

# St. Ignatius Catholic Church OREGON'S JESUIT PARISH

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## November 9, 2025 - FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME

## Wisdom from the Pews

What stands out to me in today's readings is how each one points us ahead.

Ezekiel describes water flowing from the temple, bringing life wherever it goes. Trees grow along the banks, their leaves never fading, their fruit never failing. Month after month, they produce something new—food and healing for the world.

Paul tells the Corinthians, "You are God's building." Christ is the

#### **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



foundation, but the building is still being raised. How we build matters, because God dwells in us, and we are his temple.

And in the Gospel, Jesus says, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." At first, the people misunderstand. But we know he was speaking of his body, pointing to his resurrection.

All three readings show us that God is preparing us for what is to come: planting, building, and raising up new life.

That's something I feel every day as a teacher. I work with my students, helping them grow as readers, writers, and thinkers. I walk with them for a year, and then they move on. Most of the time, I don't get to see the fruit. But I trust it's there, taking root and growing in ways I can't see.

This truth came alive for me when my wife and I visited Spain and saw the Sagrada Família in Barcelona. It's a Catholic basilica, designed by Antoni Gaudí, that has been under construction since 1882—over 140 years. Across generations, through wars and hardship, people returned to

the project. They laid stone upon stone, even knowing they would never see the finished church. Today, though still unfinished, it is one of the most breathtaking basilicas in the world, a testimony to patience, perseverance, and faith. Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17 John 2:13-22



That's the kind of faith we are called to live. We plant and build, not just for ourselves, but for those who will come after us. Archbishop Romero once said, "We are prophets of a future not our own." That is the call: to keep working even when we will never see the end.

I also think of Father Greg Boyle, who says that hope is not the belief that things will be better someday. Hope is believing that what happens today matters, that it has luminous meaning and purpose even if we don't fully understand or see it.

So let's keep planting. Let's keep building. Like the generations who have worked on that basilica, we trust that God is doing something bigger than what we see. And through our small efforts—in families, in classrooms, in our community—we help bring God's kingdom closer: a world of love, respect, and care for one another

**Dan Beseau** is a teacher at St. Ignatius School and has been a parishioner since 1979, attending the 8 AM and 7:30 PM Masses.



## 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 dificulties, 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?

## PARISH LIFE

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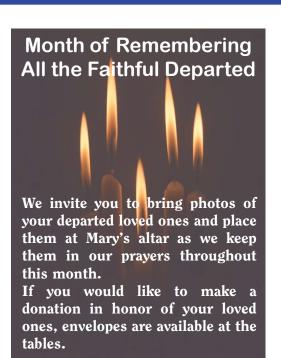
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## Office Hours

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







Please join us for Thanksgiving Mass

past year.

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



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Thank you.

#### Mass Intensions

Mon, November 10 † Steven Regele



Tue, November 11

† Peter Dieu Nguyen

Wed, November 12

† Josephine N'Sougan

Thu, November 13

† Joan Marinelli

Fri, November 14

† Erica Miranda

### **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 <u>donation online</u> ("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
October 20-26, 2025	8,725	12,727	69%
Month of October	34,746	50,906	68%
Year-to-Date	156,954	585,000	27%



## Make a Year-end Donation to St. Janatius 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  $70^{12}$  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 Family Groups recently came together to create paper candles in memory of loved ones who have passed. Each candle will be a symbol of light, love, and remembrance. These handmade candles were displayed as part of a beautiful Ofrenda in our school entry during the last week of October, celebrating the lives of those who continue to inspire and guide us.









Our 22nd Annual Turkey Bingo is coming up on 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.



If we reach our goal, we'll install a brand-new 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:
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Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, exist to give witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As an apostolate of the Church, Catholic Schools minister the salvation of Jesus Christ, exercising His mission to teach (Mt. 28:19-20) by providing Mission Passionate Catholic Education.

As we honor our Veterans next week, may take time to express gratitude for the many men and women who have sacrificed to protect our freedom. As we hear in the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians, "In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

**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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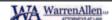


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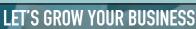


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