ST. JOHN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Omaha's Jesuit Parish located at Creighton University, 2500 California Plaza, Omaha, NE 68178

Cornerstone laid 1887—Established as a Parish 1897—Designated a City Landmark 1981

July 31, 2016 - Solemnity of St. Ignatius of Loyola

MASS/RECONCILIATION TIMES 402-280-3030
PARISH OFFICE 402-280-3031
Pastor: Fr. Lorn Snow, S.J. 402-280-3262
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Eucharist:

Monday- Friday	**7:00 a.m.**	**Main Church**
No Mass during University Breaks		
Monday—Friday	**12 noon**	**Main Church**
Monday—Friday	**5:00 p.m.**	**Fr. Halley Chapel, LSJ**
Monday	*9:00 p.m.*	*Main Church***
Tuesday	*9:00 p.m.*	*Fr. Halley Chapel, LSJ***
Saturday	**7:00 a.m.**	**Main Church ****
	12 Noon	**Fr. Halley Chapel, LSJ**
	5:00 p.m.	**Main Church**
	(Anticipatory)	
Sunday	**8:00 a.m.**	**Main Church**
	10:30 a.m.	**Main Church**
	4:30 p.m.	*Main Church***
	8:30 p.m.	*Main Church***
	10:00 p.m.	*Main Church***

***Academic Year Only—dates @www.creighton.edu\stjohns*

Adult Faith Formation *(Fall and Lenten Series)*
Sunday 9:15 a.m. Conf. Room, LSJ

Youth Religious Education
Sunday 9:15—10:15 a.m. LSJ

Reconciliation:
Mon—Fri 12:30—1:00 p.m.
Saturday 4:00—5:00 p.m.

St. John's Parish Pastoral Council

Rick Bellino, *Co-Chair*	**402-699-6380**
Laraine Conway	**402-558-4105**
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Michael Hoover	**402-933-5024**
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Alyssa Beasley, CU Student	
Brielle Kelley, CU Student	

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St. Ignatius of Loyola

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty,
my memory, my understanding,
and my entire will,
All I have and call my own.

You have given all to me.
To you, Lord, I return it.

Everything is yours; do with it what you will.
Give me only your love and your grace,
that is enough for me.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule— August 6-7, 2016

This schedule can also be accessed at St. John's website—http://stjohns.creighton.edu

	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Sunday 4:30 p.m.
PRESIDER	Fr. Rodriguez, S.J.	Fr. Simonds, S.J.	Fr. Kersten, S.J.	
LITURGICAL ASSISTANT	Linda Hayek	Bob Austria	Pam Yenko	
ALTAR SERVER			Erin Lemar	
LECTORS	Renee O'Brien	Bob Austria	Steve Scherr	
	Michael Kelly	Dick Cleary	Kerry Tupper	No Mass
PRAYERS	Margaret Mary Hinz	Dick Cleary	Tom Berg	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	G. Selk T. Bartek	B. Austria	M. J. Slightam	
	M. A. McDonald	D. Cleary	K. Blecha T. Berg	
	D. Keane	Volunteer	J. & S. Scherr	
	E. Wirth		K. Tupper	
	R. O'Brien		A. Haddad	
	E. Burke-Sullivan		R. Wright	

Readings for the week

7/31	Sunday *Solemnity of St. Ignatius*	Jer 1 Cor Lk	20:7-11a, 13 10:31—11:1 9:18-25
8/01	Monday	Jer Mt	28:1-17 14:13-21
8/02	Tuesday	Jer Mt	30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 14:22-36
8/03	Wednesday	Jer Mt	31:1-7 15:21-28
8/04	Thursday	Jer Mt	31:31-34 16:13-23
8/05	Friday	Na Mt	2:1, 3, 3:1-3, 6-7 16:24-28
8/06	Saturday *The Transfiguration of the Lord*	Dn 2 Pt Lk	7:9-10, 13-14 1:16-19 9:28b-36
8/07	Sunday *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary time*	Wis Heb Lk	18:6-9 11:1-2, 8-19 12:32-48

Mass Intentions August 1—6, 2016

7:00 AM (Main Church)

Monday	*No Mass, Summer Break*
Tuesday	*No Mass, Summer Break*
Wednesday	*No Mass, Summer Break*
Thursday	*No Mass, Summer Break*
Friday	*No Mass, Summer Break*
Saturday	*No Mass, Summer Break*

12:00 Noon (Main Church)

Monday	Jack & Shirley Doran Marcil—*deceased*
Tuesday	Janet Burke—*deceased*
Wednesday	Louis Nantkes—*deceased*
Thursday	Morris Burnett—*deceased*
Friday	John F. Fitzgibbons, M.D. -*deceased*
Saturday (LSJ's)	

5:00 PM (Fr. Halley Chapel, LSJ's)

Monday	Elizabeth & Howard Schutz—*deceased*
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	Fr. Michael Flecky, S.J. –*intention*
Friday	

Colleen Davis
Zach & Family
Jake & Family
Chris B.
Barbara B.
Michael & Family
Doug Morris
Richard Grimit
Robert Heaney

Weekly Offering Report

Weekly Budget Goal	7,067.31	Annual Budget Goal	367,500.12
Weekend 7/23-24/2016	4,626.21	Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal	28,269.24
Above (below) weekly goal	(2,441.10)	Amount Collected YTD	22,210.65
		Above (Below) YTD Goal	(6,058.59)

The Second Collection this weekend is for:
St. John's Building Fund
Please be as generous as you are able.

A Message from Fr. Lorn Snow, S.J.

St. Ignatius Loyola Day—Parish Picnic

A Jesuit Parish is always centered on Jesus Christ and our on-going love of Christ. This is our mission to proclaim and reach out into our world with the Good News.

We celebrate our rich Jesuit-Ignatian tradition on this our feast day. The Parish Picnic reminds us of our communal life and that we are all on mission to love and serve.

Unfortunately, I will not be here this weekend because two years ago I committed to giving a retreat to a group of religious on the east coast.

Truly I will miss you all on our parish feast day and picnic. However, I will be with you in prayer and spirit. I also want to thank you for a wonderful year as your pastor and I look forward to our journey together as we live our Jesuit mission.

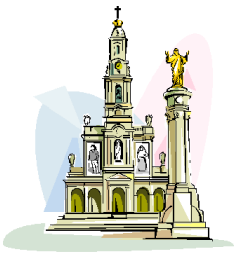
Fr. Lorn Snow, S.J.

From St. John's Social Justice Committee

Marietta Jaeger-Lane, Journey of Hope speaker at St. John's, 7-24-16. Marietta's 7 year old daughter Susie was kidnapped, raped and murdered. Marietta says *"Loved ones, wrenched from our lives by violent crime, deserve more beautiful, noble and honorable memorials than pre-meditated, state-sanctioned killings. The death penalty only creates more victims and more grieving families. By becoming that which we deplore -- people who kill people -- we insult the sacred memory of all our precious victims."* **Thank you, St. John's parishioners, for the amazing, attentive and generous crowd that attended the talks of Shujaa Graham and Marietta Jaeger-Lane.**

Pilgrimage to Spain & Portugal

Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Apparitions at Fatima



St. John's is offering an exciting opportunity to visit Portugal and Spain. In this unique pilgrimage we will celebrate the lives of St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Francis Zavier and St. Theresa of Avila. We begin at the Shrine of our Lady of Fatima in Portugal, then continue to the sacred sites of Avila, Madrid, San Sebastian, Burgos, Loyola and Barcelona. The pilgrimage will prove to be exciting, joyful and fun! There will be plenty of time to explore Portugal and Spain and celebrate our faith in the company of fellow travelers.

11 days, March 3—13, 2017 $3,099 per person includes airfare from Omaha, taxes and surcharges, first class hotels, most meals, all admissions and comprehensive sightseeing and much more.

Hosted by Fr. Lorn Snow, S.J.

Please contact Julie in the parish office for more information or a complete itinerary. 402-280-3031 or juliecarlson@creighton.edu

Parking on East Side of St. John's

Beginning August 1 – August 15 the Swanson lane will be closed for repairs. The drive running north and south between Swanson and Kiewit Fitness Center will completely closed to all traffic. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Update on Church Sound System

Submitted by the Administration Commission

Fr. Snow, S.J., Kathleen Denne, and several members of the sound system sub-committee recently met with Midwest Sound & Lighting (MSL) to determine immediate and long-term solutions to the problems many congregants experience with St. John's audio system, especially as they relate to the spoken portion of the Mass. Sub-committee members at the meeting were Suzanne Braddock, Helen Wanken, Bill Jackson and Kelly McDonald.

After MSL shared background information on the current system and we discussed options for improvement, the following actions were approved:

- The consultants from MSL will review the current system settings to determine if there are any software upgrades or other system tweaks to help enhance the sound quality as we work together on long-term improvements.
- Fr. Snow, S.J. has approved replacing eight of the existing assisted listening devices and they are on order. Once they've arrived, we will move the new devices to the west entrance by the elevator for easier access.
- MSL will provide an estimate for three high-quality microphones: one each for the ambo, a portable headset for the celebrant, and a handheld mic for a concelebrant or other use. Assuming the estimate is approved, they will order the replacement microphones with planned implementation by late August/early September.
- MSL will also provide up to three estimates for a new sound system. The estimates will be evaluated by the Administration Commission and our recommendation will then be submitted to the Parish Council and Finance Committee for approval. Estimated timing for the estimate review and submission to Parish Council is September 2016.

Kelly McDonald

We've Moved!

The Parish Library of St. John's Parish at Creighton University has been moved to the Conference Room in LSJ from the room west of the church sanctuary. We hope this will be convenient for easy use. There is a small green box for the check-out cards and basket containers for returned books

Thanks to all who have donated to the library. *At the present time we are not able to accept donations because the available shelving space is full.* Enjoy this added resource for your growth and entertainment.

Sr. Barb Markey, Pastoral Minister

St. Ignatius Loyola

Born Inigo Lopez de Loyola in 1491, the man known as Ignatius of Loyola entered the world in Loyola, Spain. He was the youngest of thirteen children. His last name, “Loyola” was taken from the village of his birth. He was an ambitious young man who had dreams of becoming a great leader. By the time he as eighteen, he became a soldier.

Seeking wider acclaim, he began referring to himself as Ignatius. He gained a reputation as a duelist. He fought several battles and had a talent for emerging unscathed. His talent earned him promotions and soon he commanded his own troops. In 1521 while defending the town of Pamplona against French attack, Ignatius was struck by a cannonball in the legs. One leg was merely broken, but the other was badly mangled. Despite several surgeries and the doctors best efforts, his condition deteriorated. His doctors warned him to prepare for death.

On June 29, 1521, on the feast of Saints Peter and Paul, Ignatius began to improve. During this time, he began to read whatever books he could find. Most were about the lives of the saints and Christ. These stories had a profound impact on him, and he became more devout. As he lay bedridden, he developed a desire to become a working servant of Christ. He especially wanted to convert non-Christians. Ignatius discerned God’s call, and began a new way of life, following God instead of men.

By the spring of 1522, Ignatius had recovered enough to leave bed. He entered the Benedictine monastery and laid down his military garments and gave his other clothes away. In exchange for a place to live, he performed work around a hospital. When not working or begging for food, he would go into a cave a practice spiritual exercises. These were difficult times for Ignatius, and he began to record his thoughts and experiences in a journal. This journal would be used to develop the new spiritual exercises.

In 1523 he made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land to convert non-believers. However, the Holy Land was a troubled place, and Church officials did not want Ignatius to complicate things further. They asked him to return. Ignatius realized he needed to obtain a complete education if he wanted to convert people. He returned to a Barcelona grammar school filled with children to learn. He then studied at universities and engaged others in lengthy conversations about spiritual matters. These conversations attracted the attention of the Inquisition. The Inquisition was responsible for ferreting out religious dissent and combating heresy. They accused Ignatius of preaching without any formal education in theology. He was questioned three times by the Inquisition, but he was always exonerated.

Ignatius decided he needed more education. He earned a master’s degree at the age of 44. He applied for his doctorate, but was passed over because of his age. While in school, Ignatius roomed with Peter Faber and Francis Xavier. They became friends and Ignatius led them in his spiritual exercises. Other men soon joined their exercises, and became followers of Ignatius. Denied the opportunity to travel to the Holy Land, the group decided to visit Rome. There, they resolved to present themselves to the Pope and serve at his pleasure.

Pope Paul III received the group and approved them as on official religious order in 1540. They called themselves the Society of Jesus. The order grew, and found its niche in education. Before Ignatius died in 1556, his order established 35 schools and boasted 1,000 members. The order was responsible for much of the work of stopping the spread of the Protestant Reformation. They advocated the use of reason to persuade others and combat heresy.

Today, the Society of Jesus is known for its work in educating the youth around the world.

Ignatius’ passed away on July 31, 1556, at the age of 64. He was beatified by Pope Paul V on July 27, 1609 and canonized on March 12, 1622. His feast day is July 31. He is the patron saint of the Society of Jesus, soldiers, educators and education.

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http;//www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=56