BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth ◊ ◊ ◊ SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:55am-12 Noon Program for 3- & 4- year-olds Grades K-8 Program for the children of registered

CONFIRMATION

For Grades 8-12: Enquire at the Parish Office in September $\Diamond \quad \Diamond \quad \Diamond$

YOUTH MINISTRY

Lynne, youth@stignatius.ca $\Diamond \quad \Diamond \quad \Diamond$

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: Enquire at the Adult Education Centre if interested in joining the Catholic Church.

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SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Arrange 12 months in advance.

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SICK CALLS: Request through the Office. Someone will gladly visit the sick. $\diamond \quad \diamond \quad \diamond$

PRAYER, REFLECTION, & LEARNING: in the Chapel, Mon-Thurs 11:30am-4:00pm $\diamond \quad \diamond \quad \diamond$ HEALING PRAYER

MINISTRY: for prayer, call Michele, :204-663-6727 $\diamond \ \diamond \ \diamond$ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS meet 1st Monday each month at 7:30pm

Mass Intentions for Week of July 17th – 22nd

Mon	July 24 th	7:15am +Pedro Balanon
Tues	25 th	11:00am +Henry Walmark
Wed	26 th	11:00am +Albino Ugrin
Thu	27 th	11:00am +Frink Cvitkovitch
Fri	28^{th}	11:00am +Paul Albo
Sat	29 th	11:00am +Barbara Fiorentino

Readings: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Gospel
Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19	Romans 8: 26-27	Matthew 13: 24-43

Judgement and the Harvest

"Let both weeds and wheat grow together until the harvest..." (Matt 13)

Perhaps there were some overzealous "weeders" in Matthew's congregation who wanted to purify the community by rooting out the bad seed. This seems to be a temptation for

followers of Jesus in every age. We whip ourselves into a weeding frenzy, certain that we know the difference between weeds and wheat, and that we know how to deal with the weeds!

Jesus' parable makes clear that any attempt to root out the weeds will only do more damage to the crop. This has played out far too many times in congregations and denominations, with some determined to root out anyone who does not agree with the "right" interpretation of Scripture, liturgical practice, or stand on a particular issue. There are also those who pronounce judgement on people outside the church -on people of other faiths, for instance – declaring them to be destined for eternal damnation. Whether judgement is focused within the church or without, it does serious damage to the church and its mission.

Jesus makes clear that we simply cannot be certain who is "in" or who is "out." In fact, God's judgment about these matters will take many by surprise (Matt 7:21-23; 8:11-12; 21:31-32; 25:31-46). Thank God it is not up to us! We can leave the weeding to the angels, and get on with the mission Jesus has given us – proclaiming the *good* news of the kingdom of God drawing near.

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Served by:

Pastor: Frank Obrigewitsch, SJ **Assoc Pastor:** Joe Newman, SJ and the Winnipeg Jesuit Community

Office: Tuesday-Friday 9am-4:15pm Admin Asst: Indira Rampersad 204-474-2351 office@stignatius.ca

Controller: Jan Hasiuk controller@stignatius.ca

ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL

Nursery-Grade 8: full curriculum in a Catholic environment for children of registered parishioners. **Principal:** Jeannine Pistawka **Admin Asst:** Michele Lampertz 204-475-1386 www.stignatius.mb.ca

Adult Education Centre & Lending Library: 204-453-9243 Co-ordinator: Valerie Forrest adult.education@stignatius.ca

Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Manager: Chris Janes maintenance@stignatius.ca

The Community of **St Ignatius**



"The Kingdom of Heaven is like yeast..." (Matt 13). Painting by James Janknegt, Texas, US

23 July, 2017 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WEEKEND MASSES		WEEKDAY MASSES		
Saturday:	5:00pm	Mon:	7:15am (& Communion Service 11am)	
Sunday:	No 8am	Tues-Sat:	11:00am	
	9:00am	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION		
	11:00am	Fri July 2	8 th No Friday confessions in July	
(Spanish)	3:40pm	Sat 2	9 th 9:45 - 10:45am Fr Obrigewitsch	
(9:00pm	Fri Aug	4 th No Friday confessions in July	
	5.00p	Sat	5 th 9:45 - 10:45am Fr Obrigewitsch	



23 July 2017 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Festival of Friends & Feast of St Ignatius: Sunday 10 September, starting with Mass at 11am. Mark your calendars.

Eucharistic Ministers needed for the Waverley Retirement Home: Volunteers offer Communion Service to the elderly residents on Monday mornings. To assist in this ministry, call Teresa, 204-488-7606 or John, 204-488-8474.

THIS SUMMER...

Summer Weekend Mass Schedule begins on Saturday 1 July and ends Saturday 30 September. Masses are: Saturday 5pm; Sunday: 9 & 11am, 3:40 & 9pm. No Sunday 8am Mass. No Friday reconciliation during July and August. The office and church will close Mondays at 12pm from 3 July through 25 September.

Reconciliation Summer Schedule: Saturdays 9:45am only, during July and August. There will be no Friday 4pm confessions.

The Adult Education Centre is now closed for the summer until September. During this time there will be no Wednesday Adoration.

Return to Spirit Workshops for: Indigenous people- August 11-14; for all- August 28-31. Workshops are funded for ages **19-29** through a Winnipeg Foundation grant. For info: *www.returningtospirit.org*

Accompanying pianist wanted for St Ignatius School Choir. Contact the Music Director by emailing *matychr@stignatius.mb.ca*

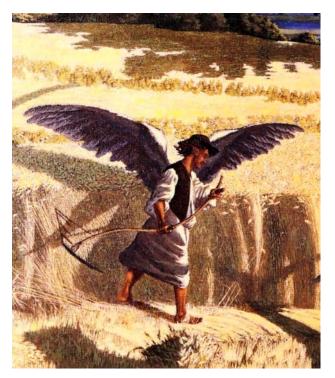
Unwanted prescription or non-prescription eyeglasses can be put to good use in poor countries. To give someone the gift of better sight, bring glasses to the Office any time.

Financial Report

Sharing God's Gifts: Brochures at the back of the church illustrate what wonderful acts of mercy and works of love our contributions assist our Archdiocese to accomplish. Our assessment for 2017 is \$59,000, of which we still owe \$51,100. To help us meet the target by the end of the year, we will continue taking a second collection on alternate Sundays. Please make cheques payable to the Parish, earmarked to "Sharing God's Gifts" – and print your name and envelope number *clearly* on the Sharing God's Gifts envelope.

St Ignatius Statement for this week: To our regular Sunday collection you gave in support of our parish, school, and church: \$11,058. To Sharing God's Gifts you gave \$3,026. To the Poor Box & Agape you gave \$96. Thank you for your generosity.

Please consider using Pre-Authorized Payments (PAC) for your contributions to the church: an easy way to donate, which ensures our church can pay its bills through the summer months when many are away. To start a new PAC or increase an existing one, please fill out a form available from the Office.



"The Harvest Is the End of the World and the Reapers Are Angels" (Matt 11) Painting by Roger Wagner, 1984