

The Community of St Ignatius

**On-line Parish Bulletin for
2021-01-03
Epiphany Sunday (Year B)**

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Public attendance at all Masses is suspended during the Covid-19 Code Red period. Sunday and daily Masses are live-streamed daily from St Ignatius at 11am (and remain available on line until the next morning) at: <http://stignatiusmass.from-ca.com>.



Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For... we have come to pay him homage. When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him... (Matt 2)

| READINGS: Epiphany Sunday (B) |
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| 1 st Reading: Isaiah 60: 1-6 |
| 2 nd Reading: Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6 |
| Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12 |

The Archbishop has extended through **1 March 2021** the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass in person. Private Masses continue to be celebrated daily without a congregation. Parishioners' intentions are honoured at each Mass.

NEW: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment only, on Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Saturdays.

As the physical church building is temporarily closed to the public by order of the Archbishop, in line with provincial government health restrictions, private prayer in the church is no longer possible. Family prayer at home is recommended. The following websites, among many others, have prayer suggestions you may find helpful:

- <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/>

| Mass Intentions for the Week of January 4 th – 9 th (will be honoured during live-streamed Masses) | | | | |
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| Mon | Jan | 4 th | 11:00am | +Stella Torack |
| Tues | | 5 th | 11:00am | +Lorne Torack |
| Wed | | 6 th | 11:00am | +Justin Smith |
| Thu | | 7 th | 11:00am | +Ted Lardner |
| Fri | | 8 th | 11:00am | +John Culligan |
| Sat | | 9 th | 11:00am | +Gerda Tarpey |

See Jesuits of Winnipeg video greeting at:

https://www.stignatius.ca/assets/Christmas_Blessing_from_the_Jesuits_of_Winnipeg.mp4

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Pastor, priests, and lay staff wish all our parishioners a happy, healthy, and safe New Year. Thanks for all the Christmas cards, good wishes, chocolates, candies and all the gifts we have received.

-- Fr Frank, and Fr Con.

A warm thank-you to all who helped make our Advent and Christmas liturgies beautiful and meaningful:

- ↳ Theresa Cannon and her crew who decorated the sanctuary and church;
- ↳ the lectors: Chantal Bishop, Louise Conci, and Patrick Fawcett;
- ↳ the musicians: Dale Rogaski, Lester Espiritu, Matthew Walden, Chas Van Dyck, and Monica Hultin;
- ↳ the technicians: David Androvic, Orlando Athayde, Lorenzo Dimson, and Markel Seitz.
- ↳ for the outdoor crèche: Chris Janes and his assistants Chantal Bishop and Connie Bart Hamel, and Ken and Dorothy Reimer for providing the straw for the stable.

Parish 2021 Offertory envelopes will be provided only upon request this year. You can request them by calling the Parish Office, 204-474-2351, or by emailing office@stignatius.ca. The preferred alternative is now PAC; (see "Switching" below).

A MEDITATION FOR EPIPHANY

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It might have been just someone else's story;
Some chosen people get a special king,
We leave them to their own peculiar glory,
We don't belong, it doesn't mean a thing.
But when these three arrive they bring us with them,
Gentiles like us, their wisdom might be ours;
A steady step that finds an inner rhythm,
A pilgrim's eye that sees beyond the stars.
They did not know his name but still they sought him,
They came from elsewhere but still they found;
In palaces, found those who sold and bought him,
But in the filthy stable, hallowed ground.
Their courage gives our questing hearts a voice
To seek, to find, to worship, to rejoice.

— Rev Malcolm Guite (Chaplain, Girton College, Cambridge)
Sounding the Seasons: Seventy Sonnets for the Christian Year



They offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road. (Matt 2)

FINANCIAL REPORT

2020 Sharing God's Gifts Archdiocesan Collection (SGG): Our assessment for 2020 has been reduced from \$64,220 to \$48,152, of which we still owe \$5,077. 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. Thank you for your generosity to our Archdiocese.

St Ignatius Statement for the period December 21st to December 27th: To our combined regular Sunday collections you gave \$10,154.87 in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses. To SGG you gave \$1,750. To the Christmas collection, you gave \$9,704.40, K of C gave \$5,000 and to Refugee you gave \$70. Thank you for your generosity! (NB: For now, tallies are made every two weeks.)

During the pandemic, despite reduced office hours and restricted Mass attendance, the Parish still provides the Sacraments and other urgent services for those in need. While we recognize that some parishioners will be in financial difficulty because of the crisis, we ask you, **if you are able, to please continue donating** by:

- **dropping off your envelope in the new mailbox outside the Admin Office door;**
- **mailing in your weekly donation**, including your SGG contribution, to 255 Stafford Street, Winnipeg, MB R3M 2X2;
- **donating to us through PayPal** at <https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr...>; or
- **switching to Pre-Authorized Payments (PAC)** for your contributions to the church: an easy way to donate. To start a new PAC or increase an existing one, please fill out a form available from the Office or on line.

OUR FACILITIES

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| <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: CLOSED during current emergency Admin Asst: Indira Rampersad, 204-474-2351 office@stignatius.ca</p> |
| <p>Controller: Jan Hasiuk controller@stignatius.ca</p> |
| <p>ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL <i>Nursery-Grade 8: full curriculum in a Catholic environment for children of registered parishioners.</i> Principal: Jeannine Pistawka Admin Asst: Michele Lampertz 204-475-1386 www.stignatius.mb.ca</p> |
| <p>Adult Education Centre & Lending Library: 204-453-9243 Co-ordinator: Fr Con adult.education@stignatius.ca</p> |
| <p>Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Manager: Chris Janes, maintenance@stignatius.ca</p> |

SACRAMENTS, FORMATION, & ACTIVITIES

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| <p>BAPTISM OF CHILDREN For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth</p> |
| <p>SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:55am-12 Noon This year: First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation only</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>HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY: call Office, 204-474-2351</p> |
| <p>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS normally meet 1st Monday each month at 7:30pm – meetings temporarily suspended.</p> |