

ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Colorado's Only Jesuit Parish - Warm and Welcoming

"Give me only your love and your grace, that is enough for me."

-St. Ignatius of Loyola



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Monday–Friday	7:00 am
Saturday Evening	5:00 pm
Sundays	7:30 am and 10:00 am
Holy Days of Obligation	7:00 am and 6:00 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Saturdays 4:15 pm And by Appointment
Sacrament of Anointing	First Sunday of the Month After 7:30 am Mass

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How can you help put our parish vision into action? Send your ideas to:

Magis Leadership Team

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*How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honor.
To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.
Revelation 5:12, 1:6*

Offertory

November 18 & 19, 2017

Offertory.....	\$4242.52
Children’s Offertory.....	\$77.00
Building Fund.....	\$32.00
Fr. Brady Fund for the Poor.....	\$55.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$5.00
2 nd Coll./Catholic Campaign for Human Dev.....	\$185.00
Annual Seminaries’ Appeal.....	\$656.11

CALENDAR

MARDI GRAS TICKETS: On sale after all Masses this weekend.

ROSARY: Today at 9 am at Mary’s Altar.

CHILDREN’S CHURCH: No class today.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: No class today.

BIBLE STUDY/SHARING: Does not meet this week.

RCIA: Tuesday, November 28, 7 pm at Curé d’Ars Church.

SENIOR SUPPORT DINNER: Thursday, November 30.

Please see next page.

ADVENT ITEM SALE

This is the last weekend to purchase Advent candle sets and Advent calendars. Proceeds will help fund upcoming events and activities of the Loyola Women’s Club, including the 2018 women’s retreat and tea social.

Notes from Fr. Dirk

My Dear People of God:

There’s no such thing as the Holiday Season. There - I’ve said it. There’s no such thing as the Holiday Season. The stretch of time from Thanksgiving Day (Hallowe’en? St. Patrick’s Day?) through the New Year is a thing, but it’s a made-up thing. It’s a construct that has nothing to with anything but commerce. It’s make-or-break time for American retailers. Aside from commerce, there’s no connection between Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukah, and New Year’s.

And what about Advent? Why isn’t Advent part of the Holiday Season? Because retailers haven’t yet figured out a reason to give gifts during Advent. Advent is not part of - as a recent catalogue expressed it - The Season of Gifting. (Gifting? That’s a word?) Aside from Advent wreaths and Advent calendars, there’s not much of anything to buy during Advent. (As you may know, I didn’t grow up Catholic, and we never had Advent calendars - unlike EVERY OTHER FAMILY IN THE WHOLE WORLD. How desperately I wanted an Advent Calendar! But no, we had to have stupid old regular calendars.)

One of the nice things about the upcoming weeks is that we don’t have to fall into the madness of consumerism. We don’t have to overspend, overeat, or overindulge. We don’t need fake Christmas trees that, with the push of a button, telescope from 6 feet to 9 feet. Together with the people with whom we live, we can make decisions about what to do and what not to do, what to eat and what not to eat, where to go and where not to go and so on. In Ignatian parlance, that’s called discernment, and it’s about conforming our lives to God’s plan for healing and redemption.

Advent has been described as a time of waiting, and so it is. Waiting, however, is not passive. We wait for something. This means there are some questions we might consider: What are we waiting for? What do we expect when the thing we wait for arrives? What happens while we wait? How will we wait? How does waiting change us? Waiting for Christmas does not mean that we ignore Advent and do other things to pass the time. Waiting for Christmas means that we pay attention to what’s happening in our lives, in our prayer, and in our world now. And we prepare for the thing that is to come. How? I’m convinced that you, dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, can figure that out.

Another name for Christmas might be the Feast of the Incarnation. As you know, the Incarnation refers to the Word become flesh. The result? Jesus the Christ, fully God and fully human. God with us (which is what Emanuel means). Another - more technical - term for this is the Hypostatic Union. Hypostatic doesn’t refer to a new (and exciting!) kind of transmission for your car, and Hypostatic Union doesn’t refer to the International Brotherhood of Transmission Workers. Rather, it means personal. So, the Hypostatic Union is the joining of two distinct natures in the person of Jesus Christ.

To help us in Advent, our Adult Education Program is sponsoring three evenings with Dr. Joshua Evans. You’ll remember Dr. Evans from this year’s Lenten Series on Catholic Social Teaching. He’s a Very Smart Person and a heck of a guy besides, with degrees from Yale Divinity School and the Catholic University of America. He teaches Ethics at our own Regis University. **You won’t want to miss these evenings: December 7, December 14, and December 21**, all from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in Brady Hall. Space is limited, so be there or be square!

Meanwhile, let us pray for one another, for our parish, for our Church, and for the world as we wait together. And, as 1 Thessalonians 5:11 puts it, “Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, as indeed you do.”

In Christ,

Fr. Dirk Dunfee, SJ
Acting Pastor

Our pastor Fr. Tom is back with us this weekend.

NEWS AND EVENTS

PHOTOGRAPHS AND CANDLES

After Mass today, please take home photos from the Table of Remembrance and the red candles. Thank you for sharing the memory of your loved ones during the month of All Souls.

MARDI GRAS BALL TICKETS

Tickets for our February 3, 2018 Mardi Gras Ball are on sale after Masses this weekend. They will be available again after Masses throughout the month of January. To be put in the drawing to be a participant in the 2018 Mardi Gras Court, please purchase your ticket by January 7.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

December 9 & 10

We'll celebrate Our Lady at all Masses on Dec. 9 and 10. We'll begin with a bilingual Mariachi Mass at 5:00 pm on Dec. 9, followed by music, dance, piñatas and a potluck reception that evening in Brady Hall. All are welcome! Visitors and parishioners: write a note to Our Lady and place it in the basket at one of the church entrances. (No need to sign it!). The notes will decorate the altar for these Masses. Contact Tony or Cindy Prado-Gutierrez if you can help and with questions (prado-gutierrez@msn.com 303 478 9824).

GOD SO LOVES THE WORLD

Ignatian Advent Evening of Prayer

This Advent, contemplate Love come down from heaven, fully incarnate in Christ Jesus. *How does Love come? What does Love do? How does Love affect and move us?* Join us **Tuesday, December 12, 7-8:30 pm, at St. Ignatius Loyola Church**. The suggested offering is \$5 in advance, \$10 at the door. Scholarships are available. For more information and to register, call or email the Ignatian Spirituality Program office: 303-320-9995, ignatianspiritualitydenver@hotmail.com. For more information, see our web page: ignatianspiritualitydenver.org/retreats/calendar/.

YOUNG ADULTS - DECEMBER

Join the young adults on Thursday, December 7 for a joint spirituality night and Christmas potluck. We will discuss the remainder of *Tattoos on the Heart*. Bring a side, appetizer, drink, or dessert to share if you wish! We will meet at Kelly and John's house starting at 7 pm. See young adult emails or Kelly, Sydney, or Sarah for address and more details. Or contact us at youngadults@loyoladenver.org.

UNDERGARMENT DRIVE SPONSORED BY KPCLA

Collecting Items Through Next Sunday

The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary is collecting new (packaged) undergarments for the Samaritan House Women's Shelter beginning this weekend. Please bring your items in through December 3. The collection box is at the north entrance. Only new items can be accepted. Thank you.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend's second collection will support our retired and infirm priests who have served us here in the Archdiocese.

KICK OFF EVENT FOR YOUTH

Next Sunday, December 3

Youth ages 12 to 17 are invited to gather with other parish youth and enjoy pizza, soda, music and games. Come to Brady Hall after the 10 am Mass. Parents are welcome to join us!

SENIOR SUPPORT DINNER

This Thursday, November 30

We will be providing and serving dinner to over 70 homeless seniors. Menu will be all-beef hot dogs with chili, fried potatoes, chips, salad and sweet treats. Please contact Charlotte 303-861-7433 or Delores 720-937-2924 if you can help by providing food or by serving. Please bring prepared food to Senior Support Services at 846 E. 18th Ave. by 5 pm.

PRaise, WORSHIP AND ADORATION

Save the Date - Tuesday, December 5

All are invited to our monthly Praise, Worship and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Come expecting to be lifted in spirit, moved in deep worship, and blessed by the true presence of Jesus. Join us at 7 pm in the church on the first Tuesday of every month.

STAGE PLAY – NEXT SUNDAY

"Black" is a two-woman stage play based on a conversation between two mothers at a vigil—one white and one black. The play will be followed by a discussion. The play is about communication between races. It will be performed in the Family Life Center at the New Hope Baptist Church, 3701 Colorado Blvd., Sunday, December 3 at 12:45 pm. Members of the community are welcome. Admission is free.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 11-26-17	7:30 am	Mo Maestes ⁺
	10:00 am	People of the Parish
Monday, 11-27-17		Dominic Pham ⁺
Tuesday, 11-28-17		Henrietta Ugochukwu ⁺
Wednesday, 11-29-17		Mary Kathleen Floyd ⁺
Thursday, 11-30-17		Theodore Floyd ⁺
Friday, 12-01-17		Carl Hegarty ⁺
Saturday, 12-02-17		Virginia Torres ⁺

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Elizabeth Achuil, Taeja Billingsley, Loretta Burrell, James Castellano (recently deployed to Afghanistan), Deborah Cottle, Nelson Ezell, Jossy Eyre, Healis Howard, Isaac Joseph, Lindsay Family, Marian McDowell, Kelly McEnany, Cordell Robinson, Carol Ryerson, Beatrice Scott, Katie Scott, Melvin Scott, Barb Sercely

Readings for the Week of November 26, 2017

Sunday:	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/ Mt 25:31-46
Monday:	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday:	Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday:	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19
Thursday:	Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22
Friday:	Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33
Saturday:	Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36
Next Sunday:	1st Sunday of Advent Is 63:16-17, 19, 64:2-7/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37