



January 19, 2025 | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the Year of Hope, Reverence God in the Wonder of Creation

Living out our parish mission statement's call to "Reverence God in the Wonder of Creation" is an invitation to experience joy, enrichment, and awe. It is a welcoming to understand God's revelation of Himself in creation. Even before the universe began 13.7 billion years ago, the Psalm 90:1-2 says, "*Lord, you have been our refuge through all generations. Before the mountains were born, the earth and the world brought forth, from eternity to eternity you are God.*"

We are enriched in appreciating this wondrous long story marked from the beginning of the universe, in experiencing creation's intricate and interconnected beauty and in realizing our part as caretakers in creation's evolving presence in our common home on earth. In our being intimately connected to God's gift of the Earth, as collaborators we are entrusted to protect the earth's resources for the Common Good of all species and the betterment of future generations.

God calls us to be good stewards of our Earth. God's appeal for our stewardship is fundamental to our Faith—encouraging conservation, restoration, preservation—and in refocusing ourselves to take the necessary steps and heed the call to seek the greater Common Good.



The Parish's Festival Mass on January 26th at 11 AM is a celebration of Solemn Mass and Wallace Hall Family Mass coming together as an entire parish community. First, it is to fully appreciate the grace of faith and the gifts of our parish ministries and community as a blessing and revelation of God's timeless presence with us. Additionally, it is an opportunity as we celebrate the gifts and graces of our parish community to recognize ourselves as a *Laudato Si'* Parish and to respond and act as good stewards of our common home.

Pope Francis' *Laudato Si'* encyclical was first published in 2015. Its tenth anniversary this year in 2025 will be celebrated and its importance further advanced throughout the world by the Church's worldwide *Laudato Si'* Movement. In his wisdom and scholarship, Pope Francis cited scripture, as well as built upon the words of his predecessors, Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI, who also embraced and extolled the care of creation. Pope Francis' words continue as a call of action while there is still hope.

While the *Laudato Si'* Movement may have found somewhat less traction among United States Catholics than elsewhere in the world, there are many dioceses and parishes in our country, such as our own here at St. Ignatius Loyola, that have adopted a *Laudato Si'* Action Platform to bring its message to life. An important aim of our parish's recently initiated Creation Care Ministry will be to implement and further the goals of our parish's *Laudato Si'* Platform. Two of those goals from that Platform that are envisioned for this year are: 1. Responding to the Cry of The Poor and Vulnerable and 2. Addressing the Economic Practices of Conservation and Sustainability.

Everyone, and all in the parish are joyfully encouraged to come together as an entire community to further the message of *Laudato Si'* (Praise Be - the Care of our Common Home) as an expression of our love for God, for God's earth and for the whole human family. May we, together as parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola, in this year of hope, move forward together to live with Christ's grace, active in the world.

— Nicholas Naccari, PhD & Geraldine Rizzo
Laudato Si' Care of Creation Ministry

Parish Mission Statement

*The love of Christ impels us to welcome all,
to worship joyfully and pray fervently,
to walk together with those in need, and
to reverence God in the wonder of Creation.*

This Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19th

Saint Thérèse: The Musical.
1 PM. Church.

MONDAY, JANUARY 20th

**The Parish House will be closed in observance of
Martin Luther King, Jr., Day.**

**One Daily Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 AM
in the Church.**

There will be no 12:10 PM or 5:30 PM Masses.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22nd

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
7 PM. Parish House. *Details on page 3.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25th

Visit the Mother Cabrini Shrine.
10:15 AM. 701 Fort Washington Avenue.
Details below.

LGBT Catholics & Friends

Visit the Mother Cabrini Shrine

Saturday, January 25th
10:15 AM
701 Fort Washington Avenue

The LGBT Catholics & Friends Ministry invites you to join them for what promises to be an enlightening, fun, and spiritual visit to the shrine.

Featuring:

One hour docent talk
One hour private meditation/visit
One hour lunch

Entry fee: \$8 per person



To register, visit
forms.gle/7E3okb7R6z16siHXA
or scan the QR code at left.

Low-Gluten Hosts

For parishioners wishing to receive a low-gluten host at the distribution of Holy Communion, please speak with a Hospitality Minister.

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

There has been a good deal of momentum since we published the *Vision Statement Implementation Plan* in June 2024. I am delighted to share with you Kenn Kern's letter reporting on the progress the parish has made in six months. As you may know, Kenn is a member of the Parish Council. He chairs the Implementation Plan subcommittee of the Parish Council

You will be able to access Kenn's letter at ignatius.nyc/visionstatementletter.

As you will read in Kenn's letter, it is not too late to participate in the initiatives that have already begun or to get involved with planning the roll-out of the other initiatives identified in the *Implementation Plan*. Working together, we will actualize what we aspire to be as a Catholic parish of the 21st century.

My final word is one of gratitude to all of you for participating in the planning process of the past 5 years and for being involved with implementing our *Vision Statement*. It is with confidence that we can look to the future and build upon the solid foundation that is the legacy of prior generations of parishioners.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Gesalonia

Emmaus Bereavement Group

Begins Monday, January 27th
7 PM to 8:30 PM in the Parish House

A six-session support group for those who have experienced the death of a loved one. The sessions, both educational and supportive, are led by experienced facilitators.

Registration is required.

To register, email
EmmausBereavementGroup@gmail.com or call the
Parish House at 212-288-3588 and leave your name
and phone number with the receptionist.

Save the Date: Lenten Blood Drive

Sunday, March 9th, 9 AM to 3 PM
McKinnon Hall, 48 East 84th Street

Donations save lives!



To schedule your appointment to donate,
scan the QR code.

Lectures at St. Ignatius Series

The Risk of Hope
Monday, January 27th at 7 PM
Wallace Hall



PRESENTER
Fr. Sam Sawyer, S.J.
Editor in Chief, America Magazine

Hope calls us to more than just optimism about things turning out well. When we take hope seriously, we are also called to take responsibility for what we hope for.

Family Ministry

Pizza and Bingo Fundraiser: In Support of the Cheyenne River Reservation Service Project

Saturday, February 8th, from 6 PM to 8:30 PM
Wallace Hall

Family Ministry is hosting a Pizza and Bingo night! Grab your friends and a table for a fun night of pizza, games, and a silent auction! Bingo games with prizes!

Ways to Participate:

- Get a table: \$200 (8-10 people), includes pizza, salad, raffle tickets, and desserts, or
- Bring a \$25 check per person

Please Note: Bingo cards are an additional purchase. This is a BYOB (Wine and Beer only) event. Water, coffee, and tea will be provided.



To RSVP, scan the QR code or email parentcommittee.familyministry@gmail.com.

Ignatian Social Justice

Thursday, February 13th at 7 PM
Parish House

Ignatian Social Justice is a ministry of the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola made up of parishioners committed to raising awareness of current Catholic social teaching and advocating for social justice on timely and underappreciated issues

The volunteer group embraces the responsibility to inform, engage, and mobilize parishioners to promote social justice in our local community as well as the global community.

For more information, contact Jean Santopatre at santopatrej@saintignatiusloyola.org.

Lay Ministers' Enrichment

**To Be Known and Loved by God:
A Morning of Reflection**

Saturday, February 8th
9 AM to Noon
Wallace Hall

PRESENTER
Ann Harris-Jacobs

Ann Harris-Jacobs is a retired educator, active spiritual director, and member of the music ministry at St. Francis Xavier Church. She will offer two talks intended to help us enter into the challenge and blessing it is to be known and loved by God. Between the talks, there will be time for private prayer and sharing.

Persons will gather at 8:30 AM for a light breakfast, and the day will begin promptly at 9 AM with prayer, followed by her first presentation.



To register, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/LMEWinter2025> or scan the QR code.

If you have difficulty with the online registration, please call the Parish House at 212-288-3588.

Please be prepared to give your name, your telephone number and email address.

Back to Basics 3.0

The Encyclicals of Pope Francis

Wednesday, February 12th
7 PM

Wallace Hall

PRESENTER
Fr. Michael Hilbert, S.J.

Join us for this presentation on the Encyclicals of Pope Francis as part of our annual series on what it means to be Catholic.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul welcomes all St. Ignatius parishioners to volunteer with us—and join us at our meetings for prayer, reflection, spiritual growth, fellowship, and community service year-round.

Our regular meetings take place every other Wednesday at 7 PM in the Parish House. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 22nd—and all are welcome!

For more information, please contact us at svdpmembership980@gmail.com.

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Weekday Masses (Monday – Friday)

8:30 AM, 12:10 PM, and 5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:30 AM

Masses for the Weekend of January 26th

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM Fr. Hilbert
Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Casciotti
9:30 AM Fr. Hilbert
Festival Mass 11:00 AM Fr. Hallinan
7:30 PM Fr. Hallinan

Religious Education for Children

Ms. Kate Noonan, Director
(212) 288-3588 x609
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Saint Ignatius Loyola School

Upper Campus

(*First Grade through Eighth Grade*)
Ms. Mary Larkin, Head of School
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48 East 84th Street
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(*PreK-3 through Kindergarten*)
Ms. Mary Larkin, Head of School
240 East 84th Street
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Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sundays at the 9:30 AM Mass.

Confessions

4:30 PM Saturday or by appointment.

Baptisms

Please contact Maureen Haley at
baptisms@saintignatiusloyola.org
to arrange for a Baptism and
the preparation given prior to Baptism.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Contact Maureen Fullam, M.A.,
Director, at the Parish House.

Marriages

The Bride or Groom should contact
Maureen Haley at
weddings@saintignatiusloyola.org
to begin preparation for Marriage,
normally one year in advance.

Visits to the Sick

Please contact the Parish House
between the hours of
9:00 AM and 9:00 PM.

Ignatian Young Adults (IYA)

For more information about our IYA
ministry, email Jean Santopatre at
santopatrej@saintignatiusloyola.org.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, January 20th

(*Second Monday in Ordinary Time*)

Hebrews 5:1–10 Psalm 110

Mark 2:18–22

8:30 MEM Geraldine Manes

Tuesday, January 21st

(*St. Agnes*)

Hebrews 6:10–20 Psalm 111

Mark 2:23–28

8:30 MEM Kelly Reilly-Gillebaard

12:10 MEM Jay Moyer

5:30 MEM Nathan Davidson

Wednesday, January 22nd

(*Second Wednesday in Ordinary
Time*)

Hebrews 7:1–3, 15–17 Psalm 110

Mark 3:1–6

8:30 MEM Mary Murphy

12:10 MEM Ted Kruckel

5:30 MEM Dolores Kohutka

Thursday, January 23rd

(*Second Thursday in Ordinary Time*)

Hebrews 7:25–8:6 Psalm 40

Mark 3:7–12

8:30 MEM Rita DeLeo

12:10 MEM James Howard

5:30 MEM Living & Deceased
Members of the Wallace Family

Friday, January 24th

(*St. Francis de Sales*)

Hebrews 8:6–13 Psalm 85

Mark 3:13–19

8:30 MEM Gregory Tolman

12:10 MEM James McQuade

5:30 MEM Josephine Stelter

Saturday, January 25th

(*The Conversion of St. Paul the
Apostle*)

Acts 22:3–16 Psalm 117

Mark 16:15–18

8:30 MEM Mary L. Hurley Egan

Sunday, January 26th

(*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

Nehemiah 8:2–4a, 5–6, 8–10

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 12:12–30

Luke 1:1–4; 4:14–21