

The Community of **St Ignatius**

Winnipeg, MB

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On-line Parish Bulletin for 2023-01-22

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

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"I will make of you fishers of people" (Matt 4),
Painting by Laneea Tolley, Contemporary African-American

Regular Mass Schedule

- ✚ Monday through Saturday: 11am*
- ✚ Saturday: 5pm (meets Sunday obligation)
- ✚ Sunday: 9:30am and 11:00am*
* live-streamed

**You are still required to wear a mask,
covering nose and mouth, at all regular Masses.
If you are sick, you should refrain from
attending in person.**

READINGS: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

1st Reading: Isaiah 9: 1-4

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17-18

Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-23

Mass Intentions for the Week of January 23rd – 28th (will be honoured during live-streamed Masses)

Mon	Jan	23 rd	11:00am	+Mario Maramot
Tues		24 th	11:00am	+Antonio Cuzzetto
Wed		25 th	11:00am	+Jacques Prefontaine
Thu		26 th	11:00am	Spec Int: Greg Kilimnik
Fri		27 th	11:00am	+Angela Marino
Sat		28 th	11:00am	+Ted Bickel

Masses are live-streamed at 11am daily from St Ignatius at <http://stignatiusmass.from-ca.com>
(and remain available on line until the next morning). All who cannot attend are invited to join us on line.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Fridays at 4pm, and Saturdays at 10am.

Reconciliation also continues to be available by appointment Wednesday through Friday before or after Mass;
please send appointment requests to reserve@stignatius.ca

When private prayer in the church is not available for you, family prayer at home is highly recommended.

See the following websites for prayer suggestions:

- <https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/prayer-index/prayers-for-healing>
- <https://www.catholic.org/prayers/>
- <https://mycatholic.life/catholic-prayers/a-prayer-for-healing-and-hope/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE NEWS:

- **NEW** Please see Fr Frank's Reflections of our Pastor in your email inbox or on the Parish website. Hard copies are also available at the back of the church. This reflection includes his concerns about Parish finances.
- **Technicians are needed for Saturday 5pm Mass.** If interested, please contact the Office, or David at techadmin@stignatius.ca
- **Parish Offertory envelopes for 2023 are now available at the back of the church**, by calling the Parish Office, 204-474-2351, or by emailing office@stignatius.ca. Pre-authorized chequing (PAC) is now the preferred alternative. However, if PAC is not for you, please obtain a set of envelopes.
- **Donations to St Ignatius can also be made using a credit card** on the Archdiocese website at <https://www.archwinnipeg.ca/donate.html> . Scroll down to the green "Donation" bar, tick the round box at left for towards "Parish," select "St Ignatius" as recipient from the drop-down box at right, and then complete the donor information.

NEW St Ignatius Choir is looking for new members. This is the perfect time to join, since we will be starting to learn music for Holy Week. No auditions required. For more information, call Chas van Dyck, 204-261-6461.

St Ignatius Toastmasters meet Wednesdays 7pm to 8pm, Loyola lounge. Upcoming meeting themes: "Connect the Dots for a Magnificent 2023," "You Too Can Stand Up and Speak," "Say it Smoothly: Preparation & Practice," and "Mastering the Art of Impromptu Speaking." Guests are welcome. Attendance is free. Questions? Email Sarah, sarah_gleon@yahoo.ca

NEW St Ignatius School Open House, Thursday 2 February, 6:30 to 8pm in the School Gym, 239 Harrow Street.

NEW Book Presentation – *Building A Bridge: How the Catholic Church and the LGBT Community Can Enter Into a Relationship of Respect, Compassion, and Sensitivity*, by Father James Martin, SJ. Wednesday 15 February, 7pm (CST) via Zoom. Everyone is welcome. Registration is free, but suggested donation is \$10. To register, email adult.education@stignatius.ca

Knights of Columbus Initiatives

- **Next Pancake Breakfast: this Sunday 22 January** after the 9:30 and 11:00am Masses.
- **50/50 Raffle Fundraiser Draw date Sunday 22 January.** 1st Prize: 50% of gross ticket sales; 2nd Prize: 4 tickets to Jets game in the lower bowl. 10% of proceeds will be donated to the church's reconciliation efforts, and the rest to the Parish and other Catholic charities. Buy tickets online via credit card at <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/koc5808>
- **Movie Night, Friday 27 January** in the Parish Hall; Snacks & refreshments at 6:00pm, movie at 6:30pm. *Prince of Egypt*, a family-friendly animated feature. Free (donations accepted).
- **Next Rosary Prayer: Sunday 29 January** immediately after 11:00am Mass. Bring your rosary.
- **Parish Lenten Retreat: Saturday 25 February**, from 10am to 1:30pm, virtual (on line) and in person in St Ignatius Parish Hall. Speaker: Catholic convert from atheism Leah Libresco Sargeant. Attendance free; donations encouraged. To attend, RSVP to koc@stignatius.ca
- **"Coffee and Donuts" Time Sundays** after 9:30 and 11:00am Masses.
- **Sobeys and Co-op Grocery Card Sales after Saturday 5pm and Sunday morning Masses.** Pay by cash or debit to earn donations to our Parish from these stores.

REFLECTION

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:

“The Love of Christ Compels Us” (2 Corinthians 5:14)

Since the 19th Century, many Christian churches set aside time to pray for Christian unity, mostly with the aim of bringing converts to themselves. In 1908, however, Episcopalians Fr Paul Wattson and Sr Lurana White, co-founders of the Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Atonement, began an octave of prayer – coinciding with the feasts of St Peter’s Chair and the Conversion of St Paul – aimed at eventually uniting Anglican and Roman Catholic churches. Within less than a decade, after these two had converted to Roman Catholicism, Popes Pius X and Benedict XV approved and widened the practice for the Church Universal.

Abbé Paul Couturier was a French Catholic priest who advocated Christian unity and, in the 1930s, ardently promoted the idea of a Universal Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. He believed that Christians should pray together “for the unity Christ wills by the means He wills.” In 1933, he introduced a Triduum (three days of prayer) for Christian Unity at Lyon. In 1952 he was given the title of honorary Archimandrite by the Melkite Patriarch of Antioch, Maximus IV.

Nevertheless, inter-denominational prayer remained controversial until after Vatican II in the mid-1960s. Finally, starting in 1993, Catholics were encouraged to join others in a week of common prayers for unity. The octave has evolved into a week-long series of ecumenical services and preacher exchanges organized by many of the participating churches, based on the scriptures all share.

But calls from God are also dynamic and unfolding. As Jesus lived out his calling, he witnessed the unbounded nature of God’s love, mercy, and compassion. Though John the Baptist initially recognized that Jesus “might be made known to Israel,” the words of the prophet Isaiah in last week’s First Reading attest that God desires salvation for *all* peoples and nations. This passage underscores that his calling had a wider scope than originally anticipated; this might have been in Jesus’ mind as he brought God’s tender love and compassionate care to the outcasts, the unclean, and the Gentiles. Jesus responded to a “call within a call” – the phrase St. Teresa of Calcutta used to explain how her unique vocation unfolded – as a “light to the nations.” As Isaiah had foretold, this call extended far beyond Israel.

Thus, it may be appropriate to broaden our consideration during this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity beyond ecumenical relations to embrace all peoples, nations, faiths, and cultures. Our country and our world are in desperate need of reconciliation. There are so many divisions marked by hatred, violence, and discrimination. Reconciliation is not the work of a month or two; it is the ongoing mission of the church, carrying on the mission of Christ himself.

– Information from https://geii.org/week_of_prayer_for_christian_unity/week_of_prayer_founders.html, *Celebration 2015*, and other sources.

The theme for this year’s Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is “Do good; seek justice” (Isaiah 1:17). For more information, contact Saint John XXIII Church: 204-832-7175, office@johnxxiii.ca, or go to www.johnxxiii.ca

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sharing God's Gifts Archdiocesan Collection (SGG): Our assessment for 2022 is \$65,582, of which we still owe \$43,466. 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. Thanks for supporting our Archdiocesan ministries.

St Ignatius Statement for the period January 9th to January 15th: To our combined regular Sunday collections in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses, you gave \$8,999. For Sharing God's Gifts you gave \$1,790.

St Ignatius Parish and School are located on Treaty 1 territory – the traditional land and waters of the Ininiw (Cree), Anishinábé (Ojibwé), Anishiniw (Ojibwé Cree), Dakota, and Dene People, as well as the Birthplace of the Métis Nation and the Heart of the Métis Homeland. We also acknowledge the Shoal Lake #40 First Nation and its territory for our life-giving water, which allows us to live, work, and serve God in Winnipeg.

We are grateful for this land and the hospitality of these nations.

OUR FACILITIES

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ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL <i>Nursery-Grade 8: full curriculum in a Catholic environment for registered parishioners' children.</i> www.stignatius.mb.ca or 204-475-1386 Principal: Jeannine Pistawka, Admin Assistant: Joy Pollreis
Adult Education Centre & Lending Library: 204-453-9243 or adult.education@stignatius.ca Co-ordinator: Carmela Castellano Sinclair
Operations Manager: Bob Pistawka operations@stignatius.ca

SACRAMENTS, FORMATION, & ACTIVITIES

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth
SUNDAY SCHOOL for ages 3 through Grade 8. 10:55am-12 Noon
CONFIRMATION for Grades 8-12: Enquire at Parish Office in September
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.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS normally meet 1 st Monday each month at 7:30pm
PRAYER GROUPS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Healing Prayer Ministry: call the Office, 204-474-2351• Monday Morning Prayer Group meets weekly at 11:30am in the Education Centre.• Mother's Prayer Group meets weekly, Tuesdays at 11:45am in the Chapel.