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Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Taste and See That the Lord is Good

ear has the power to alter the normal routine of lives. The fear of heights will prevent the viewing of broad vistas from a lofty perch. The fear of confined spaces will divert one's travel to avoid driving through a tunnel. The fear of dogs hastens a detour to the opposite side of the street. The fear of death prevents one from living. The face of fear has many guises and ironically can be seductive, beguiling. It hasn't simply the power to alter one's behavior; it distorts reality itself.

Rather an interesting topic to bring up after many of us have had a relaxing, carefree summer, frolicking on the beaches or traveling to familiar haunts of pleasant memories. However, if your summer months were like mine, there were two topics of conversation that invariably surfaced, even amidst the light banter and cheerful reminisces. They were the current state of our country and the diminishment of the Catholic Church throughout the world. To me, the common thread between the two is fear. There is an undercurrent of fear that is taking hold of us as we try to navigate the vagaries of a constantly changing world saturated with instantaneous access to information, much of it contrived and some of it true. If this be the case, then how do we live authentically both as citizens of an extraordinarily blessed country and joyful disciples of Jesus Christ in a Church simultaneously both sinful and holy? The challenge confronting us today is to not surrender to fear nor be victimized by those who pander to it.

Out of their own insecurities there are those who sow fear in order to gain an advantage over those whom they consider to be a threat. We witness countless instances of this phenomenon in our own country. There are those who would have us believe that the only way for us to remain who we are and recapture what made us a great nation is to marginalize and stigmatize those who are different. They dare us to accept the artificial and deceitful standard of what it means to be different—the color of one's skin, the faith one professes, the country of one's origin, the tired, the poor, migrants, the homeless. Such sowers of fear not only dishonor history, they distort who we are as a nation that promises liberty and justice for all. When we allow ourselves to be harangued by and subjugated to false claims, we have succumbed to fear. We then tolerate the bombast of division, bigotry, indifference, indecency, and hatred.

The Church is not immune from the wily temptations wrought by fear. Scandal is not something new to the Church; the current one has shaken its very foundation. It has exposed the dark and insidious face of fear, to be brought to light and held accountable. The fear of losing stature, authority, and adherents doubtless influenced the manner in which the abusive behavior of priests was tolerated and the misguided judgment of the hierarchy was concealed. The consequences of what was most feared are now realities that challenge all of us who are Catholics.

And so, what was revealed in my summertime conversations? First, there is a fear that something is fundamentally amiss in our country that is undermining who we are as a nation, and second, there is a fear that the Catholic Church has lost its relevance and no longer stands as a moral force in the world. Underlying both fears is something more significant. It is the fear that we ourselves and our behavior will change, that we will succumb to the rhetoric of divisiveness, and at the same time abandon the Church. However, in the very act of naming what we fear most there is a rebirth of hope and a renewed commitment to what we cherish. Without being explicit about it, my friends who engaged in these conversations were witnessing to their baptismal promise of not being mastered by sin or its feckless lackey, fear. They refuse to distort reality to conform to the whims of those who would deceive.

Reflecting on how I experienced these summertime conversations, I was reminded of King David. When he was in mortal fear of losing his kingdom and his life, he acknowledged that there is only one fear that has any relevance, fear of the Lord. He recommitted himself to the power and mercy of God in whom he could take refuge and survive. The words of King David in Psalm 34 speak to us today. *Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who trusts in Him.* With those words chiseled into our hearts, there is nothing we need fear if we remain true to who we are and what we believe.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th

Ignatian Young Adults Sunday Social. 8:30 PM. Wallace Hall. Details on page 3.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th

Moms, Pops & Tots. 10:00 AM. Gonzaga Meeting Room.

Ranger Rosary Ministry. 7:00 PM. Gonzaga Meeting Room.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th

Ignatian Interfaith Ministry Meeting. 6:30 PM. Gonzaga Meeting Room.

Details on page 3.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12th

Ministers' Appreciation Dinner. 7:00 PM. Wallace Hall. Details below.



Ministers' Appreciation Dinner

Thursday, September 12th 7:00 PM in Wallace Hall

All Ministers who participate in the various ministries of the parish are invited!

RSVP by <u>today</u> to Diane Boyle at boyled@ stignatiusloyola.org or 212-288-3588 ext. 618.

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious, or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P., at 212-371-1000 x2949. She may also be reached via email at victimassistance@archny.org.

Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, archny.org

In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

I am delighted to announce 2 new appointments to the Parish Staff.

Nicole Bedard joins us as a Pastoral Associate, Director of Religious Education and Youth Ministry. Nicole will direct our Interparish Religious Education Program (IREP). She also will be responsible for the faith formation programs of our 2 youth ministries: SPARK (middle schoolers) and IGNITE (teens). Nicole is a Fordham University alumna and recently received her Master of Theology degree from the University of Notre Dame. Nicole comes to us with a broad range of parish ministry. She is also a newlywed, having married her husband, Philip, a mere 2 weeks before starting her job here at the parish.

Jean Santopatre arrived three weeks ago and assumed the position of Pastoral Associate for Young Adult and Family Faith Formation and Social Justice. She will be responsible for the faith formation programming of our ministries for young adults and families, including *Moms*, *Pops*, *and Tots*, and our social justice efforts and initiatives. Jean is a recent graduate of Yale Divinity School and while there assisted at the St. Thomas More Catholic Chaplaincy of Yale University. A distinguished photojournalist, Jean worked for many years at Fairfield University where her son is currently a Senior.

We are indeed blessed to have both Nicole and Jean as part of the parish team. After having interviewed over the summer months many individuals for both positions, I can assure you we got the very best among them.

Please join me in warmly welcoming Nicole and Jean to the parish.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Gesalonia



SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend our Parish will take a collection in support of the apostolic works of the USA Northeast Province of the Society of Jesus.

Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH MEN'S FAITH GROUP



The Immortal Diamond: Embracing Our True Self

Tuesday, September 17th 7:00 PM Parish Lounge

A core teaching of men's spirituality is about the journey of letting go of our false self and coming to accept our true self. Our false self is the masks we wear, the personas we create, the unreal things by which we measure ourselves.

Our presentation and discussion will explore how we continue the journey toward living from the true self, the image of likeness of God within.

Brian Pinter, Pastoral Associate and Fordham Prepreligious studies faculty, will lead the discussion.

To register, email Brian Pinter at simensgroup@aol.com.

PARISH WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP



<u>Discussion Focus</u> Quest For the Living God by Elizabeth Johnson

Thursday, September 19th 7:00 PM Faber Lounge

The Parish Women's Faith Group is a forum for women to reflect on their faith life and experience fellowship as women committed to learning from one other about how to navigate successfully the cross currents of faith, family, and daily life.

Meetings will be facilitated by Adele Gallo.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Parishioner Admissions Information Meeting

Hosted by Ms. Mary Larkin, Principal

Monday, September 16th at 7:00 PM

Monday, September 16th at 7:00 PM McKinnon Hall

Parishioners are welcome to attend for a general overview of the school's admission process.

An RSVP is not required.

IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS



Sunday Social Schedule

The Sunday Socials are held in Wallace Hall at 8:30 PM, following the 7:30 PM Mass. They are hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults.

All young adults (ages 21-39) are welcome.

Sunday Social Dates

Sept. 8 Sept. 22 Oct. 6 Oct. 20

To receive updates on IYA events and other opportunities, you can follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/IgnatianYoungAdults

IGNATIAN INTERFAITH MINISTRY



Wednesday, September 11th 6:30 PM Gonzaga Meeting Room

Join the Ignatian Interfaith Ministry as they welcome in a new year and commemorate the anniversary of the September 11th attacks with an interfaith prayer led by pastoral associate Brian Pinter.

BOOMERS & BEYOND



Sunday Brunch

Sunday, September 29th at 1:00 PM Doc Watson's Outdoor Garden (1490 2nd Avenue)

<u>Price</u>: \$24 per person (cash only at the door) (includes tax, tip, and 2 complimentary drinks)

Space is limited.

To RSVP, email boomersandbeyond.st.ignatius@gmail.com.



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To sign-up, scan the QR code at left or visit stignatiusloyola.org/index.php/about us/parish-email-list

MORE THAN A BOOK CLUB

Guided Tour of European Paintings at the Metropolitan Museum of Art



Featuring Leonardo da Vinci's "St. Jerome in the Wilderness", on loan from the Vatican Museum

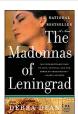
Tuesday, September 17th at 11:15 AM

Cost of the Tour: \$17/person (Pre-paid only)

Checks should be made out to Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, with the memo line note, "Met Tour". Payment may be left with the receptionist at the Parish House.

Payment must be received by Monday, September 9th.

Registrants should enter the Metropolitan Museum through the street-level 82nd Street entrance.



SEPTEMBER BOOK SELECTION DISCUSSION

Thursday, September 19th at 2:00 PM Parish Lounge

In The Madonnas of Leningrad

by Debra Dean, the ravages of age are eroding Marina's grip on the everyday. An elderly Russian woman now living in America, she cannot hold on to fresh memories yet her distant past is preserved in her mind's eye.

Vivid images of her youth in war-torn Leningrad arise unbidden, carrying her back to the terrible fall of 1941, when she was a tour guide at the Hermitage Museum. As the people braved starvation and a relentless German onslaught, Marina joined other staff members in removing the museum's priceless masterpieces for safekeeping. As the Luftwaffe's bombs pound the city, Marina built a personal Hermitage in her mind—a refuge that would stay buried deep within her, until she needed it once more.

To RSVP for the book discussion and/or the tour, email MoreThanaBookClubSIL@gmail.com.

The Hour Children Donation Truck

Sunday, September 29th, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

The HOUR CHILDREN truck will be parked outside the church to receive donations of clothing, toys, kitchenware, household items, electronics, and small furniture.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, September 9th (St. Peter Claver)

Colossians 1:24–2:3 Psalm 62 Luke 6:6–11

8:30 MEM Simona Saracino Fendi

12:10 MEM John Figge

5:30 MEM Deceased Members of the

Scanlon & McLoughlin Families

Tuesday, September 10th

(Twenty-third Tuesday in Ordinary Time)

Colossians 2:6-15 | Psalm 145 | Luke 6:12-19

8:30 MEM Hugo Armando Salgado

12:10 MEM Valentino Mazzia

5:30 MEM Alan Clancy

Wednesday, September 11th

(Twenty-third Wednesday in Ordinary Time)

Colossians 3:1-11 Psalm 145 Luke 6:20-26

8:30 MEM Dorothy Casey

12:10 MEM Diana O'Connor

5:30 ANN Richard Fraser

Thursday, September 12th

(Twenty-third Thursday in Ordinary Time)

Colossians 3:12–17 Psalm 150 Luke 6:27–38

8:30 MEM Dennis Scully

12:10 MEM Joseph Sullivan, Sr.

5:30 MEM Leoncio Castillo, Jr.

Friday, September 13th (St. John Chrysostom)

1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14 Psalm 16 Luke 6:39-42

8:30 MEM Kelly Reilly-Gillebaard

12:10 MEM Evangalista Ortiz

5:30 MEM Allen Anthony Clancy

Saturday, September 14th

(The Exaltation of the Holy Cross)

Numbers 21:4b-9 Psalm 78

Philippians 2:6–11 John 3:13–17

8:30 MEM Paul Choix

Sunday, September 15th

(Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Exodus 32:7–11, 13–14 Psalm 51

1 Timothy 1:12–17 Luke 15:1–32

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Annual Friends of the Poor Walk Saturday, September 28th | 9:30 AM

Join us as we walk from the steps of St. Patrick's Cathedral to the Church of the Immaculate Conception on East 14th Street.

To register, visit

https://www.fopwalk.org/teamlisting/?search=F.I.A.T

SCRIPTURE CLASS



A Voice Like Rushing Waters: The Book of Revelation

Four Sessions Beginning September 18th Wednesdays at 7:00 PM Gonzaga Meeting Room

The book of Revelation has inspired and confounded generations of Christians with its amazing imagery and narrative. Our discussion will seek to interpret this mysterious text as a call to resist powerful cultural forces antithetical to the Gospel.

Brian Pinter, Pastoral Associate & Fordham Prep religious studies faculty, will lead the discussion.

To register, email brianbpinter@gmail.com.

RETREAT

8-Week Ignatian Retreat

Tuesday Evenings Sept. 24, Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov. 5 & 12 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Wednesday Mornings Sept. 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6 & 13 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM



The *Spiritual Exercises* of Saint Ignatius is an eminently adaptable course of prayer, with the goal of becoming interiorly free, and open to the graces of knowing, loving, and following Christ.

The parish is offering an 8-week experience of the *Exercises* "At Home." The retreatants commit to 45 minutes of prayer a day at home and one group meeting of one hour per week. There will be a group on Tuesday evenings—from September 24th to November 12th—and a group on Wednesday mornings—from September 25th to November 13th.

For more information, see the parish website or contact Fr. Hilbert at hilbertm@stignatiusloyola.org.



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Please don't forget to notify us!

MUSIC



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH 11 AM SOLEMN MASS

Friedell

St. Columba

Willan

St. Columba

Dake

I will arise

Hailstork

Motherless child

arr. Hailstork

Ev'ry time I feel the spirit



The Choir of Trinity College, Cambridge

Sunday, September 15th 4:00 PM

Voted the fifth best choir in the world in *Gramophone* magazine's '20 Greatest Choirs', The Choir of Trinity College Cambridge comprises around thirty Choral Scholars and two Organ Scholars, all of whom are ordinarily students at the University.

The College's choral tradition dates back to the all-male choir of the fourteenth century, when former Chapel Royal choristers studied in King's Hall which later became part of Trinity College. Directors of Music have included Charles Villiers Stanford, Alan Gray, Raymond Leppard and Richard Marlow. Female voices were introduced in the 1980s by Richard Marlow, in a new departure for Cambridge choral music. Stephen Layton has been Director of Music since 2006.

Tickets: \$30-\$80

Tickets are available online at *ignatius.nyc* or by calling 212-288-2520.

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 www.stignatiusloyola.org

Registration is our only means of certifying membership in the Parish.



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Pastor

Rev. Dennis I. Yesalonia, S.I.

Associate Pastor

Rev. Michael P. Hilbert, S.J.

Senior Priests

Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J. Rev. Damian A. O'Connell, S.J.

Pastoral Associates

Nicole Bedard

Jean Santopatre

Pastoral Assistant

Maureen Haley

Assisting Priests

Rev. Ronald J. Amiot, S.J. Rev. Philip G. Judge, S.J. Rev. James Martin, S.J.

Music Ministries

Daniel Beckwith Maureen Haley Robert Reuter Philip Anderson Michael Sheetz

Scott Warren, Director Sara Murphy, Executive Director of SMSS Concerts Danya Katok, Administrator

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Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Director of Facilities

Robert Cisternino

Asst. to the Director of Facilities

Caroline Fernandes

Director of Development

Erin Pick

Treasurer

Fernando Castro

Weekday Masses (Monday to Friday)

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

Saturday: 8:30 AM

Saturday Vigil Sunday:

5:30 PM Fr. Carr 8:00 AM Fr. Bergen

9:30 AM Fr. Carr

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

Solemn

11:00 AM Fr. Yesalonia

7:30 PM Fr. Konzman

Religious Education for Children

Ms. Nicole Bedard, M.A. Director (212) 861-4764

St. Ignatius Loyola **Grammar School**

Ms. Mary Larkin, M.S. Ed. (Admin.), M.S. Ed. (Literacy) Principal 48 East 84th Street New York, NY 10028 (212) 861-3820 Fax: (212) 879-8248

St. Ignatius Loyola Preschool

Ms. Mary Larkin, Interim Director 240 East 84th Street New York, NY 10028 (212) 734-6427 Fax: (212) 734-6972

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. Information Session for Ignatian Spirtituality in Everyday Life Programs (ISEL). Tuesday, September 10th, 6:30 PM. The Church of St. Francis Xavier, Mary Chapel, 55 West 15th Street. The Church of St. Francis Xavier is hosting an information session for their ISEL programs, which include Spiritual Direction, Group Spiritual Direction, Spiritual Exercises: 19th Annotation, Advent Retreat, Lenten Retreat, and Stations of Light.

Mary Manning Walsh Home Volunteer Association 32nd Annual Walk-A-Thon. Saturday, September 21st. 1339 York Avenue. The day begins with an optional 8 AM Mass in the Home's Holy Family Chapel, followed by a light breakfast in the auditorium. Walkers leave Mary Manning Walsh Home at 9:30 AM for Central Park. Pets are welcome without charge. Fees: \$15/adults, \$12/children. For more information, contact Sr. Michael Mary at 212-628-2800 x2247.

After-School Tutors Needed. The Little Sisters of the Assumption Family Health Service is in need of after-school tutors to assist low-academic performing East Harlem children (grades K-3) in their After-School Enrichment Program. No previous tutoring or teaching experience is required. Tutors are needed Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM. Tutoring will begin the first week in October. Tutors must be willing to make at least a semester-long commitment, and ideally commit also to the spring semester 2020 that ends mid-June 2020. The one-on-one tutoring sessions are held at the Center, 333 East 115th Street (between First and Second Avenues). For more information, email tgough@lsafhs. org or visit littlesistersfamily.org.

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