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October 26, 2025 - **THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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, October 27
† Peter Linh Nguyen
Tue, October 28
Minerva Abuan (Birthday)
Wed, October 29
† Philip Meagher
Thu, October 30
† William Vaughan
Fri, October 31
† Fr. Louie Urbanski

Wisdom from the Pews

I am the son of a coach wired to think in terms of sports metaphors and my ears perked up when Paul wrote to Timothy ***“I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith.”*** Honestly, I’m unsure about my own race and that I stumble to maintain my faith and personal relationship with Jesus.

During a recent run I was struggling and felt strangely alone in my physical suffering even though my partner was running beside me. At some point I felt the strength God invests in me and that it is He, as Timothy says, that ***“rescue[s] me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom.”*** In between shaky breaths I thought about the span and measure of my life’s race and that God rescued me from myriad threats...including collapsing while running!

“I have kept the faith” is such a simple and complex phrase. On the one hand, as a Red Sox fan, I know well how to keep the faith during times good and bad. On the other hand, God and his messengers are not playing games, and Paul’s final letter is a high-stakes communication sent to his acolyte and friend Timothy.

Paul, imprisoned in his home in Rome for professing his faith, is nearing his death when he writes to Timothy. When I close my eyes to center this scene in my heart, I’m overcome with the sadness that Timothy may have felt towards his mentor. Perhaps Timothy felt alone



Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14

and pained, realizing it is now his race to run. Paul began his race of evangelism on the road to Damascus, in present-day Syria, and ran (or at least walked) several laps around what is today Israel, Palestine, Lebanon, Turkey, Greece, Macedonia, all the way to Italy. I can scarcely imagine the perseverance it must have taken Paul to hold fast to the notion that a ***“crown of righteousness”*** awaits him in heaven.

Running is an act of perseverance and can sometimes feel like a self-inflicted punishment. In the past, I saw Paul’s impending death as a sort of self-inflicted wound that he must bear alone. God is not a petty punisher, and Paul’s words attune me to the fact that it is He who accompanied Paul on his final lap Home.

We are never alone - God is running with us, offering us a baton of faith and spirit, not too dissimilar from Paul symbolically passing the baton of mission to Timothy. All we need is to stretch out our hand to accept it.

Sirach writes that ***“...he is a God who always repays and will give back to you sevenfold.”*** As we gather this Sunday to hear the word of God, consider how your own race of faith is going. Remember: we are all in this together, akin to a relay race, joyfully handing the baton of faith and fellowship off to one another.

Aaron Pina is a human rights equity culture broker who worships at the 10:30 am Sunday mass.

PARISH PROGRAMMING

A Shared Conversation...As We Witness

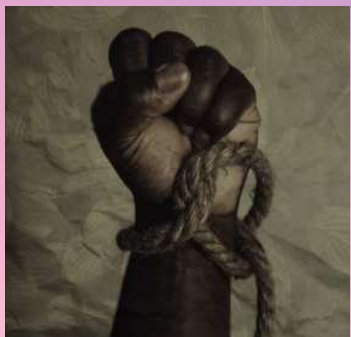


*Fathers and sons,
mothers and daughters
being pulled away from
their families and sent
to places unknown...*



*Climate change
strategies being
denied for the
sake of profits...*

*History being
whitewashed
because it
shows we
aren't a perfect
society...*



*Voices being
silenced
because they
challenge
authorities...*



As we feel these events happening, think of this... When we engage each other, we see God working with us, even as we struggle. Through Baptism we are asked to follow Jesus' example and work for justice and peace.

**"Truth always ends
by victory;
it is not unassailable,
but invincible."**

St. Ignatius

We're all in this together, and now more than ever we're called to support one another.

**"Having faith does
not mean having no
difficulties, but having
the strength to face
them, knowing we are
not alone!"**

Pope Francis

If you're feeling the news is oppressive with each passing day... if you're talking back to the TV... if your heart goes out to others who are hurting through no fault of their own... if you believe in hope and know we can dialogue with each other... then, we want you to join your fellow parishioners.

At St. Ignatius, we believe we need each other and each other's voices. On Sunday, November 16th from 11:45 am till 1:15 pm (in Dillon Hall), and again, on Tuesday, November 18th from 6 pm till 7:30 pm (in parish office), we will hold Shared Conversations. Each of these will be facilitated to allow all voices to be heard in a safe, comfortable environment.

We invite you to join in at one of these Conversations, to share your concerns, thoughts and hopes. And if you have friends or neighbors feeling like you, they are welcome to attend and share. Refreshments will be provided.



Please register online at the parish website or at <http://bit.ly/4pR5WM2>

As we listen to one another, think about this... What is God calling you to do?

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Join us for the Mass of

The Solemnity of All Saints (not a Holy Day of Obligation)

at 10 AM

on Saturday,

November 1, 2025



The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

at 5 PM Vigil Mass

on Saturday,

November 1, 2025



St. Ignatius parish will celebrate a special Memorial Mass to remember all our dear ones who have gone home to God this past year. The Mass aims to seek the continued healing, strength, and comfort of the Risen Jesus for everyone grieving the death of family members and friends.

Sounds from the Grounds, a Facilities update

Fall is here, so put on your boots and hoodies and join us for a campus work party (rain or shine) to ready the grounds for winter on Saturday November 1st from 11am to 2pm (After the All-Saints Mass at 10:00). Please note that this is a revised time from the last notice. Bring gloves, water bottle, and tools to prune and care for our plants.

Behind the Scenes:

A follow up "Shout Out" to Girls Scout's Troop 10094 for the new Rainwater collection barrel that they recently installed on the



Parish Office. Check out the video Miriam and Leia made at: <https://youtu.be/BwuLlydiVjU>

You may have noticed the new ADA ramp for the church parking lot. The new ramp is to provide a safer entrance from the parking lot to the sidewalk, as

well as bringing it up to the current building code. Additionally, we now have a van accessible parking space. This is the first part of a plan to improve our ADA entrance with our goal to have a barrier free unassisted wheelchair entrance to the church. The school is constantly changing with the ever-changing digital age. Slowly we have been replacing the old smart boards used for visual teaching aides to new high-definition video screens in the classrooms. This provides the teachers with many more tools and resources that are current to today's curriculum.

Thanks to the Archdiocese's Safety Grant program we were able to change out the old T8 fluorescent light bulbs to new LED light bulbs in Dillon Hall. This will cut our energy use for lighting in Dillon by half. Additionally, in the school, we were able to change out the classroom door hardware to new intruder protection hardware that is also ADA compliant.

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!



Make a Year-end Donation to St. Ignatius 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 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 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
October 5-12, 2025	5,347	12,727	42%
Month of October	17,853	50,906	35%
Year-to-Date	140,060	585,000	24%

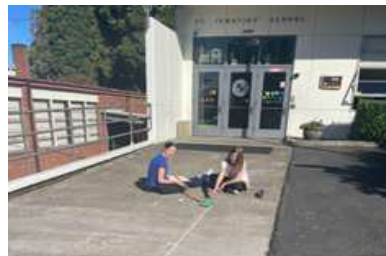


ST. IGNATIUS SCHOOL

During the month of October, we honor our Holy Names Sisters' heritage by learning about their foundress, one of our school's patron saints, Blessed Mother Marie Rose Durocher. Our second and fourth grade classes partnered to lead a Mass to honor the great work the Holy Names Sisters have done over the decades educating generations of students here at St. Ignatius School.



Our students are learning by leaps and bounds! Our kindergarten students sang happy birthday to our Blessed Mother Marie Rose and learned about their five senses through making slime. Our first and fifth grade students spent time reading together. The second graders tackled number bonds as they learn their addition math facts. Our third grade students learned to add and subtract large numbers with regrouping. The fourth graders learned about St. John Bosco. The fifth graders made mosaic crosses out of legos. In our middle school, our sixth graders learned about the impact of famous hispanic figures this month. The seventh graders explored Ignatian contemplation through Mark 4:35-41 when Jesus calms the storm. In science our eighth graders studied acceleration through a model car lab. May our students continue to develop eager minds joyfully!



Join us after the 10:30 Mass this weekend for our first pancake breakfast hosted by our families from our School Advisory Council (SAC). All are welcome! May we lean on our faith to carry us through the triumphs and tribulations of life remembering, "*The grass*

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withers, the flower wilts, but the word of our God stands forever." Isaiah 40:8.

Carol Pausz
Principal



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.

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