

St. Ignatius of Loyola
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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November 22, 2026 - The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Feeding the Hungry, from The Seven Works of Mercy
Master of Alkmaar
Among the poor receiving bread, the painter set Christ himself, in gray, looking out at us.

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Saturday Anticipatory Mass
5:00 P.M.

Sunday Mass
7:30 A.M. | 10:00 A.M.

Weekday Mass
12:00 P.M.

Confessions
M-F - 11:15 - 11:45 A.M.
Thursday - 6:00 - 7:00 P.M.
Saturday - 4:15 - 4:45 P.M.

Adoration
M-W & Friday - 5:00 - 6:00 P.M.
Holy Hour, Thursday - 6:00 - 7:00 P.M.

Latin Vespers
Thursday - 5:30 - 6:00 P.M.

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Pastor's Column

Brothers & Sisters,

On November 22, 1963, three famous men died within a few hours of one another. Late that afternoon C. S. Lewis collapsed in his bedroom at his home outside Oxford. About an hour later, in Dallas, an assassin shot President John F. Kennedy. Several hours after that, in Los Angeles, the novelist Aldous Huxley, author of *Brave New World*, died of cancer. The news from Dallas filled the papers, and the deaths of Lewis and Huxley went largely unnoticed.

In 1982 the Catholic philosopher Peter Kreeft wrote a short book about that coincidence, *Between Heaven and Hell*. He pictured the three men meeting "somewhere beyond death" and arguing, above all, about who Jesus is. Kreeft gave each man a part. Lewis speaks for what he himself called "mere Christianity." Huxley speaks for the Eastern belief that all religions are one at their core. Kennedy speaks for the modern believer who honors Christ as the ideal man but not as God made man. Kreeft admits in his prologue that he took "literary liberty" with Kennedy; the book's purpose, he writes, "is not historical accuracy."

We owe the real Kennedy his own words. That Friday he was riding in a motorcade to a luncheon at the Dallas Trade Mart, where he was to give a speech. He did not live to deliver it. The speech he meant to give closes with a verse from Psalm 127: "except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain."

Pastor's Column cont.

Kreeft's Lewis presses the argument the real Lewis made famous in *Mere Christianity*. A man who claimed what Christ claimed is either God or not a good man at all; the one thing he cannot be is merely a great teacher. Kreeft puts the argument in Latin: aut deus aut homo malus, either God or a bad man.

Lewis also explained why God lets the question stay open so long. In *Mere Christianity*, he called this world enemy-occupied territory, and Christianity the story of "how the rightful king has landed, you might say landed in disguise." The king puts off his open invasion, Lewis wrote, to give us the chance of joining his side freely; and "when the author walks on to the stage the play is over."

In this Sunday's Gospel our Lord describes the end of the play. "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him." The one on the throne is the teacher whom many who do not believe in him still admire: feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, visit the prisoner. From the throne he says what no merely good man could say: "Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." A man who said that falsely would be mad or a fraud. If he is God, then whoever handed bread to a hungry man handed it to the King.

Both groups answer him with the same question: "Lord, when did we see you hungry?" Neither the righteous nor the others had recognized him. An early Latin preacher whom scholars call Epiphanius put a further question to his people: does the Lord who made heaven and earth, and who feeds the angels, go hungry and naked? He thought it incredible, "yet what must be confessed is easy to believe." Our Lord, he explained, "hungers not in his own nature but in his saints," and thirsts in his poor.

In 1504 a Dutch painter known only as the Master of Alkmaar painted the works of mercy in seven panels, and the first of them appears in this bulletin. A woman stands at her door with a basket of loaves, and a man hands them out to the poor: a blind man carrying a child on his shoulders, a lame man on the ground with hand-crutches. Among the hungry the painter set Christ himself. He looks straight out of the picture, at us.

In a sermon at Oxford in June 1941, Lewis told his hearers that after the Blessed Sacrament itself, "your neighbour is the holiest object presented to your senses." In the Christian neighbor, he said, Christ "vere latitat": he is truly hidden there. Lewis adapted those words from the hymn St. Thomas Aquinas wrote for the Eucharist, Adoro te devote, which Gerard Manley Hopkins translated as "Godhead here in hiding."

The Preface for this feast calls Christ "eternal Priest and King of all creation," who offered himself "on the altar of the Cross." The paradox of our faith is the humility of this King. He hides under the appearance of bread on the altar. He hides among - and even in - his subjects, one more face among the poor, so that their hunger is his hunger. St. Paul writes that "he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross." On the last day he will lay the disguise aside, and all the nations will see him on his throne. Until then he waits, truly hidden, on the altar and among the poor.

Blessings,
Fr. Francis Thérèse Krautter

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, 11/21/2026 - Gregory Hudley +
Sunday, 11/22/2026 -
7:30 A.M. - Pro Populo (People of the Parish)
10:00 A.M. - David, Diane, and Henry Trujillo +
Monday, 11/23/2026 - Rob Spiering +
Tuesday, 11/24/2026 - Emelia Trujillo
Wednesday, 11/25/2026 - Sarah Sunshine
Thursday, 11/26/2026 - Pro Populo
Friday, 11/27/2026 - Gregg Fanseleau (in thanksgiving)
Saturday, 11/28/2026 - Barbara Reisenman +

Mass intentions are booked through the beginning of December 2026. Please use the envelopes in the pews or contact the parish office to schedule for 2027 Intentions. Suggested donation is $10/Mass.

Offertory

November 10 - 16

Offertory	$1050.00
Seminaries' Appeal	$255.00
Poor Box	$62.97
Building Fund	$56.00
Christmas Flowers	$40.00

eGiving via ParishSOFT for November 13 - 19

Offertory	$1585.31
Building Fund	$275.00
Poor Box	$5.00

eGiving via ParishSOFT

eGiving is a way to simplify your giving and provide steady, consistent support that helps our ministry, historic church building, special events, flower fund, and more!
It's easy to get started!
Scan the QR code or visit
www.giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-524

News and Events

Upcoming Events

- **This Sunday**
  - Praying the Rosary @ Mary's Altar - 9:00 A.M.
  - Final Sunday for our Book of the Dead and Remembrance Table
    - Please take your photos home with you this weekend!
- **November 25 - 27**
  - Parish Office CLOSED for Thanksgiving
- **Thursday, November 26 | Thanksgiving Day**
  - **Mass at 10:00 A.M.**
  - NO Confessions, Noon Mass, Chant School, Vespers, or Holy Hour
- **Sunday, November 29**
  - 10:00 A.M. - Additional Confession Time
  - Invitation to Peace: Advent Evenings Night 1
    - 6:00 - 7:30 P.M. in the nave of the church
- **Tuesday, December 8 - Immaculate Conception**
  - Holy Day of Obligation | Mass at Noon
- **Monday, December 14**
  - No Confessions | Mass at Noon

Source & Summit Missals

Please take a copy or two of our 2026 Source & Summit Missals home with you! We will be phasing in the 2027 Missals ahead of the new liturgical year, which starts next week, November 29th.

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 introducing yourself to our priests and brothers, 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.

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Want to Become Catholic?

If you or someone you know is an adult who wants to be baptized, receive First Holy Communion, or receive confirmation, contact the Parish Office. Get started with Family Catechesis - faith enrichment for all ages.

For more information or to sign up, email Br. Michael Paul at family@loyoladenver.org.

Upcoming Family Catechesis Sessions

Family Catechesis | December 13 & January 10

Grow together in faith as a family! Whether you have received your sacraments or not, come learn about the fullness of our Catholic faith, its history, and Church Teachings.

All Family Catechesis sessions meet after the 10:00 A.M. Mass.

Grow Your Faith This Advent

Confessions During 10:00 A.M. Sunday Mass

Beginning the First Sunday of Advent, November 29, Fr. John Therese will hear confessions in the confessional during the 10:00 A.M. Sunday Mass. Take advantage of this additional opportunity to prepare your heart throughout the Advent season and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

An Invitation to Peace: Advent Evenings at St. Ignatius

Join the Brothers of St. John for a 4-part Advent series designed as a spiritual oasis in a busy season. Each evening includes chanted Vespers, a 20-minute spiritual reflection, Eucharistic Adoration with confessions, and light refreshments.

- **Kickoff:** Sunday, November 29 from 6:00 - 7:30 P.M., led by Fr. Francis Thérèse Krautter
- **Midweek Gatherings:** Wednesdays, December 2, 9, & 16 from 6:00 - 7:30 P.M. (Fr. John Therese, Br. Gabriel Maria, Br. Michael Paul)

Location: St. Ignatius Catholic Church nave (main church). All are welcome—bring a friend!

Christmas Flowers

From now until Christmas, donate to the Christmas Flower Fund in honor or memory of a loved one. This fund is used to decorate our parish with beautiful flowers for the Christmas Season.

You can donate through ParishSOFT or by writing "Christmas Flowers" in the memo line of a check. Please include the name(s) of those you'd like to remember with your donation. "The [donor's last name] Family" will be used if no further request is made.

Prayer List

Javier-María Alonso & Family | David Russell | Darla Horton | Thu Heng Le | Donald Sims & Family | Pamela Howard | Anayah Rucker | Susan & Tom Culig | Rosie Tiews & The Tiews Family | The Punt Family | Elizabeth Welch | Elyce McCutcheon | Leslie | Brooks Norcross | St. Thomas Mission, Iraq | Angie Miller | Ernestine Madison

Sunday Readings

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

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

Join our Flocknote

Want to stay connected with St. Ignatius Parish? Join our Flocknote!

What is Flocknote? Flocknote is a digital communication network that sends parish updates directly to your phone, email, or both!
Why should I join Flocknote? By joining our Flocknote, you'll be the first to receive weekly bulletins, information about special liturgies, and updates to the parish calendar.
How can I join Flocknote? Just visit *https://StIgnatiusofLoyola.flocknote.com*

Month for the Souls in Purgatory

November is dedicated to the souls of the faithful departed. In their memory, we will display our Book of the Dead and Remembrance Table until the 10:00 A.M. Mass this weekend. Please take the time to write the names of loved ones who have passed since last year, bring in their photos, and pray for those who have departed.

New Food Donation Bin

Please drop off your nonperishable food donations in the new bin located in Brady Hall next to the North Door.

Donations can always be dropped off at the Parish Office during operating hours, but now there's a convenient place for donations in the church building.

No More Monthly Food Drives

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will not hold a monthly parish Food Drive this month, and we are discontinuing them in the future. Instead, we will hold parish-wide food drives during Advent, Lent, and other special times of the year. Please watch the bulletin for those events so that you can help support our wonderful parish Food Pantry ministry! Thank you.

You may continue to drop off food and financial donations at the Parish Office during their open hours.

Our Food Pantry Has Moved!

The Food Pantry, operated by the St. Ignatius of Loyola Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, has recently moved into a space at Cleaves Memorial C.M.E. Church at 2222 Marion St.

The new space is a huge upgrade for us, with running water, bathrooms, heat, and air conditioning. We currently serve between 50-60 shoppers each Monday morning and had completely outgrown the parish garage where we have been operating for 7 years. We will continue to be a ministry of St. Ignatius of Loyola parish, and we welcome your support.

Lessons & Carols

The Canto Deo Chamber Choir will sing its 20th annual Advent Service of Lessons & Carols at Holy Ghost Catholic Church, 1900 California St., Denver, on Saturday, November 28, 2026, from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M. Admission is free, and no tickets are needed. They ask people to RSVP on the Canto Deo website (*cantodeo.org*).

St. Ignatius Chant School Returns

If you or someone you know wants to learn to read chant notation and sing Gregorian chant, join Vespers for All, a chant school for adults and children ages 8 and up.

Thursdays from 5:00 - 7:00 P.M.
5:00-5:30 - Rehearse Vespers
5:30-6:00 - Join the Traditional Latin Vespers
6:00-7:00 - Learn and practice Gregorian chant

With questions, please contact David Hughes - david@chantwith.us

There will be NO Chant School on Thursday, November 26.

St. Ignatius Parish Endowment

Did you know that St. Ignatius Parish has an endowment through the Catholic Foundation of Northern Colorado?

All one-time or recurring gifts made through the QR code below will be invested on behalf of the parish by the Foundation.

Want to give the gift of stock, crypto, real estate, life insurance, or a bequest? Your gift to the Catholic Foundation can grow to provide support for our parish now and for eternity. Learn more about how your gift today can leave a legacy of faith and strengthen our Catholic community by contacting the Foundation directly at 303-468-9885.

Give cash directly using the QR code! One-time or recurring gifts accepted here! For other gifts, contact the Foundation directly.

If you are interested in donating by check, please remit it to the "Catholic Foundation" with the memo "St. Ignatius of Loyola Fund #5536" and mail it to

The Catholic Foundation
Attn: Deposits & Donations
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Suite 111
Greenwood Village, CO 80111

Mentor Couples

St. Ignatius Parish is seeking married Catholic couples interested in coming alongside engaged couples preparing for the sacrament of marriage.

If you are interested in learning more about this mentorship program, please contact Chloe in the Parish Office (chloe@loyoladenver.org) or speak to Fr. Francis after Mass.