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. $\diamond \diamond \diamond$

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

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY: call Office, 204-474-2351 ◊ ◊ ◊

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

WAITING, DRESSED FOR ACTION

What is expected of us as we watch and work for the realization of God's reign among us? What should we be doing in this seemingly endless interim between the appearances of Jesus? These questions have been pertinent to the lives of every believer since the beginning of Christianity. Today's Epistle and Gospel give the same answer: be faithful, vigilant and prepared.

The intended readers of Paul's letter to the Hebrews were already growing weary of waiting for Jesus. In the 80s AD, many were considering a return to their Jewish roots, if only as a way to save themselves from imperial persecution. This passage was therefore an extended and eloquent argument for the unique superiority of Jesus. It cites the example of Abraham, whose faith in God moved him to launch out into unknown and unmapped territory while believing that he and his barren wife Sarah might have a child. He was even willing to believe that eventually his descendants would outnumber the stars and the sands on the seashore.

For the Christians late in the First Century AD, today's Gospel underscored the *certainty* of Jesus' return and counseled them to be watchful and prepared. Though the wait for Jesus' return has now stretched into twenty centuries, the call to exercise responsible stewardship has not diminished. We cannot become insensitive or indifferent. Rather, we are to continue to see and serve Jesus in the poor and persecuted. We are to continue feeding him in the hungry, clothing him in the naked, healing him in the sick and welcoming him in the lost and the lonely. This is the authentic preparation that will help us to recognize him when he comes. "Blessed is that servant whom the master on arrival finds doing so."

At another level, the parable was recast and infused with a Passover motif. "Gird your loins and light your lamps" was part of the traditional Passover rite, which commemorated the Exodus from Egypt. Luke pointed to this as a foreshadowing of Jesus' passing over from death to life. This Christian Passover is remembered and celebrated at every eucharistic encounter.

Peter's follow-up question about the intended audience of the parable represents Luke's intention to apply the parable's message to the growing Christian community. The church is Jesus' little flock and because of that, believers are to be dependable and conscientious in their stewardship.

- Celebration 2016 (excerpted/paraphrased)

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

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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

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

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The Community of **St Ignatius**



"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit..."(Luke 12)

11 August 2019 19th 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	16^{th} 4:00 -5:00pmNo confessions 17^{th} 9:45 -10:45amFr Obrigewitsch 23^{rd} 4:00 -5:00pmNo confessions 24^{th} 9:45 -10:45amFr Newman

11 August 2019 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

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

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

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 remains in effect through 30 September.
 Masses are: Saturday 5pm; Sunday: 9 & 11am, 3:40 & 9pm.
- There is no Reconciliation on Fridays during August and September.
- The office and church close Mondays at noon from 8 July 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.

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. 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, contact Theresa, *tcannon@live.ca*

St Ignatius Sunday School resumes Sunday 15 September. Registration is Sunday 8 September after 11am Mass. Forms are in the office.

Mass Intentions for the Week of August 12 th to 17 th			
Mon	Aug 12 th	7:15am +Harry Van de Mosselaer	
Tues	13^{th}	11:00am +Douglas Stoski	
Wed	14^{th}	11:00am +Barbara Fiorentino	
Thu	15^{th}	11:00am +Francesco Notarianni	
Fri	16^{th}	11:00am +Christine Payne	
Sat	17^{th}	11:00am +All Souls in Purgatory	

Readings: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 1st Reading Wisdom 18: 6-9 2nd Reading Hebrews 11: 1-2, 18-19 Gospel Luke 12: 32-48

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 \$23, 676. 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 \$10,472 toward the support of our Parish, including school and church expenses. To SGG you gave \$654. To Agape and the Poor Box you gave \$111. 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 a vehicle; ability to work well with students, pastoral team, & public; high level of integrity and strong work ethic. Email

Eliude.Cavalcante@umanitoba.ca for a full list of qualifications and duties. To apply, submit cover letter and résumé to same email, or mail to Director, Campus Ministry, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, 209 - 70 Dysart Road, Winnipeg, MB R3T 2M6



Abraham, living in tents as in a foreign land, dreaming of the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God... (Hebrews 11)