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September 28, 2025 - TWENTY-SIXTH 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.

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St. Ignatius Parish Portland: https://www.youtube.com/@stignatiusparish-portland9572



Wisdom from the Pews

Any way you look at it, the readings for our most recent Sunday readings have been a full court press. Today's are no exception.

Today's passage from Amos, we hear the prophet railing against the comfortable and the complacent, "lying upon beds of ivory, stretched comfortably on their couches...drinking wine from giant goblets and anointing themselves with the best oils." Later in the prophecy, Amos will issue a stern warning that those who amass their fortunes and balance their books on the backs of the poor will one day be held to account by God.

The reading from Amos is perfectly paired with the parable that Jesus told about the rich man and Lazarus. Do you notice that the poor man of the parable has a name – Lazarus - but the rich man goes nameless. This is surprising because, whose name do you know better: Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, or the beggar on the street corner? We tend to know the rich person's name, don't

we? The poor one's? Not so much. But in Jesus' parable, it's the poor man who has a name while the rich man goes unnamed. There is a message here – not that the poor are more important than the rich; no, but the message could be that the poor, who often go nameless, do, in fact, have names.

It's worth noting, too, that



Amos 6:1a, 4-7 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31

it's from the rich man that we learn the poor man's name. "Father Abraham." he said, "have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering in these flames." The sad thing is that it was only after he died that the rich man actually used Lazarus' name. When he was alive, while Lazarus lav in misery at his door, the rich man didn't bother with his name. He looked the other way. And we're left wondering if the rich man had bothered to call Lazarus by name, would he have come to regard him as a brother, a fellow human being, and not just as 'that beggar!' We don't know. All we do know is that his ignoring of Lazarus had eternal consequences!

Pope Francis taught us that all this is about morality, not politics. To quote him: "These are our brothers and sisters, they are not pawns on the chessboard of humanity, they are not disposable. Their cry rises up to God. We must find ways to welcome them...."

My friends, I'm aware of the complexity of this issue. But welcoming the stranger and reaching out to people whose lives are at risk is in our DNA as Christians – from as far back as the Holy Family's Flight into Egypt. Lazarus is at our door. How will we respond?

Fr. James Antonio, S.J.

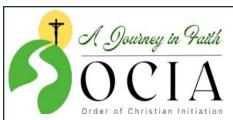
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PARISH PROGRAMMING

Wisdom from the Pews

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



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.

If you would like to learn more, contact Grace Byrd:

gbyrd@sipdx.org

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is Back!



We invite all children to join us for a special time of learning and reflection on the Word of God, held every Sunday at the 10:30 AM Mass.

Back to School 3.0

(Adult Education)

The Book of Isaiah

Deepen your understanding of the Bible. This class offered by Cliff Yeary meets weekly in the Dining Room of the Parish Office Sundays from 9-10:15 10/5-11/9

Contact Cliff - cliffyeary1@gmail.com

Great Choral Masterworks

Come learn from, and listen to, music that has lasted through generations, and why it still speaks to, and strengthens, one's life of faith. Including Handel's Messiah, the Bach Magnificat, the Faure Requiem, and more. 10/12, 11/9, 12/14 from 9:15-10:15

Contact Joseph - jbyrd@sipdx.org

Retreat With St. Joseph

What wisdom do we glean from St. Joseph, who has not one spoken word in Scripture? Explore this and other ponderings during our Advent Morning of Reflection.

12/6 - 9-3 at Loyola Jesuit Center \$20 fee - stay tuned for registration details

Contact Grace gbyrd@sipdx.org

Spiritual Exercises Short Retreat

Sundays from October 12th-November 9th- 12-1:30 Deacon Mac will guide you through "Inner Peace in Divine Love".

> Contact Mac mac.a.chester@gmail.com

Spirituality of Aging

This group, meant for parishioners over the age of 60, explores the newness of growing older, from relationship to self-perception, from our experience of the world to our personal spiritual growth. Meets every Third Thursday, beginning in September, from 10-11 (followed by a time for coffee and snacks.)

Contact Grace - gbyrd@sipdx.org

IGNITE

A space for learning and for faith sharing, IGNITE will feature 2 series this fall: 10/12, 10/19, and 10/25 -"Learning From the Women Saints How to Live", and 11/30, 12/7, and 12/14 - "Utilizing Catholic Moral Thinking in Today's World."

> Contact Grace gbyrd@sipdx.org

New Program starting soon...

Learn to listen to other's sacred stories. **Insight**, the St. Ignatius Spiritual
Direction Practicum, will begin in January 2026, offering opportunities for you to
invest in the art of spiritual learning, spiritual companioning, and spiritual
direction. Stay tuned for more details!
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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

Next dates: November 8, 2025

Jannuary 10, 2026



PARISH LIFE

Mass Readings

Mon, September 29 Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 John 1:47-51

Tue, September 30 Zechariah 8:20-23 Luke 9:51-56

Wed, October 1 Nehemiah 2:1-8 Luke 9:57-62

Thu, October 2 Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 Matthew 18:1-5, 10

Fri, October 3 Baruch 1:15-22 Luke 10:13-16

Sat, October 4 Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29 Luke 10:17-24

Sun, October 5 Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17:5-10

Mass Intensions

Mon, September 29

† Peter Linh Nguyen

Tue, September 30

† Raymond Rodriguez

Wed, October 1

† Theresa Pieretti

Thu, October 2

† Vince Obradovich

Fri. October 3

† Millie Emig



Fall schedule

- Sunday October 5th, 5-7pm Intro to Jesuit spirituality and spiritual exercises
- Sunday November 2nd, 5-7pm Spiritual exercise: Loving friendships
- Sunday December 7th, 5-7pm
 Spiritual exercise:
 Advent reflection dwelling
 in God's Love made Incarnate
 For more information or to join our
 mailing list, please contact Deacon
 Mac at firepitpdx@gmail.com

Register Your Public Witness



Catholics across the U.S. are invited to join in a national day of public witness for our

immigrant brothers and sisters. This effort builds on the binational mass at the US-Mexico Border in San Luis, just 10 days earlier, in which Bishops from both countries will call attention to the urgent crisis facing migrants.

As Catholics and people of deep faith, we reject the culture of fear and silence that dehumanizes, and we choose instead to stand with migrants. Together, our voices will send a powerful message in defense of the dignity of our neighbors, family members, fellow parishioners, classmates, coworkers, and friends.

For more information and <u>registration</u> form, please visit <u>We are one church. One</u> family.

Find ways to 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 <u>Realm Connect</u>. Your support is much appreciated.

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



Volunteers Needed!



The SVdP Thrift Store is in need of volunteers to assist with restocking and other tasks as directed by Matteo Fusco, Store Manager. Shifts are approximately 2–3 hours per day. No experience is needed—just a willingness to help.

In addition, Matteo is currently hiring for pricer/production roles and we're also seeking an Assistant Manager. For more information, please contact Brian at Brian.F@svdpportland.org



Raising Hope Conference October 1 - 3

The conference celebrates the tenth anniversary of Laudato Si' and is sponsored by the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, Dicastery for Communication, Caritas Internationalis, International Union of Superiors General, Focolare Movement, Ecclesial Networks Alliance for Integral Ecology, CIDSE, and <u>Laudato</u> Si' Movement. For more details visit Raising Hope Conference.

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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 "<u>Ways to Give</u>" page on our website or <u>contact Fr. San</u>. Thank you.

July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

| Church tithing | Actual | Budget | % of Goal |
|----------------------|---------|---------|-----------|
| September 8-14, 2025 | 7,701 | 9,356 | 82% |
| Month of September | 22,832 | 37,424 | 61% |
| Year-to-Date | 106,187 | 585,000 | 18% |

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 $70^{1/2}$ 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.



14th Annual John Scott Memorial GOLF TOURNAMENT

October 4, 2025 1:30 PM

Question? Call

- Tim Welch 503-492-4733
- Doug Solazzo 503-777-5537

ST. IGNATIUS SCHOOL

Our 8th grade leaders led our first school Mass of the year where they are bestowed with small peace dove pins to officially welcome them as leaders of our school. Fr. James delivered an inspiring homily to our students about the gift of the Holy Spirit, leaving the kids amazed through a vivid demonstration of the spiritual fire that the Holy Spirit kindles in every heart.



Our students are busy learning and growing in many ways at all levels.



We are blessed to have received a generous disbursement from our St. Ignatius School Foundation. This year our Foundation supported our school's general funding needs with some funds directed toward tuition assistance with a check for \$165,348!!! Way to go!



It's not too late to give to this year's Jog-a-thon. Please consider making a donation to our Jog-a-thon through Realm with a notation for the Jog-a-thon or via a check to St. Ignatius School with Jog-a-thon on the memo line. Checks may be mailed or dropped off in our school's office daily from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Thank you for supporting a rich Catholic education supporting our mission to develop students committed to building a just and compassionate world for all.



Thank you for your support of our Gator Groove Our Way to \$50K!

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May we revel in the many blessings we have experienced this week, "Moreover, God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you need, you may have an abundance for every good work," 2 Corinthians 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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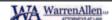


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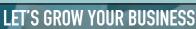


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