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March 9 - First 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. 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.



The Temptation of Christ Ary Scheffer

Pastor's Column

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter the wilderness of Lent, I've been reflecting on the unadorned beauty of desert places. The desert strips away distractions and forces us to confront essential truths about ourselves and God. This Sunday's Gospel places Jesus in such a landscape, where "for forty days he was tempted by the devil" (Luke 4:1-13). After fasting and prayer, when Jesus was physically weakest, the tempter came with his most cunning appeals.

The temptations Jesus faced reflect our own spiritual struggles. Saint Ambrose observes that the devil first attacked through physical hunger, tempting Jesus to turn stones into bread. Then came the lure of worldly power and glory through worshipping the evil one. Finally, there was the temptation to spiritual pride to test God's protection by casting himself from the temple height. In each case, Jesus defeats temptation not through displays of divine power, but through humility, obedience, and fidelity to Scripture.

<u>Pastor's Column cont.</u>

Saint Augustine reminds us that "The entire life of a good Christian is a holy desire." During these forty days, our desires are purified through fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Our hunger for food becomes a hunger for God's word; our attraction to worldly goods is redirected toward heavenly treasures; our pride gives way to humble service. As Jesus shows us, our defense against temptation lies in knowing and living by the Scriptures, recognizing that "one does not live by bread alone" (Luke 4:4).

The first reading from Deuteronomy speaks of offering "first fruits" to God, acknowledging that everything comes from His hand (Deuteronomy 26:4-10). Saint John Chrysostom teaches that by offering God our first and best—our time in prayer, our resources in charity, our attention in worship—we express gratitude for His abundant gifts and free ourselves from material attachments. Our Lenten sacrifices, when viewed this way, become not burdensome obligations but loving responses to divine generosity.

Saint Leo the Great cautions us against the three spiritual dangers that dull our awareness: carousing or dissipation, drunkenness, and daily anxieties. How familiar these are in our lives! We can become scattered by endless entertainment, numbed by comfort, or weighed down by legitimate concerns that nevertheless bend our spirits earthward. Lent calls us to stand erect, to raise our heads, to maintain the watchman's vigilance against these spiritual hazards.

The season ahead offers concrete ways to strengthen our spiritual defenses:

- Deepen your prayer life through daily Scripture reading, perhaps focusing on Luke's Gospel
- Practice works of mercy that reflect Christ's compassion for the vulnerable
- Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, allowing God's grace to restore what sin has damaged
- Join us for the Stations of the Cross Fridays at 7pm during Lent, drawing strength from our community's shared journey

I especially invite you to participate in our St. Ignatius 101 series, beginning **Wednesday**, **March 12 at 6pm**, with a talk on liturgical Latin titled **Sacraments and the Power of Words**. This series offers an excellent opportunity to deepen your understanding of our Catholic heritage during the Lenten season. The rich tradition of liturgical language connects us to centuries of faithful worship and reminds us that our words like Christ's responses to the tempter—carry profound spiritual power. Understanding the sacred language of our liturgy can help us enter more fully into the mystery of our faith.

> Blessings, Fr. Francis Therese Krautter

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, 3/8/2025 - Charles Leisring + Sunday, 3/9/25 -

7:30 AM - Pro Populo (People of the Parish) 10:00 AM - Sylvia Schlanger + Monday, 3/10/2025 - Sylvia Schlanger + Tuesday, 3/11/2025 - Sylvia Schlanger + Wednesday, 3/12/2025 - Sylvia Schlanger + Thursday, 3/13/2025 - Sylvia Schlanger + Friday, 3/14/2025 - Sylvia Schlanger +

Offertory

February 25 - March 3

Offertory \$103	2.00
Building Fund\$15	0.00
Easter Flower Fund \$1	0.00

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
 - Children's Church and R.E.
 - 9:00 A.M. Praying the Rosary @ Mary's Altar
- Monday, March 10
 - 6:30pm OCIA at Curé d'Ars Parish Center
- Wednesday, March 12
 - 6:00 P.M. St. Ignatius 101 Talk in Brady Hall
- Wednesday, March 19
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Lent 2025

- Holy Thursday | April 17
 - Mass at 7:00 P.M.
 - Adoration at the Altar of Repose until Midnight
- Good Friday | April 18
 - Office of the Passion at 3:00 P.M.
- Easter Sunday | April 20
 - Easter Vigil, April 19 at 8:15 P.M.
 - Easter Sunday Mass at 7:30 & 10:00 A.M.

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.

This Weekend's Special Collection

This weekend, our parish will take up the 141st annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel! Thank you for your support!

<u>Lent at St. Ignatius Parish</u>

Daily Mass & Confession

Weekday Confessions: Monday-Friday - 11:15 - 11:45 A.M.

> Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday - NOON

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.

Evening Adoration & Confession

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

Holy Hour <u>with</u> 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.

Stations of the Cross

Join the Brothers of St. John for St. Alphonsus Ligouri's Stations of the Cross at 7:00 P.M. every Friday!

St. Ignatius 101 Talks

Beauty, Mystery, and Why It Matters

Sacraments and the Power of Words: Specificity, not Legalism March 12 & April 30 | Wednesdays, 6:00 P.M.

Facing the Dawn: Reorienting Our Liturgical Compass March 19 & May 15 | Wednesdays, 6:00 P.M.

From the Catacombs: Why the Early Church Died for the Eucharist and How We can Live for It April 9 & May 28 | Wednesdays, 6:00 P.M.

Hidden Cords: Sacred Music and the Cosmic Order March 27 & June 5 | Thursdays, 6:00 P.M.

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 prepare our hearts for Easter!

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

<u>Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13</u>

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

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, 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, Marv 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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