



St. Ignatius Catholic Church

OREGON'S JESUIT PARISH

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July 26, 2026 - SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*The kingdom of
heaven is like a
treasure buried
in a field, which
a person finds
and hides again*

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM
10:30 AM
7:00 PM

Weekday (M-F) 8:00 AM
at LJC - La Storta Chapel

Mass Intentions

Tue, July 28

For the Intentions of
Eileen & Anthony Fortunato

Thu, July 30

For the Healing of
Haide Esperanza Reinoso

Fri, July 31

Feast of St. Ignatius

Reconciliation

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

Summer Office Hours

Monday to Thursday
8:30 AM to 2:00 PM

Giving



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1 Kings 3:5, 7-12
Romans 8:28-30
Matthew 13:44-52

There is a values-clarification exercise that you may have experienced at some time during your education. Here is the situation that you are given. Your house is on fire. You have time to make one trip in and out of the burning house. You may bring with you whatever you can carry in your two hands. What would you bring from your burning house? What is so valuable and so important to you that you would risk that trip into your burning house to bring it out?

Today's gospel asks us this question: What is the treasure you are willing to **"sell all you have"** in order to buy that which matters most to you? All you have to do is check your calendar and you'll find out. As writer Annie Dillard says, in her book *The Writing Life*, "How we spend our days is, of course, how we spend our life. What we do with this hour, and that one, is what we are doing." The days, hours, and minutes of our lives are the great fortune or treasure that we have to spend, whether it's spent on the pearl of great price or squandered away on one valueless trinket after another. What we do with the precious gifts of our time and talents reveals what we truly value, whether it be wisdom, faith, and love—like the first reading describes, about young Solomon—or our own comfort, ease and amusement.

Wisdom from the Pews is a chance for parishioners to share their faith journey as it relates to the weekend readings, with their reflections featured in our weekly bulletin. Interested in participating? Follow this link to sign up: <http://bit.ly/4eyinsG> and contact Joseph Byrd with any questions (jbyrd@sipdx.org)

In his poem *The Bright Field*, R. S. Thomas writes:

*I have seen the sun break through
to illuminate a small field
for a while, and gone my way
and forgotten it. But that was the pearl
of great price, the one field that had
the treasure in it. I realize now
that I must give all that I have
to possess it. Life is not hurrying
on to a receding future, nor hankering after
an imagined past. It is the turning
aside like Moses to the miracle
of the lit bush, to a brightness
that seemed as transitory as your youth
once, but is the eternity that awaits you.*

This weekend we celebrate the feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola, our patron saint, and the founder of the Jesuits. Both our Parish and our School bear his name. He was on a military and royal-court career path when a cannon ball at the Battle of Pamplona shattered his leg and derailed those plans. God works in strange and wonderful ways.

During his recovery from two surgeries that never repaired his shattered leg, Iñigo only had two books available to read. One was a *Life of Christ* and the other was *The Lives of the Saints*. Those two books ignited his imagination and inflamed his heart to know and serve Christ his King. Because of that *felix culpa* ("happy fault"), Ignatius found that treasure buried in a field. And he gave up everything to buy it and share it with his companions and the world. God works in strange and wonderful ways, in both St. Ignatius' life and in ours. This weekend, remember what the poet R.S. Thomas says and St. Ignatius discovered: "the eternity that awaits you."

Fr. San Mai, SJ
Pastor





First Reconciliation & Holy Eucharist



Registration available online for children in the 2nd grade and up at <https://www.sipdx.org/first-reconciliation-and-eucharist>

Do you want to become Catholic?

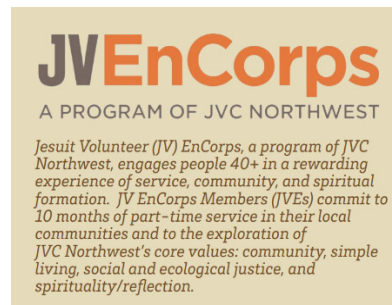
At St. Ignatius, OCIA classes, run from September through May. Rooted in Ignatian Spirituality, these classes support each individual's unique journey of faith. Visit our website at: <https://www.sipdx.org/adult-confirmation>.

If you would like to learn more, contact Grace Byrd: gbyrd@sipdx.org



Looking for Ways to Serve Your Community?

Are you interested in discovering a vibrant spiritual group that serves your local community in meaningful ways? JV EnCorps might be right for you! We are a group, age 40+, that meets monthly to explore our commitment to the values of volunteer service, social and ecological justice, community, and spirituality. We assist group members in finding fulfilling volunteer options in their community and gather to offer each other support in service and integrate our experience of service into our spiritual lives.



If interested, email Sarah Thompson: jvencorps@jvcnorthwest.org or apply at www.jvencorps.org.

The program begins with our opening retreats in September. Applications are accepted throughout the program year. Apply by August 31 to be a part of the opening retreats.



A ministry for Adults in their 20s/30s

Please join us for a

Wine and Cheese Reception

following the 7:00 PM Mass on August 2, 2026





Peace Corner

Based on the enthusiastic response to the Corpus Christi and July 4 public witness events, the Social Action ministry will continue sign-holding on the Powell and 43rd corner twice a month going forward on first Fridays and second Sundays. The next events will be on **August 7 at 4PM** and **August 9 at 11:45AM** (after the 10:30AM Mass).

There will be signs available, or you may bring your own. Please ensure that all signs emphasize nonviolence, unity, and solidarity and are not oppositional, angry, or refer to specific political figures or parties.

To get up-to-date information on weather cancellations, etc., join the Social Action ministry email list by filling out this form: <https://forms.gle/hAEitjkCwMaE1bZo6>.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

*Thank you
for your
faithful
prayers
and
support
for
the men
in
formation!*

Meet Collin Price, SJ

- Born and raised in PASCO, WA
- Graduate of Tri-Cities Prep & GONZAGA UNIVERSITY
- Former CIVIL ENGINEER and bassist for local alt-rock band BOAT RACE WEEKEND
- Most recently he was a JESUIT SCHOLASTIC in regency serving as a teaching assistant at Ciudad de los Niños in Jalisco, Mexico



Know someone who would make a great Jesuit like Collin?

Pray for Collin and Jesuit Vocations

BeAJesuit.org
or reach out to your Jesuit Pastor or Associate Pastor



Spiritual Support & Communion for the Homebound

If you or someone you know, who is a St. Ignatius parishioner and temporarily recovering or permanently homebound, please contact the parish office at 503-777-1491 or office@sipdx.org. One of our lay ministers would be happy to visit with spiritual support and Eucharist.



Contemplative Prayer

All early risers are welcome to join a small contemplative prayer group that meets on Friday mornings from 7-8am via Zoom. The group observes silence for 30 minutes followed by 30 minutes of faith sharing and fellowship.

Contact Ed Kaiel at ekaiel@pcc.edu for additional information and the Zoom link.



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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.



COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS



Planned Giving

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](#).

From July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Church tithing	Actual	Budget	% of Goal
July 6-12, 2026	12,596	11,158	113%
Month of July	23,719	48,474	49%
Full Year	23,719	637,000	4%

"Giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of His holy people in the kingdom of light."

(Colossians 1:12)



Make a Year-end Donation to St. Ignatius!

A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA, payable directly to a qualified charity such as St. Ignatius Parish. By making a charitable IRA rollover, you can support our parish, help sustain our mission, and continue caring for our beautiful church.

You may transfer up to \$100,000 directly from your IRA to St. Ignatius Parish without paying income tax on the distribution, provided the transfer qualifies as a QCD.

To qualify:

- You must be age 70½ or older.
- The transfer must be made directly from your IRA to St. Ignatius Parish.

Please consult your tax or financial advisor to determine whether a Qualified Charitable Distribution is right for you. If you have questions or need assistance with making a transfer, please contact the parish office.

Thank you for your continued generosity and faithful support of St. Ignatius Parish.



Support our Pantry

Please consider bringing non-perishable food donations to the Masses on the weekends and placing them in baskets in the vestibule or making a cash donation through [Realm Connect](#). Your support is much appreciated.

Looking for Assistance?

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 or svdp@sipsx.org. Requests from our neighborhood are then forwarded to our SVdP pantry that delivers food to those in need on Saturday mornings. We are feeding God's people who have less than us!



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