

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN
For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth

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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 Parish Office in September

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YOUTH EVENTS
Lynne, youth@stignatius.ca

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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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SICK CALLS: Request through the Office. Someone will gladly visit the sick.

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HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY: for prayer, call Valerie, :204-453-9243

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
meet 1st Monday each month at 7:30pm

Readings: 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)		
1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Gospel
Joshua 24: 1-2a, 15-17, 18b	Ephesians 4: 32 - 5: 1-2, 21-32	John 6: 53. 60-69

About Commitment to God

In today's Old Testament reading, Joshua called his people together at Shechem to make a solemn commitment, publicly proclaiming whether or not they wanted to serve the Lord who freed and fed them and brought them to the Holy Land. It is an ancient story of making a commitment to the God of life. This reading has a relationship to today's Gospel. (At the same time, this reading might lead us to reflect on the plight of migrants in our land and the adjustments they must confront. Taken in that light, it challenges local churches in areas that receive migrants to question themselves about how they may have conflated culture and religion, thereby falling into the trap of the nations who worshipped territorial gods who were unadaptable to "foreign" cultures. Joshua invited the Israelites to recommit themselves to their God, a God unbound by geography or culture. Today, as globalization makes the diversity of cultures more present to everyone, Christians who want to worship the God of Abraham and Jesus are called to do the same.)

In today's Gospel reading, we are reaching the end of the five-week "Bread of Life Discourse," John's theology of the Eucharist.... In it, Jesus presents himself as God's self-gift for the life of the world. The images of bread and flesh and blood make his message concrete, indicating that the Word of God became flesh to give life to everyone who would accept it, to anyone who would receive and take in that Word. God's self-offering upends traditional notions of sacrifice and undercuts any self-interested motives for discipleship. Jesus' offer to those who would receive him is nothing less than an invitation to the adventure of unlimited love that leads to unlimited life.

Together, these Scriptures invite us to stand with Joshua's Israelites and Jesus' disciples as they are asked about their commitment. Are we ready to renew *our* deeply personal, public dedication to Christ? If so, we might use the profession of faith as a solemn reaffirmation of our commitment. We could allow the procession at Communion to serve as a communal reenactment of the pledge Joshua called forth from his people. Even making the sign of the cross with full awareness can reinforce our conscious decision to belong to Christ. Most of all, our "amen" to receiving the Eucharist proclaims, that we are willing to receive what we are and be what we receive.

– Celebration (excerpted/paraphrased)

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ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL
Nursery-Grade 8: full curriculum in a Catholic environment for children of registered parishioners.
Principal: Jeannine Pistawka
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Adult Education Centre & Lending Library: 204-453-9243
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Manager: Chris Janes
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WEEKEND MASSES			WEEKDAY MASSES		
Saturday:	5:00pm		Mon:	7:15am (& Communion Service 11am)	
Sunday:	9:00am		Tues-Sat:	11:00am	
	11:00am		SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION		
(Spanish)	3:40pm		Fri August 31 st	4:00 - 5:00pm	<i>No Confessions</i>
	9:00pm		Sat Sept 1 st	9:45 - 10:45am	Fr Obrigewitsch
			Fri 7 th	4:00 - 5:00pm	<i>No Confessions</i>
			Sat 8 th	9:45 - 10:45am	Fr Newman

The Community of St Ignatius



The Covenant at Shechem (Joshua 24)

26 August 2018
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

26 August 2018 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Access the bulletin on-line any time; go to www.stignatius.ca

Congratulations to Fr Joseph Newman on the 40th Anniversary of his entrance into the Jesuit Order (1978-08-26). To be celebrated during the Festival of Friends, Sunday 9 September.

An email scam impersonating Fr Frank is going the rounds. Please do not respond to any requests purporting to be from him without first checking in person with the Office.

Sharing God’s Gifts: There is a collection *this* weekend (see Financial Report at right).

Pope Francis’ Letter to the People of God and the related **Statement by the CCCB**, both about clerical sexual abuse and the ecclesial cover-up, are available at the back of the church.

Booking for Parish Groups: Please email your group’s schedules for Fall 2018 to the parish office via office@stignatius.ca as soon as possible so we can book your space.

SUMMER SCHEDULE REMINDERS

Summer Weekend Mass Schedule, now in effect, ends Sunday 30 September. Masses are: Saturday 5pm; Sunday: 9 & 11am, 3:40 & 9pm.

There is no Friday reconciliation during August and September.

The office and church will now close Mondays at noon through 30 September.

The Education Centre is closed and will reopen Tuesday 4 September.

There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until September.

Festival of Friends Planning Meeting, Tuesday 28 August 7pm in the Education Centre. All are welcome.

Festival of Friends / Feast of St Ignatius Picnic, Sunday 9 September after 11am Mass. To include celebration of the 40th Anniversary of Fr Newman’s entry into the Jesuit Order. Mark your calendar!

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) starts Tuesday 25 September. Contact Val at the Education Centre, 204-453-9243 or adult.education@stignatius.ca

Knights of Columbus News

Grocery Gift Cards, which can be used at Co-op, Sobey’s, Safeway, and IGA (\$25, \$50, & \$100 denominations) are on sale by our Knights each week after all Masses in the vestibule at the back of the church and in the hall. Cash or debit card only, please.



Financial Report

Sharing God’s Gifts Update (Archdiocesan Collection): Our assessment for 2018 is \$58,380, of which we still have to collect \$15,158. *We’re more than 74% of the way there!* We continue our series of second collections on alternate Sundays. Please make cheques payable to the Parish, earmarked “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 \$11,959 to support our Parish, including school and church expenses. To Sharing God’s Gifts you gave \$308. To Agape and the Poor Box you gave \$25. 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.**

St Ignatius Sunday School Registration, Sunday 9 September after 9am Mass.

Sunday School resumes Sunday 16 September.

Registration forms are in the office. The Sunday School Program includes: the 3- and 4-Year-Old Program, Kindergarten, Grades 1 through 7, and the Confirmation Program.

Sunday School Confirmation Classes

will begin in the fall. If student will attend Grade 8 in September or is at least 13 years old, please call the parish office to register for these classes.

Philippine Dinner and Cultural Show,

Saturday 20 October, more info to follow. Save the date.



“Choose this day whom you will serve” (Joshua 24)

Mass Intentions for the Week of August 27th – September 1st

Mon	Aug 27 th	7:15am +Ada Ryan
Tues	28 th	11:00am +Leo Lajoi
Wed	29 th	11:00am +Ludmila Alcala
Thu	30 th	11:00am +The Shirtliff Family
Fri	31 st	11:00am Spec Int Carmelo Militano & family
Sat	Sep 1 st	11:00am +Jerry Hawrylak