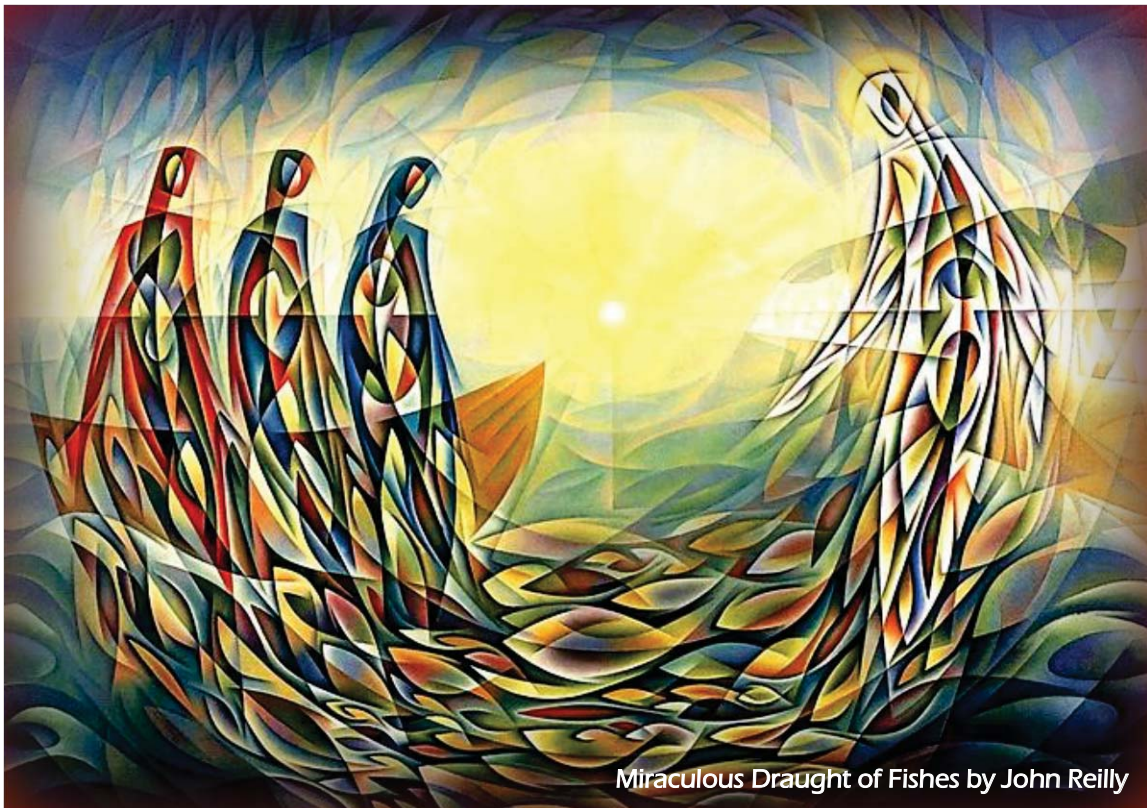


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The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Quinto Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario

February 9th, 2025



Miraculous Draught of Fishes by John Reilly

The call to mission, accompanied by God's transforming grace,  
can strike at any moment.

The mission is never dependent upon the worthiness of the minister,  
but upon God's grace.

La llamada a la misión puede llegar en cualquier momento,  
pero siempre es acompañada de la gracia transformadora de Dios.

La misión no depende del talento de los llamados, sino de la gracia de Dios.

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 9, 2025

Isaiah 6:1–8 • 1 Corinthians 15:1–11 •

Luke 5:1–11

### Mass Schedule

**Saturday: 4pm**

**Sunday:**

9am Family | 10:30am | 12:30pm Español | 5pm

**Weekday (followed by the Rosary):**

5:30pm Monday–Friday (Lannon Chapel)

8am Monday–Sunday (St. Mary’s Chapel, BC)

**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament**  
**On Hiatus**

**Confession**

**Saturday: before Mass, 3–3:45pm**

**Please keep in your prayers:**

*Sunday, February 9*

9am Rita Mullen  
10:30am James Scott  
12:30pm Guido Lisi  
5pm Della Larsen

*Monday, February 10*

5:30pm Joseph Tarello and Chavic Frenn

*Tuesday, February 11*

5:30pm Ruth M. Medugno

*Wednesday, February 12*

5:30pm Ray Whiting

*Thursday, February 13*

5:30pm Robert J, Carol L.,  
and Margaret Bowdring

*Friday, February 14*

5:30pm Ana and Enrique Rivas

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## Reflection on the Readings

### Racial Justice Committee Reflection

During this month of February, we are given a special gift: an opportunity to reflect on the rich and yet painful history in this country of Black people. We might ask ourselves the question, “How in the face of so much suffering, does a vibrant and rich trust in God survive among those who experience these unique hardships?” In today’s Gospel, Simon experiences some level of his own frustration at Jesus’s words to lower his nets yet again, after so empty a night of fishing. But he trusts and lowers the nets again. For so many of our sisters and brothers who live lives marginalized in some fashion, this frustration to try yet again must be familiar. And yet, they trust in Jesus as Simon Peter did. How might we join with them as Jesus calls us to do?

Our first reading today from Isaiah presents us with a unique opportunity to respond to the voice of the Lord in our world, particularly this Black History Month. As we encounter injustice of any kind and we hear the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?”, let us pray that each of us has the courage to respond, “Here I am Lord, send me!” Jesus, give us a clear view of how we might respond to your call this month and beyond.

– by Denny Martin, Racial Justice Committee



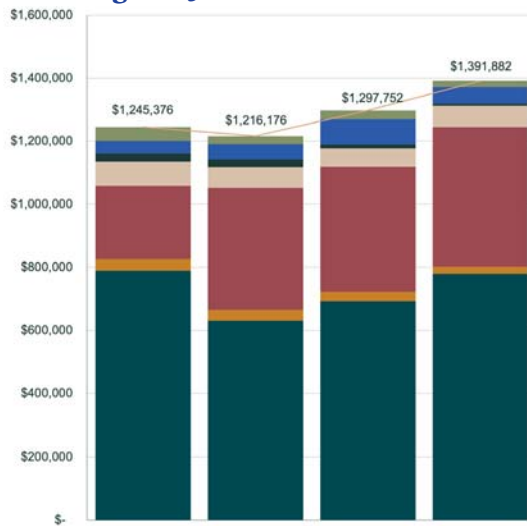
*The Fishermen* (ca. 1965), Louis Azaria Mbughuni

*Follow me and I will make  
you fish for people.*



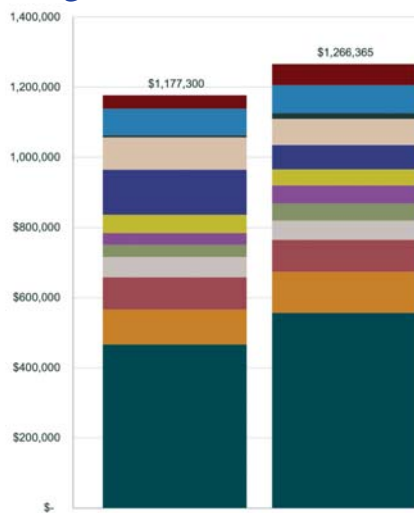
# 2024 Annual Report & Letter from the Finance Council

## Operating Revenue through 30 June 2024



	2024	2023	2022	2020
Other Revenue	\$44,660	\$25,900	\$28,022	\$19,854
Sacramental Offerings	\$38,399	\$47,520	\$80,307	\$52,453
Interest/Dividend Income	\$26,928	\$24,576	\$12,611	\$6,427
Tuition & Fees	\$77,133	\$65,288	\$58,032	\$67,873
Contributions/Bequests/Grants	\$232,411	\$387,904	\$396,198	\$444,024
Catholic Appeal	\$37,065	\$34,866	\$30,552	\$21,999
Collections	\$788,780	\$630,122	\$692,030	\$779,252
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$1,245,376</b>	<b>\$1,216,176</b>	<b>\$1,297,752</b>	<b>\$1,391,882</b>

## Operating Expense through 30 June 2024



	2024	2023
Pastoral/Liturgical	\$37,981	\$59,727
Central Ministry Tithe/Pilot	\$76,602	\$80,557
Travel, Meals, & Household	\$5,371	\$15,864
Utilities	\$92,561	\$75,252
Facilities/Maintenance	\$128,551	\$68,995
Insurance Expense	\$52,236	\$46,132
Office Expenses	\$34,038	\$51,721
Retreat Programs/Other Fees	\$34,065	\$47,917
Religious Stipends/Benefits	\$57,378	\$55,323
Clergy Stipends/Benefits	\$92,863	\$90,804
Lay Benefits	\$98,970	\$117,963
Lay Salaries/Non-Employee Compensation	\$466,684	\$556,110
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$1,177,300</b>	<b>\$1,266,365</b>

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

On behalf of the Parish Finance Council, Fr. John, and the staff at St. Ignatius, we are pleased to share with you the Annual Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

We are deeply grateful for your financial support of the parish. All the programs and ministries of the parish are supported entirely by you via the donations we receive weekly at Mass and via online giving. As a parish, from a financial standpoint, we are entirely dependent on ourselves, we parishioners.

As you can see from the revenue chart, we are beginning to see renewed growth in revenue, primarily in Collections, driven, we believe, by growing Mass attendance and engagement in our rich faith community. **This resulted in a net income in 2024 of \$99,062, which is a reversal from the loss in the previous fiscal year of \$-18,425.\* We are very grateful for this upswing.**

We very much hope and pray that this trend continues so that we can maintain our multiple ministries while beginning to face in earnest the deferred maintenance of our church building, which has grown over the last couple of decades. We plan to share more details of our financial health with you in the coming months as we develop plans to maintain a healthy trend in revenue and begin to plan and fundraise for the much-needed maintenance of our church. We are confident that as a parish and a spiritual community, we will be able to work together with God's help to continue thriving. Thank you again for your past and future generosity and support.

### St. Ignatius Finance Council

Jerome Meier, Chair  
Mark LaCamera  
Peter Levangie  
Max Malaret  
William Miracky  
James Scholl

\*The net income is inclusive of all operating *and* non-operating income and losses throughout the year. The operating revenue and expenses opposite include only the income and losses in the parish's primary operations.

**You can view the full 2024 Annual Report in this week's Flocknote or on our website.**

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[ignatius@bc.edu](mailto:ignatius@bc.edu)

4 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## In Their Footsteps. . . In Their Faith

In Black History Month we recall the courage, hope and faith of Black spirituality! God has always been the source of hope, joy, and peace.

**Bilal, The First Muezzin (580–640)**, an Abyssinian Black man, was born into slavery to parents of African descent. He became the Muslims' first muezzin, the person who calls others to prayer. This voice is a holy voice, a solemn call to communion with God. His story is said to reflect the values of Islam: human equality, kindness, and anti-racism.

**Reverend Absalom Jones (1746–1818)** was the first African American ordained in the Episcopal Church. Born into slavery, he was once expelled from a church for praying in the white pews. In 1791, he and a friend established a Black church that later became the African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME). Despite enduring persistent racism, his message was the empowering belief that "God is above all."

**Sojourner Truth** was born Isabella Baunfree (1797–1840). During the height of slavery and oppression, Sojourner Truth was perhaps the most powerful abolitionist in the nation. Formerly enslaved, a women's rights advocate, and an abolitionist, she told in her autobiography of a dramatic vision of Jesus' love. She is the first African American woman to have a statue in the U.S. Capitol building.

**Sister Maria Becraft (1805–1833)**, born to prominent free Black Catholics and educated in private schools, realized that knowledge was essential for Black liberation. "Not Just For Me" was her belief, and she founded a free school for Black children in Washington, D.C. She later joined the Oblate Sisters of Providence, an order founded by and for Black women. In 2017 Georgetown University renamed Remembrance Hall after her, their first building to be named for an African American woman.

**Archbishop Desmond Tutu (1931–2021)** rose through the hierarchy of the Anglican Church of South Africa, becoming archbishop in 1986. At the height of South Africa's repressive apartheid system, Tutu was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his strong belief in and work toward nonviolent solutions. In 1996, he headed the South African Truth and Reconciliation Commission to investigate the abuses of apartheid.

"If you are neutral in situations of injustice, you have chosen the side of the oppressor."

—Archbishop Desmond Tutu

*Adapted from In Their Footsteps: Inspirational Reflections on Black History for Every Day of the Year by Daryl Grigsby (2007).*

## Outreach Ministries

### Be-Their-Valentine Collection

This year, our annual Be-their-Valentine at-the-door collection funds will support the work of St. Mary's Center for Women and Children in Dorchester. Check out its website: <https://www.stmaryscenterma.org>. Look for the heart-shaped box at any church exit next weekend, February 15th/16th. Or, if you prefer, you can make an online donation on the parish website.

## Anointing of the Sick

### Saturday, February 15 at the 4pm Mass

To commemorate the World Day of the Sick (February 11, Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes), St. Ignatius will be offering a communal Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for parishioners next Saturday, February 15, at the 4pm Mass.

The Sacrament, which was previously known as Extreme Unction (the "Last Rites"), was modified in the 1970s in order to extend the healing power of Christ to all manifestations of serious illness, both temporary and chronic. The sacrament is for those who are seriously ill or injured, battling chronic physical or mental conditions, or confronting the debilitating effects of aging.

If you or family members experience a sickness of any sort (physical, mental-psychological, emotional, social, historical), come to this special Mass of Anointing. There will be reserved places for those limited in movement or using wheelchairs, but any Catholic person experiencing serious sickness is invited to this sacrament.

## Free Short-Term Therapy

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# St. Elizabeth's Medical Center

## Greener Lent

For the third year, St. Ignatius Parish will participate in Greener Lent. Greener Lent asks us to prayerfully reduce our meat consumption for Lent in order to reduce the negative impact of meat production on the climate. Reducing your meat consumption by even one meal a week makes a difference, and switching from red meat to poultry has a bigger impact than you might imagine!

Last year we had 47 participants across all levels of commitment and we'd love to double that number! For more information about the program and how to sign up, visit [GreenerLent.org](http://GreenerLent.org) and be sure to register as a member of St. Ignatius so we get credit for every parishioner. We'd love to have you on this Lenten Journey with us!



## Bereavement Group

### For anyone who has recently experienced the death of someone significant

St. Elizabeth's Medical Center is offering a 6-week group program to support those experiencing grief after the loss of a loved one, by providing information about the grief process, sharing experiences, and alleviating the feeling of isolation.

Meetings will be held in person at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Brighton on Monday afternoons at 2pm, beginning in late February and running to late March. Each session will be about 90 minutes. This program is not faith-based and is open to all.

For more information or to join this spring's group, please call 617-789-3045 or email [jesse.keane@bmc.org](mailto:jesse.keane@bmc.org) no later than February 15.



**Welcome!**

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### **Sacraments**

### **St. Ignatius Parish Team**

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 3-3:45pm in the Upper Church/Lower Church or by appointment.

**Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA):**  
For adults seeking Baptism, and/or Confirmation, contact the Parish Office.

**Baptism:** For infant and young child Baptisms, contact Sr. Diane Vallerio.

**First Communion:** Preparation begins in grade 1 and includes classes, retreats, and home instruction. Children receive First Communion in grade 2. For further information, contact Liz Turnwald.

**Confirmation:** Preparation begins in 9th grade; students are confirmed in the spring of 10th grade. For further information, contact Liz Turnwald.

**Matrimony/Wedding:** Parishioners, BC Alumni, and non-parishioners are welcome to be married at St. Ignatius. Contact our Office Manager, Carol Russo, for available dates and details.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the parish office.

### **Sacramental Forms/Letters**

Please note that you must be registered for at least six months before we can issue any verification of your status as a parishioner for godparent/sponsor letters, or permission for marriage, baptism, or confirmation in another parish.

### **Creating a Safe Environment at St. Ignatius**

[stignatiuschestnuthill.org/creating-a-safe-environment](http://stignatiuschestnuthill.org/creating-a-safe-environment)

### **Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Team**

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**Rev. John Wronski, SJ, Pastor**

**Rev. Gerald Finnegan, SJ, Senior Priest**

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Following Archdiocesan online security guidelines, we have removed email addresses from our parish bulletin to avoid the danger of potential phishing scams. If you need a staff member's email address or contact information for a parish group or ministry, please contact the Parish Office and we will be happy to share the appropriate information!

**Contact the Parish Office for more information about anything in today's bulletin.**

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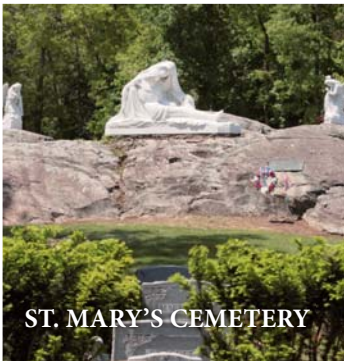


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