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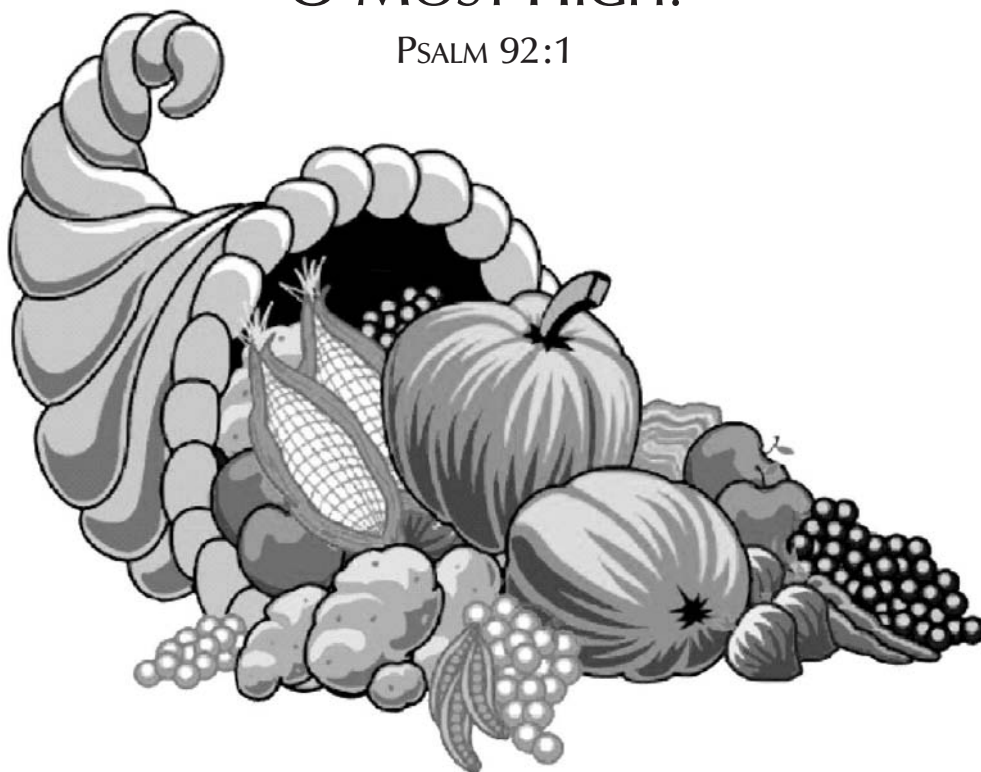
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IT IS GOOD TO GIVE THANKS
TO THE LORD,
TO SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME,
O MOST HIGH!

PSALM 92:1



A Happy Thanksgiving to you all!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

A Thanksgiving Message

Thanksgiving weekend gives us a wonderful opportunity to stop for a moment and remember just how much we have to be grateful for.

We give thanks for our families and friends, for the gift of life and health, for the homes we share and the food on our tables. We give thanks especially for our faith, for the presence of Christ in our lives and for this parish family where we gather week after week to pray, to celebrate and to support one another.

Fr. Tobias, our parish staff and I are particularly grateful for all those who make St. Ignatius Loyola such a vibrant parish. So much happens here because of the generosity of our volunteers, ministry leaders, parish groups and all those who quietly give their time and talents, often without anyone noticing. We are blessed by our talented musicians and choirs who add so much beauty to our celebrations and by those who decorate our church so wonderfully throughout the changing times and seasons of the year. There are countless hands and hearts behind everything that happens in our parish. Thank you. Our parish is stronger and more beautiful because of you.

And to our university and college students who are home for Thanksgiving weekend: welcome home! We're delighted to have you back. Wherever your studies may take you, please remember that St. Ignatius Loyola is still your parish. Whenever you're home, make this your home too.

Above all, Thanksgiving reminds us that every good gift ultimately comes from God. May these days give us time not simply to enjoy our blessings, but to recognize the One from whom they come.

On behalf of Fr. Tobias and all our parish staff, I wish you and your families a happy and blessed Thanksgiving!

PARISH NEWS/EVENTS

Collection for the Evangelization of the Nations

On the weekend of October 17/18, we invite you to support World Mission Sunday, a worldwide collection for the missionary Church. This is an opportunity for us to assist Catholic communities around the world that lack the basic resources needed to know, love, and praise God.

Offerings from Catholics around the world are combined and distributed to missions and dioceses in need. Envelopes are available in the church foyers and may be placed in the collection basket during the offertory or dropped off at the Parish Office. We thank you for your generosity and for helping support the Church's mission around the world.

It's not too late to join EDGE! 🎉

EDGE for Grades 6–8 is underway, and there's still time to join us! Come hang out, make new friends, play games, watch videos, have fun, and have real conversations about faith, life, and what it means to follow Jesus — all in a welcoming and relaxed environment.

When: Every 2nd & 4th Friday, 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Where: St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish Hall

Cost: \$20 for the year

New to EDGE? Come check it out! We'd love to have you join us. Registration forms are available in the parish foyers and parish office.

Welcome, First Holy Communion Families!

A special welcome to all families joining us as your children prepare for their First Holy Communion! We are blessed to have you join us for Sunday Mass and hope you feel at home in our parish community.

We warmly invite all children of the parish to participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 AM and 12:00 Noon Masses. Children are invited to gather for an age-appropriate reflection on the Sunday readings before returning to their families for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. We look forward to welcoming you and your children each Sunday!

Confirmation Preparation 2026/2027

Registration is now open! Families can scan the QR code below (or visit our website) to learn more about the Confirmation Preparation Program and access the online registration form. **Registration closes Monday, November 16.** Late registrations will not be accepted.



Catholic Women's League News

The next general meeting will be held **Tuesday, October 20th**, and all women of the parish — ages 16 and up are welcome! We will begin at 6:30 PM in the Church with a special time of prayer, reflection, and praise before the tabernacle, led by Melissa Siu-Chong. Through music, quiet reflection, and prayer, we will take a few moments to pause, listen, and open our hearts to Jesus.

The meeting will follow in the Church Hall at 7:00 PM, beginning with a presentation by Marta Hajek from EAPO on Raising Awareness of Elder Abuse. To ensure we have sufficient seating, please register by emailing Debbie at debbie1993.cwl@gmail.com by October 14th, 2026.

Thank You!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined us for our Pet Blessing and Life Chain this past weekend. Your presence, prayers, and joyful participation helped make both events special.

We are grateful for the wonderful support of our parish community. May we continue to pray for the unborn, for mothers and families, and for a culture that cherishes and protects every human life.

Parish Mass Attendance Count

On the weekends of October 17/18 and October 24/25, the Archdiocese of Toronto has asked parishes to record attendance at each Sunday Mass.

During the Psalm, you may notice our Hospitality volunteers counting those present at Mass. This information will be submitted to the Archdiocese, as requested. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul: Bundle Up Weekend

Please let those gently used items you can do without benefit those of our neighbours in need. Bundle Up Weekend will take place the weekend of October 24th and 25th, before and after all Masses.

The container will be in the front parking lot and SSVP volunteers will be happy to assist you with your donation. Please ensure all bags are tied securely.

Accepted items include: all clothing (any condition), all footwear (any condition), bedding (any condition), drapery/towels and new toys only.

Items not accepted include: baby items (cribs, car seats, strollers), regular or baby furniture, books, dishes, mattresses, construction materials, appliances or video tapes.

Calling all moms!

St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic Moms Group is an exciting ministry geared towards uplifting the vocation of motherhood. Come and be a part of an encouraging and supportive community of women and go deeper in your faith life. The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, October 21st, 2026 from 11:30AM to 1:00PM at the parish hall**. If you plan to attend, please let us know by emailing us at: stignatius@catholicmomsgroup.com. This helps us plan for the meeting, including food and seating. We hope to see you there!

Interested in Becoming an Altar Server?

Are you in Grade 4 or older and interested in serving at Mass? We are looking for new altar servers to join our team! We are especially in need of servers for the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass and Sunday 12:00 noon Mass.

Serving at the altar is a wonderful way to participate more fully in the Mass, serve our parish community, and grow in your faith. Interested? Please email the parish at StIgnatiusLoyolaMI@archtoronto.org for more information.

Save the dates!

- Tues Oct 20: CWL General Meeting
- Wed Oct 21: Mother's Group
- Fri Oct 23: Edge!
- Sat Oct 24 / Sun Oct 25: SSVP Bundle Up!
- Fri Nov 6: First Friday, Holy Hour
- Sat Nov 7: Knights of Columbus' Fall Fest
- Fri Nov 13: Edge!

Parish Email Updates

If you would prefer to receive parish news via email, please let the parish office know so that we can add you to email list, stignatiusloyolami@archtoronto.org.

ARCHDIOCESE NEWS/EVENTS

Pre-Planning Seminar

Planning ahead is a thoughtful way to care for your family. Join us for an informative seminar to learn about Catholic funeral and burial options, cremation, advance planning, and flexible payment options, including 0% financing.

Location: Assumption Catholic Cemetery & Funeral Home, Mississauga (Seminar will be held in the funeral home)

To register: Please call 905-670-8801 ext. 2410.

When: Saturday, October 17 or Saturday, November 14, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

Securities as a Charitable Gift Option

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is with the gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherds' Trust, and many others. For further information, contact the development office at development@archtoronto.org.

Come & See – Discernment Weekend Retreat

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, November 6 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, November 8 (2 p.m.). Registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee. For more information, please: vocations@archtoronto.org.

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