6th graders are studying the Mayan civilization. In 7th grade, students are about the Renaissance in social studies and the artistic elements of light and dark through charcoal and chalk snowmen. Our 8th graders are studying functions in math and the American Revolution in social studies. What a blessing to have eager to learn students and outstanding teachers!



We need your help in procuring great items for our **Night of Pure Imagination!** auction on **Saturday, April 20**. Perhaps you or someone you know has tickets to sporting events, concerts, or plays available for procurement? Maybe you know someone with a vacation home willing to donate lodging for a special vacation package? If you would like to make a procurement donation, please contact Caitlin Dickinson, [caitlindickinson@gmail.com](mailto:caitlindickinson@gmail.com). Do you or someone you know have a business you would like to advertise at the auction? Consider becoming a sponsor! We need **help securing business procurements and sponsors** for our **Night of Pure Imagination** auction!

As we move through this new year, may we find ways to share our gifts through service in our own community. "Thus says the Lord of hosts: judge with true justice, and show kindness and compassion toward each other," Zechariah 7:9.

Peace be with you.

Carol Pausz, Principal

**OPEN HOUSE - JAN. 28**  
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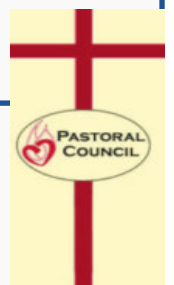
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**Pastoral Council** The goal of the Pastoral Council is to enhance the quality of parish life. We aid the pastor in identifying the pastoral needs of the community, develop a plan for the parish's programs and services and evaluate their effectiveness. If you have feedback or ideas to share, please contact any of the Pastoral Council members directly or email [pastoralcouncil@sispdx.org](mailto:pastoralcouncil@sispdx.org).



# A Wonderful Event comes to an end.



Dear Parishioners,

For more than 85 years, the Italian Dinner at St Ignatius would happen every year on the Sunday of President's Day-weekend. People would start to arrive after the early Sunday Masses and line up for tickets to an event that was dear to my heart as well as to many others. They would look forward to the homemade meatballs, ravioli, spaghetti, and delicious sauce served along with salad, bread and garlic butter, with an ice cream for dessert! The food was good, but mostly people came from all over to partake of the community. People came back year after year. This fundraiser had a life of its own!

Over the years, however, it has been increasingly harder to find volunteers to take on the key roles of this event. Most of the Heads of committees must gather their supplies, set up their stations, find volunteers for a long day of service, and then serve all day too.

There were people that stayed long after the dinner. They helped clean up (and spaghetti can be messy). Sometimes we would be cleaning sauce off of the walls well into the night!! Then the Monday after the dinner, there was another full day of making sure the whole hall was put back in working order for the following Tuesday!

Over the years many difficult decisions were made regarding this dinner to simplify it. They no longer make the raviolis by hand. We can no longer make homemade desserts. We added washing stations, a liaison for the Health Department, and much more.



Steven O'Neill and Alyssa Frangipani have worked hard to revive this Italian Dinner. But unfortunately, there are just too many holes to fill, and not enough volunteers or time to fill them. This is simply part of our post pandemic reality.

We have come to the realization that this amount of work is hard to ask of people now a days. They all have different working situations and responsibilities that already keep them busy. This year, due to death or people moving away, we have had turnover of some of our key Committee heads and there is no training available for these roles. So, I believe it is time to celebrate what was—85 plus years of a wonderful success—and look to the future in a new way, with new ideas.

Yours truly,  
Patty Frangipani  
Secretary-St Ignatius Parish

**FirePit Young Adult Ministry - Meeting Sunday Feb. 4th** (NOT Super Bowl Sunday)  
- 5:30pm-7:30pm in parish office kitchen/dining room. Our meal will be 'breakfast for dinner'. The evening's topic is 'Faith in Action'.

FirePit Young Adult Ministry is a ministry for those in their 20's/30's that meets the first Sunday of each month for dinner, fellowship and s'mores around the firepit. ALL are welcome! Please reach out to us for more info: [firepitpdx@gmail.com](mailto:firepitpdx@gmail.com)



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[Catholic social teaching: Care for God's creation - Catholic Charities of Oregon \(catholiccharitiesoregon.org\)](https://www.catholiccharitiesoregon.org)



Janice Lytle, a resident of a Catholic Charities housing complex and a member of the Wiyot Tribe, plants carrots in a communal garden outside her building.

*'A true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.'*

Pope Francis



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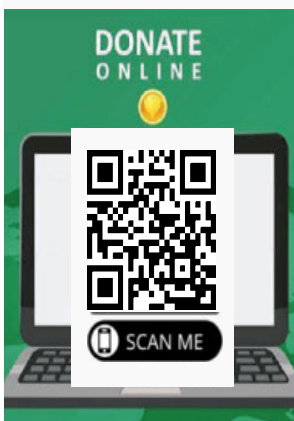
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**Make a year-end donation to St. Ignatius.** If you are age 72 or older, the IRS requires you to take required minimum distributions each year from your tax-deferred retirement accounts. A qualified charitable donation (QCD) is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA, payable directly to a qualified charity such as St. Ignatius Parish. As 2023 draws to a close, please consider making a year-end donation to help us take care of 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 70½ 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 consideration.

**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 12-31-2023 \$264,749.66


*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	Jan 22	†	Steve Regele
Tuesday	Jan 23	†	Brian DuRoss
Wednesday	Jan 24	†	Souls in Purgatory
Thursday	Jan 25	†	Frank Genovese
Friday	Jan 26	†	Judy Earnest



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