



St. Ignatius Catholic Church

OREGON'S JESUIT PARISH

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August 31, 2025 - **TWENTY-SECOND 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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 3:30–4:30 PM, or
by appointment 503 -777-1491

Mass Livestream

Sunday 10:30 AM Mass
livestreamed weekly on
YouTube.

Subscribe to watch.

St. Ignatius Parish Portland:

<https://www.youtube.com/@stignatiusparish-portland9572>

Wisdom from the Pews

For this Sunday, the 22nd in Ordinary Time, the Gospel offers a message on humility, that we should not crave the position of the honored but take the lowest position. This message contradicts so much of what our earthly lives tell us, that we are “number 1,” the best, the richest, the smartest, etc. We so often strive to be more, to want more, to be the one at the seat of honor at a feast. Is that not what we tend toward celebrating every day? We give prizes for coming in first; we recognize the person who brought in the most business; we put up bumper stickers proclaiming our child for being the valedictorian. Do not get me wrong. Encouragement and praise are part of sharing our love and appreciation of another person. Indeed, it is our duty to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts that God grants us – the joyful laughter of children, the happiness of baby animals, love so deep our grief changes the shape of our hearts, the beauty of a voice that can bring tears (Joseph’s!), or a silence in the woods so profound, we cannot help

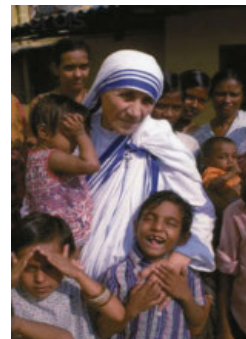
but look at the trees around us in awe.

The message of the Gospel, however, goes beyond that of our earthly lives. It calls for us to go deeper, to reflect on our spiritual selves. It is from this lowest position that we are granted the wisdom



Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
Luke 14:1, 7-14

from God to see the pain and suffering in this world so that we might better understand what God wants us to do. It is when we put ourselves last that we are truly listening. As many wise ones have said, it is when we lose ourselves that we become one with God. Jesus is our greatest mentor, He, who ultimately sacrificed his “self” as his Father wished. And true to our saints and martyrs, and the great leaders before us who walked away from “success” and “wealth” – St Augustine, St



Clare, St Ignatius, Buddha, St Francis, etc.,—they did what ordinary beings would call foolish or irresponsible acts.

It takes courage to come to this place, a place that tells us to ignore much of what we know of earthly life. It comes from prayer, meditation, and contemplation. It is a scary place to hear the voice of God. I continue to fail to put myself last daily. But I am working on it through prayer and contemplation. I know that when humility is thus nurtured, I can start to understand that all the prizes related to being “number 1” do not matter. Recognition for human achievements almost becomes an embarrassment. The prize of being brought to the highest seat by the host is just that – the prize of KNOWING that our joyful purpose is to serve God!



PARISH PROGRAMMING

Wisdom from the Pews (Continued)

Let us pray that we are not afraid to lose ourselves and to listen to the voice of God.

Chenit Flaherty is a grateful parishioner of this loving and diverse church since 2022. She comes to whichever Mass her shifts as a care coordinator in the Emergency Room allow.

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>



Adoration

You are invited to be with Christ through the intimate prayer of Adoration every Sunday from 6:15-6:45pm.

This time of prayer will culminate with the celebration of Mass at 7PM.

Class begins in the Fall!



Reconciliation & Holy Eucharist

Registration is available online for children in the 2nd grade.

<https://www.sipdx.org/first-reconciliation-and-eucharist>

Registration is now open!



Confirmation for students in grade 7-12

Course will include:

- An at home "Called to Mercy" online curriculum.
- 2 Saturday retreats.
- 5 Sunday morning classes.

Opening retreat:

Saturday, September 13, 2025

Register online at: <https://www.sipdx.org/high-school-confirmation>

Mass Intensions

Mon, September 1

† Vince Obradovich

Tue, September 2

† Maria Dang Nguyen

Wed, September 3

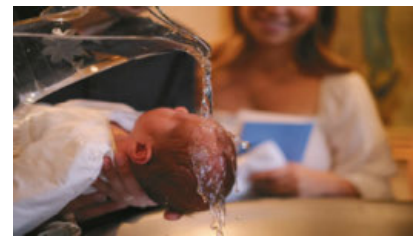
† Anton Toan Nguyen

Thu, September 4

† Anna Cuoc Pham

Fri, September 5

† Giuse Pham Nguyen



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](https://www.sipdx.org/baptism)

Next dates:

October 11, 2025

November 8, 2025



Do you want to become Catholic?

At St. Ignatius, OCIA classes, run from September through May. Rooted in Ignatian Spirituality, these classes support each individual's unique journey of faith. Visit our website at: <https://www.sipdx.org/adult-confirmation>.

I am calling you,
"Come, Follow Me" Luke 9:23

PARISH LIFE

Mass Readings

Mon, September 1

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Luke 4:16-30

Tue, September 2

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11
Luke 4:31-37

Wed, September 3

Colossians 1:1-8
Luke 4:38-44

Thu, September 4

Colossians 1:9-14
Luke 5:1-11

Fri, September 5

Colossians 1:15-20
Luke 5:33-39

Sat, September 6

Colossians 1:21-23
Luke 6:1-5

Sun, September 7

Wisdom 9:13-18b
Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Luke 14:25-33

Transformational Retreat in Everyday Life

The Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL) Puget Sound is a 9-month retreat format of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius that goes from September through May. It is a dynamic program of prayer, monthly communal retreat mornings and individual spiritual direction. SEEL will offer 3 options to experience the retreat in 2025-2026 – a mostly in-person retreat held at St. Joseph in Seattle, a mostly in-person retreat at Bellarmine Prep in Tacoma, and an online retreat for those unable to meet in person. SEEL is accepting applications now for the program starting in late September and offers the retreat at no set fee so that all who are accepted can participate. SEEL offers a gentle structure to help you experience God's love and discern God's call in your life. Join us on this transforming pilgrim journey! For more information, please see our website at www.seelpugetsound.org

Need help???

Do you know someone who might be food insecure or needs help paying rent or utility bills? The St. Vincent de Paul Portland Council accepts requests for assistance at 503-235-8431. Requests from our neighborhood are then forwarded to our SVdP pantry that delivers food to those in need on Saturday mornings.



You can help by bringing non-perishable food donations to the vestibule before Masses or making a cash donation through [Realm Connect](http://Realm.Connect). Your support is much appreciated.

Contact us at svdp@sipdx.org if you have any questions.



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@sipdx.org

JRS - Missionaries of Hope

STAND WITH MIGRANTS

In moments of crisis and division, we are called to unite in hope and solidarity. As threats of family separation, detention, and deportation rise, people of faith across the country are coming together to publicly stand with migrant and refugee communities.

The [Missionaries of Hope Toolkit](#) is a practical, spiritually grounded guide to help you organize powerful faith-based rallies, prayer vigils, and public witness events in support of migrants and refugees. Created by the [Jesuit Refugee Service/USA,](#)

[USCCB,](#)
[Hope Border Institute,](#)
[Justice for Immigrants,](#)
this comprehensive resource equips individuals, parishes, and communities of faith to take bold, compassionate action.



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about planned giving options at St. Ignatius Parish, please see the “[Ways to Give](#)” page on our website or [contact Fr. San](#).

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



July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

Church tithing	Actual	Budget	% of Goal
Aug 11-17, 2025	7,990	8,033	99%
Month to August	31,524	40,165	78%
YTD	70813	585,000	12%

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 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 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.



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Enrollment Open for Kindergarten Class

We are pleased to announce that we have spaces available in our incoming kindergarten class for the 2025-2026 school year!

Kindergarten program highlights include:

- Religion lessons integrated throughout the school day
- Hands on learning with a strong focus in reading and math skills
- Social emotional learning
- Community service projects
- Opportunities to build, explore, create, and play during choice time
- P.E. 5 days a week

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Every year, we come together as one Catholic community, joined together in mission, to make a shared commitment to the work of the Archdiocese by supporting the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. This commitment serves the needs of our parishes, schools, and people by bringing Christ's hope and love to every corner of our Archdiocese.

In this Jubilee Year, as we celebrate the 2,025th Anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, we are mindful of the call for each of us to be living witnesses of the hope found in Jesus Christ. Your continued generosity to the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal is one way to answer this call.



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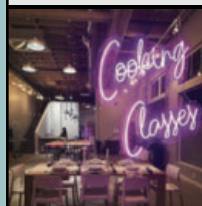
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