

# 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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## 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

## OTHER MINISTRIES AND CONTACTS

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

**Magis Leadership Team**

**Offertory**

March 3 &amp; 4, 2018

Offertory.....	\$5566.75
Children's Offertory.....	\$51.70
Building Fund.....	\$464.00
Easter Flowers.....	\$100.00
Fr. Brady Fund for the Poor.....	\$115.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Coll./Black & Indian Missions.....	\$100.00
Gift to the Parish.....	\$500.00

**CALENDAR****ROSARY:** Today at 9 am at Mary's Altar.**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Today at 10 am in the Gesu Rm.**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Today at 11:30 in the school/convent/Family Center.**KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER LADIES AUXILIARY:**

Meeting today at 11:30 in the Gesu Room.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Does not meet this week.**RCIA:** Tuesday, March 13, 7 pm at Curé d' Ars Church.**LITURGY COMMITTEE:** Tuesday, March 13, 7 pm in the Family Center.**LOYOLA LENTEN SERIES:** Thursday, March 15, 6:30 pm in Brady Hall. See next page for details.**YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING:** Thursday, March 15. See below for details.**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Friday, March 16, 7 pm in the church.**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:** Saturday, March 17, 9 am in Brady Hall.**ROAD CLOSURES NEAR CITY PARK GOLF COURSE**

Please see the colored maps posted on the north and east bulletin boards for upcoming dates of nearby road closures.

**YOUNG ADULTS****Combined Fellowship & Service This Thursday**

Join the young adults this Thursday, March 15 for a combined evening of fellowship and service. We will be making birthday boxes for the Sacred Heart House. Sacred Heart House is a homeless shelter for women and children in Denver. They collect materials so that they can help families celebrate birthdays. We will be meeting to collect items and put the boxes together as well as to socialize. 7 pm at Sydney's house. Please email [youngadults@loyoladenver.org](mailto:youngadults@loyoladenver.org), call Sarah/Sydney, or see our emails for Sydney's address and a sign-up for donations.

**RICE BOWLS**

Please take a Rice Bowl home with you today. Throughout Lent, fill it with your extra change, and we will collect them just after Easter. The funds will help the efforts of Catholic Relief Services which cares for the poor and vulnerable all over the world.

**Notes from Fr. Dirk***Gospel for Friday, March 9 (Mark 12:28-34)*

Christians know the Torah as the first five books of the Old Testament. These books contain some 613 commandments. That's a lot to remember - I recommend that you start today. Some of the commandments are more important than others. At the time of Jesus, it was common to ask which of the commandments was the most important, or "first." The scribe who comes to Jesus in today's passage asks that very question: "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus responds by quoting the first verse of the Shema, which is a set of three passages (two from Deuteronomy and one from Numbers) that serve as a declaration of faith in the One God and an affirmation of Judaism. The first verse of the Shema, from Deuteronomy 6, is the most important: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone!" Jesus goes on to add another verse: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength." And then He adds something from Leviticus 19: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Many Christians have been taught that this combination of verses is unique to Jesus. This is not the case. For one thing, Jesus was raised as a Jew and considered Himself to be a Jew. He shows that by quoting from the Shema. More to the point, Jews had long made the connection between love of God and love of neighbor, and Jesus was surely not the first to suggest that the two commandments He cites were the most important. Indeed, the combination can be said to be at the heart of Judaism. Christians did not invent good works, and in fact Christianity - which began as a reform movement within Judaism - gets its ideas of faith and good works from Judaism. You've probably come across the Hebrew word "mitzvah." The word is often translated as "good deed," but it actually means "commandment." And therein lies the key: Faith in God cannot be separated from love of neighbor.

Since the scribe shows that he understands this essential connection, why does Jesus tell the man that he is "not far from the Kingdom of God?" Why would the scribe-who-gets-it be just inside the Kingdom of God? Here's why: Holiness lies not just in knowing, but in doing. If we say we love God, we show that we love God by loving neighbor. I'm sure God welcomes the love of humans, but God needs nothing and indeed there is nothing that can add to God's greatness. Telling God of your love is fine, but you're not really helping God by professing your love. You're reminding yourself of your feelings, your aspirations, and your priorities. And no matter how vigorously you profess your love for God, your words mean little until you flesh them out and give them weight by loving your neighbor. *That* is what will take the scribe - and us - the rest of the way.

## NEWS AND EVENTS

### BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Our next baptism preparation class for parents and godparents is this Saturday, March 17 at 9 am in Brady Hall.

### LENTEN, HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

March 20 – Parish Reconciliation Service, 7 pm  
March 24/25 – Palm Sunday, regular weekend schedule  
March 29 – Holy Thursday, Mass at 7 pm, followed by Adoration (*no 7 am daily Mass*)  
March 30 – Good Friday, Stations of the Cross at 6 pm, Good Friday Liturgy at 7 pm (*no 7 am daily Mass*)  
March 31 – Easter Vigil, Mass at 8 pm (*no 5 pm Mass*)  
April 1 – Easter Sunday, Masses at 7:30 am and 10 am

### EASTER BASKETS – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to pick up, deliver, and unload boxes for our Loyola parishioners next Sunday, March 18. Please contact Charlotte at 303-861-7433 for more information.

### GOODIES NEEDED FOR EASTER EGG HUNT

#### Please Bring Donations to Brady Hall

We are asking for donations for individually wrapped treats to be dropped off in the Easter Basket in Brady Hall. Easter goodie bags for the annual Easter Egg hunt will be given out to children 12 years and younger. Suggested items: granola bars, fruit roll-ups, Krispies treats, cookies, chips, crackers, wrapped chocolate candy, wrapped jelly beans. Thank you!

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The collection for Catholic Relief Services will help provide food for the hungry, support to displaced refugees and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here at home and abroad.

### IGNATIAN EASTER RETREAT

#### Go and Tell the Others I am Risen

Jesus longs to share his joy with us. We pray that the Risen Christ give us his Spirit, that we may better love as Jesus loves and more deeply share his resurrection joy with one another. Retreatants commit to pray daily. Retreat directors offer presentations and prayer exercises for each week. We will meet five Tuesdays: April 10, 17, 24, May 1 & 8 from 7:00 8:30 p.m. at Loyola. For more information and to register, pick up a flyer at the entrances to the church, go to [ignatianspiritualitydenver.org/retreats/calendar](http://ignatianspiritualitydenver.org/retreats/calendar), or contact Paula Sapienza in the Ignatian Spirituality Program of Denver office: [ignatianspiritualitydenver@hotmail.com](mailto:ignatianspiritualitydenver@hotmail.com) or 303-320-9995. *The deadline to register is April 4.*

### 2018 MARDI GRAS BALL PHOTOGRAPHS

#### Available On-Line through March 18

Photos from the 2018 Mardi Gras Ball are available for purchase in digital download format. Visit: GASawyer Photography at <https://goo.gl/5RpJcq>. Proceeds support the efforts of the 2018 Mardi Gras Ball Fundraiser. Photos will not be available for purchase after March 18, 2018. Photos from the 2017 Loyola Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball are also available for purchase at <https://goo.gl/vN8PrT>. These photos will also not be available for purchase after March 18, 2018.

### IGNATIAN VOLUNTEER CORP

#### Attention, Retired Catholics!

IVC is an opportunity for adults to share their life skills and wisdom in direct service to the poor. Volunteers work in local social service and educational programs. A guided process of reflection helps IVC volunteers discover the deeper meaning of the work they do and see the face of Christ in their experiences. An information session will be on Wednesday, March 21, 10 am at St. Ignatius Loyola Church (basement, use the parking lot entrance). More more information, contact IVC Denver Regional Director, Erin Benson at 303-394-2997 or [ebenson@ivcusa.org](mailto:ebenson@ivcusa.org). For more on IVC, visit [www.ivcusa.org](http://www.ivcusa.org)  
*Share your lifetime of experience - Get the experience of a lifetime!*

### SENIOR SUPPORT DINNER

We will be providing and serving dinner to over 70 homeless seniors on Thursday, March 29. If you can help by providing food or serving, please contact Charlotte at 303-861-7433 or Delores at 720-937-2924. See next week's bulletin for the menu.

### LOYOLA LENTEN SERIES

#### Continues This Thursday

Our Adult Education Program is presenting the Loyola Lenten Series on five **Thursday evenings through March 22**. Join us in Brady Hall from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Come hear Br. Glenn Kerfoot, SJ as he presents the Church as Sacrament and the Church in four dimensions: height, depth, length and width.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 03-11-18	7:30 am	David Morales <sup>+</sup>
	10:00 am	People of the Parish
Monday, 03-12-18		Leroy Mingilton
Tuesday, 03-13-18		Robert House, Jr. <sup>+</sup>
Wednesday, 03-14-18		Celia Sánchez Bart <sup>+</sup>
Thursday, 03-15-18		Denise Trott & Family
Friday, 03-16-18		Ronald <sup>+</sup> & Donald <sup>+</sup> Floyd
Saturday, 03-17-18		Gregg & Jennifer Fairweather

### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Elizabeth Achuil, Paul Appel, Taeja Billingsley, Louise Bouta, Loretta Burrell, 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 March 11, 2018

Sunday:	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41
Monday:	Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday:	Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday:	Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Friday:	Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday:	Jer 11:18-20/Jn 18:9-14
Next Sunday:	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45