BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth $\diamond \quad \diamond \quad \diamond$

SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:55am-12 Noon

Program for 3- & 4- year-olds Grades K-8 Program for the children of registered parishioners

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CONFIRMATION

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

YOUTH EVENTS

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): 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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PRAYER, REFLECTION, & LEARNING: in the Chapel, Mon-Thurs 11:30am-4:00pm $\diamond \ \diamond \ \diamond$ HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY: for prayer, call Michele, :204-663-6727 $\diamond \ \diamond \ \diamond$ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS meet 1st Monday each

meet 1st Monday each month at 7:30pm

Readings: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Gospel	
Ezekiel 18: 25-28	Philippians 2: 1-11	Matthew 21: 28-32	

SPIRITUAL EVOLUTION

Theologian Sr Elizabeth Johnson observes, "An organism should not be fixed in a category like a specimen butterfly on a corkboard, but traced in its movement within the larger story of life's actual passage." Even after we name a specific plant or animal and locate it in a particular scientific species, it is still changing and evolving. Every living entity is continually adapting to its environment. When the environment changes, it either changes or becomes extinct. Similarly, Ezekiel [in today's first reading] demands that his people adapt to the unique environment of forgiveness Yahweh has created, an environment in which they're not only permitted to change; they're invited and expected to change....

For Jesus [in today's third reading from Matthew about the two sons], true faith isn't about finding the religious loopholes that let us go on sinning; it's about creating an environment in which we can change our life's direction. He perceives that for many of his fellow religious Jews, faith has dwindled to a simple process of going to the temple, obtaining God's ritual forgiveness, then going and repeating the process over and over. For such people, religion has become a security blanket instead of the force that drives them to form the relationships Yahweh expects of them. (Catholic use of frequent confession without a firm purpose of amendment repeats this same delusion....)

The early Christian hymn Paul quotes [in the second reading] about Jesus emptying himself can be heard against the background of Genesis 1, where one of the most important concepts is that both the man and the woman are created "in the image and likeness of God..." that a part of God resides in all humans. It's possible the hymn's authors were reflecting not on Jesus emptying himself of his unique preexisting "godness," but on Jesus downplaying the divinity in which all of us share because we're made in God's image. In other words, they were commenting on Jesus' willingness to put his divine aspect in the background and to concentrate on identifying with the lowest class of humans, the group in whom that divine spark is rarely noticed: slaves. Only by becoming totally one with all humans does Jesus become one with God. Only then does he receive the name – Yahweh – which is above every name. If that's the case, then Jesus' "emptying" wasn't instantaneous. It was an ongoing transformation that could have taken place over [30] years.... - Celebration (excerpted/paraphrased)

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The Community of **St Ignatius**



"Which of the two did the will of the father?" (Matt 21) Parable of the two sons by Eugène Burnand (Swiss) from his series Les Paraboles (1908)

1 October, 2017 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WEEKEND MASSES (Winter Schedule)		WEEKDA	WEEKDAY MASSES		
		Mon:	Mon: 7:15am (& Communion Service		munion Service 11am)
Saturday:	5:00pm	Tues-Sat	Tues-Sat: 11:00am		
Sunday:	8:00am	SACRAM	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION		
	9:30am	Fri Oct	6^{th}	4:00 - 5:00pm	Fr Newman
	11:00am	Sat	7^{th}	9:45 - 10:45am	Fr Newman
(Spanish)	3:40pm	Fri	13^{th}	4:00 - 5:00pm	Fr Obrigewitsch
	8:30pm	Sat	14^{th}	9:45 - 10:45am	Fr Obrigewitsch

1 October 2017 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

This Sunday 1 October, we return to the regular Mass schedule. Sunday Masses return to 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00am, 3:40pm (Spanish), and 8:30pm. Friday confessions resume 6 October.

Community Health & Wellbeing Program: Celebrating Life: Music Therapy for Health & Wellbeing, Wednesday 4 October, 1:30pm, Temple Shalom, 1077 Grant Ave. Presented by Rachel MacEwan, All are welcome, especially those over 55. Admission & refreshments free.

K of C Fish Fry, Friday 6 October, 6pm in the parish hall. Tickets: adults \$10; children 12 and under free. Tickets available from the office or one of the Knights. Free child care.

World-Wide Marriage Encounter (WWME): Weekend of 13, 14 & 15 October at St Emile Parish, 552 St Anne's Rd. Registration fee: \$75/couple. For info email wme.wpg@gmail.com or call Mel, 204-599-6349.

Halloween Dance, a Parish family event, Saturday 28 October, 6:00-10:00pm. Co-hosted by Youth Ministry and Knights of Columbus. Free admission. Children's games, haunted house, dancing, DJ, & costume prizes. Pizza and snacks for sale.

Support for MB Bill 34: With the passing in Ottawa of the federal government's euthanasia / assisted-suicide legislation in 2016, now a fait accompli, provinces are in the process of passing the legislation required to implement and refine standards and procedures for "Medical Assistance in Dying" (MAID). Manitoba's Bill 34 does provide protection for health professionals and others whose conscience prevents them from participating in MAID. The Most Rev Richard Gagnon, Archbishop of Winnipeg, is therefore asking for your non-partisan support to promote Bill 34. Please support this important campaign. You can do so by writing a letter addressed to your MLA asking her/him to support Bill 34. Copies of the Archbishop's appeal letter, a sample letter to MLAs, and a list of MLAs by riding, are available at the back of the church. Letters should be sent via Patti Fitzmaurice, Micah House, 1039 Main Street, Wpg R3W 3R2. Deadline: October 15th. For more info go to www.archwinnipeg.ca

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) started Tuesday 26 September. For those interested in becoming Catholic, and for Catholics wanting to learn more about their faith. Contact Val at the Education Centre, 204-453-9243 or adult.education@stignatius.ca

St Ignatius Prison Ministry: more volunteers needed to attend Mass at Stony Mountain Institution Chapel the 2nd Saturday of each month. Commitment is 5:30 to 9:00pm including travel time. For more info see St Ignatius website. If interested, you can sign up at the office.

Mothers' Prayer Group: Tuesdays 11:45am -12:45pm in the Chapel. Pray for your children and grandchildren.

Adoration every Wednesday: Prayer for our Teenagers, 2:00pm to 3:00pm in the Chapel.

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 \$30,669. 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: \$12,010. To Sharing God's Gifts you gave \$1,639. To the Poor Box & Agape you gave \$83. Thank you for your generosity.

Please consider using Pre-Authorized Payments (PAC) for your contributions to the church: an easy way to donate. To start a new PAC or increase an existing one, please fill out a form available from the Office.

2017 Ignatian Challenge Award, Tuesday 7 November at the Convention Centre. St Paul's High School honours Stephen & Ruth Chipman. Tickets or sponsorship; go to www.stpauls.mb.ca

Quilting Group (for the Children's Hospital) meets every Thursday, 11:30am to 1pm in the Ed Centre. No experience necessary. All welcome.

The D&P Committee warmly thanks parishioners for their generosity and moral support through the highly successful Fall Advocacy and ShareLent campaigns. Please consider strengthening this Ministry by joining our Committee. Info: John Conci, 204-488-8474.

You can give a \$5 Tim Horton's card, as an alternative to cash, to the homeless and to those in need. Cards can be purchased from one of the Knights.



Please see the insert with this week's bulletin with details about "Youth & Community Events."

Mass Intentions for Week of Oct 2nd – 7th

Mon	Oct 2 nd	7:15am	+ Frank Cvitkovitch
Tues	3^{rd}	11:00am	+Albino Ugrin
Wed	4^{th}	11:00am	+Deceased members, Vergata Family
Thu	5^{th}	11:00am	+Emily Sharkey
Fri	6^{th}	11:00am	+Antonio Audino
Sat	7^{th}	11:00am	+Cora Wikeem

The Prophet Ezekiel blows the Shofar