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- yearolds; 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 $\Diamond \quad \Diamond \quad \Diamond$

YOUTH EVENTS

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Enquire at the Adult Education Centre if interested in joining the Catholic Church. $\Diamond \quad \Diamond \quad \Diamond$

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: call Office, 204-474-2351 ◊ ◊ ◊

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

On Wealth vs Fulfillment

In scripture, there are as many different ways of looking at God as there are biblical authors. An example is the "wisdom debate." Writings like Proverbs and Wisdom encourage readers to appreciate the logical patterns that surface when one follows Yahweh's commands. People who follow God's rules and regulations can expect to be rewarded generously by God *in this life*. Some Hebrew scriptures even regard wealth as an outward sign that we're doing what Yahweh wants. On the other hand, we have writings like Job and today's piece from Ecclesiastes that contradict the simplistic statements of the traditional theology of reward and retribution – and quarrel with any theology that ignores experience, thereby tending to become unreal. Wealth, for this second group of Biblical writers, is just a matter of how the ball bounces; it has little to do with how one relates to God. "Here is one who has laboured with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet he must leave his property to another who has not laboured over it."

Yet when we look at everything Jesus says about acquiring wealth, we realize he transcends the wisdom debate and takes it to the next level. That's clear from the event that triggers the parable about the rich man's death in today's reading from Luke. Jesus not only refuses to get involved in family disputes, he gives a simple rule for avoiding such encounters: "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." In this situation, his teaching on wealth has little to do with our getting into heaven or being sent to hell. Jesus demonstrates his concern that we live the most fulfilled life we can right here and now. This Galilean carpenter is completely down to earth. He want us to relate correctly not only to the earth we inhabit, but to the situations and people that earth offers us. A large part of those relationships concerns the material things we acquire while we're on this earth.

Jesus says that anyone who focuses just on acquiring wealth during his or her lifetime is focused on something that is going to bring neither happiness nor fulfillment, *even in that lifetime*. All four Gospels make clear that the only way to achieve such happiness and fulfillment is to train oneself to concentrate on the people one encounters in daily life, trying always to care for the needs of people that surface in those encounters.

When it comes to our faith transformation, we have choices, and not just among various biblical theologies. More personally, we have a choice between merely worshipping God, or worshipping him *and imitating* Jesus. Worshipping might get us into heaven one day. But imitating Christ here and now will help us realize the dreams he has for us. Only those who imitate Jesus are actually doing what he wanted his followers to do. Isn't this imitation exactly what we are committing ourselves to do whenever we receive him in the breaking of the bread? The challenge is to carry through on that imitation even when we don't feel like doing it.

-- Celebration 2016 (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 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 Parable of the Rich Fool (Luke 12) painting by James B Janknegt

4 August 2019 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUMMER WEEKEND MASSES		WEEKDAY MASSES			
Saturday:	5:00pm	Mon: 7:15am (& Communion Service 11am)			
Sunday:	9:00am	Tues-Sat:	11:00am		
	11:00am	SACRAMEN	T OF RECONCILIATION		
	3:40pm (Spanish) 9:00pm	Fri Aug Sat Fri Sat	9^{th} 4:00 - 5:00pm No confessions 10^{th} 9:45 - 10:45am Fr Obrigewitsch 16^{th} 4:00 - 5:00pm No confessions 17^{th} 9:45 - 10:45am Fr Obrigewitsch		

4 August 2019 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

The office is closed Monday 5 August for the Civic Holiday.

There will be no Spanish 3:40pm Mass on the Sundays of 4, 11 and 18 August, while Fr Newman is away. The Spanish Mass will resume on 25 August.

Sharing God's Gifts: There is a collection next weekend.

Wanted: Sunday school teachers for St Ignatius Confirmation classes. Please contact the Office if you are interested, or email *office@stignatius.ca*.

SUMMER SCHEDULE REMINDERS

- Summer Weekend Mass Schedule began in July and will end 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 close Mondays at noon through 30 September.
- The Education Centre is closed and will reopen Tuesday 3 September.
- There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until September.

Board Game and Book Sale for Seven Oaks General Hospital, 20 through 22 August. Donations requested (by 12 August) of gently used books, and board games.

Youth Group's Vacation Bible School, remaining session from 26 to 30 August. Registrations are still being accepted. Forms are available at the back of the church or in the Office. Completed forms can be dropped off at the Office during working hours.

Festival of Friends: Joint Spanish and English Mass, Sunday 8 September 11am. Then, after Mass, please join your fellow parishioners in the Main Hall for cake and coffee. There will be a display of booths highlighting the many groups of our Parish. If you are a group coordinator and would like to set up a booth, please contact Theresa, *tcannon@live.ca*

Mass Intentions for the Week of August 5 th to 10 th				
Mon	Aug 5 th	7:15am +Guerino Vacca		
Tues	6 th	11:00am +Joseph Multon		
Wed	7^{th}	11:00am +Andrea Obulata-Ezeleche		
Thu	8^{th}	11:00am +Dennis Tabisz		
Fri	9 th	11:00am +Elaine Chadney		
Sat	10 th	11:00am +Luigi Magnifico		

Readings: 18 th Sunday
in Ordinary Time (C)
1 st Reading
Ecclesiastes 1: 2; 2: 21-23
2 nd Reading
Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11
Gospel
Luke 12: 13-21

Financial Report

2019 *Sharing God's Gifts* **Archdiocesan Collection (SGG):** We take up our SGG collections every second week. Our Parish's assessment for 2019 is \$65,453; we still have to collect \$24,330. 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. Thank you for your generosity towards the various Archdiocesan ministries!

St Ignatius Statement for this week: To our regular Sunday collections you gave \$11,919 toward the support of our Parish, including school and church expenses. To SGG you gave \$1,960. To Agape and the Poor Box you gave \$50. 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 Mary's Academy 150th Birthday Gala Dinner & Dance, Friday 27 September, 6pm, Victoria Inn, 1808 Wellington Avenue. Tribute to the Sisters of Holy Names of Jesus and Mary (SNJM). Everyone welcome. Join the Academy at the Gala as we pay tribute to the SNJM for their unwavering commitment to learning, faith, service and leadership. Tickets: \$150, available at *https://www.smamb.ca/about/150th-birthday/*

WorldWide Marriage Encounter (WWME), **Friday 18 October to Sunday 20 October**, St Charles Retreat Centre. WWME will help you find ways to increase love, intimacy and communication in your marriage. Request application form from *wwme.wpg@gmail.com*

Wanted: Campus Ministry Assistant for St Paul's College – Application deadline: 16 August. Part-time term position September 2019 through June 2020 with possibility of renewal. 15 hours per week. Regular attendance at liturgy required, including weekends. Must have knowledge of the order of liturgy and sacraments; post-secondary degree or diploma (or near completion); experience working in a diverse pastoral and/or office environment; good communication and software skills; driver's licence and access to vehicle; ability to work well with students, pastoral team, & public; high level of integrity and strong work ethic. For full list of qualifications and duties, please email *Eliude.Cavalcante@umanitoba.ca..* To apply, submit cover letter and résumé by email or to Director, Campus Ministry, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, 209 -70 Dysart Road, Winnipeg, MB R3T 2M6



The Miser (Luke 12), painting by Margret Hofheinz-Döring, German, 1926