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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

5:00 PM

Sunday

7:30 AM & 10:00 AM

Mon-Wed-Fri/Tues-Thurs

7:00 AM/12 Noon

Holy Days of Obligation

7:00 AM & 7:00 PM

(unless otherwise indicated)

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

By appt.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the office

Baptism & Matrimony

Contact office manager

OTHER MINISTRIES

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Contributions Received

December 31, 2020 – January 6, 2021

Offertory.....	\$1898.39
Gifts through 2020.....	\$4309.00
Building Fund.....	\$180.00
Fr. Brady Fund for the Poor.....	\$1100.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$100.00

CALENDAR

CANNED FOOD DRIVE: Today from 8 am to noon, garage at 23rd and Gaylord.

ROSARY: Today at 9 am. The Glorious Mysteries.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Classes today at 12:30 pm via Zoom.

RACIAL STUDY GROUP: Today at 12:30 pm via Zoom.

'CREATED' SERIES: Session today at 2 pm via Zoom. See next page for join in.

PARISH TOWN HALL MEETING: Wed., Jan. 13, 5 pm via Zoom. See loyoladenver.org that day for the link to join in.

PARISH COUNCIL: Thursday, January 14, 6:30 pm via Zoom.

RSVP NEEDED FOR WEEKEND MASSES EACH WEEK

Each week, please email Kathy, KMurzyn@loyoladenver.org by **Wednesday, 4 pm to RSVP** to attend Mass the next weekend. Please include Mass time preference(s) (Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 7:30 am and 10 am) and how many from your household. You will receive an email confirmation. Thank you for your help in this process.

Requests received after the deadline will be invited to be 'walk-ins' if space allows.

BIBLE STUDY RECORDINGS AVAILABLE

Recordings of the Bible Study sessions that began in November are available here: <https://bit.ly/3mZCZMf>. Bible Study meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 5 pm via Zoom. For more information, contact Matt at mklassen@regisjesuit.com.

REMEMBERING SR. JANET

Please see the end of this bulletin for 'A Testimonial of Love and Remembrance' to Sr. Janet Wehmhoff, S.C. She, along with Sr. Mary Ellen Roach, S.C. and Sr. Sue Verbiscus, S.C., were the love, faith and service that ran our beloved Loyola Grade School for so many years. Sr. Janet passed away on January 4, the feast day of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, foundress of their Sisters of Charity.

Notes from Fr. Dirk

Brief, mercifully so. That's the goal for this week's column.

1. False prophets betray their followers: You will have noted that on Wednesday the 6th – which has rightly been called yet another day in America that will live in infamy and as if we needed another one – President Trump directed his followers to “walk down” to the Capitol, assuring them, “I’ll be there with you.” Turns out he was not there with them. He didn’t walk with them. He didn’t go to the Capitol. Instead, after creating in his followers the false belief that they would be protected from the consequences of their attempted coup, he returned to the White House. Later that afternoon he told those same followers that he loved them. The next day, amidst a growing chorus of demands that he be removed from office, President Trump threw the insurrectionists under the proverbial bus with these words: “To those who engaged in the acts of violence and destruction, you do not represent our country. And to those who broke the law, you will pay.”

2. Pause to comment on cool outfits worn by uncool people: The shirtless guy – in winter? – with the horned and raccoon-tailed headdress? Jake Angeli, aka Yellowstone Wolf, apparently ubiquitous QAnon conspirator from Phoenix. Shirtlessness, not so much, especially after months and months of quarantine. Nonetheless, I do want my own very cool furry hat with horns. But with fake fur. And fake horns. BTW, and as every schoolchild knows, Yellowstone National Park is in Wyoming, Montana and Idaho. Nowhere near Phoenix. Just saying, and I’m sure Mr. Angeli knows that.

3. “Yellowstone” brings to mind the magnificent 2-8-8-4 (two leading wheels, two sets of eight driving – powered – wheels, and four trailing wheels) steam locomotives – in their day the largest in the world, with engine and tender together weighing well over a million pounds – called “Yellowstone.” The first Yellowstone was built in 1928 by the American Locomotive Company for the Northern Pacific Railway. Yellowstones were in service until the late 1950s and were capable of hauling – with a SINGLE locomotive – up to 19,000 tons, which scales in at 38,000,000 pounds. Alas, although over 250 of these enthralling machines were built, just four remain, none of them operational. When it’s safe to travel again you can, should and must see the beautiful Southern Pacific “cab-forward” (with, as the nickname would suggest, the cab in front so as to avoid asphyxiating crew members when travelling through tunnels) Yellowstone (SP 4294, built in 1944 by the Baldwin Locomotive Works) at the California State Railroad Museum in Sacramento.

4. My favorite made-up name for a cowboy? Ubiquitous Bill, about whom it is said: “Ubiquitous Bill. Cain’t shoot. Cain’t rope. Cain’t stay in the saddle. But he’s everywhere.”

5. Behold, the Lamb of God: “And remember, I am with you always....” (Matthew 28:20) Jesus Christ – Emmanuel, God With Us – is with you, always. At your side, always. In your heart, always. Calling you to a better way and a better world, always. Loving you, always. Always? ~~Irregardless?~~ Regardless? Always. Regardless.

NEWS AND EVENTS

MASS FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

The annual Archdiocese of Denver Mass for Peace and Justice will be on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, January 18 at 9 am here at Loyola. The celebrant will be Bishop Rodriguez. Fr. Dirk and Fr. Pat will concelebrate. **To RSVP, please contact Kateri Williams, Director of the Office of Black Catholic Ministry by email at kateri.williams@archden.org.** (If you are unable to send an email, please call 303-715-3165.) RSVPs will be taken as room allows. (Guidelines for attending this Mass are the same as other Loyola Masses. Please see the next page.)

MONTHLY CANNED FOOD DRIVE

Today from 8 am to Noon

Please help us restock our Loyola Food Pantry by bringing healthy non-perishable food items or other supplies to the garage pantry at 23rd and Gaylord. Our pantry is currently most in need of hearty canned soups – they are in high demand, and we are out! We can also really use crackers, vegetable or canola oils, condiment staples (ketchup, mustard, mayo, hot sauce), coffee, shelf stable milk, salad dressings, pasta sauce, canned fruit, canned yams, canned potatoes, canned chicken, Vienna sausages, canned salmon, canned green chiles, baked beans, chicken or beef broth, beef jerky and jelly or jams. Other helpful items include laundry soap, cleaning supplies, toothbrushes, toothpaste, bath soap, paper towels and toilet paper. Families appreciate canned pasta meals (i.e Chef Boyardee), fruit cups and other snack packs for kids. Currently, we aren't in need of any canned beans or peanut butter. Please note that we are always happy to accept financial donations (cash or check *made out to St. Vincent de Paul Society – Loyola*) that we can use to provide grocery gift cards for the people we serve. Thank you so much for any help that you can provide!

'AMAZON SMILE' ONGOING CHURCH FUNDRAISER

When you shop through Amazon, you can help Loyola Parish at no extra cost to you! It's easy to enroll. Visit Smile.Amazon.com and scroll to the bottom of the page to click the 'get started' button. Sign in with your regular Amazon log-in and select our parish. **Please Note:** There are several 'Loyola' parishes and schools listed. You will find ours listed as *St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Parish in Denver*. Amazon will donate .5% of eligible purchases back to the church. Thank you for helping with this easy fundraiser.

CREATED: A MESSAGE SERIES ON LAUDATO SI

Today, 2 pm to 3 pm

Join us for *Created*, a six-part message series based on Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si': On Care for our Common Home*. It is an exploration of the beauty and mystery of creation and the realities that we were created by God, we are created in common, and we have been created to care for each other. This information can also be found on unitybelt.com/created. After today, the remaining session dates are February 7 and March 14.

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89064241467?pwd=WDRTY3BPK2N0Ei6Y2pLUFiCbVUwUT09>

Meeting ID: 890 6424 1467

Passcode: 543669

WINTER SIGNS AND SILENCE

We will honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and continue to acknowledge that Black Lives Matter with a display of signs on our parking lot fence facing York St. The Loyola Social Justice Ministry will hang the posters before MLK, Jr. Day and the Peace and Justice Mass.

If you would like to participate: 1) Pick up a waterproof, blank poster board at our church's north entrance or from the church office porch. You can also use your own sturdy, waterproof poster board. 2) Make a sign that includes a brief MLK quote. Please use waterproof markers/paint and large letters so that your sign can be read from York Street. Deliver your sign to the box on the church office porch or church's north door **no later than Sunday, January 17** at 10:00 am. Email loyolasjm@gmail.com for more information.

THANK YOU – SENIOR SUPPORT DINNER

I was overwhelmed by your generosity during this busy time of year. Thanks to all who helped provide this meal, especially Cindy, Ellen, Jean, Fran, Kathy, Father Pat and Mary Ann. The bags you decorated made the lunches very special and festive! I also thank Mike and Danny for their help with filling and delivering the bag lunches. I feel blessed to be a part of this ministry and St. Ignatius. Blessings to all.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 01-10-21

7:30 am

10:00 am

Monday, 01-11-21

Tuesday, 01-12-21

Wednesday, 01-13-21

Thursday, 01-14-21

Friday, 01-15-21

Saturday, 01-16-21

Sr. Janet Marie Wehmhoff, S.C.+

People of the Parish

Fr. Richard T. Lawrence+

Michael Anthony Fritz+

Joseph Meyers & Family

Intentions of the Celebrant

Phillip Buell & Family

Laurie Santos

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Elizabeth Achuil, Joyce Armstead, Taeja Billingsley, Gray Buckley, Loretta Burrell, Susan Carrillo, Joyce & Meredith Clabaugh, Deborah Cottle, Jason Doty, Ed Ekel, Ann Feighny, Barbara Floyd-Hall, Margie Fry, Notasha M. Garcia, Clarence Grier, Daniel Hogan, Healis Howard, Anne Jackson, Isaac Joseph, Jim Kindblade, Timothy Kindblade, Jamar Lindsay/Family, Tony Lutrey, Kelly McEnany, James McKinney, John Meyler, Mathue/Nicque Moore, Jeff Pavek, Melissa Piazza, Christina Pittaluga, Tim Potter, Ronda Pruett, Marcello Puma, Megan Reinholtz, Cordell Robinson, Carol Ryerson, Paul Scheafbauer, Katie/Melvin Scott, Barb Sercely, Mary Sewing, Juliet Sherwood, Angelita Sims, Ken/Carmen Therence, Linda Vialpando

ETERNAL JOY FOR...

Sr. Janet Marie Wehmhoff, S.C.; Eric Valdez

Sunday, January 10, 2021 – The Baptism of the Lord

Is 45:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mk 1:7-11

(Please visit usccb.org/bible/readings for the daily readings.)

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INVITATION TO A SPECIAL FORUM Regarding Asylum Seekers and Refugees

The Immigration Team of the Loyola Social Justice Ministry invites you to spend an hour with us at a special Forum where we will hear accounts of the injustice and indignities suffered by asylum seekers and refugees in our country. In the face of such tragedy, it is easy to succumb to a feeling of helplessness so we will also discuss ways in which we as Catholics can make a difference.

The Zoom meeting will take place Saturday, January 23 at 10 am. If you would like to attend, please reply by Friday, January 15 to loyolasjm@gmail.com so that we can send you the Zoom invitation.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Hundreds of US religious communities struggle to provide for aging members because most senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests served for little pay. A gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps communities bridge the gap, offering support for medications, nursing care and other necessities.

HOUSING FOR IMMIGRANTS

The American Friends Service Committee is looking for rental housing for a number of immigrant families with whom it works. This community has been especially hard hit by the pandemic and the lack of assistance and resources available to them. If you have a rental, a 'mother-in-law,' etc. that could accommodate a family of 4-8 people and be rented until at least the fall for what the family would be able to pay, please contact Harriet Mullaney at hem@ecentral.com. Referrals to rentals at very reasonable rates would also be appreciated. Thank you!

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The Denver Alumnae Chapter Scholarship program is excited to award several scholarship opportunities to Black/African-American women seeking to advance their education. For over 60 years, this chapter has awarded over \$400,000 in scholarships. Awards are designed for women who may attend technical or trade schools and to those seeking a baccalaureate degree. The scholarship application is open now and closes Monday, February 8, 2021 at midnight. To review the scholarships and requirements, please visit denverdeltas.org/programs/scholarship/

To sign up for egiving, please visit Faith Direct® at faith.direct/CO524 or Text-to-Give via Faith Direct® by texting the word 'enroll' or the amount to 303-529-7436. Thank you for considering supporting the parish in this way!

If you have been abused by a Jesuit, please call the Central and Southern Province of the Society of Jesus to speak with a professional assigned to cases of abuse, 314-361-7765. You may also call the Archdiocese of Denver, 720-239-2832 or our parish office, 303-322-8042.

DAILY MASS: 7 am on M, W, F; noon on T, Th. No RSVPs needed. Please see the information below on attending Mass. Thank you.

FOR THOSE ATTENDING MASS THIS WEEKEND

Your health and safety are the reasons the following guidelines are in place. Everyone who comes to Mass must follow these instructions. Thank you in advance for caring for one another by adhering to these. Volunteers will be at each Mass to help you.

- Arrive 15 minutes before Mass begins.
- Use the North or South doors only.
- Everyone 3 years+ MUST HAVE a mask on (covering nose and mouth) to enter the church. (We do not have extra masks.)
- Check-in at the main door with a volunteer. Via your RSVP and response earlier in the week, your name is on a list for Mass.
- Use the hand sanitizer at the entrance as you come in.
- When entering and exiting, maintain 6 feet distance.
- When entering and exiting, please do not socialize or congregate with one another.
- Sit only where the blue Xs are on the pews. (At the 10 am Mass, households with children under 10 may sit together in a pew.)
- If you need a low gluten host, please let Kathy know when you email your RSVP for Mass to her at kmurzyn@loyoladenvr.org
- The congregation cannot sing. Please refrain from singing.
- Do not enter the sanctuary, including: Mary's Altar, the Parish Book of Prayer, the sacristy to see Father, the music area.
- The lofts are not available and have been roped off.
- Communion will be brought to you.
- Please refrain from lighting candles at the side shrines.
- The restroom is located in the vestibule. Those under 12 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- Do not hold hands during the 'Our Father.'

A TESTIMONIAL OF LOVE AND REMEMBRANCE

When I was five years old, my mother dropped me off for my first day of school at St. Ignatius of Loyola. There waiting to receive me and the other first grade students was my 1st grade teacher, Sister Janet, SC. I remember taking her hand as we walked to the playground area. I was a shy, quiet and observant little girl but looking at her warm eyes and friendly smile, I knew that I was in good hands. It was a year later that my younger brother, Donald would attend St. Ignatius of Loyola School.

When my mother drove Donald for *his* first day of school, I decided to ride with them. When he got out the car, there was Sr. Janet waiting to receive him. However, he noticed that I didn't get out the car. He looked back at me with a scared expression on his face and asked, "Lita, are you coming?" I told him, "No, I won't be with you today because today is for the first graders. I'm in second grade now. You don't have to worry because Sr. Janet will be your teacher and she's very nice and you're going to meet a lot of friends."

My brother started to cry and told me that he wanted me to come with him. I turned to my mom and said, "Maybe I should go with him until he feels comfortable." Sr. Janet took my brother by the hand and told my mom that she "got him"

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(meaning that he was in good hands and that he would be okay) and she could leave. As my mom drove off, she said to me, "Your brother is in good hands." When we went to pick up my brother from school that afternoon, he was playing on the playground with a friend he had met, also named Donald. My mother had the hardest time getting him in the car because he didn't want to leave. When she finally got him in the car, he said, "Lita, you were right, Sr. Janet is nice. I like Loyola." I knew that he would because I did too.

One of the many fond memories that I have of Sr. Janet is when she prepared a few of my classmates and I for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As we were sitting in the pews at St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish she taught us why we go to confession and how to make a good confession. She reminded us that when we go in the confessional, to make sure we try to have no more than two or three sins to confess to Father so that we're respectful of the other children and adults that were waiting outside to meet with him. I still keep this reminder today. It would be soon afterwards, that she would prepare my friend and classmate, Jennifer Grier (Fairweather) and I for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Our First Holy Communion was a special day.

I enjoyed the six years that I attended St. Ignatius of Loyola because I felt that I received a quality academic and religious education. If there was something that my classmates and I didn't understand or needed help with, the Sisters of Charity and the teachers took the time to make sure that we did. They would utilize creative styles of teaching so that we could better understand. Another reason that made my years at the school enjoyable were my friends. We had so much fun playing kickball, basketball, hopscotch, and jump rope on the playground. I not only attended the school but I attend the Parish as well. I'm blessed because I had the best of both.

An African proverb states that, it takes a village to raise a child. St. Ignatius of Loyola School and Parish was that village for me. The village consisted of Sr. Janet, SC, Sr. Stephen (Sr. Sue), SC, Sr. Mary Ellen, SC, lay teachers, volunteers and priests. I observed on a daily basis their dedication, hard work, patience and love for their students. They looked out for all of us as if we were their own. We were a family, a community.

Besides what I learned from my parents, it was my St. Ignatius of Loyola "village" that set the foundation for my academics and Catholic/Christian life.

What they taught me, made a strong impact in my life and has made me part of the woman that I am today. What they gave me, I take great joy giving back. One of the ways that I've given back is teaching religious education at St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish. I love teaching Children's Church and the other grades when needed.

When Sr. Janet found out that I was teaching religious education, she was so very happy knowing that like her, I was also bringing Jesus to God's little ones. After St. Ignatius of Loyola School closed, Sr. Janet called to inform me that she wanted to give me her religious education materials.

I was so honored that she thought a lot of me to give them to me. What a gift of love! When I received them, I started using the materials in addition to the Children's Church curriculum.

When I heard of her passing, it was very hard for me. However, I'm at peace knowing that she is not suffering, that she passed at the Mother House of the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati and that she passed on the Feast Day of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton who was the founder of the Sisters of Charity.

Sr. Janet impacted many others and each one has their very own special "Sr. Janet story." I'm blessed that she was a part of my life and she will always have a special place in my heart. This is my story- a testimonial of love and remembrance.

Rest in Heaven, Sr. Janet.

Angelita Sims