



St. Ignatius Catholic Church

OREGON'S JESUIT PARISH

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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 LJC—La Storta Chapel
(Located North of our property)
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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays -
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

OR by appointment
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January 8, 2023

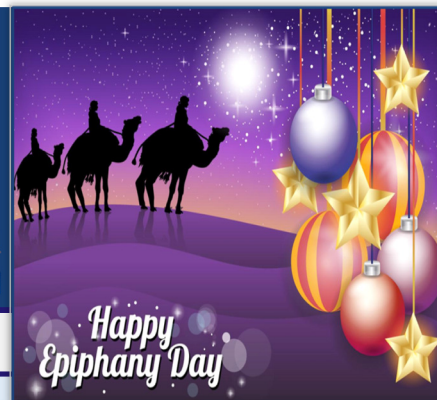
A Message from the Pastor

A very dear friend of mine, my first orthopedic surgeon, golf-addicted like me, and travel companion on a number of my adventures including Turkey, is Dr. Ramon Jimenez. When I was teaching at Santa Clara University, there was a fundraiser for a local Catholic Girls High School. Twenty Trivial Pursuit teams vied for the victor's crown.

There were eight members of each team. Ramon invited six Jesuits from Santa Clara University who all had doctorates in different academic disciplines, as well as more than a passing knowledge of such topics as sports, science, history, literature, films, and entertainment. Ramon was confident that his "Dream Team" would carry off the top prize. We finished dead last. We could have answered every question that the other nineteen teams were asked. The questions we drew, however, were simply "jawbreakers."

Beware of expectations—especially during this Christmas season. Where is Emmanuel born? Not in the city of Kings (Jerusalem) but in the lowly town of Bethlehem. Who are the first to welcome the Son of God? Not the Scribes. Not the Pharisees. Not the local learned gentry. Shepherds in the fields are the first to hear the good news and come to welcome the new born king.

The local King wanted to exterminate this new born king who threatened his own rule. There were Three Wise Men, people with the equivalent of Ph.D.'s in Astrology, who might have been chosen for Ramon's "Dream Team." But what did they come all that way to see? Why did they put up with all the suffering and discomfort of travel to follow a star? What were they expecting to find?



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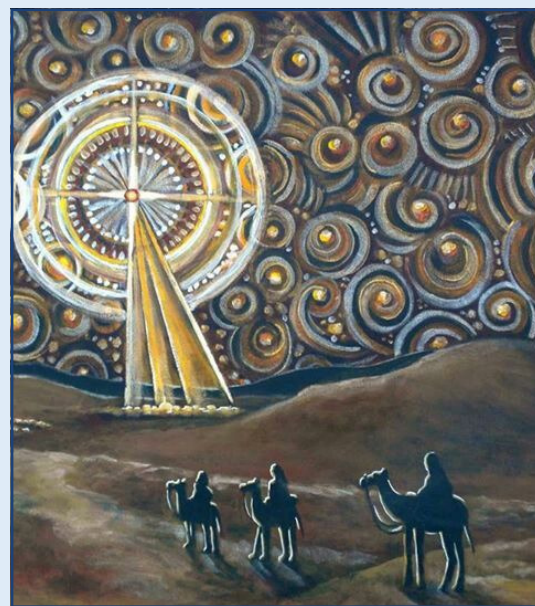
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Whatever their expectations, they brought gifts of gold (the most valuable metal on earth, a symbol of divinity, the ultimate gift and perfect offering to royalty), frankincense (which comes from a small tree only found in Arabia and northern Africa and was used as an all-purpose medicine, the perfect gift for "the healer of our every ill"), and myrrh (an expensive extract from the resin of the myrrh tree that was used as a medicine and, more significantly, in embalming the dead—a gift reserved for kings). Did the Three Kings' experience live up to their expectations?

Despite Ramon's protestations, Mary and Joseph and the baby Jesus would not have made our Dream Team. The Shepherds definitely wouldn't have made our Dream Team. The Three Wise Men had a very remote chance of making our Dream Team. Of course, our Dream Team finished tied for last.

The German theologian, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, once wrote: "If it is I who determine where God is to be found, then I shall always find a God who corresponds to me in some way, who is obliging, who is connected with my own nature. But if God determines where he is to be found, then it will be in a place which is not immediately pleasing to my nature and which is not at all congenial to me." This place is the manger whose wood prefigures the wood of the cross. We need to join the Holy Family, the Shepherds and the visiting Wise Men kneeling at the manger. And we must prepare ourselves to stand at the foot of the cross. For the time being, however, simply "follow that star" and trust where it leads you.

Fr. Mike



Virtue of the Month

SEEL Portland would like to offer an Ignatian "virtue of the month" in honor of our patron and founder of the Society of Jesus. The Spiritual Exercises, composed by Saint Ignatius of Loyola, are an experience first and foremost. The Exercises are also a powerful expression of prayer, a way of deepening an ever-growing relationship with our loving Creator God and Creation, and a pathway to discernment in our everyday life. As we grow in our relationship with God, with others, with creation, we are also invited to grow in virtue.

"Consider how Christ calls and desires all persons to come under his standard." Spiritual Exercise 36

*January – the virtue of **Prudence***

It's January! And some of us will make New Year's resolutions! How to choose a meaningful resolution that will deepen our faith journey and bring God's loving presence in our lives?

The Spiritual Exercises give us tools to discern the voice of God in our daily life. Ignatius asks us to ponder the events of Christ's birth, life, and ministry. As we consider His life, how might we respond to the "Call of the King?" How will we discern God's voice amidst the busyness and chaos of daily life? Ignatius invites us to contemplate the virtue of prudence which accompanies discernment and leads us to an openness to the Spirit. With the Exercises, we might grow in these gifts: wisdom and discernment – and live out the virtue of Prudence.

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Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Jan 8, 2022

Isaiah 60:1-6
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Matthew 2:1-12

Mass Readings for Jan 15, 2022

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6
Corinthians 1:1-3
John 1:29-34

2023 Events ~ Save the date!



For these **2023 Coming Events**:

- ♦ **Novena of Grace, Feb 23-Mar 2**
- ♦ **Pho-ndraiser Lunch, March 19**
- ♦ **School Auction, April 15**
- ♦ **"Fifth Sunday" spring choral concert, May 2**
- ♦ **St. Ignatius Parish Picnic, July 30**
- ♦ **Ministry Fair, Sept 10**
- ♦ **Renaissance Festival, Oct 15**
- ♦ **Lessons and Carols, (Advent 2023)**

Knitting & Crocheting group meets today, come and check us out!



Please join us for an hour of knitting or crocheting after the 10:30 mass on January 8 (second Sunday of the month) in the Bradley Room. Bring your own project or contact Pat at (503) 473-9118 about materials. Experts and beginners of any age are welcome. COVID precautions will be followed.

RaiseRight ~ gift cards



If you like to buy gift cards for your friends and loved ones during the holidays, consider purchasing those gift cards through Raise Right so that a portion of your purchase will benefit St. Ignatius parish! Many gift cards are available including some of the most popular purchases like Amazon, Safeway, Visa, Starbucks, and many more! Go to: www.RaiseRight.com And enroll with our parish using the code: **QZGM1F8VWDPE** Select the ecard or the mail directly to you option, and plan to pay online for your purchase.

Thank you and have a wonderful New year!

REMINDER NOTICE

SCAM EMAILS:

Scam emails are being sent out in the Pastor's name!! A few clues indicate this request is not from me. First, check the e-mail address (they use all different emails, just not mine)

Second, I don't solicit donations via e-mail. The perpetrators of these scams love to prey upon the loyal, the committed, the generous, and the elderly of our community.

Whenever in doubt, please call the Parish Office. 503-777-1491

Report Scams and Fraud If you get a suspicious call, text or email (for example, requesting your bank account number, instructing you to buy a gift card or promising an expensive prize), or if you, a relative or a friend has given money or financial information to someone you now suspect was a scammer, call 877-908-3360. Fr. Mike Moynahan or other Parish staff



Contemplative Prayer



Join us via Zoom for Friday morning Contemplative Prayer at 7am followed by fellowship.

No experience needed!

We gather at 6:55am, sit in silence for half an hour, then check in about any subject of interest. For further information and the Zoom link, contact George Veomett at gveomett@gmail.com.

St Ignatius School



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Our students have returned from Christmas break rested and ready to learn. As we celebrate Epiphany, we are encouraged to share our gifts with one another as Isaiah chapter 60, verse one reminds us, *"Arise! Shine, for your light has come, the glory of the LORD has dawned upon you."*

We encourage all of our parish families to spread the word about our wonderful school as we enter **Open House** season for Catholic schools in January. We will host our in-person Open House after Mass on **Sunday, January 29th from 11:30 AM-1:00 PM**. Families interested in sending their children to our school for the 2023-2024 school year will be able to take a quick tour of our school.



May our community continue to learn and grow in living our faith throughout 2023 as we remember this verse in 2 Corinthians 5:17, *"So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come."*

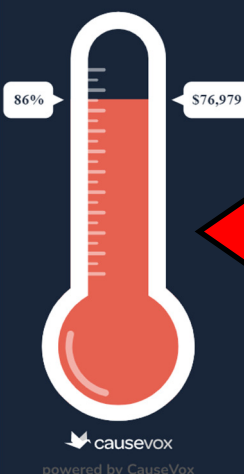
Peace be with you always.
Carol Pausz

Almost there!! Thanks to you....

FUND-A-FLUSH REPORT:

"The project has begun, and we will give you updates along the way. Feel free to continue donating through online (Realm) or in the Sunday basket." Total donation \$51,065.00 with match included, \$76,979.00....our goal is so close, Let's get to 100%! *Thank you!*

GOAL: \$90,000



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Financial report (July 1, 2022—June 30, 2023):

Needed for the month of Dec \$78,000.00

Amount received through 12-18-2022 \$35,583.98

Thank you, may you be blessed abundantly for your generosity!

TODAY! I G N I T E Winter/Spring

Everyone is invited to join IGNITE on the Sundays listed below:



- ⇒ January 8th - The "Bridal Mystics"
- ⇒ January 22nd - The Cloud of Unknowing-Spirituality of Essence
- ⇒ February 12th - Julian of Norwich - God our Mother
- ⇒ February 26th - Catherine of Genoa - "Devotio Moderna"
- ⇒ March 12th - Protestant and Catholic Reformations - Spiritual Direction
- ⇒ March 26th - John Donne - The mystic poet
- ⇒ April 23rd - "Pilgrim " books and the Jesus Prayer
- ⇒ Come to one class, or come to them all, as you desire.

Classes will take place from 6-7:15pm and will meet on zoom.

Meeting ID:833 9062 2228

Passcode: IGNITE

If you have any questions or would like to join our mailing list, contact Grace at gbyrd@sipdx.org

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ENGAGED? Marriage Preparation

Are you newly engaged and hoping to marry in the upcoming year? Congratulations! St. Ignatius will be hosting a series of Marriage Preparation Classes between January 29th and February 26th. If you are interested in joining the class, contact Grace (gbyrd@sipdx.org). Hurry, spots are limited!

We have solidified our dates for our next round of marriage preparation classes at St. Ignatius. They will be:

- **Sunday, 1/29 - 4-5:15PM** – Communication and Conflict Resolution (Herdener's - location TBA)
- **Sunday 2/5 – 4-5:15PM** – Family and Finances (Schaller residence – address TBA)
- **Sunday 2/26 – 4-5:15** – Love and Leisure (Holt residence – address TBA)



This Week

SUN 8 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM and 7:30 PM Mass in the Church, Coffee following am Masses
 6PM IGNITE

SAT 14 3:30 PM Confessions in the church
 5:00 PM Mass in the Church

M-Fri 9-13 8:00 AM Mass at La Storta Chapel

SUN 15 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM and 7:30 PM Mass in the Church,

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Please keep in your prayers

Monday	Jan 9	†	Anthony Ngoc Tien Hoang
Tuesday	Jan 10	†	Judy Earnest
Wednesday	Jan 11	†	Paul Tai Van Pham
Thursday	Jan 12	†	Marie Hong Tran
Friday	Jan 13	†	Richard Chavarria



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