#### **BAPTISM OF CHILDREN**

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



#### SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:55am-12 Noon

Program for 3- & 4- yearolds; Grades K-8 Program for the children of registered parishioners



#### **CONFIRMATION**

For Grades 8-12: Enquire at Parish Office in September



#### **YOUTH EVENTS**

Lynne, youth@stignatius.ca

#### **CHRISTIAN INITIATION**

**OF ADULTS (RCIA):** Enquire at the Adult Education Centre if interested in joining the Catholic Church.



#### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Arrange 12 months in advance.



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



#### **HEALING PRAYER**

MINISTRY: call Office, 204-474-2351



#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

meet 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month at 7:30pm

#### Readings: Baptism of Jesus (A)

**1**<sup>st</sup> **Reading:** Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Acts 10: 34-38

Gospel: Matthew 3: 13-17

#### BAPTISM AND SERVANTHOOD

Contemporary culture encourages individuals to look out first for number one. Analytical psychologists suggest that even those who serve others are actually helping themselves, as they find contentment in their serving. ["Free market" proponents] insist that by serving oneself and making a large profit, one serves society as a whole, since that wealth might "trickle down" to others. Over and against these contemporary theories, believers are offered in today's First Reading the example of the Isaian Servant. That mission would bring about healing for the sick, wholeness for the broken, justice for the oppressed and salvation for all. During the period of the exile in Babylonia, Isaiah's "servant songs" would have carried a message of encouragement that sustained the exiles and kept their hope alive. They had long looked for God's intervention on their behalf and had previously hung their hopes on a political and/or militaristic figure. But God, who is never predictable, offered leadership in the form of a servant who would heal and instill hope.

When the servant songs are paired with today's Gospel, it is clear that the early believers in Jesus recognized him as the promised servant. This role was ratified by the "voice from the heavens" who claimed Jesus as Son and Servant. How remarkable it is that of all the roles Jesus could have made his own, and of all the ways he could have realized his messianic mission, he chose to become the servant.

At baptism, believers, too, are claimed as sons and daughters of a loving God. We are also claimed by God's Son and our Brother, who makes us sharers in this ministry of service. For that reason, our lives are to be spent as His was, in being healers, people of hope, preachers of good news and faithful servants of all. A person who freely and willingly becomes the servant of another is also willingly accepting that he or she is not the centre of the universe. Rather, the other comes first and foremost, and the servant's joy lies in the altruistic gift of self, time, talent and treasure to the other. Jesus assured his own that just as he had come among them as a servant, so also should they (we) serve one another. This is one of the most striking countercultural messages of the Christian faith.

—Celebration 2011 (excerpted/paraphrased)

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Served by:

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

Office:

Monday-Friday 9am-4pm Admin Asst: Indira Rampersad

204-474-2351 office@stignatius.ca

**Controller:** Jan Hasiuk controller@stignatius.ca

#### 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

Buildings & Grounds Maintenance

Manager: Chris Janes maintenance@stignatius.ca

# The Community of **St Ignatius**



**Baptism of Christ**, contemporary ikon written by Andrij Vynnychok (Ukrainian, b.1967)

### 12 January 2020 Baptism of Jesus

7:15am (& Communion Service 11am)

## WEEKEND MASSES Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am

3:40pm (Spanish)

8:00pm

Tues-Sat:		11:00am		
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION				
Fri	Jan	$17^{\text{th}}$	4:00 - 5:00pm	Fr Obrigewitsch
Sat		$18^{th}$	9:45 - 10:45am	Fr Newman
Fri		$24^{th}$	4:00 - 5:00pm	Fr Newman
Sat		$25^{th}$	9:45 - 10:45am	Fr Newman

**WEEKDAY MASSES** 

Mon:

#### 12 January 2020 - Baptism of Jesus (A)

As the Christmas period comes to a close with the Baptism of Jesus, we continue to wish all our parishioners the peace of Christ, with the hope that the New Life we now celebrate will bring many blessings throughout the New Year to your family, our community, our nation, and the world.

A warm thank-you again to all who helped make our Advent and Christmas Liturgies beautiful and meaningful. Blessings to those who contributed to the four Advent collections. And thank you especially for all the wonderful gifts, greetings and well-wishes you have sent us. We also thank in advance any parishioners who choose to help with the removal of Christmas decorations and raising of the new banners for Ordinary Time.

- Fr Frank Obrigewitsch, SJ, & Fr Joseph Newman, SJ

Removal of Christmas decorations and putting up of new banners, Thursday 16 January, 3pm for about one hour. If you can help, please contact tcannon@live.ca

There is a biweekly collection for Sharing God's Gifts next week.

2020 Sunday Collection and PAC Envelopes are available for pick-up in the Office.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of parishioners Sonia Hakim (wife of Paul Hakim) and Jim McGinn (husband of Frances McGinn), both of whom passed away last week. Condolences to their families.

Pancake Breakfast: this Sunday 12 January after all morning masses in the Parish Hall. Proceeds to the Serra Club of Winnipeg.

Catholic Studies Winter Courses started Monday 6 January at St Paul's College, U/M: Registration open until Monday 20 January. Anyone is welcome to audit. Tuition is free for seniors. For info email catholic@umanitoba.ca or go to umanitoba.ca/colleges/st\_pauls/jesuit\_cemtre

- CATH 1190: Introduction to Catholic Studies
- CATH 2000: Music, Missions and Indigenous Peoples (Dr Jessica Herdman)
- CATH 3900: Catholic Social Teaching (Dr Daniel MacLeod)
- HISTORY 2990: The History of Catholicism since 1540 ( Dr Daniel MacLeod)

**St Ignatius Toastmasters Meeting, Wednesday 15 January,** 7pm in the Loyola Lounge. Theme: Mindfulness – being more present in the moment. Join us and see how you can improve your listening, thinking, speaking and leading skills. For info contact Catriona, 204-296-5734.

Thank you to everyone who provided chili for the Immaculate Conception Drop-In Centre. The guests appreciated the nourishment and felt the love.

#### **Financial Report**

**2020** *Sharing God's Gifts* **Archdiocesan Collection (SGG):** Collections are every second week. 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 combined regular Sunday collections you gave \$15,085 in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses. To SGG you gave \$2,314. To Agape and the Poor Box you placed \$60. 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.

#### **Youth Group News**

for info contact Lynne at youth@stignatius.ca or 431-997-3500

- Youth Group resumes Saturday 11 January, 7pm. All Teens are welcome. Come and meet our new Youth Group Leader, Tony Seville.
- Light of Jesus Music Ministry Worship Night, Saturday 18 January, 7pm in our Hall for teens and young adults.

#### **Knights of Columbus News:**

- Work Night: To paint stage in church hall Monday 20 January, 6pm church hall. If you can help call Maurice 204-781-8577. Pizza and refreshments served.
- Sale of grocery cards: in 2019 we raised \$8,000 for our Parish. Total amount raised to date: \$19,000.

Faith and Sustainability Report, Wednesday 29 January, 7pm in the Education Centre. Presenter: Justine Backer, Masters student, U of M. (parishioners of St Ignatius and Unitarian Universalist Church participated in her study). Refreshments served. Event sponsored by St Ignatius Environment Committee. All are invited

"I have given you as a covenant to the people... to open eyes that are blind, to bring out... from the prison those who sit in darkness." (Isaiah 42).



## Mass Intentions for the Week of January 13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> Mon Jan 13<sup>th</sup> 7:15am Health of Randy McDonald Tues 14<sup>th</sup> 11:00am Spec Int: Brock & Francine Lee

Wed 15<sup>th</sup> 11:00am +Eldon Nielson Thu 16<sup>th</sup> 11:00am +Wayne Riel

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> 11:00am +Donna Mc Dougall Sat 18<sup>th</sup> 11:00am +Elefante Family