

The Community of **St Ignatius**

Winnipeg, MB

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On-line Parish Bulletin for 2022-09-11 24th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday morning Mass Times now in effect: 9:30 and 11:00am

St Ignatius is open for *public* Masses

✚ Wednesday through Friday: 11am*

✚ Saturday: 11am* and 5pm

✚ **NEW: Sunday: 9:30am and 11:00am***

* livestreamed

You are still required to wear a mask covering nose and mouth. If you are sick, you should refrain from attending in person.



The Prodigal Son (Luke 15) by Geliy Korzhev, Russian, 1925-2012

READINGS: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

1st Reading: Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14

2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

Gospel: Luke 15: 1-32

Mass Intentions for the Week of Sept 12th – 17th (will be honoured during live-streamed Masses)

Mon	Sept 12 th	11:00am	Spec Int: Eunice Synnott
Tues	13 th	11:00am	Spec Int: Lavone Martell
Wed	14 th	11:00am	+Francesco Notarianni
Thu	15 th	11:00am	+Mary Pomanski
Fri	16 th	11:00am	+Frank Vergata
Sat	17 th	11:00am	+Bob & +Ruth McGuire

Masses are normally live-streamed at 11am daily from St Ignatius at <http://stignatiusmass.from-ca.com> (and remain available on line until the next morning). All who cannot attend are invited to join us on line.

NEW: Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Fridays at 4pm, and Saturdays at 10am, starting 9 September. Reconciliation also continues to be available by appointment Wednesday through Friday before or after Mass; please send appointment requests to reserve@stignatius.ca

When private prayer in the church is not available for you, family prayer at home is highly recommended. 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/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE NEWS:

Please note the change in Sunday Mass times to 9:30 and **11:00am** is now in effect. Sunday School will resume this Sunday, September 11th.

Regular Office Hours now in effect: Mondays through Fridays: 10am to 3pm.

NEW: Sacrament of Reconciliation is now available on Fridays at 4pm, and Saturdays at 10am.

Reconciliation continues to be available by appointment Wednesday through Friday before or after Mass; please send appointment requests to reserve@stignatius.ca

All events scheduled for the church hall and basement are postponed until further notice.

The sidewalk on Stafford Street in front of the church is now usable again. Nevertheless, we ask you to please continue entering and exiting the church through the Jessie St or Corydon Ave entrances.

An email scam is still going around purporting to be Fr Frank asking you to text him, because he is supposedly in a meeting and needs your assistance. Please *do not respond* to this email.

NEW: St Ignatius School Lunch Supervisors are needed every weekday 11:30am to 12:35pm. This is a paid position. If interested, contact Jeannine, 204-475-1386 or pistawj@stignatius.mb.ca

Volunteers Needed: (If interested, please contact the Office, 204-474-2351 or email office@stignatius.ca)

- **Assistants to Lee Mencik** to help coordinate Lectors and Communion Ministers
- **Sunday School Teachers for 2022-23**, for Grades 4, 5 and Confirmation.

Festival of Friends, Sunday 18 September, after 11:00am Mass. Lunch, and games for the whole family. Mark your calendar.

Knights of Columbus Initiatives

- **NEW:** Farewell dinner for Fr Joe Newman, Saturday 24 September, 6pm. Fr Newman, now posted in Montréal, is back in Winnipeg for the month of September. Mark your calendar.
- **Next Rosary Prayer: Sunday 25 September** immediately after 11:00am Mass. Bring your rosary.
- **NEW:** “Coffee and Donuts” Time resumes Sunday 25 September, after the 9:30 and 11:00am Masses.
- **Sobeys and Co-op Grocery Card Sales** after Saturday 5pm and Sunday morning Masses. Pay by cash or debit to earn donations to our Parish from these stores.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program runs from mid October through Easter Sunday. Meetings start out on Tuesdays at 7pm for 90 minutes in the Education Centre, and then move to Zoom for the winter months. You will be introduced to the major areas of the faith, the sacraments, moral theology, and the cultural practice of Catholicism. You may then decide to receive the sacraments at the Easter Vigil. For info, contact Fr Con, fr.mulvihill@stignatius.ca

Speaking Tour on Green Justice, Human Rights, and Energy Transition comes to our Education Centre, Sunday 16 October, 1:00 to 2:30pm. Speaker: Fr Jacques Nzumbu, SJ, who is completing a PhD in energy and mining public policy at UQAM (Montréal) focusing on strategic minerals and energy transition. He will highlight how the ideal of energy transition and the extraction of minerals essential for transition technologies paradoxically affect the environment and socio-economic climate of communities in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Sponsored by Canadian Jesuits International (CJI). To register, call the Parish Office, 204-474-2351 or CJI, 1-800-448-2148; or go to canadianjesuitsinternational.ca.

REFLECTION

A PARABLE ABOUT “OBEDIENCE” vs REPENTANCE

[In today’s reading of the parable of a father and two sons], one of these sons was outwardly obedient to the father. The second ran away from his father’s love to wallow in sin and passions. But it so happens that the latter is the one who is able stop and shudder as he becomes aware of the scope of the monstrous act he has committed before Heaven and his father. His spirit ascends to the highest heights attainable to human being – he enters into an awareness that the temple of his soul is monstrously defiled. He himself had robbed and defiled his father’s inheritance, namely, life, love, care, goodness, and tenderness. He himself trampled upon the best of everything he had, destroying it and profaning it.

The prodigal son realized all this. And this is what each person is called to do. After the Fall, after every one of us without exception became a prodigal son – whether we admit it or ignore it in our complacency – God the Father is waiting for only one thing from us: the awareness of our blindness and mistakes. Without this we are simply incapable of stopping our headlong fall into the abyss of eternal death.

The second son in the parable never left the father physically. But in spirit he was, consciously, in a land just as far away as his brother. As opposed to the prodigal son, who left his father, the “righteous” son didn’t return to him. He proved incapable of what is most important for man on earth – ascending to the heights of repentance, giving rise to communion with God and peace with Him. The exemplary behavior of the “righteous one” is grateful from the bottom of his heart that he is not like his good-for-nothing brother – that prodigal son who squandered his father’s inheritance with harlots! *But why are you, father, so unfairly condescending and kind to him? How dare you forgive him? This, after he has squandered your wealth, which after all could have belonged to me?! After he has wallowed to his heart’s content in sin, which I have been forbidding myself all this time? Why do you pay any attention to him, and not to me – who am worthy of your attention?* This elder, righteous, and hopelessly lost man is also a prodigal son, also an unhappy child. This brother is a threatening example for all who appear to abide correctly in the father’s house.

Fortunately for us, there is yet another son in the parable—the One who is narrating it to us. He is the One whom the Father sends for the salvation of these and other prodigal children, for the salvation of each and every one of us. It is He in whom there is the fullness of the Divinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who sacrifices Himself for us.

The prodigal son found the path away from his destruction. From the spiritual point of view, the older brother has only one way out: a sincere recognition that “there is no one worse than me.” Probably we all know this expression. But even here we often manage to successfully convert the cross-bearing courage of spiritually abiding in this truth into a comfortable hypocrisy of a barren knowledge of correct formulas....

– Bishop Tikhon (Shevkunov) of Egorievsk,
from a sermon in Holy Trinity Church, Moscow, February 11, 2017.
Paraphrased and excerpted from a translation by Nun Cornelia (Rees);
found at <https://orthochristian.com/101137.html>

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sharing God's Gifts Archdiocesan Collection (SGG): Our assessment for 2022 is \$65,582, of which we still owe \$57,998. 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 August 29th to September 4th: To our combined regular Sunday collections in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses, you gave \$9,376. To SGG you gave \$780. For the Poor Box you gave \$49. For Agape Table you gave \$60. Thank you for your generosity!

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 Walk-in hours limited. Admin Assistant: Indira Rampersad</p>
<p>Bookkeeper: Eva Dunlao, controller@stignatius.ca</p>
<p>ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL <i>Nursery-Grade 8: full curriculum in a Catholic environment for registered parishioners' children.</i> www.stignatius.mb.ca or 204-475-1386 Principal: Jeannine Pistawka, Admin Assistant: Joy Pollreis</p>
<p>Adult Education Centre & Lending Library: 204-453-9243 or adult.education@stignatius.ca Co-ordinator: Carmela Castellano Sinclair</p>
<p>Operations Manager: Bob Pistawka operations@stignatius.ca</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>HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY: call the Office, 204-474-2351</p>
<p>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS normally meet 1st Monday each month at 7:30pm</p>