

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: call Office, 204-474-2351
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

meet 1st Monday each month at 7:30pm

THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

German Lutheran pastor Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote a book titled *The Cost of Discipleship*. Bonhoeffer knew that cost firsthand. As a disciple of Jesus, Bonhoeffer risked everything, including his life, in order to resist Hitler and the spread of Nazism. Bonhoeffer argues that as Christianity spread, the church became involved with the state, and secularization set in. The call to discipleship became exclusive to religious professionals like monks and nuns. Ordinary Christians, even some clergy, saw their Christian life as a practice of keeping rules rather than submitting to the "yoke of Christ" in full discipleship. For a disciple is more than a follower. When Jesus called his disciples to follow him, he was not enlisting part-time or seasonal volunteers; he was asking those who would be his own for total, unconditional and persevering commitment. In the Gospels we see some people who were followers of Jesus who turned away when they were challenged to become disciples. Discipleship involves accepting and integrating into our lives the teachings and values of the one whose disciple we become. This is of course aspirational: the ideal for which a would-be disciple must constantly strive.

In today's Gospel, as he does frequently in his teachings, Jesus uses hyperbole to drive home this point. The requirement that we "hate" father and mother should be seen in the light of Hebrew literary conventions and the whole of Scripture. Some other translations of Luke make Jesus' meaning a little clearer to us: "If you want to be my disciple, you must hate everyone else *by comparison*" (NLT). We can also compare this saying in Luke with its parallel in Matthew (10:37): "Whoever loves father or mother [or son or daughter] more than me is not worthy of me." It helps to understand that in a variety of passages, the Hebrew scriptural idiom uses the contrast between "love" and "hatred" to describe preference. For example, in dealing with inheritances in polygamous marriages, the Mosaic Law, literally translated, referred to "two wives, one beloved, and another hated" (Deut 21:15, KJV). But, as subtler translations make clear, the law was not indicating emotional hatred on the part of the husband, only lower priority. Jesus' point is not that we are to be heartless toward our families, only that we must esteem Him more highly than the people we love here on earth – so much so that our earthly loves pale in comparison. This should not be mistaken for renunciation of one's familial responsibilities, an action for which Jesus castigated the Pharisees (Mark 7:12). Rather, discipleship calls for a reordering of one's values and priorities so that Jesus is one's first love.

The passage "whoever does not give up all their possessions cannot be my disciple" challenges us to internalize and activate the message of what could be required if we were called to live in true solidarity with the poor and marginalized: those people of God who do without much of what we consider ordinary or even necessary. Disciples are also to cultivate wisdom and practical sense and are to seek out the advice of others, all the while praying to recognize and accept God's grace as it is given. Like the builder of the tower and the king marching into battle, disciples must keep their wits about them and make realistic, strategic decisions about the costs, available resources, and consequences – in order to see the journey through.

Condensed & paraphrased from Celebration 2016; a commentary in www.workingpreacher.org by Jeannine K Brown, Prof of New Testament at Bethel Seminary, St Paul, MN; and other sources

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Monday 9am-Noon

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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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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

SUMMER WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am
11:00am
3:40pm (Spanish)
9:00pm

The Community of St Ignatius



The High Cost of Discipleship, (Luke 14) painting by Georges Rouault

8 September 2019
23rd 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	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION	
	3:40pm (Spanish)	Fri Sept 13 th	4:00 - 5:00pm <i>No confessions</i>
	9:00pm	Sat 14 th	9:45 - 10:45am Fr Obrigewitsch
		Fri Sept 20 th	4:00 - 5:00pm <i>No confessions</i>
		Sat 21 st	9:45 - 10:45am Fr Newman

8 September 2019 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

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

St Ignatius Sunday School registration is this Sunday 8 September after 11am Mass.

Forms are in the office. **Sunday School classes resume next Sunday 15 September, 11am**, including for: 3 & 4-year-olds, Kindergarten, Grades 1 through 7, and Confirmation.

There will be no 3:40pm Spanish Mass this Sunday 8 September. Regular weekly Spanish masses at 3:40pm will resume Sunday 15 September.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) starts Tuesday 1 October. If you are interested in receiving the Sacraments of Baptism and /or Confirmation, or joining the RC Church, contact Val at the Education Centre, 204-453-9243 or adult.education@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 September.
- The office and church close Mondays at noon through 30 September.
- The Education Centre has now reopened.
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament resumes Wednesday 11 September.

Healing Prayers: this Saturday and the first Saturday of each month after the 11am Mass. Healing teams will be available to pray with supplicants.

Joint Spanish and English Mass, Sunday 8 September, 11am celebrating the Festival of Friends: To welcome everyone back and join in unity after a busy summer. After mass please join your fellow parishioners for cake and coffee. Booths highlighting Parish groups will also be on display in the main hall to help you consider joining or volunteering.

Planning to build a tower (Luke 14)

Mass Intentions for the Week of September 9th – 14th

Mon	Sep 9 th	7:15am	+Joe Gribben
Tues	10 th	11:00am	+Diane Prefontaine
Wed	11 th	11:00am	+Brian Woods
Thu	12 th	11:00am	+Terry Zarembka
ri	13 th	11:00am	+Deceased Dergat Family
Sat	14 th	11:00am	+Francesco Notarianni



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 \$17,391. 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 \$11,638 toward the support of our Parish, including school and church expenses. To SGG you gave \$263. To Agape and the Poor Box you gave \$58. 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.**

Choir Rehearsals resume Thursday 12 September, 7:30pm in the choir loft. New members warmly welcomed. For more info call Chas 204-261-6461.

Alpha for Teens, 10 Sundays: 22 September – 24 November, 11 am in the Education Centre. All teens welcome. Registration forms available from the office.

Music Workshop with Marty Haugen, Friday 27 September, 7-9pm and Saturday 28 September 9:30am-3pm, St Benedict's Retreat & Conference Centre, 225 Masters Ave. Register at www.stbens.ca

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

Readings: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 9: 13-18

2nd Reading: Philemon 9b-10, 12-17

Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33



Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945)