

Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

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March 15, 2020 | Third Sunday of Lent

Grumbling or Grace

In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, ‘Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and our livestock?’”

The word that stands out to me is “grumble.” The Merriam-Webster dictionary meaning of grumble is to mutter in discontent. How often do we as humans grumble about family, school, work, local and global issues and expect someone else to handle the issue? The Israelites lost their patience in Moses and wondered if God was still there with them. They needed to “grumble” at Moses and were beginning to doubt where God was. Today, we still wonder, where is God in all this mess?

As St. Ignatius has taught us, God is in All Things. God is in the air, sky, sea, all of nature as well as in people and all creatures. The spark of the divine, God, is within each of us. Amidst poverty, refugees, natural disasters, sickness and brokenness, God is with us.

However, it is normal to grumble when life becomes messy and there is no quick fix. There was no water in the desert and the Israelites feared they would die there. They quarreled with Moses and demanded that God provide water for them, so they would survive in the desert. God tested the Israelites and the Israelites responded by doubting both Moses and God. God instructs Moses to strike a large stone with his staff and water pours forth from the stone. Do the Israelites still not get it? They have a part in this relationship with God. They have the choice to co-labor with God or grumble that God abandoned them. Today, we too, have the choice to co-labor with God or grumble about this messy world.

During this season of Lent, you can listen more deeply to where God is calling you to serve, rather than grumble about fasting or giving up something. Perhaps this beautiful prayer written by Pope Francis will speak to you this Lent:



Listening to God

*See the entirety of your life as a mission. Try to do so by listening to God
in Prayer and recognizing the signs that he gives you.
Always ask the Spirit what Jesus expects from you
at every moment of your life and in every decision you must make,
so as to discern its place in the mission you have received.
Allow the Spirit to forge in you the personal mystery
that can reflect Jesus Christ in today's world.*

Reflecting on this prayer, do you see God with you in this messy world? Do you see God with us in this messy world? In the Exodus from Egypt, God responded to the Israelites with life-giving water in the desert. Today, God also responds to us with life-giving water to those who thirst. In this season of Lent, see where God is calling you to discern where God's life-giving water is at work in your life.

This Lenten season, the Ignatian Young Adults and Social Justice Ministries have discerned where they can show gratitude to God's life-giving water. They are spearheading a parish-wide collection for Crisis Backpacks for teens and women who are fleeing from human trafficking. Some items that are needed are: Backpacks or Bookbags (ideally with a small lock), sweatpants or leggings, sweatshirts, under garments, in sizes M-XXL and personal hygiene items. St. Ignatius Loyola Ignatian Young Adults have volunteered to put these crisis bags together and deliver them to Gems.

“Allow the spirit to forge in you the personal mystery that can reflect Jesus Christ in today's world,” Pope Francis tells us. May you be filled with God's grace of life-giving water.

— Jean Santopatre
Pastoral Associate, Faith Formation for
Ignatian Young Adults, Family Ministry, and Social Justice Ministry

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, MARCH 15th

Ignatian Young Adults Soulful Sunday Conversation.
Following the 11 AM Solemn Mass. Parish Lounge.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17th

Moms, Pops & Tots.

10:00 AM. Gonzaga Meeting Room. *Details on page 3.*

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Church. *Details below.*

Parish Men's Faith Group.

7:00 PM. Parish House. *Details on page 3.*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18th

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting.

7:00 PM. Conference Room.

THURSDAY, MARCH 19th

More Than a Book Club:

March Selection Book Discussion.

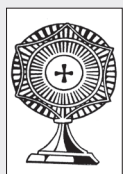
7:00 PM. Parish House. *Details on page 5.*

LGBT Catholics & Friends.

7:00 PM. Parish Lounge.

Parish Women's Faith Group.

7:00 PM. Parish House. *Details on page 3.*



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

*Tuesday Evenings
Through April 7th*

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM in the Church

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 6:00 PM. The church will be open for private adoration until shortly before 8:00 PM when the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed and the church will close.

IGNATIAN INTERFAITH MINISTRY



*Thursday, April 2nd
7:00 PM
Lady Chapel*

Fr. Sergey Trostyanskiy, rector of St. Gregory the Theologian Church, will lead a Lenten reflection and meditation on the traditional Orthodox Jesus Prayer.

To register, email ignatianinterfaithministry@gmail.com.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

Given recent reports concerning the novel coronavirus and recommended measures to contain the spread of it, I have decided to cancel events at the parish that might expose the most vulnerable among us to the virus. At this time, events and activities that would ordinarily attract a large number of people will be postponed to a later date or cancelled. All other activities, including meetings of parish ministries or events and activities that involve 25 or fewer participants will take place as scheduled unless a change in circumstances suggest it is prudent to cancel the activity or event.

In regard to attendance at Mass, the Archdiocese is closely monitoring the situation. As of today, there is no directive that Mass schedules be modified or Masses cancelled. The Archdiocese has asked Pastors to communicate what I brought to your attention in last week's Sunday bulletin. Namely, if you are experiencing symptoms of the novel coronavirus, the recommended course of action is to seek medical assistance immediately. It is also advisable to limit your contact with others. To that end, if you suspect you have symptoms of the coronavirus, remain at home so as to save others from catching your illness. In such circumstances it is not sinful to miss Mass on Sundays or any other days of obligation. Your priority necessarily is your good health and the health of others.

We are also following the guidelines of the Archdiocese concerning schools and school programs. To date, there are no cancellations of classes or after-school programs.

I believe the cancellation or postponement of parish sponsored events and activities is a prudent course of action. This decision was not taken lightly nor out of a sense of panic. I encourage all of us to take seriously and follow the directives of health care professionals and public officials who have been charged with the responsibility of advising the public.

Let us continue to pray for one another, for those who have been affected directly by the novel coronavirus, and for health care professionals and scientists who are tirelessly working to find a way to effectively treat this disease. Finally, let's also remember to practice good hygiene through cough etiquette and hand washing.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Yesalonia

MOMS, POPS & TOTS



*Tuesday, March 17th
10:00 AM
Gonzaga Meeting Room*

This weekly gathering provides parents with young children the opportunity to make friends and develop community while strengthening their own spiritual lives. Coffee and treats are available for the parents.

For more information, email n_fusaro@yahoo.com.

PARISH WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP

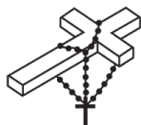


*Thursday, March 19th
7:00 PM
Parish House*

We will continue our Lenten journey through the liturgical readings, employing the Ignatian practice of Composition of Place for group meditation.

Meetings are facilitated by Adele Gallo.

RANGER ROSARY MINISTRY



*Monday, March 23rd
7:00 PM
Gonzaga Meeting Room*

The Ranger Rosary ministry meets twice a month to make rosaries for Catholics who are serving in the armed services.

New members are always welcome!

HOME COMMUNION CALL



If you or a loved one is confined to home and would like to receive Communion on a periodic or regular basis, someone from the parish's Compassionate Care Ministry will come to your home and bring Communion.

If interested, email Fr. Hilbert at hilbertm@saintignatiusloyola.org or leave your name and phone number at the Parish House for Fr. Hilbert, and someone will be scheduled to visit.



SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend our Parish will take the annual collection for **Catholic Relief Services**.

PARISH MEN'S FAITH GROUP



*Tuesday, March 17th
7:00 PM
Parish House*

Sitting in the Ashes of Lent

Lent invites us to fast, thus opening a space within where we might more deeply feel our vulnerability—something many men innately resist! Our prayer and conversation will explore how Lenten practices call us to face the shadow-lands of the heart and there encounter God's mysterious grace.

Brian B. Pinter, Pastoral Associate, will facilitate.

To register, email simensgroup@aol.com.



Stations of the Cross for Families

*Sunday, March 29th
12:30 PM*

Stations of the Cross for the Parish Community

*Wednesday, April 8th
7:30 PM*

Please join us and begin making the Stations of the Cross an annual Lenten observance for you and your family.

FEBRUARY SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS



Isaac Hanyu Bao
Thomas Edward Buckley
Grace Ursula Theresa Cully
Henry Robert Dorost
Brody Edison Feldman
Madison Elizabeth McLeod
Mason James Mercado
Luke Christian Pavone
Emilia Rose Sedia
Everett Charles Kona Stutz

WEDDINGS



Kayvan Fathiman & Bonnie D. Espino
Ricky Go & Joyce Anne Acasio Castillo
Joseph F. Orfini & Katherine R. Peraino



IGNATIAN VOLUNTEER CORPS *Experience Making a Difference*

Join the Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) and become a contemplative in action in the spirit of St. Ignatius Loyola and the Jesuits!

IVC volunteers are adults over 50 years of age who offer their life skills and experience one to two days a week to directly serve those in need. Volunteers gather monthly to prayerfully reflect on their service and to deepen their spirituality in the Ignatian tradition. There is also the opportunity for spiritual guidance.

**Interested? Contact Maureen Fullam,
Regional Director, at 917-859-0928 or email
mfullam@ivcusa.org, and visit us at ivcusa.org.**



PRAYER RESOURCES

Pray as You Go
pray-as-you-go.org

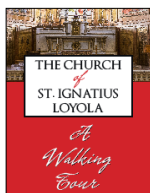
Pray as You Go is a daily prayer session designed for use on your portable device.

3-Minute Retreats

loyolapress.com/

3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer.htm

Take a short prayer break right at your computer.
Spend some quiet time reflecting on a Scripture passage.



Available at the Parish House

The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola: A Walking Tour

Updated in commemoration of our Sesquicentennial Celebration, the redesigned *Walking Tour*—with all-new photographs—provides a detailed overview of the rich architectural history of the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola.

Cost: \$8



NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome new parishioners and invite you to fill out a Parishioner Registration Card located in the pew racks, at the Parish House, and online at **stignatiusloyola.org**.

**Moving? Please don't forget to notify your church.
This information helps us to keep our database current.**

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, March 16th

(Third Monday of Lent)

2 Kings 5:1–15ab Psalm 42 Luke 4:24–30

8:30 ANN Charles Denihan

12:10 MEM John Figge

5:30 ANN Charles Denihan

Tuesday, March 17th

(Third Tuesday of Lent)

Daniel 3:25, 34–43 Psalm 25 Matthew 18:21–35

8:30 MEM Living & Deceased Members of the
Brenninkmeijer Family

12:10 ANN Warren Krug

5:30 MEM Cathleen McGovern

Wednesday, March 18th

(Third Wednesday of Lent)

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5–9 Psalm 147 Matthew 5:17–19

8:30 MEM John Francis McCaffrey

12:10 LVG Nelly Garzon Salamanca

5:30 MEM Mario Daiuto, David Deporis & Suhair Koura

Thursday, March 19th

(St. Joseph)

2 Samuel 7:4–5a, 12–14a, 16 Psalm 89

Romans 4:13, 16–18, 22 Matthew 1:16, 18–21, 24a

8:30 MEM Carla Fendi

12:10 MEM Peggy Colucci

5:30 MEM Lillian Signorelli

Friday, March 20th *(Third Friday of Lent)*

Hosea 14:2–10 Psalm 81 Mark 12:28–34

8:30 MEM James Stadler

12:10 MEM Ann Coneys

5:30 MEM Nathan Davidson

Saturday, March 21st *(Third Saturday of Lent)*

Hosea 6:1–6 Psalm 51 Luke 18:9–14

8:30 MEM Helen Regan

Sunday, March 22nd

(Fourth Sunday of Lent)

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6–7, 10–13a Psalm 23

Ephesians 5:8–14 John 9:1–14

WALLACE HALL AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL

For more information, contact Caroline Fernandes at
212-288-3588 or fernandesc@saintignatiusloyola.org.

RETREATS



Choose Life

*Friday, April 24th to Sunday, April 26th
Jogues Retreat House
Cornwall, New York*

Our retreat will explore the theme of choice. Through prayer and reflection, we will examine our lives based on these choices. We will look at choice from various perspectives and share our experiences with each other. Our weekend journey will bring us to a rich understanding of our past, present, and most importantly, during this most holy Season of Easter, the Resurrection will inspire us to look at our future choices with hope, optimism and joy!

Sponsored by LGBT Catholics and Friends

Cost: \$150 per person,
to be paid by check or cash at the retreat.

To register,
email april2020SILretreat@gmail.com.

*The LME &
Meeting Christ in Prayer Ministries
Present a
Morning of Recollection*

Conversion of the So-Called "Good" Person

*Saturday, April 25th | 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Wallace Hall*

We are all called to conversion, yet how does one convert who has kept the commandments, fulfilled responsibilities, and been "good"? Our presentations and conversations will explore how we can discover new life in God through shadow work, letting go our need for control, accepting imperfection, and embracing spiritual poverty.

Presented by Brian Pinter, Pastoral Associate.

All are welcome, participants will be invited to share their experiences in small groups led by MCIP facilitators.

To register, visit tinyurl.com/lme-spring-2020.

MUSIC

SUNDAY, MARCH 22nd

11 AM SOLEMN MASS

Howells

Requiem: Psalm 23

Victoria

Laudate Dominum

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Lenten Food Drive

Throughout Lent, SVdP will be accepting donations of food for the Church of the Ascension.

Week 3

(March 15–21)

pasta and tomato sauce

Week 5

(March 29–April 4)

soups and rice

Week 4

(March 22–March 28)

tuna fish and soups

Week 6

(April 5–7)

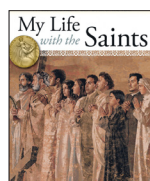
canned stew/hash
and Chef Boyardee meals

Please bring donations to the Parish House.

MORE THAN A BOOK CLUB

March Selection Book Discussion

*Thursday, March 19th at 2:00 PM
Parish Lounge*



*My Life with the Saints
by Fr. James Martin, S.J.*

Fr. James Martin has led an entirely modern life: from a lukewarm Catholic childhood, to an education at the Wharton School of Business, to the executive fast track at General Electric, to ministry as a Jesuit priest, to a busy media career in Manhattan. But at every step he has been accompanied by some surprising friends—the saints of the Catholic Church. For many, these holy men and women remain just historical figures. For Fr. Martin, they are intimate companions.

To register, email MoreThanaBookClubSIL@gmail.com.

Registration required.



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Treasurer

Fernando Castro

Weekday Masses (Monday to Friday)

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

Saturday: 8:30 AM

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM Fr. Grodecki

Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Bergen

9:30 AM Fr. Hilbert

Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM Fr. O'Connell

Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Yesalonia

7:30 PM Fr. Yesalonia

Religious Education

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Ms. Nicole Bedard, M.A.

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Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sundays at 9:30 AM.

Centering Prayer

Mondays at 6:30 PM.

Confessions

4:30 PM Saturday or by appointment.

Baptisms

Please call Maureen Haley at the Parish House (212-288-3588 x636)

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 call Maureen Haley at the Parish House (212-288-3588 x636) 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.

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.

Volunteer: The Mary Manning Walsh Home (1339 York Avenue) is in need of day and evening volunteers for resident activities. To learn more about available opportunities, contact Sr. Michael Mary at 212-628-2800 x2247.

Volunteer: The Community of Sant'Egidio is looking for volunteers for their activities in Manhattan, including preparing and distributing food to homeless men and women and visiting a nursing home on the Upper East Side. If you are interested, contact Paola at 646-765-3899 or at santegidiousa@gmail.com.

Vocation Discernment Weekends—Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne. Atlanta, Georgia: May 8th–10th & September 25th–27th. The Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne invite women ages 19–44 who are discerning a religious vocation to join them for a weekend to experience their prayer and apostolate. Reservations are required. For more information, contact Sr. Catherine Marie, OP, at 845-745-1319 or vocationdirector@hawthorne-dominicans.org.

We pray for the faithful departed

Linda Anne DeNiro

**May she rest in the peace
of the Risen Lord.**

Music Information: (212) 288-2520 | Email: music@stignatiusloyola.org