

# The Community of **St Ignatius**

Winnipeg, MB

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## On-line Parish Bulletin for 2023-08-06

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Transfiguration



Transfiguration (Matt 17) by Fr John Giuliani

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### Regular Mass Schedule

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

If you are sick, you should refrain from  
attending in person.

### Readings: 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

**First Reading:** Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

**Epistle:** 2 Peter 1: 16-19

**Gospel:** Matthew 17: 1-9

### Mass Intentions for the Week of August 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> (will be honoured during live-streamed Masses)

Mon	Aug 7 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am	+Amber McFeetors
Tues	8 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am	Spec Int: Mary Jane Bickel
Wed	9 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am	Spec Int: Aliana Tamayo
Thu	10 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am	+Luigi Magnificio
Fri	11 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am	+Diana Dunn
Sat	12 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am	+Thor Eyolfson

Masses are live-streamed at 11am daily from St Ignatius at <http://stignatiusmass.from-ca.com>  
All who cannot attend are invited to join us on line.

**The usual Friday and Saturday Reconciliation times are cancelled during July and August,  
as are First Friday Adoration and anointing of the sick.**

Reconciliation continues to be available by appointment Wednesday through Friday before or  
after Mass; please send appointment requests to [reserve@stignatius.ca](mailto:reserve@stignatius.ca)

**Where 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/>

Contributions to St Ignatius can be made via PayPal; you may scan this QR code: →



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFICE NOTICES

**Summer Office Hours**, effective July 1<sup>st</sup>: Mondays: closed; Tuesdays through Fridays: 10am to 2pm.

**Please give a warm welcome to Fr Joe Newman**, who will be with us from July 15<sup>th</sup> to August 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Sunday School teachers and volunteers are needed for 2023-24, for all grade levels.** If interested, please email [office@stignatius.ca](mailto:office@stignatius.ca)

**Technicians needed for Saturday 5pm Masses.** Contact the Office, or David at [techadmin@stignatius.ca](mailto:techadmin@stignatius.ca)

The Adult Ed Centre has closed for the summer, and will reopen September 11<sup>th</sup>.

**There will be no First Friday Adoration and anointing of the sick during July and August. There will also be no Sacrament of Reconciliation on Fridays or Saturdays until September. However, Reconciliation continues to be available by appointment Wednesday through Friday before or after Mass.**

**Registration is now open for Sunday School for all grades. Classes start Sunday 10 September.** Forms are available on line and at the Office. All children from K-8 should register for instruction in the Faith.

**St Ignatius needs two new Trustees** as part of a succession planning exercise for these positions: a CPA to chair Parish Finance Council, and a second person with business management skills and knowledge. Both are volunteer positions for St Ignatius parishioners working with the Pastor and reporting to the Canadian Jesuit Provincial. Should these opportunities be right for you, please contact Indira Rampersad in confidence at [office@stignatius.ca](mailto:office@stignatius.ca) -- Fr Frank Obrigewitsch, SJ, Pastor

**St Ignatius Parish Finance Council needs volunteers** to help steer the Parish's finances and resources. If interested, please email [office@stignatius.ca](mailto:office@stignatius.ca)

**Mothers' Prayer Group has ended for the summer** and will resume October 3<sup>rd</sup>, both in person in the Chapel and on line.

**Grotto Mass, Sunday 13 August, Sainte-Rose-de-Lima Church**, 4pm, preceded by Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm. Refreshments to follow (silver collection). Please bring a lawn chair.

### Knights of Columbus Initiatives

- **Upcoming Rosary Prayers: Sunday 27 August**, immediately after 11am Mass. Bring your rosary.
- **Coffee & Donuts Time** is cancelled until September.
- **Sobey's cards are for sale** after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

**St Ignatius School Golf Tournament & 50/50 Draw, Thursday 31 August**, Kingswood Golf Course, during the dinner reception. You do not need to be present to win the draw – a good way to support the School and Parish. Raffle link: [www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/stignatius-mb](http://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/stignatius-mb) To attend the tournament and/or dinner, contact Bob Pistawka, [operations@stignatius.ca](mailto:operations@stignatius.ca)

**The Refugee Committee thanks you for your generous donation to help our Afghan family of three, for whom we now urgently need to find a two-bedroom home or apartment**, as they will be arriving some time soon. If you know of any available accommodation, please contact Saratha, 204 885 0551. Any further donations you can spare are always welcome.

## REFLECTION

### The Strange Light of Transfiguration

...Aquinas says that it was fitting for Christ to be manifested in his glory to his select Apostles, because those who walk an arduous path need a clear sense of the goal of their journey. The arduous path that Thomas speaks of is this life, with all of its attendant sufferings, failures, setbacks, disappointments, anxieties, and injustices. Beset by all of this negativity, a pilgrim on life's way can easily succumb to despair unless he [sic] is granted a glimpse of the glory that comes at the end of his striving. And this is why, Aquinas argues, Jesus, while on his way to the cross, for a brief moment allows the light to shine through him. This is why he permits the end of the journey to appear, however fleetingly, in the midst of the journey. Though we live and move within the confines of this world of space and time, we are not meant, finally, for this dimensional system; we are summoned to life on high with God, in a transformed state of existence. The Transfiguration, therefore, awakens our sense of wonder and steels our courage to face the darkness here below.

Next, Aquinas enquires more precisely after the light (*claritas*) that is said to have shone from the face and figure of Christ.... One reason, Thomas suggests is that light is the quality by which we see.... Aquinas says that Jesus, at the Transfiguration, began to shine with the radiance of heaven so as to entrance us with the prospect of our own beautiful transfiguration.

-- excerpted from "The Strange Light" by Bishop Robert Barron,  
in *The Word on Fire Bible*, p106, Word on Fire Catholic Ministries, Park Ridge, IL, 2020

The *Transfiguration of Jesus* icon at the head of this bulletin is by Father John Giuliani (1932-2021), long-time priest of the Diocese of Bridgeport, CT, founder of the Benedictine Grange in West Redding, CT, and a professionally trained iconographer. ( <https://www.ncronline.org/news/remembering-fr-john-giuliani-iconographer-priest-who-celebrated-native-spirituality-his-art> )

The icon depicts Jesus' encounter with Moses and Elijah on Mt. Tabor. All three figures are imaged as Lakota. Moses, wrapped in buffalo hide, wears a Chief's feathered headdress and carries an eagle wing as a sign of authority. Elijah the prophet carries the peace pipe. Jesus, transfigured as the Anointed One, wears a white Hudson blanket and is encircled by the emanation of celestial light.

Traditional iconography gives witness to the human face of the Sacred. This icon, imaged in the features of America's indigenous peoples, reveals anew that sacred power. It celebrates the soul of the Native American as the original spiritual presence on this continent, and as a prophetic sign, it celebrates the vision of Native and Christian peoples of this land.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

**Sharing God's Gifts Archdiocesan Collection (SGG):** Our assessment for 2022 is \$65,582, of which we still owe \$13,395. 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 July 24<sup>th</sup> to July 30<sup>th</sup>:** To our combined regular Sunday collections in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses, you gave \$4,182. For *Sharing God's Gifts* you gave \$466. For the Poor Box you gave \$50. Thank you for your generosity!

Contributions made through PAC and PayPal are monitored monthly. For the period June 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, PAC donations totaled \$16,354. PayPal donations during June totaled \$3,027.81.

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

<b>ST IGNATIUS PARISH</b> 255 Stafford Street Winnipeg, MB R3M 2X2 <a href="http://www.stignatius.ca">www.stignatius.ca</a>
<b>Served by:</b> <b>Pastor:</b> Frank Obrigewitsch, SJ <b>Assoc Pastor:</b> Con Mulvihill, SJ and John Perry, SJ
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<b>Bookkeeper:</b> Eva Dunlao, <a href="mailto:controller@stignatius.ca">controller@stignatius.ca</a>
<b>ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL</b> <i>Nursery-Grade 8: full curriculum in a Catholic environment for registered parishioners' children.</i> <a href="http://www.stignatius.mb.ca">www.stignatius.mb.ca</a> or 204-475-1386 <b>Principal:</b> Jeannine Pistawka, <b>Admin Assistant:</b> Joy Pollreis
<b>Adult Education Centre &amp; Lending Library:</b> 204-453-9243 or <a href="mailto:adult.education@stignatius.ca">adult.education@stignatius.ca</a> <b>Director:</b> Carmela Castellano Sinclair
<b>Operations Manager:</b> Bob Pistawka <a href="mailto:operations@stignatius.ca">operations@stignatius.ca</a>

### SACRAMENTS, FORMATION, & ACTIVITIES

<b>BAPTISM OF CHILDREN</b> For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> for ages 3 through Grade 8. <b>10:55am-12 Noon</b>
<b>CONFIRMATION</b> for Grades 8-12: Enquire at Parish Office in September
<b>CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):</b> Enquire at the Adult Education Centre if interested in joining the Catholic Church.
<b>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</b> Arrange 12 months in advance.
<b>SICK CALLS:</b> Request through the Office. Someone will gladly visit the sick.
<b>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</b> normally meet 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday each month at 7:30pm
<b>PRAYER GROUPS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Healing Prayer Ministry:</b> call the Office, 204-474-2351</li><li>• <b>Monday Morning Prayer Group</b> meets weekly at 11:30am in the Education Centre.</li><li>• <b>Mother's Prayer Group</b> meets weekly, Tuesdays at 11:45am in the Chapel.</li></ul>