

The Community of St Ignatius

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Online Parish Bulletin for 2025-08-31

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Regular Mass Schedule

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

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



Reading: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading (Sirach 3.17-20, 28-29)

Epistle (Hebrews 12.18-19, 22-24a)

Gospel (Luke 14.1, 7-14)

Mass Intentions for the Week of September 1 – September 6 (will be honored during live-streamed Masses)

Mon	1	11:00 am	Labour Day – No Mass
Tues	2	11:00 am	(+) Nancie & Arthur Mauro
Wed	3	11:00 am	(+) Luz Maria Hernandez
Thu	4	11:00 am	(+) Art Shofley
Fri	5	11:00 am	(+) Mila Yankelevich
Sat	6	11:00 am	(+) Pauline Arquillano

Parish Offertory envelopes are available in the office. Pre-authorized chequing (PAC) is now the preferred alternative. However, if PAC is not for you, you may still request envelopes by calling the Parish Office, 204-474-2351 or by emailing office@stignatius.ca.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Starting in September, **Reconciliation** on Saturdays will be from 10 am to 10:45 am and 4 pm to 4:45 pm. Reconciliation also available by appointment on Wednesday through Friday before or after Mass; please call 204 474-2351 or send an appointment request office@stignatius.ca.

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2025 Long Weekend Schedule

The following changes are in effect for the statutory holidays in 2025. On these days, the office will be closed and there will not be a daily Mass.

Labour Day, Monday September 1 – office closed and no daily Mass

Thanksgiving, Monday October 13 – office closed and no daily Mass

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Knights of Columbus Initiatives

For all communications, please email koc@stignatius.ca

- Grocery Cards - Sobeys (includes Safeway and Fresh Co) and Co-op gift cards are available for purchase after Mass. You get the full cash value of the card, and the store donates some of its proceeds to the church.
- Our St. Ignatius Knights of Columbus Council 5808 has received the distinction of Star Council for 2024/25, the international organization's top award for local councils. The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in charitable giving, faith-formation, and membership. Thank you to the entire parish community for supporting our work throughout the year!

Spiritual Education Centre Hosted Activities: Carmela> adult.education@stignatius.ca -204-453-9243

- **September 3rd**, Spiritual Education Centre Opens.
- **September 4th**, Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Begins In the Chapel. 11:30-2pm.
- **September 4th**, Spiritual Directors Weekly Team Supervision Meetings Begin. 12-1:30pm
- **September 6th** Building Bridges Between the Catholic Church and Catholic LGBTQIA+ Community
- **September 9th**, Mother's Prayer Group Begins 11:30 In Chapel
- **September 10th**, Annotation 19, Spiritual Exercises Preparation Phase Begins. 7-8:30pm .
- **September 20th**, Mass and Feast with Bishop Murray and St. Kateri Catholic Indigenous Parish in honour of Truth and Reconciliation Day and as part of St. Ignatius Parish's ongoing commitment to the Learning and Dialoguing Series. 3pm at St. Kateri Parish.

On **Sunday, September 14th** we will be having our Fall Festival from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm. Please join us for some food and fun! Please mark your calendars.

Food for Harvest Manitoba

We are very grateful that you bring food items for Harvest Manitoba and put them in the box at the back of the Church. Please only put non-perishable food items in the box. Thanks again for your ongoing support!

Donations of Wool: We are collecting donations of wool that will be used to make mittens. You can contact Mary Hanson at 204-253-9428 for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Interested in serving as a Lector and/or Eucharistic Minister during our weekday or Sunday liturgies? Sign up and training will be provided. Contact Lee Mencik at leemencik@gmail.com or the parish office with your name and contact information.

FINANCIAL REPORT

August 25, 2025

Reporting Period	Envelopes	Loose	SGG	PAC	PayPal	TOTAL
Week of August 19 to August 25	\$2,872.50	\$437.00	\$1,383.00	n/a	n/a	\$4,692.50
Month of August 2025	\$12,118.50	\$2,089.00	\$4,646.00	\$17,151.00	n/a	\$36,004.50
Month of July 2025	\$13,037.00	\$2,245.00	\$5,360.00	\$19,434.00	\$1,983.25	\$42,059.25

PAC is updated on the 1st and 15th. PayPal is updated at the end of the month.

Online Masses are less effective than in-person masses, according to a study by Duke University

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The study, published in the *Psychology of Religion and Spirituality*, recruited 43 Christians in North Carolina to participate in two worship services — one physically attended, the other streamed online. Participants wore Fitbit monitors to capture physiological data such as heart rate and caloric expenditure, and were asked to complete surveys assessing subjective states of transcendence, communal identification, and perceived closeness to God.

The results indicate that physical presence remains uniquely powerful. Attendees reported higher levels of emotional elevation, stronger identity alignment with fellow congregants, and greater experiences of transcendence. Physiological markers supported these findings: average heart rates were elevated during in-person worship (84 bpm compared to 79 bpm online), and caloric expenditure was significantly greater. These embodied differences suggest that worship in a shared physical environment engages participants in ways that virtual participation cannot fully replicate. Importantly, the study does not dismiss online worship. Lead researcher Patty Van Cappellen emphasized that digital liturgies retain measurable benefits, though they diverge from the communal and transcendent dynamics of physical worship. Her caution highlights the need for nuanced evaluation: virtual services should not be reduced to inferior imitations, but neither should they be assumed to carry identical outcomes.

The persistence of online worship after the pandemic underscores the relevance of such findings. Data from the Pew Research Center (2023–24) reveal that approximately 23 percent of Americans report watching religious services online or via television at least once a month, while about one-third attend in person at the same frequency. These patterns illustrate not a wholesale migration from pews to screens, but a hybridization of religious practice that challenges traditional categories of belonging and participation. Theologically, the findings raise critical questions. Religious traditions have historically embedded worship within the physical gathering of a community, where rituals of presence — singing, standing, kneeling, sharing sacred space — embody doctrinal claims about unity and transcendence. If digital worship attenuates these embodied markers, does it reshape the theological meaning of participation itself? Or will innovations — interactive platforms, more immersive technology, or hybrid liturgies — allow virtual gatherings to cultivate a comparable sense of presence?

Van Cappellen and her team acknowledge that their study is preliminary. They suggest further research into design features that might enhance digital worship, such as incorporating real-time congregational interaction or camera perspectives that foreground the assembly rather than the presider alone. Such innovations could mitigate some of the limitations of current livestream practices.

Ultimately, the Duke study illustrates both the promise and the constraints of virtual religious life. It confirms that worship is not merely cognitive assent to doctrine but a multisensory, embodied experience shaped by the presence of others. At the same time, it demonstrates the adaptability of religious practice in an era where physical and digital spaces increasingly overlap. For scholars of religion, these findings call for continued examination of how technology mediates sacred experience — not as a replacement for physical assembly, but as a new domain where the dynamics of faith and community are being renegotiated.

Contributions to St Ignatius can be accepted by VISA, MasterCard, or debit card in the vestibule before and after Sunday 9:30 & 11 am Masses.

Contributions can also be made via PayPal; you may scan this QR code: →



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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SACRAMENTS, FORMATION, & ACTIVITIES

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN <i>For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth</i>
SUNDAY SCHOOL for ages 5 through Grade 8. 10:55 am-12 Noon Lucy Vogrig > l.vogrig@shaw.ca
CONFIRMATION for Grades 8-12: <i>Enquire at Parish Office in September</i>
CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Contact: office@stignatius.ca <i>if interested in joining the Catholic Church.</i>
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE <i>Arrange 12 months in advance.</i>
SICK CALLS: <i>Request through the Office. Someone will gladly visit the sick.</i>
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS <i>normally meet 1st Monday each month at 7:30 pm</i>
SPIRITUAL EDUCATION CENTRE 204-453-9243 or adult.education@stignatius.ca <i>The Centre for Spiritual Exercises in Manitoba, lending library, meditation rooms, chapel, day retreats and spiritual direction, Adoration, Truth and Reconciliation and Building Bridges.</i> Director: Carmela Castellano Sinclair
PRAYER GROUPS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healing Prayer Ministry: Contact: Donna Masson donnamasson@icloud.com • Monday Morning Prayer Group meets weekly at 11:30 am in the Education Centre. Mother's Prayer Group meets weekly, Tuesdays at 11:30 am in the Chapel.