

ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Warm and Welcoming

"Give me only your love and your grace, that is enough for me." St. Ignatius of Loyola

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"Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

5:00 PM

Sunday

7:30 AM & 10:00 AM

Monday — Friday

12 Noon

Holy Days of Obligation

See Bulletin for Times

SACRAMENTS

Confession

Saturday @ 4:15 PM

Weekdays @ 11:15 AM

Or by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the office

Baptism & Matrimony

Please contact Rosemary Pesko

OTHER MINISTRIES

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Contributions Received

September 5 – 12, 2023

Offertory.....	\$2,553.10
Children's Offertory.....	\$0.00
Building Fund	\$55.00
Gift to Parish	\$400.00

WEEKLY CALENDAR

CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME MINISTRY:

Meeting, today at 8:45 in Brady Hall.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Classes today at 8:45 am in the Family Center (Kinder in the Gesu Rm.)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Today at 10 am Mass.

RCIA: Monday, September 12, 7 pm at Curé d'Ars Church.

BIBLE STUDY: Thursday, 6:30 pm in Brady Hall and via Zoom. *(Please see next page for more information.)*

SEWING MINISTRY: Thursday, September 21, 10 am in the Family Center Library.

NEW OFFICE HOURS

Beginning Monday, September 18, our office hours will be 9 am to 4 pm, Monday – Friday. For an appointment outside of these hours, please call the office at 303-322-8042, or email us at parish@loyoladenver.org.

Notes from Fr. Francis

Dear Parishioners of St. Ignatius,

The Peace of Christ be with you!

As we come together to participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, we immerse ourselves in the timeless liturgy, designed to elevate our souls towards the Transcendent. The readings for this 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, speak with an unerring voice to the perennial concerns of human existence: the nature of forgiveness, the obligations of community, and the transformative power of Divine Love.

In the Gospel according to St. Matthew, we hear of Peter asking Christ, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive?" (Mt 18:21). The Lord's response—that we should forgive not seven times, but seventy-seven times—reveals the inexhaustible nature of God's mercy and provides a profound invitation to compassion and reconciliation for our community.

It seems apt to ponder this Gospel teaching as we also consider the evolving identity of our beloved St. Ignatius Parish. For nearly a century, the Society of Jesus has steered the course of this parish community. The Jesuits, with their charism deeply rooted in the intellectual, social, and spiritual facets of the Church's mission, have imprinted on St. Ignatius a certain character—one emphasizing social justice, community outreach, and intellectual curiosity. And for this, we are profoundly grateful.

However, just as each Religious Order in the Church brings its own charism, it is vital to understand that territorial parishes evolve and, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, adapt to address the specific spiritual needs of the people within the

territory. We find ourselves at a juncture where the community of St. John is being called to continue guiding St. Ignatius Parish using the gifts that are theirs. My Religious Community, the Congregation of Saint John, with our formation and charism, have received a spiritual compass, so to speak, which is different from the Jesuits, but nonetheless leads to the same heavenly homeland. Br. Michael Paul did a presentation on our Congregation and Charism that I would highly recommend watching if you were unable to attend (Link below).

The ways of God are mysterious: why it is that He leads us in a certain way at a given point in our lives, and then begins to lead us in a different way, accords with His wisdom and providence. The truths and spiritual benefits that have enlightened and filled us while being led in a particular way are a permanent part of who we are. Far from being a negation of the past, a new way of being led opens up new horizons and perspectives into the apostolic tradition and the sacramental life of the Church which God Himself wants to provide and build on our spiritual foundation.

Consider our journey together as the maturing of a robust vine, rooted deeply in the rich soil of apostolic tradition and the wisdom of the Church. This vine has been nurtured by the diligent care of those who have come before us, each bringing their own unique gifts and charisms to facilitate its growth. Now, as we enter a new season, we are called to further enrich the soil, not by uprooting what has already been planted, but by adding nutrients that honor and complement the long history. In doing so, the vine not only continues to flourish but also produces fruit that is even more abundant and sweet.

In this process of enriching our community, let us remember the profound message of today's Gospel readings on the boundless nature of God's mercy and forgiveness. Our faith, bequeathed to us by the Apostles and sustained by the Church through centuries, transcends individual charisms and trends of any era. This timeless faith, calling us to unending love and perpetual forgiveness, remains as relevant today as it was in the times of St. Ignatius of Loyola and St. John the Apostle. The Gospel challenges us to deepen our understanding, expand our capacity for love, and fortify our commitment to the teachings of the Church.

I invite you all to be active participants in this period of transformation: Engage in the sacramental life, partake in the study of the Faith, immerse yourself in the rich liturgical traditions, and offer your prayers for the spiritual growth of our community. As we continue this incredible journey together, let us bear in mind that we are all pilgrims progressing toward the same ultimate destination: union with God, Who is the Alpha and the Omega, the Eternal Truth Who commands us to forgive, to love, and to serve.

In Christ and His Blessed Mother,

Father Francis Therese Krautter, CSJ

(Ps. Be sure to watch the presentation on the Community of Saint John given by Br. Michael Paul if you missed it: <https://tinyurl.com/stjohnloyola>)

NEWS AND EVENTS

2024 LECTOR WORKBOOKS AVAILABLE

Lectors can pick up a copy of the 2024 Lector Workbook in Brady Hall. They will be on a table near the north door. If it is not convenient to pick up your copy from Brady Hall, please call the office (303-322-8042) for assistance. *Thank you all for your service in bringing God's word to the faithful!*

LOYOLA SEWING MINISTRY

The St. Ignatius Loyola Sewing Ministry will begin meeting again on **September 21 at 10 am in the Family Center Conference Room**. We meet the third Thursday of each month. Please join us for cutting, creativity, and conversation!

FALL BIBLE STUDY SERIES

Please join us for Bible study in Brady Hall this fall! Our new session begins on **Thursday, September 21** and will continue on October 5, 19, November 2, 16 and 30. Our text is the **Gospel of John** (Books 1-11 in fall and Books 12-21 in spring). We begin with optional snack and social time at 6:30 pm and discuss the text, its meaning, and its application in our daily lives from 7 to 8 pm. If you cannot attend in person, please consider participating via Zoom (link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85750137216>). Participants do not need to register in advance. If you would like more information, please visit <https://loyoladenver.org/bible-study> or contact Camarin, Director of Faith Formation, camarin@loyoladenver.org or 303-630-9480.

LOYOLA FOOD PANTRY FOOD DRIVE

Sunday, September 24, 8 am - Noon

Our pantry continues to serve 30-35 families per week. We are struggling to keep the shelves stocked and need your continued support. Please help us help our neighbors by bringing any of these non-perishable grocery items to the pantry/garage at the corner of 23rd and Gaylord: Paper towels, toilet paper, reusable grocery bags, cooking oils, mayonnaise, Miracle Whip, mustard, ketchup, pancake syrup, pancake mix, canned fruit and vegetables (**no green beans please**), canned tomatoes, tomato sauce and tomato paste, canned tuna, chicken and salmon, hearty soups, canned chili, sloppy joe mix, canned stews, spaghetti sauce, SpaghettiOs, baked and other canned beans, peanut butter, jelly, coffee, sugar, flour, masa, pasta, crackers, rice (**white only-no brown**), taco seasoning and shells, tortillas, Hamburger and Tuna Helper, salsa, hot sauce, honey, and cereal/oatmeal. Cookies, granola bars, juice boxes and snacks are appreciated as well.

Please no expired or damaged items! Financial donations are also accepted, checks payable to *St. Vincent de Paul Society*. Food donations can also be dropped off at the parish office Monday through Friday. Thank you for your continued generosity! **You are truly making a difference!**

YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

The Young Adults Ministry hosts monthly activities on the first Saturday of each month, and we gather after the 5 pm Mass. To join our group or be added to our contact list, please email us at loyolayoungadultsministry@gmail.com. **Our next event is scheduled for October 7** – please watch the bulletin for details!

A CATECHIST'S PRAYER

Father of all families, you have called me to serve the family in truth and love as a catechist. May I be faithful to this call, rooted in your Word, and open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

May I use these gifts, especially the gifts of faith, hope and love, to serve the family as a witness to you, who are love and life and the source and destiny of all families.

Let your Spirit enlighten my mind and strengthen my heart so that I can be a path of Christ's love to families, especially those in need, the homebound and aged, the disabled and disheartened.

Through the intercession of Mary and Joseph, I pray for the church, the Bride of Christ, whose mission to build a civilization of love passes through the family. Amen.

(With permission from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)

CONFESSION – ADDITIONAL TIMES

We will be holding confession every weekday at 11:15 am, followed by Mass at noon. We will continue to hold confessions on Saturdays at 4:15, or by appointment.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 09-17-23

7:30 am

Bonnie Watson⁺

10:00 am

People of the Parish

Monday, 09-18-23

Intentions of the Celebrant

Tuesday, 09-19-23

Marcellina Otii⁺

Wednesday, 09-20-23

Sharon Kersey

Thursday, 09-21-23

Daniel O'Leary & Family

Friday, 09-22-23

Evan Martin⁺

Saturday 09-23-23

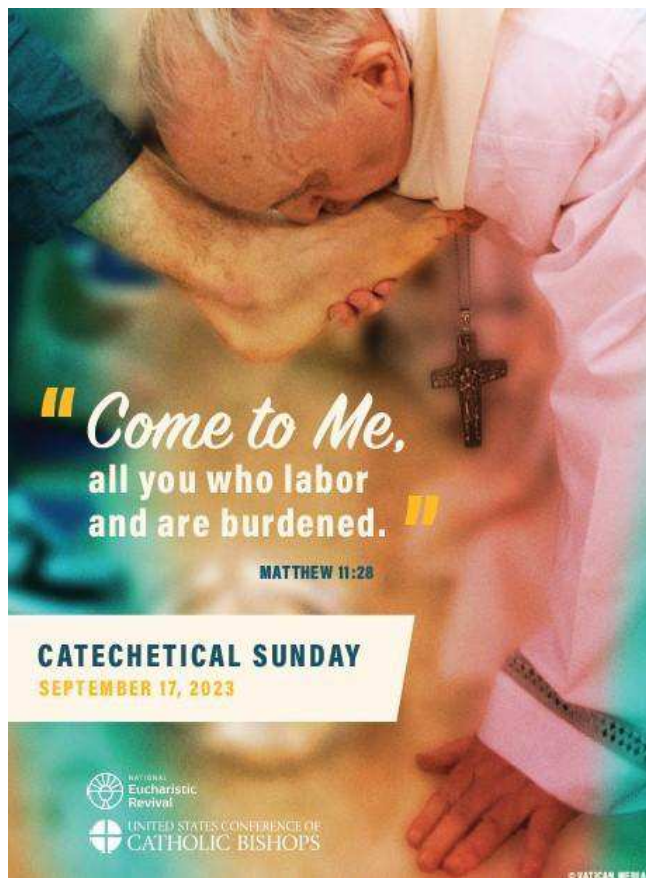
SVDP Members & Neighbors

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

Victor Abad, Jr., Elizabeth Achuil, Joyce Armstead, Eugenia Arsense, Benjamin Baszler Family, Mary Bergles, Taeja Billingsley, Raquel Sanchez Bishop, Gray Buckley, Mary Ellen Buning, Loretta Burrell, Susan Carrillo, Gerda Christiansen, Joyce & Meredith Clabaugh, Deborah Cottle, Ann Durkin, Ed Ekel, Ann Feighny, Barbara Floyd-Hall, Valerie Francis, Margie Fry, Natasha M. Garcia, Suzanne Geren, Jean Giles, Hollis Hafner, Carrie Hamilton, Gayle Hamlett, Patty Harvey, Peg Higgins, Tylah Howard, Connor Jennison, Wardell Jones, Isaac Joseph, Jamar Lindsay & Family, Lorene Lee, Jonny Lewis, Judy Lewis, Linda Parker Long, Tony Lutrey, Josephine Martinez, Brody McDonald, Mary McEnany, James McKinney, Mary Ann Montgomery, Mathue/ Nicque Moore, Antonia Moreno, Mary Muldoon, Linda Murray, Carol Nettles, Michelle Padilla, Flora Potter, Margaret Prado, Gail Pugh, Marcello Puma, Peter Quintero, Megan Reinholtz, Cordell Robinson, Maria Rose, Robert Saldano Family, Paul Scheafbauer, Katie/Melvin Scott, Barb Sercely, Mary Sewing, William Sexton, Angelita Sims, Gary Slaven, Marc Solzan, Deneen Stevenson, Romaine Tacznosky, Ken/Carmen Therence, Delores Varner, Linda Vialpando, Beverly Wilson, John Zimmer

Sunday, September 17, 2023 – Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sir 27:30-28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35 (130)

Please visit www.usccb.org/bible/readings for the daily reading.



On Catechetical Sunday, our community honors everyone called to teach the faith.

We lift up our Religious Education and RCIA catechists, parents, grandparents, and everyone else who bears witness to the faith and supports children or adults on their journeys of inquiry, sacramental preparation, and spiritual encounter.

Let us mark the new year through our Ignatian tradition of introspective, personal prayer. Please make time this week to pray this Family Examen from *God in All Things* (<https://godinallthings.com/prayer/family-examen/>)

Many pray the Examen on their own, reflecting on their own life in the last 24 hours. This Examen's focus is on being a part of a family. You may pray it with your family or on your own. If prayed with family members it might be fruitful to share your prayer experience with one another at the conclusion of the prayer.

When God created human beings, we became part of the Family of Creation. The Bible even says we are adopted into God's family. Sit with this reality for a few moments: *Each cell in my body, each chromosome, and strand of DNA is amazingly connected to God's Family of Creation.* And consider all of us as descendants of Abraham, one of the countless stars of his future children, bound up in relationship, a people chosen by God. Now let us consider our own immediate family, made up of parents, spouses, children, sisters, and brothers. *I bring their faces into my mind's eye, and with God, gaze upon their faces with love. Regardless of their faults, they have been given to me. They are my family.*

What are some important moments I've shared with my family? *I let them arise in my mind naturally and relish those moments in my heart.* Why were those moments so important? Now I consider my role in my family. Am I a son or a daughter? A mother or a father? A sister or a brother? A husband or a wife? In what ways have I made my family closer? And in what ways have I caused fractures among us? *My immediate family is an important part of the larger human family contributing to the good of creation.* How can I contribute to a more loving family? What do I need to ask God for as I hope for deeper union and harmony within my closest relationships?

Let us close with a prayer for families: Heavenly Father, Please shine your light upon my family. Give us strength to overcome all of the difficulties that we are dealing with now and protect us against any and all problems we may encounter in the future. O Lord, please bring us together as we are meant to be. May the love that binds us only grow stronger as we fulfill the destiny you have laid out for us. Grant my family forgiveness for any sins we have committed. May we also forgive one another Lord, as it is sometimes difficult to do. Bless us Lord, In your name I pray, Amen.

If you're praying this with your family you may want to take this time to share your experience of prayer. Or, spend this time speaking to Jesus—a member of your own family—about what you experienced.