

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

November 19, 2023 — Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
Monday — Friday	Noon
Thanksgiving Day	9 a.m.
Holy Day of Obligation	Please see bulletin

SACRAMENTS

Confession	Saturday @ 4:15 p.m. Weekdays @ 11:15 a.m. Or by appointment
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Anointing of the Sick	Please call the office
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Baptism & Matrimony	Please call the office
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**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
SOCIETY—HELP HOTLINE**

303-955-2578

YOUNG ADULTS

loyolayoungadultsministry@gmail.com

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED*November 8 – November 14, 2023*

Offertory.....	\$2,095.37
Children's Offertory.....	\$68.30
Building Fund	\$70.00

WEEKLY CALENDAR

100TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE: Meeting today, 11:15 a.m., Gesu Room.

CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME MINISTRY:

Meeting today, 8:45 a.m., Brady Hall.

FOOD PANTRY FOOD DRIVE: Today, 8 a.m.– noon.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: No classes today.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: No Children's Church today.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Rehearsal following 10 a.m. Mass.

RCIA: No meeting on November 20.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

As we approach Thanksgiving, our hearts are naturally drawn to gratitude, a sentiment that finds deep resonance in our faith. This Sunday, the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, presents us with profound insights into thankfulness, additionally this year we are celebrating the feast of Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Nov. 21st) and St. Cecilia (Nov. 22nd) leading up to Thanksgiving Day.

In our liturgical readings, we are invited to a deeper appreciation of our faith and God's gifts. The prophecy of Daniel, "But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament," speaks to a time of distress followed by eternal reward for the wise and just. This passage, highlighting resilience in adversity, encourages thankfulness for God's promise of salvation and a hopeful outlook towards eternity. Such hope in the face of trials fosters a spirit of gratitude, urging us to find joy and purpose even in life's challenges, as we anticipate the ultimate fulfillment of God's promises.

The Letter to the Hebrews offers another profound reflection, stating, "For by one offering he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated." This passage reminds us of Christ's ultimate sacrifice, which perfected those being consecrated. Here, we are urged to express our gratitude for the gift of redemption. It challenges us to live in the light of this grace, embodying the virtues Christ exemplified. This gratitude goes beyond mere words, calling us to a life of service, love, and self-sacrifice, mirroring Christ's own life and his ultimate act of love on the cross.

Finally, the Gospel of Mark vividly describes the end times and Christ's return, urging, "But of that day or hour, no one knows." This passage emphasizes the importance of vigilance and preparedness. In this context, thankfulness becomes a recognition of the transience of earthly life and the importance of spiritual vigilance. It encourages us to live each day with purpose and mindfulness, aware of the fleeting nature of our

earthly existence and the enduring promise of eternal life. This perspective invites us to cherish each moment, using our time wisely in service and love, as we await the fulfillment of God's kingdom.

In the midst of these reflections, we are also called to remember the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Celebrated on November 21st, this day recalls Mary's complete dedication to God from a young age. Tradition holds that Mary - privately and in her heart - from the very moment she was able to understand the great gift of grace she received, offered herself back to her Creator, dedicating her life to God with gratitude. This act, symbolized by presenting herself in the Temple, is a testament to the grace she perceived in her life from its earliest stages. Mary's life, marked by a profound openness to God's will, exemplifies the purest form of gratitude - a life lived in service and dedication to the Divine. As we reflect on her presentation, let us seek to emulate her gratitude and dedication in our own lives.

St. Cecilia, whose feast we celebrate November 22, lived a life full of gratitude and unwavering faith, making her an exemplary figure during this season of Thanksgiving. Cecilia, a young Christian of noble birth, was betrothed to a Roman named Valerian whom she converted to Christianity. Her story, marked by profound faith and courage, culminates in her martyrdom, a testament to her steadfast dedication to God. After being struck on the neck, Cecilia survived for three days, during which she requested that her home be transformed into a church.

Her life is not just a tale of resilience and faith but also of joyous celebration through music. Known for singing in her heart and sometimes with her voice, St. Cecilia is a symbol of the Church's conviction that good music is an integral part of the liturgy, holding a place of great value. Her association with music reminds us that our expressions of faith and gratitude can be beautifully manifested in various forms of art, particularly in those that uplift the spirit and glorify God.

St. Cecilia's story encourages us to find in every moment, whether joyous or challenging, an opportunity to give thanks to God. Her life was a symphony of thankfulness, expressed not only through her martyrdom but also through her joyous embrace of music as a form of prayer and worship. In her, we find a powerful example of how gratitude and faith can coexist, even in the most trying circumstances, and how they can be expressed in unique and impactful ways.

In this Thanksgiving season, let us look to these exemplary women, the Mother of God and St. Cecilia, as models of living a life of gratitude. Their lives teach us that true thankfulness is found in a heart fully open to God, ready to respond with love and service. May we embrace this season not just as a time to count our blessings but as an invitation to live a life marked by spiritual alertness, dedication, and a symphony of gratitude, following the examples set before us.

Wishing you a blessed and reflective Thanksgiving,

Fr. Francis Therese Krautter, CSJ

NEWS AND EVENTS

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Our Thanksgiving Day Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m. (there will be no Noon Mass).

LOYOLA ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA GARDEN

The Loyola Garden Team has decided that we have put the Garden to bed for the last time. The Garden has had a great run and grown almost 4,000 lbs. of beautiful, organic produce over the years, but sometimes even wonderful things reach their end. There are many factors that went into this decision, but the major ones are that the Loyola Food Pantry currently has plentiful sources for fresh produce that require a lot less work (and water), and it has been difficult to find enough volunteers to manage a very large produce garden.

A huge thank you goes out to Paul Gibson for his incredible vision and leadership of the Garden effort over these last seven years. The Loyola St. Josephine Bakhita Garden helped feed a lot of people thanks to Paul's hard work, deep knowledge of gardening, and tireless and sustained efforts to provide beautiful produce to those on the margins. Please also thank Rick Roehm, Kevin and Peg Higgins, Ellen and Rodgers Naylor, and the other volunteers over the years who were great gardeners/farmers during the Garden's life. Also, a huge thank you to the Garden's weekly waterers – Rose Meyler, Catherine Sporski, Sally Wolfe, and Marisa Hesse.

May God bless all these generous people for the wonderful work they have done.

SENIOR SUPPORT DINNER

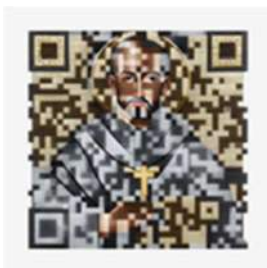
On Thursday, November 30, we will provide sack lunches for approximately 70-80 homeless or low-income seniors who come to Senior Support Services for meals and assistance. For this month's macaroni and cheese menu, we would be very grateful for donations of:

4 blocks of Velveeta cheese	2 gallons of 2% milk
8 boxes of elbow macaroni	4 bags of carrot sticks
80 bags of munchies	80 juice boxes
80 wrapped cookies	

Please drop off donations at the Parish Office by 1 p.m. on Tuesday, November 28. For more information, please call Delores at 720-937-2924. Thank you for supporting this ministry!

ST. IGNATIUS GIVING TREE

Parish families experiencing financial difficulty this holiday season may sign up their children for the St. Ignatius Giving Tree. This is for children up to age 18 and in high school. Toni Armstead will have forms in Brady Hall after all the Masses this weekend. The deadline to submit the forms is Monday, November 20.



*Please consider using this
QR code for online giving.
Thank you!*

OFFICE CLOSED – THANKSGIVING

The Parish Office will be closed on November 23 and 24.
Best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NEWS

Congratulations Mary Murray!

At the annual SVdP Society Denver Metro Council Meeting, held on Saturday, October 22nd, Mary Murray from our Loyola Conference was honored with the Council's Top Hat Award. This award is given every year to one Vincentian in the entire Metro area who exemplifies the spirit of the founder of the Society, Blessed Frederic Ozanam (who wore a top hat). Mary received the award in recognition of the incredible work she has done managing our Loyola Food Pantry. She was recognized for the heroic job she does organizing and staffing the Pantry as well as seeking out and acquiring additional resources to help keep the Pantry stocked. Most importantly – the honor recognized her grace-filled kindness and service to the poor who come to the Pantry on shopping days. Mary was the Vincentian awarded this honor, but she shares it with her husband Pat Murray who works incredibly hard as well to make the Pantry run. In addition, this award is shared with all the wonderful people in our Loyola family who support the Pantry by volunteering, making food donations, and providing monetary support. Thank you and congratulations to all!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 11-19-23

7:30 a.m.

Stephanie Ann Valdez⁺

10:00 a.m.

People of the Parish

Monday, 11-20-23

Intentions of the Celebrant

Tuesday, 11-21-23

Mary Alice Nugent⁺ and

Paul J. Nugent, Jr.⁺

Wednesday, 11-22-23

Carol Hawkins

Thursday, 11-23-23

Randy Hicklin⁺

Friday, 11-24-23

Ramsey Barton

Saturday, 11-25-23

Kay Reuter⁺

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

Victor Abad, Jr., Elizabeth Achuil, Joyce Armstead, Eugenia Arsense, Benjamin Baszler Family, Mary Bergles, Taeja Billingsley, Raquel Bishop, Gray Buckley, Mary Ellen Buning, Loretta Burrell, Judy Busch, Susan Carrillo, Gerda Christiansen, Joyce & Meredith Clabaugh, Josephine Clode, Deborah Cottle, Ann Durkin, Ed Ekel, Ann Feighny, Barbara Floyd-Hall, Valerie Francis, Margie Fry, Notasha 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, Fr. Patrick Quinn, Peter Quintero, Megan Reinholtz, Cordell Robinson, Maria Rose, Robert Saldano, Paul Scheafbauer, Katie/Melvin Scott, Barb Sercely, William Sexton, Angelita Sims, Larry Sims, Gary Slaven, Deneen Stevenson, Romaine Tacznosky, Ken/Carmen Therence, Linda Vialpando, Beverly Wilson, John Zimmer

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Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

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




THANKSGIVING BLESSINGS



NOVEMBER 23

Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Lord, we thank you
for the goodness of our people
and for the spirit of justice
that fills this nation.
we thank you for the beauty and fullness of the
land and the challenge of the cities.
We thank you for our work and our rest,
for one another, and for our homes. We thank you,
Lord: accept our thanksgiving on this day.
We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Attention! All Loyola and Regis Women!

You're Invited to our **Advent Tea!**

Saturday, Dec 2, 2023: 2 - 4 pm

Brady Hall (Basement of Loyola Church)

Wear your **Favorite Hat**

Come enjoy your **Favorite Cup of Tea, Delicious Food**
and some **Fun Conversation!**

Please RSVP by Tuesday, Nov 28

to Kathy Kindblade

jimbojunction@icloud.com or 303-638-3445

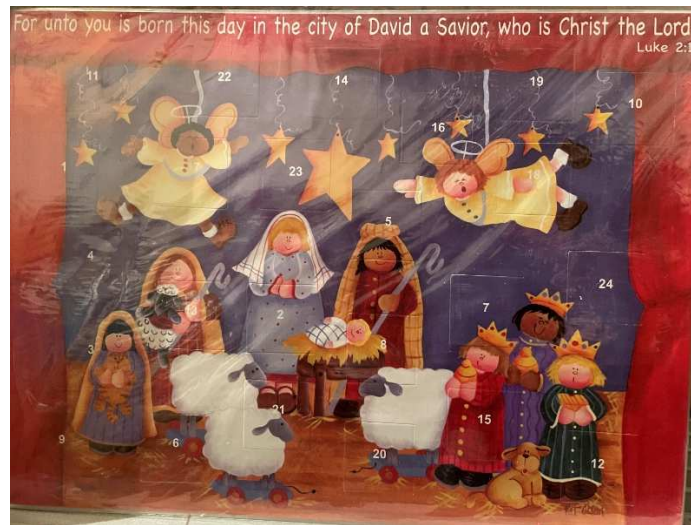


Hosted by the Loyola Women's Club

LOYOLA WOMEN'S ADVENT SALES

In anticipation of the Celebration of His Birth
We can help you create a tradition for your family

Fluffy lambs hover close to Baby Jesus, as angels float above Him in a profusion of stars. Such images grace our whimsical children's advent calendar and will delight your youngsters as they open a new door each day as Christmas draws near. Each flap conceals a biblical scene and verse about the coming of the Messiah.



You may purchase our calendars from the Loyola Women's Club, the members of which will staff tables in Brady Hall.

Dates:

- 11/18 -after the 5:00 p.m. Mass
- 11/19-after the 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses
- 11/25-after the 5:00 p.m. Mass
- 11/26-after the 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses
- 12/2-after the 5:00 p.m. Mass
- 12/3-after the 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses

Also available are additional children's Advent calendars, family style calendars, and the base and/or candles for Advent wreaths, sans the greenery.