



ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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March 3 - Third 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,

I learned recently of the wonderful, though oddly named practice of "Swedish Death Cleansing." Reflecting on this weekend's Gospel passage where we see Jesus cleansing the temple, and given the fact that we are currently in the Holy Season of Lent, it seems good to consider the different levels of cleansing we need. Some babies love taking baths; I don't remember liking to do that very much. I remember coming out of the water, cold - so cold - it seemed like I would surely die before I could dry off and warm up again. It was nice to smell better though. The whole dramatic affair would then be re-lived every day or so.

On the negative side of getting clean, there is the discomfort, the departure from a state that we have gotten used to, exposing ourselves, a kind of vulnerability. On the positive side, there is the fresh start, something rejuvenating, a sense that we are more attractive and presentable to others. Physically, we have to get clean from dirt and grime. Spiritually we need to get clean from sin by confession and conversion.

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In between, there's another kind of cleansing that we should make a point of doing during Lent. It is the kind of cleansing that Jesus does in the temple in Sunday's Gospel. Some spiritual cleansing can only happen if very real things (or sometimes people!) are physically removed from our lives.

"Swedish Death Cleansing" is a practice that you can read more about online if you'd like. I'm not necessarily endorsing any particular methods, but the idea is great. Are there things in your life - objects, possessions, pictures, collections, whatever - that if you were to die, would cause undue scandal or distress to the people or family who happened upon them? The next question is also important: Why haven't you already gotten rid of those things? Swedish Death Cleansing is a good way to meditate on the things we have acquired or held on to for no good reason. Lent is an opportunity and excuse to get rid of stuff we would be embarrassed for others to discover. Getting rid of it now is liberating. It is a reminder that the moment of our death is uncertain, and there are some things we wouldn't want to be caught dead with. It is a physical cleansing, but also a spiritual one.

The cleansing of the temple is another "incarnational" moment of cleansing. Jesus isn't about to simply ignore, or "rise above" the mundane and worldly commerce taking place in the Temple. There are all kinds of excuses: people need to buy animals to sacrifice, they've traveled a long way and couldn't bring the animals with them, they need animals that meet the strict levitical criteria and are approved. Jesus doesn't care about any of these excuses - he chases out the animals and their vendors, "You have turned my Father's house into a den of thieves!" It is true that anything which would distract or detract from true prayer "steals" people from their true purpose in the Temple or church. A church is not a theater, it is not a community/gathering space, it is not a marketplace, it is not a living room.

Jesus says that the true Temple is His body. When we enter the church building, therefore, if we are consistent about neither over-spiritualizing nor materializing, we are entering - mysteriously - Christ's Body. "Destroy this Temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The church building is the place where the sacrifice of Christ, whose body is broken on the cross, happens at every Mass. It is the place where believers participate - as members of His Body - in the sacrifice of Christ and in His Resurrection. Therefore, let us do the Lenten cleansing of our homes and of our church.

In Christ's Peace,
Father Francis

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, 3/2/24 - Fran & Joel Weingartner

Sunday, 3/3/24 -

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

10:00 AM - Mary Webber

Monday, 3/4/2024 - Judy Dollins+

Tuesday, 3/5/2024 - Members of the Judge Family+

Wednesday, 3/6/2024 - Mary Webber

Thursday, 3/7/2024 - Sally Shalvey+

Friday, 3/8/2024 - Timothy Vernon+

Saturday, 3/9/2024 - Jim Black+

Weekly Offertory

February 21 - 27

Offertory \$1009.00

Children's Offertory..... \$20.00

Easter Flowers \$35.00

Gifts to Parish \$2050.00

Online Giving via FaithDirect for February

Offertory \$5877.00

Building Fund \$605.00

Fr. Brady Fund for the Poor \$210.00

Latin America \$20.00

News and Events

Weekend Calendar

Sunday, March 3 -

- Children's Church and R.E.
- 10:00 A.M. Mass - First Scrutiny, RCIA

Upcoming Events

Monday, March 4 -

Ignatian Discernment of Spirits Formation Series
6:30 PM, Brady Hall

For more information, visit

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

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

Friday, March 8 -

7 P.M. - Stations of the Cross, led by the
Knights of Peter Claver

Sunday, March 10 -

Day Light Savings! Mark your Calendar!

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

Upcoming Second Collection

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic
Relief Services Collection.

Funds from this collection provide food to the
hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring
Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people in the
United States and around the world.

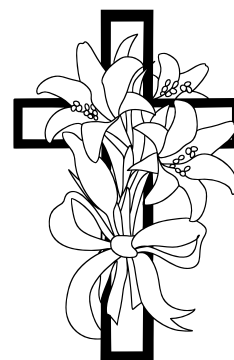
Please give generously to the collection and reveal
Christ's love to those most in need.

To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

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.

March SVdP Food Pantry Update

Our pantry continues to serve 30-40+ 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 items on the
flyer or St. Ignatius website to the pantry/garage at
the corner of 23rd and Gaylord.

At this time we do not need canned vegetables,
canned beans, or macaroni and cheese.

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!

www.stignatiusdenver.org/give

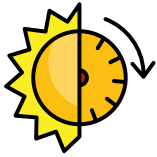
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eGiving via FaithDirect



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.



Daylight Savings is NEXT SUNDAY, March 10.

Don't forget to change your clocks.
Spring Forward!

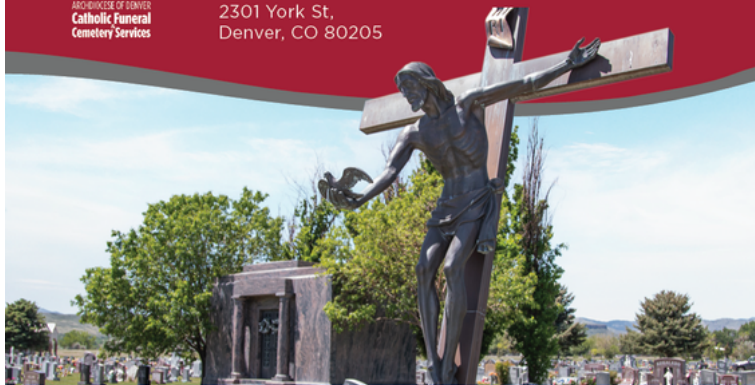


**Stations of the Cross, every Friday during
Lent at 7:00 PM**



March 12th and 14th Denver Metro: End of Life Presentations

Saint Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church
2301 York St,
Denver, CO 80205



Protect your family, Embrace your faith, Own your decision
REGISTER BY MARCH 8TH at cfcscolorado.com/register

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

The Cleansing of the Temple
by Giovanni Antonio Fumiani

Thank you from Loyola Women's Club

The Loyola Women's Club would like to thank you for your contributions of baby and toddler items, and your monetary gifts for the car seats on behalf of Marisol Family Services (a non-profit agency serving families under the umbrella of Catholic Charities). Your contributions to our baby shower collection have made a meaningful difference in the lives of expectant moms and families with young children.

We collected clothing, cabinet locks, packages of furniture edge cushions, 633 diapers/pull-ups, 1020 total wipes, and \$255.00 towards new car seats. Your generosity means everything to us and the community we serve.



Please pray for...

Victor Abad, Jr., Elizabeth Achuil, Joyce Armstead, Eugenia Arsenese, 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

Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25 / Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

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



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD DRIVE



MARCH 10 & 24

8 A.M. – Noon, on the corner of 23rd and Gaylord

Food donations can be dropped off at the parish office Monday through Friday or during designated Sundays.



- Paper towels, toilet paper, reusable grocery bags
- Cooking oils, mayonnaise, Miracle Whip, mustard, ketchup, honey, hot sauce
- Pancake syrup, pancake mix, cereal/oatmeal
- Tomato sauce and tomato paste
- Canned tuna, chicken and salmon, hearty soups (no tomato or chicken noodle soup please), canned chili
- Dried beans, sloppy joe mix, canned stews, spaghetti sauce, Spaghettios
- Jelly, coffee
- Sugar, flour, masa, pasta, rice (white only)
- Taco seasoning and shells, tortillas, Hamburger and Tuna Helper
- Cookies, granola bars, crackers, 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.

**YOU ARE MAKING A
DIFFERENCE!**



REVEAL Brist's LOVE



After years of tension between Ukraine and the Russian Federation, Russian forces began a devastating war in February 2022 by invading Ukraine. In addition to killing and wounding many, the conflict has forced millions of Ukrainians to flee the country. Many refugees went to neighboring countries in Europe, but many others came to the United States. For decades, the Migration and Refugee Services (MRS) department of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has assisted refugees fleeing wars and persecution, and in 2022 it responded to the Ukrainian refugee crisis with two initiatives to help local communities welcome refugees.

The first initiative, Welcome Circles, is a community-led program that helps local groups work together to provide financial support and connect refugees to services such as health care and education. Although Welcome Circles are locally led, they are certified, vetted, and given ongoing guidance by MRS staff or local affiliate experts. MRS's support and guidance help each Welcome Circle accompany refugees effectively during the resettlement process. As of early 2023, the Welcome Circles program already had 25 circles engaging more than 200 volunteers and had expanded to welcome refugees from Haiti, Cuba, Nicaragua, and Venezuela in addition to Ukraine.

Since 2010, MRS has led the second initiative, Parishes Organized to Welcome Immigrants and Refugees (POWIR), a program that works with select diocesan resettlement programs to empower parishes and local Catholic institutions so they can welcome and assist immigrants and refugees at the diocesan level. From May 2021 to January 2023, this diocesan support helped nearly 10,000 local volunteers, working in Catholic communities in 23 active POWIR

programs nationwide, to spend more than 100,000 volunteer hours working with and on behalf of about 24,000 clients.

Funds received through The Catholic Relief Services Collection allow MRS to help victims of war and oppression begin new lives in welcoming, supportive communities through innovative initiatives like Welcome Circles and POWIR. In addition to MRS, the collection supports other Catholic organizations that aid victims of persecution and natural disasters, provide legal services to poor immigrants, and advocate for the powerless.

Your Donations Help Our Brothers and Sisters . . .

In the United States

Feed Jesus' hunger in suffering refugees . . . through the **USCCB Department of Migration and Refugee Services (MRS)**.

Offer legal assistance to Jesus in struggling immigrants . . . through the **Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC)**.

Reach out to comfort Jesus' loneliness in isolated workers . . . through the pastoral work of the **USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church**.

And Around the World

Give water to quench Jesus' thirst in the people of Kenya and Zambia . . . through the humanitarian work of **Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**.

Advocate on behalf of Jesus in the poor and marginalized . . . through the public policy work of the **USCCB Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development**.

Send aid to Jesus in the victims of natural disaster . . . through the **Holy Father's Relief Fund**.



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