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CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL
UNDER THE CARE OF THE JESUITS

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

How To Love Difficult People?

Dear Parishioners:

This Labor Day holiday weekend 2020 is like no other because of the pandemic. Instead of celebrating the last fling of summer with family and friends, you hear cautions about relaxing social distancing practice. Instead of the usual buzz of excitement to see classmates on the first day of school, children and parents are getting ready to begin the discipline of Distance Learning. And what adds to the difficulty of the present moment is the uncertainty about how long this will last, and what a "new normal" will look like even after a vaccine. Now more than ever, we could use the consolation of faith.

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches the procedure to help people recognize sin, and to encourage sinners to seek forgiveness and restoration to the community. During these days when people's nerves are frayed and raw, it's timely to reflect about how to care for those who are difficult to love.

The original hearers of this Gospel in Matthew's community understood that they no longer measured their moral maturity by the norm of the Jewish law. The early church took as its norm the person of Jesus and his teachings. The abiding presence of God in Christ created the guidelines for what loving one another requires.

This "God-with-us" principle provides the foundation for correction in the family of the faith. Those who have sinned have "missed the mark" – they have failed to witness to God in their midst. Correction is not a way to retaliate against those who have hurt or disappointed you. Correction is intended to reconcile and rehabilitate them, so that those who have "missed the mark" may be returned to their center in Christ.



The ultimate reason to love others and care for them is that God dwells in them. It is helpful to remember that if Jesus valued everyone enough to die for them, then everyone has a claim on one another's love, even the difficult people.

Another way to say this is that the ultimate source of your identity is not your own self, but God's self. The Hindu greeting "Namaste" has this meaning – "May what is divine in me honor what is divine in you." In the movie "Avatar," the native people greet one another with the phrase, "I see you" – meaning, I acknowledge and respect all that you are. Imagine if our American culture had a similar shared greeting.

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ST IGNATIUS
RECORDED MASS
FOR SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

WILL BE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE: SATURDAY AT 4:00PM
WWW.SIPDX.ORG

(MASS AID WITH MUSIC LYRICS ARE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE)

SIGN UP FOR WEEKDAY MASS ONLINE OR CALL THE OFFICE-SEE THE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS
WWW.SIPDX.ORG

PASTOR'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

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This is a lovely ideal, you might say, but how does loving difficult people work out in practice? Imagine for a moment a person you dislike, someone whose behavior does not inspire respect. Notice that the requirement of love does not oblige you to like everyone, to share their company or support their goals. You don't have to do anything except earnestly desire that eventually God will welcome them into the eternal life of God.

My recommendation for dealing with a difficult person is to remember the basic human conditions you have in common – heredity, environment, a set of talents and possibilities and challenges to maturing. You know what it's like to have setbacks, obstacles, and failures. You know what it feels like to be suffering and alone. How could you not feel at least a hint of compassion for a vulnerable fellow pilgrim?

Imagine the two of you having a common destiny. However much your paths diverge or even conflict in this life, you will meet the same God in heaven. Even if after all these considerations, you still cannot bring yourself to engage with a difficult person, at least you can hope that the person who is hard to love will finish life in good hands. What harm to you, what loss to you if another shares God's limitless joy?

In today's Gospel, Jesus concludes his instructions by affirming the power of united prayer. Through prayer, believers tune in to the presence of God in Jesus. It is this presence of Christ in the assembly's members that makes the congregation a Church.

Through prayer, believing sinners find humility to own up to their sins, and courage and tenderness to help others recognize theirs. Through prayer, pride yields to the truth that no creature is omnipotent, omniscient, or without blind spots. Through prayer, people can welcome assessment and correction as necessary means of growth.

Through prayer, believers learn forbearance with others and patience with their own shortcomings. The "Our Father" prayer reminds you to respect and appreciate how different and various God made the human family. Amazingly, the Lord Jesus chooses to reflect and reveal himself in every single one: "There I am in the midst of them."

Remember, the church does not exist for the pious and righteous, but for sinners and those opposed to God's kindness. Of course when people are mean or selfish, it breaks your heart. But even if others do not deserve respect, you still owe them your care – not because they deserve it, but because God wants to shine his divine light on them through you.

Fr. Craig Boly, S.J.

Pastor

A reminder that October 12 is the final day Oregonians can register to vote in the Nov 3 Presidential Election. Check here to register online, or to see if you are registered, to vote-

<https://sos.oregon.gov/voting/Pages/registration.aspx?lang=en>



MASS READINGS

Mass Readings for Sep 6, 2020

Ezekiel 33:7-9

Romans 13:8-10

Matthew 18:15-20

Mass Readings for Sep 13, 2020

Sirach 27:30 - 28:7

Romans 14:7-9

Matthew 18:15-20-35

WEEKDAY MASS SIGN UP

Resuming Public Masses **September 8th weekdays at noon.**

• Only 50 people are permitted in St Ignatius Catholic Church per Mass.

Parishioners must schedule two days in advance to attend Weekday Mass by signing up at: www.sipdx.org

Look for this button:



• Those without computer access can call the parish office at (503) 777-1491 x 221 to sign up—Please call Monday - Thursday, 10:00AM- 2:00PM.

You may attend Mass ONLY after you receive a confirmation. (Masks are required.) THANK YOU!

*From the CDC: Stay Home if...
you feel sick.*

you suspect you may be sick.

you have a sick family member at home.

you should be under self-quarantine due to possible con-

tact with a

Covid-19 patient.

you are in the vulnerable population as defined by the

CDC.

RACIAL JUSTICE RECOMMENDATION

Fr. James Martin, S.J.'s facebook post "White Jesus?" <https://www.facebook.com/46899546495/posts/10157117449576496/>

PACK 351'S ANNUAL JOIN NIGHT VIA ZOOM

You are invited to Pack 351's annual Join Night via Zoom! Come to see what Cub Scouting is all about and see how we are Scouting On! during the Pandemic! **Sep 14, 2020 07:00 PM** Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/tZAuf-itpjwgHNUtjeqLkt40lpmWcJZkEqz4>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

KUDOS & DID YOU KNOW?



⇒ Beginning September 8, The parish office is open, Monday—Thursday—you may stop by between 10AM & 2PM if needed, or call!

⇒ Thank you to Joseph Byrd for his juggling skills and handling anything that comes his way!



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Our parish has an email based prayer chain you can submit prayers or sign up to pray for other's intentions, just email to prayerchain@sipdx.org

In the subject line please include either:

Asking for prayers
OR

Add me to the Email list to pray

HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION

High School Confirmation

Are you in high school, or will you be entering high school in the fall? If so, then you are invited to register for St. Ignatius High School Confirmation. The program will start this September and will be a hybrid model of digital learning combined with 6 in-person group gatherings including sessions, activities and a retreat. Registration is open now! Just follow this link:

sipdx.org/high-school-confirmation
(gbyrd@sipdx.org)

If you have a heart for working with youth and accompanying people on their unique faith journeys, please contact Grace about joining our High School Confirmation leadership team.

ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION '20-'21

- Prayer: Talking and Listening to God October 11th, 12-3
- Lend a Hand: A Community Work Project February 6th
- What's Mine to Do? November 15th, 12-2
- Stations of Mercy: Increasing Awareness Through Christ's Passion March 7, 12-2
- Retreat at Fr. Bernard Youth Center April 17th-18th
- This is my parish too: Getting Ready May 2nd, 12-2
- Online Subscription to "Called to Mercy"

RCIA, (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS.)

Classes for adults wishing to learn more about becoming Catholic begin in September.

RCIA

- Do you feel drawn to learn more about the Catholic faith?
- Have you considered whether you might like to become Catholic yourself?

RCIA is a class that allows you to explore your own faith journey and discern if the Catholic faith is one that you would like to be a part of. Please join our 20/21 class by registering on our website. If you have any questions, please contact Grace Byrd (gbyrd@sipdx.org)



I G N I T E

St. Ignatius Church Presents
IGNITE
Go Forth and Set the World on Fire

This fall in IGNITE we will explore prayer in the Catholic Tradition through music and the lives of Saints and Mystics. The invitation is simple:

COME - with an open heart to see what it's all about.
CONTEMPLATE - the presence of the Holy Spirit in your own life and experience.
CONNECT - to the Mass, the Saints, the People of St. Ignatius, and your Heart.

Fall Schedule:
9/27 - St. Bonaventure/Your Rule of Prayer
10/11 - Sr. Thea Bowman/Praying With Nature
10/25 - St. Therese of Lisieux/Praying with the Psalms
11/8 - Edith Stein/Praying with the Gospel of Matthew
11/22 - St. Dominic/Liturgy of the Hours
12/13 - St. Martin de Porres/Pray Always

All classes will take place 6-7:15. We will begin the year meeting digitally via Zoom, and will gather together in person once there is a vaccine. Throughout the class we will be using the book "Prayer in the Catholic Tradition" by Robert J. Wicks. Purchasing your own copy of this book may enhance your IGNITE experience.

You are invited to join us via Zoom this fall to IGNITE where we will explore prayer through the Saints, Mystics, and music.

If you would like to deepen your IGNITE experience, please consider purchasing a copy of "Prayer in the Catholic Tradition" by Robert J. Wicks

sipdx.org/ignite

FAMILY LIFE

We will be offering an online **Children's Liturgy of the Word** on Sundays starting Sept. 13. Thank you to Nathan Williams, Michele Becker and Angela Kockler for stepping up to offer this ministry.

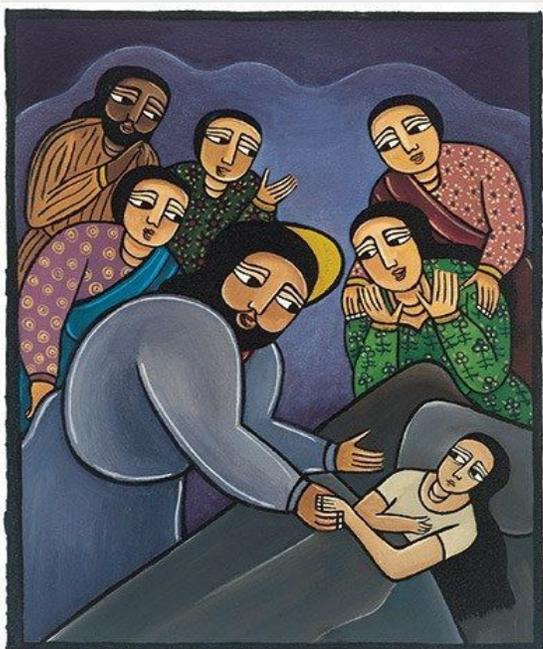
Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation this fall will begin on Sept. 12th. Registration closes on Sept. 9th and the registration link is on our website at <https://www.sipdx.org/first-reconciliation-and-eucharist>.

The Mom's group continues to meet on 2nd and 4th Sundays from 9:15-10:15 a.m. via Zoom. We will begin our study of the Wisdom Books of the Bible on Sept. 13th.

If you are looking for ways to discuss the Sunday gospel more deeply with children, here are two resources:

Holy Heroes Mass Prep: https://www.holyheroes.com/MassPreps/57.htm?utm_source=holyheroes&utm_medium=button&utm_campaign=MP

Catholic Mom: <https://www.catholicmom.com/sunday-mass-activities>



Art by Laura James

Arise! Shine, for your light has come! (Isaiah 60:1)

Amid the turmoil of our 2020 reality, find the strength you need by joining with other women to hear God's voice in Scripture, in our experiences and in one another.

Women's Fall Retreat - Saturday, Oct. 3, 2020

10am – noon

via Zoom

Presenters: Ana Guizado & Tara Ludwig

The retreat will include Scripture, presentations, small group time and shared prayer.

Register on the St. Ignatius website at www.sipdx.org

Donations gratefully accepted for the "Women, Arise! Ministry."

Women, Arise! Ministry is a ministry "for women and by women" begun in Lent 2019 by Ana Guizado, Tara Ludwig, Beth Schaller & Antoinette Toku. Donations will be used to establish a fund for securing retreat sites, financial assistance for retreatants, and presenter stipends.

DAILY INTENTIONS FOR PRAYER



Please keep in your prayers

Monday	Sep 07	Students returning to school
Tuesday	Sep 08	† Faye Wolf
Wednesday	Sep 09	† Thomas McCarthy, SJ
Thursday	Sep 10	† Noma & Ruth Riley
Friday	Sep 11	† Jim Emig



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