

The Community of **St Ignatius**

Winnipeg, MB

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On-line Parish Bulletin for 2023-11-05

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Christ in the House of Simon the Pharisee (Luke 7);
Painting by Philippe de Champaigne (Flemish, 1602-74)

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.

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: →



When 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/>

Readings: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

First Reading: Malachi 1: 14 – 2: 2, 8-10

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2: 7-9, 13

Gospel: Matthew 23: 1-12

Mass Intentions for the Week of November 6th – 11th (will be honoured during live-streamed Masses)

Mon	Nov	6 th	11:00am	+Angela David
Tues		7 th	11:00am	+Eugene Kiezik
Wed		8 th	11:00am	+Omer Van Walleghem
Thu		9 th	11:00am	Spec Int: Lilian Snitowski
Fri		10 th	11:00am	+Eugenio & +Angela Marino
Sat		11 th	11:00am	+Roilo Capao

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE NOTICES

IMPORTANT Clocks go back one hour to Central Standard Time this Sunday 5 November at 2am.

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.

NEW Please give a warm welcome to Fr Erik Oland, SJ, Jesuit Provincial. He will celebrate the 11am Mass on Sunday 5 November during his annual visit to our Parish and to Jesuit-related ministries in Winnipeg.

Throughout November, we will be praying for all departed souls. You can write the name(s) of those you wish to remember, and place them in the urn. Or you can email reserve@stignatius.ca, with "Deceased Person" in the subject line. Names will be placed in the Remembrance Urn and prayed for during November.

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 fr.mulvihill@stignatius.ca or the Office, 204-474-2351.

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

- **NEW** Pancake Breakfast: Sunday 19 November, after the 9:30 and 11am Masses.
- **NEW** Winnipeg Jets vs. Florida Panthers Watch Party: Friday 24 November, 7pm. Cash bar, \$15 at the door includes pizza and wings. RSVP to koc@stignatius.ca
- **Upcoming Rosary Prayers: Sunday 26 November**, immediately after 11am Mass. Bring your rosary. You may submit prayer intentions to the Knights by email.
- **NEW** Christmas Fundraising Dinner: Saturday 9 December. Tickets \$35, available from the Knights after Mass or in the Parish office – or email koc@stignatius.ca. Kids under 16 eat free.

NEW The 2023 *Sharing God's Gifts* Appeal starts this Sunday 5 November.

Peace, Faith, and Humanity in Times of Crisis, Thursday 9 November, 1:30pm, Manitoba Room, (MPR), University Centre, U of M. Presenter: Lieutenant-General Roméo Dallaire. Sponsored by the Arthur V. Mauro Institute for Peace & Justice as part of the 2023 Sol Kanee Lecture Series on Peace and Justice. Free. For info call 204-474-7273 or go to www.umanitoba.ca/mauro_institute

NEW Development & Peace / Caritas Canada's *Stand for the Land* Campaign. We'll meet communities in northern Honduras struggling to preserve their land and water after an iron-ore mine opened in Carlos Escaleras National Park and poisoned the rivers on which they depend for their livelihood. Juana Zúniga of the Committee for Defence of Common and Public Goods says, "We live every day in fear of being killed or having our children taken away." There will be a short talk about this campaign at the end of all Masses on the weekend of 11 & 12 November. Pick up the pamphlets *A Movement for Global Justice*, and *Stand for the Land*, available at the back of the church. For info, contact jconci@shaw.ca or www.devp.org/campaign

Li Keur: Riel's Heart of the North, Wednesday 15 November, 7-9pm, St Ignatius Parish Hall. Presenter: Métis Scholar Dr Suzanne M Steele, Storyteller & Librettist of the first Indigenous-led opera. Part of the ongoing Truth & Reconciliation Dialogue Circles between St Kateri and St Ignatius Parishes. Free event. To register, contact Carmela, adult.education@stignatius.ca or phone Thomas, (St Kateri) 204-287-8583.

Reclaiming the Graces of the Spiritual Exercises, Saturday 18 November, 10am to 3pm, St Ignatius Spiritual Education Centre. A day of deep Listening & sharing in preparation for Advent. For all Spiritual Exercises alumni. Cost: \$30. To register, contact Carmela adult.education@stignatius.ca or 204-453-9243.

REFLECTION

Correcting Bad Religion

In [today's Gospel] passage, Jesus launches a blistering attack on the scribes and Pharisees. What are the underlying problems that bother Jesus?

First, "They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on the shoulders of others; but they themselves are willing to lift a finger to move them." Some religious leaders burden people, making demands that are terrible, exulting in their own moral superiority.

Second, "They do all their deeds to be seen by others." They use the law and morality as a means of inflating the ego. A pious Jew would wear phylacteries as a sign of devotion. Well, they think, why not widen them, drawing attention to them and showing people how pious they are?

Third, "They love to have the place of honour at banquets and the best seats in the synagogues, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have people call them rabbi." Titles, privileges, places of honour, marks of respect – like any drug, these provide a rush. The trouble is that this drug wears off rather quickly, and then we want more of it: a greater title, more respect, more recognition.

What is Jesus' recommendation for those caught in this dilemma? Be satisfied with doing your work on behalf of God's kingdom, whatever it is. To be great is to be a servant: lowly, simple, often forgotten. Eschew marks of respect; don't seek them.

-- "Correcting Bad Religion" by Bishop Robert Barron,
in *The Word on Fire Bible*, p137, Word on Fire Catholic Ministries, Park Ridge, IL, 2020

Prayers 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, jesuitresource.org [emphasis added]

Lord, the plight of our country is deep and the suffering of Christians is severe and frightening. Therefore, we ask you Lord to **spare our lives, and to grant us patience, and courage** to continue our witness of Christian values with trust and hope.

Lord, peace is the foundation of life; Grant us the peace and stability that will enable us to live with each other without fear and anxiety, and with dignity and joy.

Glory be to you forever. Amen

– Chaldean Catholic Patriarch of Iraq, His Beatitude Louis Rafael Sako

"If you want peace, work for justice." – Pope Paul VI, 1 Jan 1972

"Continue to pray for Christians of the Middle East, for peace and for serene dialogue between religions."

– Pope Benedict XIV, 23 September 2012

"My prayer at this time is for all beleaguered communities and I believe that Western Christians ought to pray earnestly for fellow believers in the Middle East."

– King (then Prince) Charles, 20 December, 2013

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sharing God's Gifts Archdiocesan Collection (SGG): Our assessment for 2022 is \$65,582, of which we still owe \$1,902. 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 23rd to October 29th: To our combined regular Sunday collections in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses, you gave \$3,930. For *Sharing God's Gifts* you gave \$928. For the Poor Box you gave \$21. For Haiti you gave \$100. Thank you for your generosity!

Contributions made through PAC and PayPal are monitored monthly. For the period August 1st to 31st, PAC donations totaled \$15,833 and PayPal donations 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

<p>ST IGNATIUS PARISH 255 Stafford Street Winnipeg, MB R3M 2X2 www.stignatius.ca</p>
<p>Served by: Pastor: Frank Obrigewitsch, SJ Assoc Pastor: Con Mulvihill, SJ and John Perry, SJ</p>
<p>Office: office@stignatius.ca, 204-474-2351 Hours: Mondays-Fridays 10am-3pm Admin Assistant: Indira Rampersad</p>
<p>Bookkeeper: Eva Dunlao, controller@stignatius.ca</p>
<p>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</p>
<p>SPIRITUAL CENTRE (formerly Adult Ed Centre): 204-453-9243 or adult.education@stignatius.ca lending library; meditation rooms & chapel available for daily retreats, quiet time, and spiritual direction. Instagram: stignatiusparishwpg Facebook: St.Ignatius Parish Winnipeg Director: Carmela Castellano Sinclair</p>
<p>Operations Manager: Bob Pistawka operations@stignatius.ca or 431-554-1504 Phone for Hall and retreat space rentals or use</p>

SACRAMENTS, FORMATION, & ACTIVITIES

<p>BAPTISM OF CHILDREN For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth</p>
<p>SUNDAY SCHOOL for ages 3 through Grade 8. 10:55am-12 Noon</p>
<p>CONFIRMATION for Grades 8-12: Enquire at Parish Office in September</p>
<p>CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Enquire at the Adult Education Centre if interested in joining the Catholic Church.</p>
<p>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Arrange 12 months in advance.</p>
<p>SICK CALLS: Request through the Office. Someone will gladly visit the sick.</p>
<p>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS normally meet 1st Monday each month at 7:30pm</p>
<p>PRAYER GROUPS</p> <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.