



ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

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March 10 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

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Saturday Anticipatory Mass

5:00 P.M.

Sunday Mass

7:30 AM | 10:00 A.M.

Weekday Mass

12:00 P.M.

Confessions

M-F - 11:15-11:45 A.M.

Sat. - 4:15-4:45 P.M.



Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners,

Laetare Sunday, celebrated on the fourth Sunday of Lent, is the second occasion during a liturgically penitential season (Advent being the first) where the Church offers a moment of reflection, joy, and anticipation. Its name, "Laetare," meaning "Rejoice" in Latin, is derived from the Introit (or Entrance Antiphon) of the Mass, which begins with "Laetare Jerusalem" ("Rejoice, O Jerusalem"). The text of the Gregorian chant was so synonymous with the Mass before the Second Vatican Council that people "named" specific Masses after them. With the liturgical reforms, the option to celebrate Mass in the vernacular, and hymns or songs frequently replacing the Entrance Antiphon altogether, we can lose the connection to our past.

Vatican II did not suppress Latin or Gregorian Chant, in fact, it did just the opposite: "The Church acknowledges Gregorian chant as specially suited to the Roman liturgy: therefore, other things being equal, it should be given principal place in liturgical services." (Documents of Vatican II, Sacrosanctum concilium, 116) If Vatican II asked us to give Gregorian Chant pride of place in the liturgy, why did those implementing liturgical changes after the council effectively abandon it?

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Pastor's column cont.

Historically, Laetare Sunday served as a day of relaxation from the normal Lenten rigors, symbolizing hope as Easter became "at last within sight." It has been associated with various customs, such as the allowance of celebrating weddings, which were otherwise not permitted during Lent, and the tradition of visiting one's mother church—the church of one's baptism. This tradition has also led to it being called Mothering Sunday in some places.

One of the most enduring traditions associated with Laetare Sunday is the blessing of the "golden rose." Initiated in the 11th century by Pope Leo IX, the rose is a symbol of Christ's passion - his suffering and death for love of us and of His Father. The Golden Rose would be sent to Catholic sovereigns as a sign of esteem and spiritual affiliation. This custom, embodying a mix of religious symbolism and diplomatic goodwill, beautifully illustrates the depth of tradition in connection with Laetare Sunday.

The use of rose-colored vestments, as opposed to the customary purple of Lent, is a visual expression of the day's character. This practice, which likely developed due to the availability of pigments and dyes and has evolved over the centuries, serves as a liturgical illustration of the Church's ability to balance penance with joy. Rose vestments are emblematic of the restrained rejoicing encouraged on this day, offering a glimpse of Easter's promise while maintaining a somber tone appropriate to Lent. The distinction between Laetare and the other Sundays of Lent is thus emphasized, symbolizing the joys of this life and the hope of eternal joy to come.

Laetare Sunday invites the faithful to momentarily ease the Lenten disciplines. Here's a story from the Desert Fathers: "There was a hunter in the desert who saw Abba Anthony jesting with the brothers. Abba Anthony wanted to convince the hunter that he had to relax with the brothers from time to time. He said to him: "Put an arrow to your bow and draw it." He did so. He said to him: "Draw again," and he drew. Again he said: "Draw." The hunter said to him: "If I draw beyond its capacity my bow will break."

Abba Anthony said: "So is it too with the work of God. If we draw on the brothers beyond their capacity, they will quickly break. So it is necessary to relax with them from time to time." (Give Me a Word, pp. 33-34)

In Christ's Peace,
Father Francis

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, 3/9/24 - Jim Black+

Sunday, 3/10/24 -

7:30 AM - Pro Populo (People of the Parish)

10:00 AM - Judy Dollins+

Monday, 3/11/2024 - Judy Dollins+

Tuesday, 3/12/2024 - Judy Piazzaia+

Wednesday, 3/13/2024 - Andrew Cyril Meuwissen+

Thursday, 3/14/2024 - Sam Queen+

Friday, 3/15/2024 - Andrew & Meg Selig

Saturday, 3/16/2024 - Raymond Schmitt+

Weekly Offertory

February 28 - March 5

Offertory	\$1724.38
Children's Offertory.....	\$25.00
Easter Flowers	\$14.62
Building Fund	\$159.62
Black and Indian Mission Collection	\$156.50

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News and Events

Weekend Calendar

Sunday, March 10 -

- Children's Church and R.E.
- 10:00 A.M. Mass - Second Scrutiny, RCIA
- 8 A.M. - Noon, St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive on corner of 23rd and Gaylord
- 11:15 AM - KCPLA meeting, Gesu Room

Upcoming Events

Monday, March 11 -

Office Closed

6:30 P.M. - RCIA @ Cure d'Ars Parish

Ignatian Discernment of Spirits Formation Series

Not meeting March 11

For more information, visit

www.stignatiusdenver.org/ignatian-formation-series/

Tuesday & Thursday, March 12 & 14 -

Mt. Olivet End of Life Preparation Talks, see back of the bulletin for more information

Friday, March 15 -

7 P.M. - Stations of the Cross, led by Better Together

Second Collection

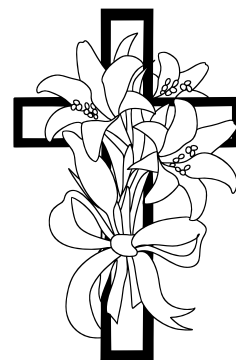
This weekend we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Your support for this collection aids victims of persecution and natural disasters, provides legal services to poor immigrants, and advocates for the powerless. Through your generosity, six Catholic agencies reveal Christ's love to vulnerable refugees, immigrant families, and the poor and marginalized. Please prayerfully consider contributing to The Catholic Relief Services Collection today.

Donations can be placed in the boxes at the north and east entrances.

Easter Flowers

If you would like to aid in beautifying our church for Easter, please consider donating to our Easter Flower Fund.

To do so, place cash in an envelope labeled "Easter Flower Fund" and your name, write "Easter Flowers" on your check memo line, or add the note "Easter Flowers" to your FaithDirect donation.



If you're visiting or new, WELCOME!

We're so glad you're here to worship Our Lord, truly present in the Eucharist with us.

If you are looking for a new spiritual home or have decided it's simply time to come back to the Catholic Church - please consider returning, introducing yourself to our priests, and spending more time at St. Ignatius!

If you'd like to register or learn more about the parish, please visit our website or contact the office.

Ignatian Spirituality Update

Please see below for the remaining dates and Rules of our Ignatian Formation Series.

March 11 - **NO TALK**

March 18 - "Patience in Tribulation" (Rule 8)

March 25 - **NO TALK**

April 1 - "Why Are Our Hearts Heavy?" (Rule 9)

April 8 - "Don't Live in the Moment" (Rules 10 & 11)

April 15 - "How to Resist Temptation" (Rules 12-14)

Announcements
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Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday

March 23 - 5:00 P.M.
March 24 - 7:30 A.M.
March 24 - 10:00 A.M.

Holy Thursday

March 28 - 7 P.M.

Good Friday

March 29 - 3 P.M.



Easter Vigil

March 30 - 8 P.M.

Easter Sunday

March 31 - 7:30 A.M.
March 31 - 10:00 A.M.

Tax Letters

We had many returned tax letters from the Post Office this year. If you did not receive your 2023 tax letter, please contact the parish office.



Stations of the Cross, every Friday during Lent at 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Revival

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church is one of the 7 Pilgrim churches in the Archdiocese during the Eucharistic Revival Years.

Please join them for Adoration from 2:30 - 7:00 PM Mar. 13, April 10 & 24, and May 8 & 22. From 6 - 7 PM, Adoration will be paired with confession and peaceful praise & worship.

Cover Painting

Christ Healing the Blind Man
by Sebastiano Ricci

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, Jim Carlton, 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, Michael Koller, 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, Amy Moon, Mathue/ Nicque Moore, Mary Muldoon, Linda Murray, Carol Nettles, Michelle Padilla, Eileen Percell, Flora Potter, Margaret Prado, Gail Pugh, Marcello Puma, Fr. Patrick Quinn, Peter Quintero, Megan Reinholtz, Cordell Robinson, Maria Rose, Robert Saldano, Paul Scheafbauer, 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, Coleen Walsh

Sunday Readings

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21 / 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a;
Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

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