

The Community of **St Ignatius**

Winnipeg, MB

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On-line Parish Bulletin for 2023-11-12 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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OUR FACILITIES, SACRAMENTS & FORMATION

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

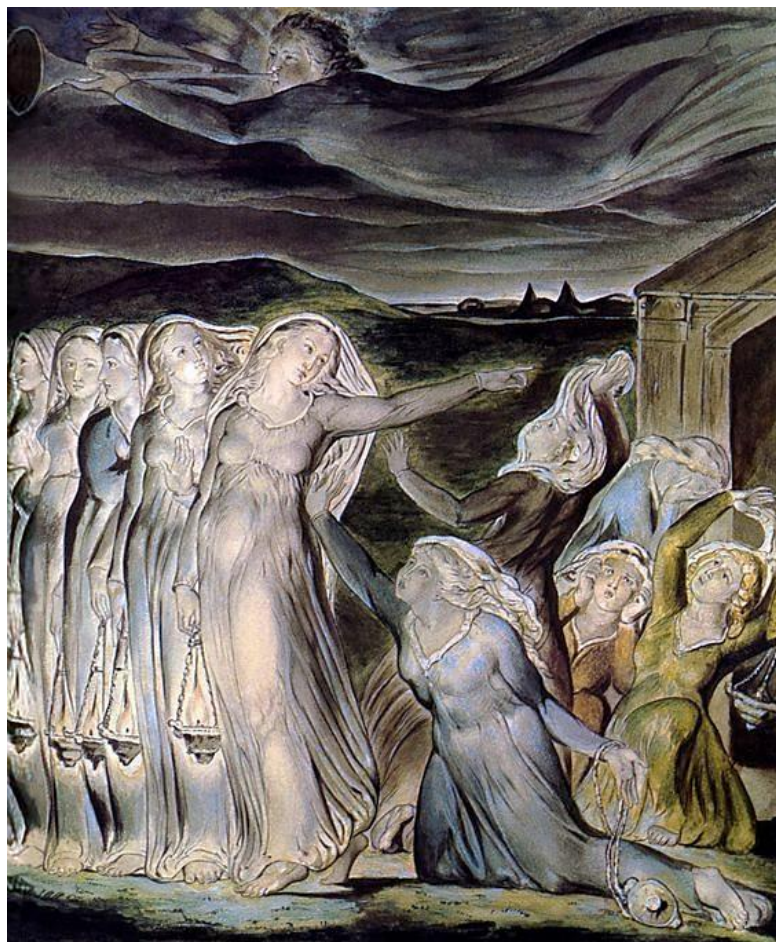
First Friday of each month: Adoration and anointing of the sick

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/>



Parable of the Wise and Foolish Bridesmaids (Matt 25)
Painting by William Blake (England, 1757–1827)

Readings: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

First Reading: Wisdom 6: 12-16

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-13

Mass Intentions for the Week of November 13th – 18th (will be honoured during live-streamed Masses)

Mon	Nov	13 th	11:00am	Spec Int: Lilian Snitowski (Birthday)
Tues		14 th	11:00am	+Jim Kiezik
Wed		15 th	11:00am	+Frank Vergata
Thu		16 th	11:00am	+Maria Marinelli
Fri		17 th	11:00am	+Deceased members & priests of St Ignatius
Sat		18 th	11:00am	Spec Int & Prayers: Lilian Snitowski

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE NOTICES

NEW The Office will be closed Monday 13 November to honour Remembrance Day.

Throughout November, we are 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.

NEW **Development & Peace / Caritas Canada's Stand for the Land Campaign:** There will be a short talk about this campaign at the end of all Masses this weekend, and another *Stand for the Land* pamphlet is available at the back of the church. Our partner ERIC-Radio Progreso has asked us to support the defenders of human rights and the environment in Honduras. Since 2015, the communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector have been fighting to preserve their rivers and the Carlos Escaleras National Park from mining. Leonel George, member of the Committee for the Defence of Common and Public Goods of Tocoa, Colón, says, "Communities are displaced. Rights are violated. Access and rights to water denied. All this to give priority to the extraction and pillaging of resources." To learn more, go to www.devp.org/campaign, or contact jconci@shaw.ca for info.

Spiritual Education Centre Initiatives: for all communications, please contact Carmela, 204-453-9243 or adult.education@stignatius.ca

- ***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 or phone Thomas at 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,
- **NEW** **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament weekly, Thursdays starting 7 December**, 11:30am to 1:30pm, St Ignatius Chapel. Use the required sign-up sheets at the back of the church or email Carmela

NEW ***Longing for Light in the Darkness: Advent Evening Prayers (Vespers)*, Sunday 3 December**, 4:30pm. Psalms, hymns, readings, prayers, reflection, canticle, and Magnificat. All welcome.

NEW **St Ignatius Refugee Committee update:** Consider joining our small Committee. We expect the arrival, before Christmas, of a young family from Afghanistan via Pakistan, including their two-year-old. They have waited over two years to come as refugees to Winnipeg. Please extend them a warm welcome. Donations are requested, to help support them through their first year here. For info, contact Nerina Robson, 204-298-3122.

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** **Worldwide Marriage Encounter, Saturday 2 December**, 1-4pm, Spiritual Ed Centre. Theme: *Love Never Ends*. A couple-centered participatory workshop in partnership with K of C. Renew your marriage and strengthen love for each other in the richness of Christ's love. Cost: \$25/couple.
- **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.

REFLECTION

Here is the Bridegroom

God our Creator and Saviour has given us a language in which he can be talked about, since faith comes by hearing and our tongues are the keys that open heaven to others. But when the Lord comes as a Bridegroom there remains nothing to be said except that he is coming and that we must go out to meet him. *Ecce Sponsus venit! Exite obviam ei!*

After that, we go forth to find him in solitude. There we communicate with him alone, without words, without discursive thoughts, in the silence of our whole being. When what we say is meant for no one else but him, it can hardly be said in language. What is not meant to be related is not even experienced on a level that can be clearly analyzed. We know that it must not be told, because it cannot.

But before we come to that which is unspeakable and unthinkable, the Spirit hovers on the frontiers of language, wondering whether or not to stay on its own side of the border, in order to have something to bring back to others. This is the test of those who wish to cross the frontier. If they are not ready to leave their own ideas and their own words behind them, they cannot travel further.

-- "Here is the Bridegroom" from *No Man is an Island* by Thomas Merton (1915-1968),
quoted in *The Word on Fire Bible*, p144, Word on Fire Catholic Ministries, Park Ridge, IL, 2020

Prayers for Peace in the Middle East

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

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]

“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 of \$65,582 for 2022 is paid off. Our assessment for 2023 is \$61,029, of which we still owe \$58,471. 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 30th to November 5th: To our combined regular Sunday collections in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses, you gave \$6,814. For *Sharing God's Gifts* you gave \$2,558. For the Poor Box you gave \$45. For Agape you gave \$80. For the Refugee Fund you gave \$35. 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.