The Community of **St Ignatius**

Winnipeg, MB

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On-line Parish Bulletin for 2023-10-22 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.



"Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's" (Matt 22); Painting, Flemish School, 17th C

Readings: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

First Reading: Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6 **Epistle:** Thessalonians 1: 1-5ab **Gospel:** Matthew 22: 15-21

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

Mon	Oct	23 rd	11:00am +Eva & +Douglas Rennie (75thAnniv)
Tues		24^{th}	11:00am +Demetrio Dela Paz Jr
Wed		25^{th}	11:00am +Maria Marinelli
Thu		26^{th}	11:00am +Madeline Coopsammy
Fri		27^{th}	11:00am +Eugene Carlin
Sat		28^{th}	11:00am +Marvin Sichewski

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

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

First Friday of each month: Adoration and anointing of the sick

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



OFFICE NOTICES

Technicians are needed for Saturday 5pm Masses. Contact the Office, or David at techadmin@stignatius.ca

IMPORTANT Registration is still open for Sunday School for all grades. Forms are available on line and at the Office. Classes started Sunday 10 September. All children from K-8 should register for instruction in the Faith. Students access the Sunday School via the St Ignatius School entrance on Harrow Street.

IMPORTANT RCIA Program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): Tuesday evenings from mid-October until Easter in the Education Centre. For those interested in Baptism or Confirmation in the Catholic Church, or in learning more about the Faith. Participants and their sponsors meet weekly to prepare for the Rite at the Easter Vigil. For info, contact Fr Con via <u>fr.mulvihill@stignatius.ca</u> or the Office, 204-474-2351.

World Priest Day, this Sunday 22 October, 9am, and 11am Masses. Join the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Movement in celebrating and thanking our Jesuit priests at St Ignatius, Frs Frank Obrigewitsch, Con Mulvihill, and John Perry, for their commitment to the Sacrament of Holy Orders and for building relationships among parishioners.

Knights of Columbus Initiatives: for all communications, please email koc@stignatius.ca

- **Festival of Friends pancake breakfast this Sunday 22 October**, after the 9:30 and 11am Masses, featuring an open house of Parish ministries. If you are interested in having a booth, email the Knights
- Upcoming Rosary Prayers: next Sunday 29 October, immediately after 11am Mass. Bring your rosary. You may submit prayer intentions to the Knights by email.
- The Knights are looking for business or community sponsors for our 2023 Christmas fundraising dinner. Please email us with any sponsorship opportunities.
- Sobey's cards are for sale after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

Indigenous and Jesuit Pedagogical Traditions: Finding Threads of Hope, Weaving a Future of Good Relations: Wednesday 25 October, 12-1pm, Room 225, St Paul's College, U of M. Presenter: Christy Anderson of Pinaymootang First Nation, PhD candidate in Indigenous Feminist Studies, U of Sask. She honours the spiritual beliefs and practices of both Christian and Indigenous traditions. She seeks paths to Reconciliation by examining commonalities between Indigenous story-telling traditions and the Pedagogical Paradigm based on the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises. Part of the Jesuit Centre lunch-hour lecture series Formations and Reformations in Catholic Thought. Info: email catholic@umanitoba.ca, phone 204-474-9165, or go to https://umanitoba.ca/st-pauls-college/jesuit-centre-catholic-studies/events/frct-lunch-christy-anderson

Illuminate, Friday 27 October, 7:30pm St Timothy's Parish, 135 John Forsyth Road. An evening of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, worship, reconciliation and fellowship. All welcome.

St Ignatius Spiritual Centre (Adult Ed Centre) is available for daily retreats, quiet time, and spiritual direction; meditation rooms, chapel, and library. Follow us on stignatius parishwpg, St. Ignatius Parish, Winnipeg, or contact Carmela, adult.education@stignatius.ca

REFLECTION

The Secular World Also Belongs to God

Today's Isaiah passage describes God's plan to save Israel [from the Babylonian captivity] through the military leadership of Cyrus [the Great, king of Persia]. [Cyrus was a follower of Zoroaster, the monotheistic prophet, but was considered a pagan by the Jews, perhaps because he was known to respect the diverse beliefs, customs, and gods of the peoples within his extended kingdom]. God spoke in glowing terms about Cyrus, calling him "anointed".... That was a bitter pill for the Jews.... Who were they as a chosen people – and who, really, was God – if he was willing to work through others? In fact, God, through Isaiah, was calling the people to go beyond their tribalism, to accept the implications of their own faith. They should have noticed that twice in this short reading God said, "I am the Lord, there is no other." They were facing a question that eventually plagues most monotheists: is God exclusively their god or is he bigger than their orthodoxy? Affirming faith in God as Creator and Lord of history humbles believers of every stripe; it recognizes God's freedom to act with us, for us and even in spite of us, through any means he chooses to use, without seeking our approval or conforming to our doctrine.... The God of Israel will not be tamed or limited. God will care for the people, but only on divine terms.

In today's Gospel, the Pharisees' henchmen try to trap Jesus by posing an either-or quandary: either recognise Caesar or be faithful to God. By merely handling the denarius used for Roman taxation, they were already complicit with Rome and its idolatry – this coin had a "graven image" and referred to the emperor's "divinity." Perhaps Jesus had meditated on Isaiah 45 and took his approach from the prophet's explanation of God dealing with the world. His response tripped up the Pharisees on numerous levels.... The final answer is that everything – even Caesar and Cyrus – belongs to God. God's word is intended to lead us beyond our limited, self-aggrandizing dogmatism to



Inscription: "Caesar Augustus Tiberius, son of the Divine Augustus"

recognize the image of God in human persons, including those who do not share our theology. Jesus, with some humour, calls us to remember what it means that we ourselves belong to God and only to God.... Men and women are the true images of God (Gen 1:27). Giving a day's wage to Caesar then becomes no big deal. The real question is whether you are ready to give your very self to God.... Consequently, there are not two separate worlds we live in, only one: "what belongs to God."

- Celebration (excerpted/paraphrased)

Prayer for Peace in the Middle East

God of mercy and compassion, of grace and reconciliation, pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East: Jews, Muslims, and Christians; Palestinians and Israelis. Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation, that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces, and that peace and justice may be experienced by all.

- Reverend Said, <u>jesuitresource.org</u> [emphasis added]

"If you want peace, work for justice."

- Pope Paul VI, 1 Jan 1972

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

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sharing God's Gifts Archdiocesan Collection (SGG): Our assessment for 2022 is \$65,582, of which we still owe \$4,079. 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 October 9th **to October 15**th: To our combined regular Sunday collections in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses, you gave \$7,319. For *Sharing God's Gifts* you gave \$1,317. For the Poor Box you gave \$46. For Haiti you gave \$100. Thank you for your generosity!

Contributions made through PAC and PayPal are monitored monthly. For the period July 1st to July 31st, PAC donations totaled \$15,808. PayPal donations during July totaled \$2,544. For the period of August 1st to 31st, PAC donations totaled \$15,833. PayPal donations during August totaled \$2,000.

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

ST IGNATIUS PARISH 255 Stafford Street Winnipeg, MB R3M 2X2 www.stignatius.ca

Served by:

Pastor: Frank Obrigewitsch, SJ

Assoc Pastor: Con Mulvihill, SJ and John Perry, SJ

Office: office@stignatius.ca, 204-474-2351

Hours: Mondays-Fridays 10am-3pm **Admin Assistant:** Indira Rampersad

Bookkeeper: Eva Dunlao, controller@stignatius.ca

ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL

Nursery-Grade 8: full curriculum in a Catholic environment for registered parishioners' children.

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

Director: Carmela Castellano Sinclair

Operations Manager: Bob Pistawka *operations@stignatius.ca* or 431-554-1504

Phone for Hall and retreat space rentals or use

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 1st Monday each month at 7:30pm

PRAYER GROUPS

- 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.