



October 25, 2026 | 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gratitude, Giving, and God's Grace: A Message from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Chances are you're familiar with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul ministry here at St. Ignatius, and with our many charitable works, especially during this season of gratitude—and giving.

Our Thanksgiving Food Drive currently underway, our annual Walk for the Poor, our Homeless Outreaches, and our Christmas Angels Gift Drive are among our most well-known programs, in which many of our parishioners take part.

What you may not know is that **our mission is to grow in holiness through personal relationships with and service to the poor.**

Yes, to grow in holiness comes first in all we do! For example, in our Home Visits, we directly respond to our neighbors in need, gaining compassion and understanding as we learn about the often multiple complex issues that led to their crises—such as rent arrears—for which they seek our help.

In our Homeless Outreaches, we see the face of Christ in the people we encounter on the streets, who are grateful not only for the “care bags” we provide, but even more for how we show we care about them, and interact with them in our shared humanity.

We know Christ's love in our food drives that feed thousands of people in need—who leave the food pantry smiling, with bags and carts filled with the nourishing food our fellow parishioners have donated.

And we grow in gratitude hearing of the great joy of those receiving Christmas gifts given through our Christmas Angels drive—and their amazement that people they've never met care enough about them to make their wishes come true.

We're grateful that many of our fellow parishioners join us in these activities and share in our joy—and in Christ's presence and love among us.

We thank you, our fellow parishioners, for all your generous gifts of service and financial support that make all this possible. *Which is why we ask you to please give generously in next weekend's parish collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.*

And there's yet another, very special way to give—a unique gift of ourselves by donating blood through our Friendsgiving Blood Drive on Sunday, November 8th.

It's a precious sacrifice of our own lifeblood to save the lives of others—up to three lives with each donation!

The need for blood donations is critical—or children and adults undergoing surgery, for cancer patients and accident victims, for mothers giving birth, and so many other urgent medical needs.

There is no substitute! The only way blood is available when it's needed is through our donations. If you or a loved one has ever needed blood and received it, it was because of people from all walks of life who donated it. Each donor is a life-saving hero!

Donating blood is also a gift of our common humanity—saving the lives of those in need regardless of ethnicity, faith, economic means, gender, citizenship status, etc. Just as Christ's love is for all.

Please see our Blood Drive flyer for more information and the link to register to donate blood at our Friendsgiving Blood Drive on Sunday, November 8th, 9 AM to 3 PM at McKinnon Hall, 48 East 84th Street.

To learn more about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, see our page on the parish website or email us at svdpmembership980@gmail.com.

We invite you to join us at our meetings, held every other Wednesday at 7 PM in the Parish House. Our next meeting is Wednesday, October 28th.

Thank you and God bless you!

Gratefully in Christ,
Liz and Trish
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
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This Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th

Guided Church Tour.
12:30 PM. Church. Details at right.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27th

BOOK DISCUSSION: *Inconspicuous Consumption*
by Tatiana Schlossberg.
1 PM. Parish House.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28th

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting.
7 PM. Parish House.

CONCERT: The Lily of Quito | Cantata on
St. Mariana de Jesús de Paredes.
7:30 PM. Church.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29th

Book Reading and Discussion |
Road Trip Detour: Exploring Life's Journey.
6 PM. Wallace Hall. Details below.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31st

Praying with Song & Sound.
9 AM. Wallace Hall. Details on page 3.

Book Reading and Discussion

Thursday, October 29th at 6 PM
Wallace Hall

Road Trip Detour: Exploring Life's Journey
Mental Health, Loss, and Finding Purpose

Join us for a reading and book discussion of former
parishioner Rich Miller-Murphy's new memoir,
Road Trip Detour: Exploring Life's Journey.

Through experiences of loss, health challenges, and
concealing his sexuality, Rich shares a journey toward
healing and family, and the support and love that he
found along the way.



To register,
scan the QR code at left.

Snow Ball Dance

Saturday, December 5th at 7 PM in Wallace Hall

Make room on your dance card for one of our favorite
annual traditions: the Snow Ball Dance!

Spend a festive evening enjoying food, drinks, and live
music by The Morris Brothers Band alongside your
friends and fellow adult (21+) parishioners.

Come ready to celebrate, catch up, and,
of course, dance!



Scan the QR code at left to RSVP or
visit ticketsource.com/stignatiusnyc.

Guided Church Tour

Sunday, October 25th at 12:30 PM
Church (Meeting Point: Narthex)

The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola is a vibrant parish
community whose foundation rests on the faith, life,
and commitment of all who worship here.

We invite you to learn more about our beautiful church
through our monthly tours.



To register, scan the QR code at left or
visit ignatius.nyc/guidedtourtour.

Group size is limited.
Registration is required.

Thanksgiving Food Drive Through Sunday, November 15th

Benefiting the Church of the Ascension Food Pantry
West 107th Street, Manhattan Valley

We're collecting canned goods and non-perishable
items to help our neighbors in need during the Lent
and Easter seasons. Your contribution matters!

SUGGESTED FOOD DONATIONS

Canned: beans, corn, green beans, yams, tomatoes,
peppers, other canned vegetables & fruits, chili, stew,
soup, tuna, and other canned fish & meat, condensed milk

Boxed or Bags: rice, pasta, dried beans & lentils,
stuffing, cornbread mix, brown sugar, baking/pancake
mix (e.g., Bisquick), hot or cold cereal, instant soups,
cake or brownie mix with frosting, shelf-stable milk,
juices & fruit purees

Other: seasonings, honey, olive oil, avocado oil, or
coconut oil in plastic bottles or cans

NO glass jars or bottles.

Items may be dropped off daily at the Parish House.

Many Faiths, One City: An Interfaith Journey Through Colonial New York

Saturday, November 7th at 10 AM or 1 PM

Explore colonial Lower Manhattan on a walking tour
tracing the refugees, revolutionaries, Indigenous
communities, and faith traditions that shaped New York.

Visit Trinity Church, St. Paul's Chapel, and other
landmarks while discovering stories of faith, freedom,
and resilience across the city's Jewish,
Christian, Muslim, and Indigenous heritage.



To register, scan the QR at left.

Praying with Song & Sound

Saturday, October 31st

9 AM to 1 PM

Wallace Hall

GUEST FACILITATORS

Jackie Perez & The Ignatian Schola

The Ignatian Schola is a New York-based vocal ensemble composed of Jesuits and lay colleagues.

Rooted in Ignatian spirituality, the Schola is dedicated to the exploration of musical prayer in the service of faith and the promotion of justice.

Join the Schola's musical director, Jackie Perez, and several of its members as we discover how praying with song & sound can connect us further with the Divine and strengthen our faith in new and exciting ways.

All are welcome!

Register now at tinyurl.com/LMEFALL26

Sponsored by The William J. Bergen Office of Ignatian Spirituality & Faith Formation

Saints and Servers: Holy Lives in the Age of AI

Monday, November 9th at 7 PM

Wallace Hall

How does the example of the saints help us live faithfully in an increasingly AI-driven world?

Fr. Sam Conedera, S.J., Associate Professor of History at Saint Louis University, will discuss how the tradition of holiness is connected to the issues we face in our digital age.

This lecture, sponsored by the Bollandist Society, explores how we can share our sacred stories and not lose the human element. The title asks a relevant question: How can the saints guide us in living faithfully in an AI age?

Voting is an Act of Love:

Election Prayer Vigil

Monday, November 2nd

6 PM

On the steps of St. Ignatius of Loyola Church

Join members of the Parish Council as we host an Election Prayer Vigil.

Building on the success of our recent *A Call to Faithful Citizenship* event, we invite you to this vigil to pray for safe and honest elections. We also pray that you and all citizens will exercise our right to vote in this year's elections. The prayer vigil will last approximately 20 minutes and will include prayer, meditative silence, and song.

Parish Ministries Appreciation Dinner

Thursday, November 5th at 7 PM

Wallace Hall

Fr. Dennis Yesalonia, S.J., Pastor, cordially invites those in our parish ministries and their partners to the Parish Ministries Appreciation Dinner.

An RSVP is required.

To register, either email brucasr@nycignatius.org or leave your information with Reception. The RSVP deadline is Thursday, October 29th.

We look forward to sharing a meal together!

Blood Drive

Sunday, November 8th, from 9 AM to 3 PM

McKinnon Hall, 48 East 84th Street

To schedule an appointment, visit tinyurl.com/SILBloodDrive2026.

Prepare to Donate:

- Eat well and hydrate
- Bring a photo ID
- Feel good and be symptom-free
- Donors must be age 17+, or 16 with a parental consent form
- Meet minimum weight requirements

For full eligibility requirements and COVID-19 information, visit nybc.org/eligibility.

Spirituality Conversation:

A Spirituality of Imperfection

Wednesday, November 4th, from 7 PM to 8 PM

Parish House and Zoom

A hazard of the spiritual journey is the confusion of holiness with perfection. Many of us struggle with the temptation that we are not worthy of God's love unless we are "good" and do everything right.

Our conversation will explore how authentic Christian spirituality seeks to discern the movement of God within our imperfections and how we can more readily receive God's compassion.

Brian B. Pinter, Pastoral Associate will present.

To RSVP, email pinterb@nycignatius.org.

For Families with Young Children

For the safety of your child, please accompany them to the bathroom if there is a need during the course of the Mass.

They must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

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PARISH STAFF

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Rev. James Martin, S.J.

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Rev. James A. Casciotti, S.J.

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Fernando Castro

Weekday Masses (Monday – Friday)

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

Saturday: 8:30 AM

Masses for Next Weekend

Saturday Vigil

5:30 PM Fr. Yesalonia

Sunday:

8:00 AM Fr. Hallinan

9:30 AM Fr. Pennacchia

Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM Fr. Yesalonia

Solemn Mass 11:00 AM Fr. Casciotti

7:30 PM Fr. Hilbert

Religious Education for Children

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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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(PreK-3 through Kindergarten)

Ms. Mary Larkin, Head of School

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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@nycignatius.org

to arrange for a Baptism and

the preparation given prior to Baptism.

Order 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@nycignatius.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.

Spiritual Direction

For more information or for help

finding a Spiritual Director, please

contact Roxanne De La Torre at

delatorreR@nycignatius.org.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, October 26th

(30th Monday in Ordinary Time)

Ephesians 4:32–5:8 Psalm 1

Luke 13:10–17

8:30 ANN Mary Cecilia Sullivan

12:10 MEM Aparecida V. Chagas

5:30 MEM Raymond Sumperl

Tuesday, October 27th

(30th Tuesday in Ordinary Time)

Ephesians 5:21–33 Psalm 128

Luke 13:18–21

8:30 MEM Emilio Dungca

12:10 MEM Rich Middleton

5:30 MEM Daniel Cronin

Wednesday, October 28th

(Ss. Simon & Jude)

Ephesians 2:19–22 Psalm 19

Luke 6:12–16

8:30 MEM Ann Elizabeth

LaFranchi

12:10 LVG John Mangin

5:30 MEM Ann LaFranchi

Thursday, October 29th

(30th Thursday in Ordinary Time)

Ephesians 6:10–20 Psalm 144

Luke 13:31–35

8:30 MEM Enrica Oberg

12:10 MEM Jennie Bono

5:30 MEM Willie O'Shaughnessy

Friday, October 30th

(30th Friday in Ordinary Time)

Philippians 1:1–11 Psalm 111

Luke 14:1–6

8:30 MEM Ann LaFranchi

12:10 MEM Anna Marie Chen

5:30 MEM William Powers

Saturday, October 31st

(St. Alphonsus Rodriguez)

Philippians 1:18b–26 Psalm 42

Luke 14:1, 7–11

8:30 MEM William and

Georganne Hemmer

Sunday, November 1st

(All Saints)

Revelation 7:2–4, 9–14 Psalm 24

1 John 3:1–3 Matthew 5:1–12a