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February 23 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Christ Handing the Keys to St. Peter
Pietro Perugino

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.

Thursday - 5:30 - 6:30 P.M.

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

Adoration

M-W & Friday - 5:00 - 6:00 P.M.

Holy Hour, Thursday - 5:30 - 6:30 P.M.

Pastor's Column

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Science reveals that the human heart beats over 100,000 times each day, tirelessly circulating life to every limb and organ. Yet our Lord calls us to cultivate a far greater rhythm within our souls—a heartbeat of divine charity that extends mercy even to those who wound us. In today's Gospel, Christ issues a commandment that pierces to the very essence of Christian identity: "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you" (Luke 6:27-28).

As we prepare to enter the holy season of Lent, we should allow these words to probe our inmost heart. Just as physicians discern the health of the body through the steadiness of a pulse, so too must we discern the condition of our spiritual hearts. Do we love selectively, reserving compassion for those who reciprocate it? Or do we allow God's grace to animate us—even when love demands sacrifice?

Pastor's Column cont.

This teaching is not a sentimental ideal but a radical invitation to participate in Christ's redemptive work. Saint Augustine, reflecting on this passage, observed that Christian love transcends the calculus of merit, revealing the "divine logic" of the Cross. When David withheld his hand from Saul in the caves of En-Gedi, he embodied this supernatural love, recognizing the Lord's anointed even in one who sought his destruction. So too are we called to see the imago Dei in those who oppose us, trusting that no soul lies beyond the reach of grace.

Let us, then, prepare our hearts for Lent with intentionality:

In Prayer: Commit to intercede daily for those who have caused you pain. Ask not merely for their correction, but for their flourishing—that they might encounter the healing light of Christ.

In Fasting: Unite your sacrifices to the sufferings of persecuted Christians worldwide. Offer your hunger for the conversion of hearts hardened against truth, whether through malice, indifference, or error.

In Almsgiving: Extend generosity beyond the circle of comfort. Seek out those estranged from you, not with condescension, but with humility, remembering that "it is mercy I desire, not sacrifice" (Hosea 6:6).

Saint Paul reminds us that "the first man Adam became a living being; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit" (1 Cor 15:45). The Lenten journey invites us to die to the "old Adam" within—the part that clings to resentment—and rise with Christ, whose love transforms enemies into brothers and curses into blessings.

May these final weeks before Ash Wednesday become a time of quiet preparation. Let us ask for the courage to love as He loves: unconditionally, redemptively, and without limit.

In the peace of Christ,
Fr. Francis Therese

P.S. Additional opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will begin Sunday, March 9th. A full schedule is included in the bulletin (next page). I urge you to approach this fountain of mercy—for "where sin abounds, grace abounds all the more" (Romans 5:20).

There are additional Lenten resources on the table by the Baptismal Font. Please take some for you and your family. to prepare for this holy season.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, 2/22/2024 - Mike Varner +

Sunday, 2/23/24 -

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

10:00 AM - Michael Varner +

Monday, 2/24/2024 - Michael Varner +

Tuesday, 2/25/2024 - Michael Varner +

Wednesday, 2/26/2024 - Michael Varner +

Thursday, 2/27/2024 - Mike Varner +

Friday, 2/28/2024 - Patrick D. Cardenas +

Saturday, 3/1/2024 - Charlotte Pavek Sass +

Offertory

February 11 - 18

Offertory	\$850.00
Grant Income	\$250.00
Easter Flower Fund	\$100.00

eGiving via FaithDirect

eGiving is a way to simplify your giving and provide steady, consistent support that helps our ministries and church families! It's easy to get started!

Here's how to sign up:

- Text "Enroll" to **303-529-7436**
- Visit www.stignatiusdenver.org/give/
- Scan the QR Code



News and Events

Upcoming Events

- **This Weekend**
 - **Saturday - Chuck Farewell Reception**
 - Following the 5:00 P.M. Mass
 - Children's Church and R.E.
 - 9:00 A.M. - Praying the Rosary @ Mary's Altar
 - Marisol Homes Collection - FINAL WEEKEND
- **Monday, February 24**
 - 6:30pm - OCIA at Curé d'Ars Parish Center
- **Saturday, March 1st**
 - Parish Mardis Gras Game Night
 - Following the 5:00 P.M. Mass in Brady Hall

Lent 2025

- Ash Wednesday | March 5
 - **Mass at Noon only**
 - Parish Office CLOSED
- Good Friday | April 18
- Easter Sunday | April 20

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 to return 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.

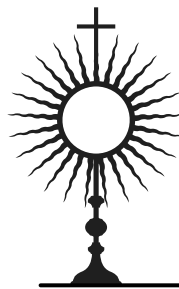
Upcoming Special Collection

Ash Wednesday, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that are still struggling to recover from former communist rule. It aids communities throughout the region that are affected by the war in Ukraine. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation.

Your contribution restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week.

You can find more information at
www.usccb.org/cc

Evening Adoration & Confession



Adoration:
Monday-Wednesday &
Friday, 5 - 6 P.M.

Holy Hour with Confession:
Thursday, 5:30 - 6:30 P.M.

Thursday Night Vespers

Join the Brothers of St. John for sung Vespers on
Thursday nights starting at 5 P.M.

Consider praying vespers as preparation for our
Holy Hour and the sacrament of reconciliation.

Appreciation and Farewell Reception Honoring Chuck Abernethy

All are welcome to attend a pot-luck reception in celebration of Chuck Abernethy's retirement as accompanist at St. Ignatius of Loyola **THIS** Saturday, February 22, after the 5:00 P.M. Mass in Brady Hall.

Punch and cookies will be provided. Donations of main and side dishes are welcome!

Thank you Chuck for your faithful service to our music ministry for the last 13 years! You will be missed!

Additional Confession Time

During Lent, we'll be adding a confession time on
Sunday Morning between the two Masses from
9:00 - 9:45 A.M.

This additional confession time will begin on March 9th
and run through Palm Sunday.

We encourage our parishioners to take advantage of
this opportunity for reconciliation, especially if you
have difficulty getting to confession during the week..

**Announcements continued on
the back page**

Lenten Resources

There are Lenten Preparation Guides, *Word Among Us* Lent Mediations, and *Denver Catholic & El Pueblo Catolico* magazines on the table near the Baptismal Font. Please take some for your household as we draw nearer to Ash Wednesday and Lent!

St. Ignatius Chant School

As we embark upon the second century of our parish, we are pleased to announce Vespers for All, a chant school for students ages 8 and up and for adults.

Thursdays from 4:30-6:30 P.M.

4:30-5:00 - Rehearse Vespers

5:00-5:30 - Join the Community of St. John's Vespers

5:30-6:30 - Learn more about Gregorian chant

There is no cost to take the class, but please consider making a donation to the parish.

With questions, please contact David Hughes -
david@chantwith.us

Holy Week 40 Hour Devotion

During Holy Week, St. Ignatius will be holding a 40-Hour Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

Starting at 8:00 A.M. on Monday, April 15 through 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 17th we hope to expose the Blessed Sacrament for **10 Hours per Day**.

This special devotion is only possible with the help of committed adorers! Please sign up for a slot (or two, or more!) using the QR code or the link below to help make this devotion possible.

This special Lenten Devotion represents the 40 Days of Lent culminating with the institution of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday. It also represents the traditional 40 hours Christ's body was in the tomb.

This devotion dates to 1527 with St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria, but was made popular by St. Ignatius and the Society of Jesus (Jesuits).

SIGN UP:

<https://tinyurl.com/StIgnatius40>



Sunday Readings

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38

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

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, Stacey Craven, Ann Durkin, Ed Ekel, Ann Feighny, Barbara Floyd-Hall, Margie Fry, Notasha M. Garcia, Suzanne Geren, Jean Giles, Hollis Hafner, Carrie Hamilton, Gayle Hamlett, Patty Harvey, Lucille Herbert, Tylah Howard, Grace Jackson, Connor Jennison, Wardell Jones, 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, Barbara Pierre, Eileen Percell, Flora Potter, Margaret Prado, Marcello Puma, Fr. Patrick Quinn, Peter Quintero, Megan Reinholtz, Joel Rivera, Cordell Robinson, Maria Rose, Robert Saldano, Paul Scheafbauer, Melvin Scott, Barb Sercely, William Sexton, Angelita Sims, Gary Slaven, Deneen Stevenson, Romaine Tacznosky, Ken/Carmen Therence, Linda Vialpando, Coleen Walsh, Otis Williams Sr., Beverly Wilson

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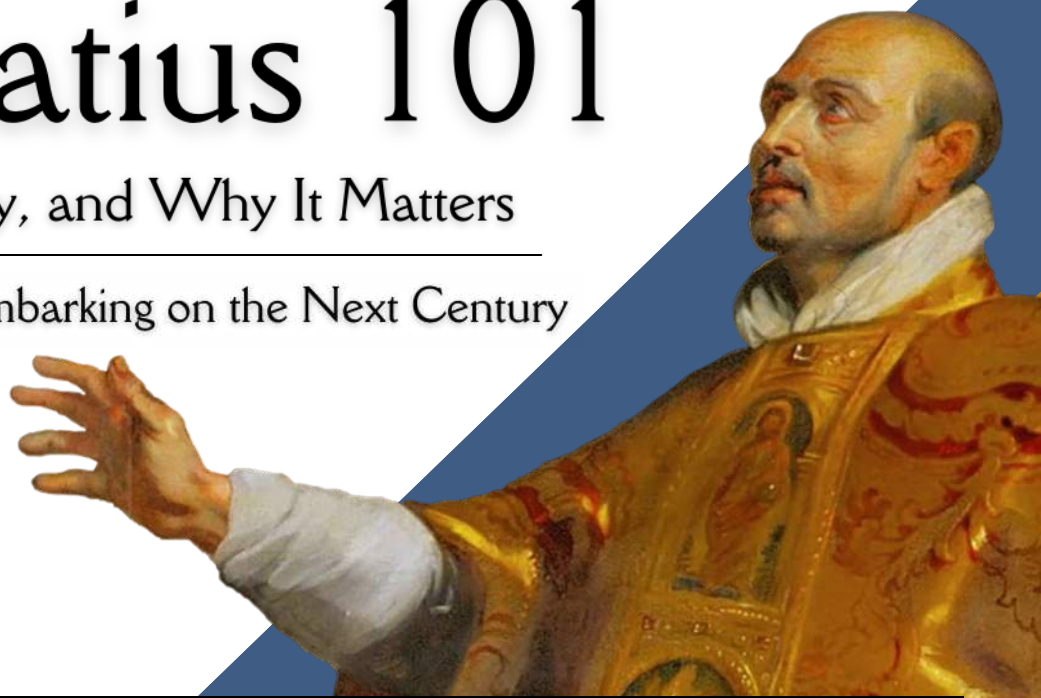
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St. Ignatius 101

Beauty, Mystery, and Why It Matters

St. Ignatius Parish, Embarking on the Next Century



Wednesdays at 6:00 PM

Sacraments and the Power of Words: Specificity, not Legalism

March 12th & April 30th

Facing the Dawn: Reorienting Our Liturgical Compass

March 19th & May 15th

***From the Catacombs: Why the Early Church Died for the Eucharist
and How We can Live for It***

April 9th & May 28th

Thursdays at 6:00 PM

Hidden Cords: Sacred Music and the Cosmic Order

March 27th & June 5th

Please scan the QR Code & join our email list for lecture notes and reminders!



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