

# 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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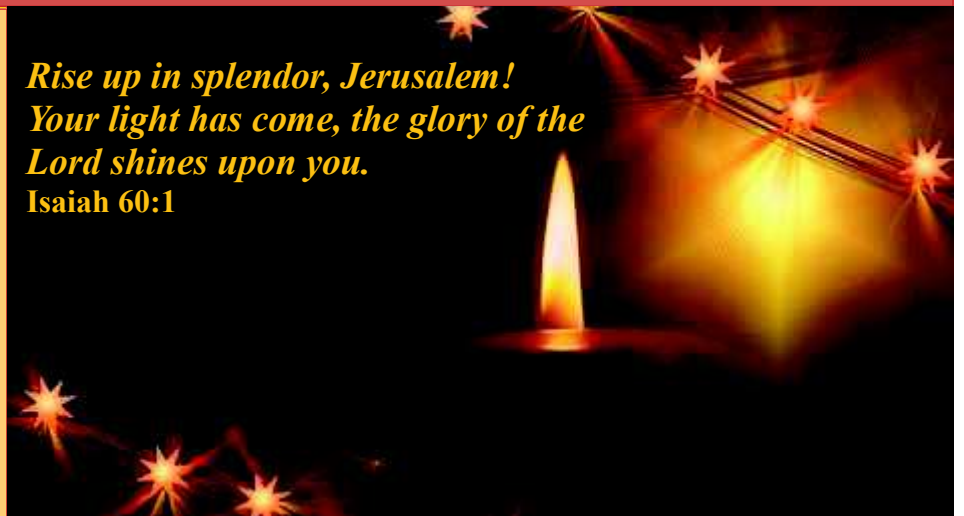
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*Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!  
Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.*  
**Isaiah 60:1**



## MASS SCHEDULE

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

## OTHER MINISTRIES AND CONTACTS

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### Young Adults Group: Sarah Moss & Sydney Stulock

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

### Magis Leadership Team

[magis@loyoladenver.org](mailto:magis@loyoladenver.org)

**Offertory**

**December 30 & 31, 2017**

Offertory.....	\$8855.90
Children’s Offertory.....	\$29.32
Building Fund.....	\$1.00
Fr. Brady Fund for the Poor.....	\$17.11

**CALENDAR**

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

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

**ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY:** Meeting today at 11:30 in the Gesu Room.

**BIBLE STUDY/SHARING:** Monday, January 8, 6:30 pm in Brady Hall.

**LITURGY COMMITTEE:** Meeting Tuesday, January 9, 7 pm in the Family Center.

**RCIA:** Tuesday, January 9, 7 pm at Curé d’ Ars Church.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY:** Meeting Wednesday, January 10, 5:30 pm in Brady Hall.

**MAGIS LEADERSHIP TEAM:** Meeting Thursday, January 11, 6:30 pm in the Family Center.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:** Saturday, January 13, 9 am in Brady Hall.

**MARDI GRAS BALL COMMITTEE:** Meeting Saturday, January 13, 12:30 pm in Brady Hall.

**KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER BREAKFAST  
Join Us Next Sunday**

All are invited to breakfast after both Masses on Sunday, January 14. Come enjoy scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits, grits, coffee and juice. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children. See any Knight for tickets or pay at the door.

**MARDI GRAS BALL**

Tickets for our February 3, 2018 Mardi Gras Ball are available 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 this weekend.*** Join us for this special parish celebration complete with fun festivities, delicious food, dancing and fellowship. Please see today’s bulletin insert for further details.

**Notes from Fr. Joseph**

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

One of the great things about being Catholic is our constant invitation to celebrate. Even before Christmas actually occurred (while much of society had already begun celebrating it), we took time to celebrate its precursor—Advent. Along with our personal prayers and devotions, part of capturing the grace of that season involved celebrating together as a parish as we did during the Advent Masses, Advent day of reflection, Advent day of praise and worship, Advent lecture series, Advent weekend of putting together and distributing boxes of food, Santa sacks, and toys, and even the Advent penance service. (I mean seriously, who other than Catholics regularly celebrate reconciliation?!)

All that naturally led to celebrating Christmas together, the time in the liturgical year when we especially commemorate the mystery of the Incarnation, the Eternal Word becoming flesh to redeem us. We as God’s people were created needing physical signs of God’s presence. And so we got it: the God of all creation becomes a little baby for us to see, a little piece of bread for us to even taste at every Mass. God has come home to us to be with us in such a tangible way, and that will always be reason to celebrate!

Indeed, we Catholics (again, unlike much of society) continue to celebrate for almost two weeks after the 25th while the slow Magi finally come home to Jesus at the Epiphany, this weekend’s feast. These extended days of Christmas celebration are a gift, and not only because they give us reason to keep eating Christmas cookies and candies (myself definitely included). More importantly, these are days that we ponder inwardly and celebrate outwardly this great mystery of God with us, saving us. Doing so is our testament to the world that Christmas is more than a fleeting, commercial event. Christmas stays with us and changes us as the lasting event of all time: God forever come home to be with us.

As I look back on these days of Christmas, it brings me joy thinking about the homecomings we celebrated. Many of us either went home to be with family and friends or had them come home to us. Some of those relationships are strong and lasting. Others are more difficult needing a lot of healing, and hopefully that slow process is well on its way with the grace of the Christmas season. That process reminds me of the slow journey of the Magi to Jesus and then the difficult road they had going back, avoiding the negative voices of the world. Although we are soon putting away the “Coming Home for Christmas” banners, God wants us to keep Christmas alive in our homes—our families and our church—throughout the year by building bridges as best we can. When we do that, our very lives become a constant celebration of Emmanuel, our God with us!

## NEWS AND EVENTS

### BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Our next baptism preparation class is this Saturday, January 13 at 9 am in Brady Hall. Parents and godparents are welcome to attend.

### EMIL FREI MEMORIAL SERVICE AWARD

#### Presentation Postponed Until Sunday, January 28

Earlier this week, we learned that Fr. Dirk would not be returning from his vacation until after Masses this weekend. Of course, both Fr. Dirk and Fr. Joseph want to be present for this special recognition. Next Sunday, January 14, all are invited to enjoy the breakfast by the Knights of Peter Claver, and the following Sunday is a parish leadership retreat. Because of those events, please join us on Sunday, January 28 for enhanced fellowships after both Sunday Masses to celebrate the 2017 Emil Frei Memorial Service Award winner. We apologize for the change and appreciate your understanding.

### CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

#### January Lending Library Next Sunday

Please visit our Care for Our Common Home lending library next Sunday, January 14. Visit Brady Hall after the 7:30 and 10:00 am Masses and see what's available for checking out. After you feed your body with the special breakfast by the Knights of Peter Claver, come feed your mind and spirit!

#### Recycle Live Christmas Trees This Friday

Recycle your live Christmas Trees (no flocked trees) with Denver's Treecycle Collection Program. ***The last pick up date is this Friday January 12.*** Please see the link below for more details, instructions and other options:

<https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/trash-and-recycling/newsroom/2017/TC2018.html>.

#### Recycle Holiday Lights

You can bring broken or burned out holiday lights to church, and the Care for Our Common Home Ministry will recycle them for you. Put them in the boxes at both entrances of the church by next Sunday, January 14.

### HOPE AND HEALING AFTER AN ABORTION

#### Rachel's Vineyard of Colorado

Are you or someone you know suffering from a post abortion experience? There is hope and healing! Please consider attending the next Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat!

NEXT RETREAT: February 23-25, 2018

Participation is completely confidential. Contact: Edie at 303-775-4108/ [edieg2@aol.com](mailto:edieg2@aol.com) or Lori at 303-904-7414 (no texts)/ [lorgreg@msn.com](mailto:lorgreg@msn.com). Please visit [www.rvrcolorado.org](http://www.rvrcolorado.org) for more information about the retreat and this ministry.

### PEACE AND JUSTICE MASS

Monday, January 15

All are invited to attend the annual Peace and Justice Mass on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at 8 am here at Loyola. Fr. Dirk will be the celebrant. Please come and bring your friends and family as we celebrate all our Christian martyrs. A continental breakfast will be served after Mass. You can park at the church and walk across the street to participate in the Parade. ***Please note:*** There will be no 7 am daily Mass this day.

### LOST AND FOUND

Our 'Lost and Found' basket in the church is full with hats, gloves, water bottles, and more. If you think you may have something in 'Lost and Found,' please ask an usher for assistance to see if it is there. We will keep the items for a limited time.

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

This weekend's second collection is for the Church in Latin America. In many countries, opportunities for the faithful to celebrate even the basic rituals of our Catholic faith are often few and far between. Funds will help train lay people to become Catholic missionaries and catechists in parishes, so they can help the people living there to learn about, experience and share the beauty of our Catholic way of life.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 01-07-18

7:30 am

Dennis Shannon<sup>+</sup>

10:00 am

People of the Parish

Monday, 01-08-18

Phillip Buell & Family

Tuesday, 01-09-18

Henrietta Ugochukwu<sup>+</sup>

Wednesday, 01-10-18

Intentions of the Celebrant

Thursday, 01-11-18

Peter Hornung & Family

Friday, 01-12-18

Taylor Pearce & Family

Saturday, 01-13-18

Carolyn Spies<sup>+</sup>

### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Elizabeth Achuil, Taeja Billingsley, Loretta Burrell, James Castellano (recently deployed to Afghanistan), Deborah Cottle, Nelson Ezell, Jossy Eyre, Daniel Hogan, 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 January 7, 2018

Sunday:

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

**The Baptism of the Lord**

Is 55:1-11/Mk 1:7-11

Monday:

1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28

Tuesday:

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39

Wednesday:

1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45

Thursday:

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12

Friday:

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1/Mk 2:13-17

Saturday:

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/

Jn 1:35-42