

The Community of **St Ignatius**

Winnipeg, MB

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On-line Parish Bulletin for 2021-12-19

4th Sunday in Advent (Year C)

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The Visitation by 17th C Dutch Mennonite painter Lambert Jacobszoon

The church is open for public Masses with limited attendance

Wednesday through Sunday at 11am, with an additional Saturday 5pm Mass.

Please email reserve@stignatius.ca to reserve a seat.

Daily Masses continue to be celebrated and Parishioners' intentions are honoured at each Mass.

Masses are live-streamed at 11am daily from St Ignatius at <http://stignatiusmass.from-ca.com>

(and remain available on line until the next morning).

READINGS: 4th Sunday in Advent (C)

1st Reading: Micah 5: 2-5a

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10: 5-10

Gospel: Luke 1: 39-45

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

- Friday 24 December, Daily Mass: 📖 11am (streamed);
- Friday 24 December, Christmas Eve: 📖 5pm (streamed); 📖 8pm (not streamed); 📖 11pm (streamed)
- Saturday 25 December, Christmas Day: 📖 11am (streamed)

The Archbishop has extended until Monday 28 February 2022 the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass in person.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment Wednesday through Saturday. Please send request by email to reserve@stignatius.ca

When private prayer in the church is not available for you, family prayer at home is highly 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 December 20th – 25th (will be honoured during live-streamed Masses)

Mon	Dec	20 th	11:00am	+Pablo Tesak
Tues		21 st	11:00am	+Oftais Family
Wed		22 nd	11:00am	+Bernie Bernacki
Thu		23 rd	11:00am	+Luigi & +Elvira Magnifico
Fri		24 th	11:00am	Pro Populo
Sat		25 th	11:00am	Pro Populo – Christmas Day

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHEDULE of MASSES BETWEEN CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

- **Sunday 26 December, Feast of the Holy Family:** 📖 11am (streamed); Family blessing after the Mass
- **Friday 31 December, New Year's Eve:** 📖 5pm Mass in Spanish and English
- **Saturday 1 January 2022, New Year's Day:** 📖 11am (streamed): Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
- **Sunday 2 January 2022:** 📖 11am (streamed): Epiphany of the Lord

Although physical attendance limits have been somewhat relaxed for indoor religious services under current Covid-19 restrictions, parishioners still require advance reservations to attend Mass in person, and the Parish policy is that all those attending Mass must wear a mask covering nose and mouth and practise physical distancing.

Meanwhile, all are invited to join us regularly on line at <https://www.stignatius.ca> .

Please pray for the repose of the souls of these parishioners: Frances MacCoy, who passed away last week; and David Edward Steven who passed away three weeks ago in Nanaimo, BC. Condolences to their families.

To reserve seats for Christmas Mass, please email reserve@stignatius.ca *well in advance*, stating the date and time you wish to attend and the names of the people in your group. Those without a reservation are invited to join us on line at <https://www.stignatius.ca>

Wanted: Ministers for Communion Services at the Waverley Retirement Home, Mondays 10:30am. All Covid protocols will be followed. If you are double-vaccinated and can help, contact Don Lavallee at donlavallee@mymts.net or 204-797-2762.

Knights of Columbus Initiatives

- **The Virtual Parish Christmas Dinner and Gathering, is Sunday 19 December,** 6pm. Knights will deliver a traditional Christmas dinner Covid-safe to your door and host an interactive virtual meeting. with your friends with music, etc. Remember to e-transfer your donations to treasurerkoc@stignatius.ca (please write "Christmas Dinner" in the e-transfer message) or see Knights after Masses.
- **Next Rosary Prayer: Sunday 30 January** immediately after 11am Mass.
- **Sobeys and Co-op Grocery Card Sales** after Saturday 5pm and Sunday 11am Masses. Pay by cash or debit to earn these stores' donations to our Parish.

Chili cooks needed for Immaculate Conception Drop-In Centre, Sunday 2 January. We need 30 four-litre pails of chili to be made at home for guests at the Centre. The empty pails are available from Nancy, 204-799-0276 – not from the parish office. To arrange pickup of pails and drop off your cooked chili, call Nancy. Many thanks for your kindness and generosity toward our city's most vulnerable citizens.

27th Annual St Paul's High School Community Tribute Dinner, Tuesday 15 February, where the Ignatian Challenge Award will be presented to Mrs. Nancy & Carmine '76 Militano. Mark your calendar. This marquee event brings together over 800 alumni, parents, and friends of St Paul's for an evening of celebration, tradition and fellowship. For info go to https://www.stpauls.mb.ca/events/tribute_dinner/ ; to order tickets go to <https://community.stpauls.mb.ca/TributeDinner/>

REFLECTION

THE MAGNIFICAT (Luke 1: 46-55)

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
for He has looked with favour on His humble servant.
From this day, all generations will call me blessed.
The Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is His Name.
He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm;
He has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the humble.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich He has sent empty away.
He has come to the help of His servant Israel
for He has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise He made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
Amen, Alleluia.

MAGNIFYING GLASS

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord." (Luke 1:46)

We hear that down is up and up is down
rich empty and poor, poverty steeped with riches
and nothing will ever be the same

Our pride is exposed as shame and
shame inverted becomes pride
and nothing will ever be the same

The kings beg in the street for coins and
the street junkies take eucalyptus steam showers all day
and nothing will ever be the same

You come into this gunning, shot-up world
Mary sings of your power and peace
and your only weapon a willing womb

You magnify us with your round looking glass
and see our microscopic lives as large
and our greatness you smoke out with focused light

In turn our souls magnify you, you unexpected world flipper,
as we look up through the lens of goodness and mercy
and just your eye fills up the monocle of the sky

– Rev Michael Coffey (Pastor, First English Lutheran Church, Austin, TX),
*Mystery without Rhyme or Reason:
Poetic Reflections on the Revised Common Lectionary*

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sharing God's Gifts Archdiocesan Collection (SGG): Our assessment for 2021 is \$52,515, of which we still owe \$20,479. 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 November 29th to December 12th: To our combined regular Sunday collections you gave \$26,760 in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses. To SGG you gave \$4,360. For Christmas you gave \$6,830. For the Building Fund you gave \$30. To Security you gave \$50. Thank you for your generosity! (NB: For now, tallies are made every two weeks.)

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: CLOSED during current emergency Admin Asst: Indira Rampersad, 204-474-2351 office@stignatius.ca
Controller: Jan Hasiuk controller@stignatius.ca
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
Adult Education Centre & Lending Library: 204-453-9243 Co-ordinator: Fr Con adult.education@stignatius.ca
Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Manager: Chris Janes, maintenance@stignatius.ca

SACRAMENTS, FORMATION, & ACTIVITIES

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