

Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

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September 15, 2019 | Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Are You Longing for a Deeper Faith in God?

Most of us have a “bucket list” of things we want to accomplish, or as my daughters would express it, *#goals*. One spiritual goal for me, as for many others, was to attend a retreat in order to deepen my relationship with God through Christ and learn new ways to pray. I had noted that the world around us was changing in profound ways: I was searching for a stronger sense of discernment and guidance for a new response to His divine plan for me.

Many retreats that were offered didn't fit within my schedule, and to my disappointment, my goal moved out one year after another. I started praying for God to let me know when I would be ready. Eventually, the *Meeting Christ in Prayer* bulletin announcement jumped off the page at me and I signed up immediately. God was calling me.



Meeting Christ in Prayer, which has had over 500 retreatants since its start in our parish, is a transformative eight-week prayer experience that even the busiest of us can manage, with simple daily prayer guidelines, and weekly meetings lasting just over an hour. Modeled after the *Spiritual Exercises* of Saint Ignatius Loyola, it is fulfilling if you already have a full prayer life, but also if you seek new or more developed prayer habits.

Praying with others is not something we necessarily know how to do. But experience is not required. *Meeting Christ in Prayer* is for you if you desire a supportive and confidential environment to learn more about yourself and discern the ways in which God is inviting you to a deeper faith.

Through the Holy Spirit, you will also contribute to strengthening our bonds as a community, as members of the Jesuit family, and the Church at large. It is a response to the call of the Society of Jesus' “Universal Apostolic Preferences” through 2029, the first of which is, “To show the way to God through the *Spiritual Exercises* and discernment.” Pope Francis emphasizes this at every opportunity: prayer opens up our souls to communion and our good works become part of God's salvation.

A few testimonials:

“This retreat transformed the way I pray with God, and how I encounter Jesus in daily life. I feel that I am growing in faith as the adult that I now am.”

“I feel I now have the tools to grow spiritually in intimacy with Christ.”

“I am more aware of meeting Christ in Scripture, and in the people that I meet every day.”

For me, MCIP has allowed me to be open to Christ's presence in my life, and recognize His joy in my soul with constancy, even when my earthly mind or heart may feel in conflict with this state. It has created a stillness inside myself that allows me to hear His whisper, and feel His embrace, which supports me to manifest without hesitation that which He has woven into the tapestry of life around me.

If you feel called to this experience, please join us on Tuesday mornings beginning on October 1st or Wednesday evenings on October 2nd for eight weeks, on the last of which we will gather to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving. We will also offer it in February-March of next year. Don't move your goal into the future like I did!

Please register at mcip@saintignatiusloyola.org on or before September 29th. We look forward to meeting you in faith.

— Jackie Buffon
Meeting Christ in Prayer Co-Coordinator

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th

Parish Men's Faith Group.

7:00 PM. Parish Lounge.

Details on page 3.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting.

7:00 PM. Conference Room.

Scripture Class | A Voice Like Rushing Waters: The Book of Revelation.

7:00 PM. Gonzaga Meeting Room.

Registration information on page 5.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th

More Than a Book Club September Book Selection Discussion.

2:00 PM. Parish Lounge. *Details on page 4.*

LGBT Catholics & Friends.

7:00 PM. Parish Lounge.

Parish Women's Faith Group.

7:00 PM. Faber Lounge.

Details on page 3.

LAY MINISTERS' ENRICHMENT

Daffodils & Evolution, Oak Trees & The Spirit:

LME Fall 2019 Retreat Day



Saturday, October 5th

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Wallace Hall

God is everywhere. How does this impact our prayer & daily lives?

Come see yourself as part of a long evolutionary journey. Discover ancient Celtic spirituality and the ideas of Teilhard de Chardin with Mary Ann Muller, a member of the theology and religious studies faculty at St. John's University in Queens.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be served.

The day will conclude with an optional Mass.

To register, visit <https://tinyurl.com/fall-2019-lme>

WALLACE HALL AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

I am delighted to report on the progress of the work related to the projects being funded through our capital campaign, *Your Parish, Your Home*.

As you may have noticed, there is a temporary wooden ramp on the 84th Street side of the church that allows access into the church. The original metal ramp was partially dismantled to allow for the excavation of the area where the elevator will be constructed. As you know, the elevator will provide access to the floor level of Wallace Hall and to an accessibility walkway leading to the side door of the church. In a year's time, the hole you now see will be transformed into a fully enclosed, street entrance elevator.

Three projects were completed during the summer months. A fire suppression system (sprinklers) in Wallace Hall is awaiting the final permit from the City of New York to allow it to be connected to a new water line that was part of the installation project. During the course of the work in Wallace Hall a fire alarm system was installed in both Wallace Hall and the church. The third completed project was the construction of a handicapped accessible bathroom on the floor level of Wallace Hall.

Work is nearing completion in the renovation of the loggia into Wallace Hall. An exciting part of this project will be the installation of stained glass windows that will be backlit. Two skylights will also be installed in the next several weeks. They will provide natural light into what has otherwise been a very dark environment. We are, in fact, restoring the skylights that were part of the original design of the church.

Another exciting summer renovation project was the retrofitting of the two external display boards on the front of the church. They are now fully automated to accommodate the electronic display of both text and images.

These projects were possible because of your generous support of the capital campaign. To date, \$5.8 million of our goal of \$7.5 million has been raised. With your continued commitment to the parish I am confident we will reach our goal by April 2021, the official end of the campaign time line. If you have not yet made your gift, there is still time for you to be a part of this exciting opportunity to help your parish, your home.

Finally, we anticipate that work on the safety and security systems of the Parish House and the construction of an accessibility ramp into the Grammar School will commence next year.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Yesalonia

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 Prep religious studies faculty, will lead the discussion.

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

BOOMERS & BEYOND



Sunday Brunch

Sunday, September 29th at 1:00 PM

Doc Watson's Outdoor Garden

(1490 2nd Avenue)

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

To RSVP, email

boomersandbeyond.st.ignatius@gmail.com.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



Friday October 4th

5:00 PM

Outside the Parish House

Pet owners are invited to bring their leashed dog, cat, reptile or caged birds and bunnies for a blessing in celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

PARISH WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP



Discussion Focus

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.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?



We have the privilege at St. Ignatius of welcoming many visitors and new parishioners. We especially welcome those who may be thinking of becoming Catholic. If you feel attracted to the Catholic faith, we want you to know about a program at the Parish that will begin in the Fall.

A group will meet during the year to inquire into the Catholic faith, to come to know Jesus through the Gospels, and to pray and to prepare for the Easter Sacraments.

This process, which is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is also open to those Catholic adults who have not received the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation.

For more information,
contact Maureen Fullam at 212-288-3588
or email church@saintignatiusloyola.org



McKinnon Hall Coffee Hour

Sunday, September 22nd

McKinnon Hall

Next Sunday, following the 11 AM Solemn Mass, we will kick-off the Fall as we welcome Fr. Damian O'Connell back to the parish with a coffee hour in the Grammar School's McKinnon Hall.

We hope you will join us!



Special
Collection

SPECIAL COLLECTION

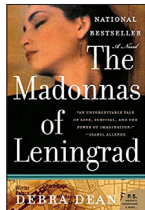
This weekend our Parish will take a collection in support of the apostolic works of the USA Northeast Province of the Society of Jesus.

Thank you for your generosity.

MORE THAN A BOOK CLUB

SEPTEMBER SELECTION BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, September 19th
2:00 PM
Parish Lounge



SEPTEMBER BOOK SELECTION

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, email MoreThanaBookClubSIL@gmail.com.



The Hour Children donation truck is coming!

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

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

HOUR CHILDREN
*A community of mothers and children
where love makes the difference.*



To stay up-to-date on parish events and programs, follow us at *stignatiusnyc*.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, September 16th

(*Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian*)

1 Timothy 2:1–8 Psalm 28 Luke 7:1–10

8:30 MEM Jack O'Leary

12:10 MEM Leonard William Meyer

5:30 MEM John Sullivan

Tuesday, September 17th

(*St. Robert Bellarmine*)

1 Timothy 3:1–13 Psalm 101 Luke 7:11–17

8:30 MEM Rita Dilva Chiappa

12:10 MEM John Biancamano

5:30 MEM Colleen Mahoney

Wednesday, September 18th

(*Twenty-fourth Wednesday in Ordinary Time*)

1 Timothy 3:14–16 Psalm 111 Luke 7:31–35

8:30 MEM Jane Flannigan

12:10 MEM Crocifissa Trovato

5:30 MEM Shane O'Reilly

Thursday, September 19th

(*Twenty-fourth Thursday in Ordinary Time*)

1 Timothy 4:12–16 Psalm 111 Luke 7:36–50

8:30 MEM Carla Fendi

12:10 MEM Florence Hogan

5:30 MEM Sose & Mark Prekelezaj

Friday, September 20th

(*Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang & comps.*)

1 Timothy 6:2c–12 Psalm 49 Luke 8:1–3

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

12:10 MEM Vladislav Gorski

5:30 MEM Nathan Davidson

Saturday, September 21st (*St. Matthew*)

Ephesians 4:1–7, 11–13 Psalm 19 Matthew 9:9–13

8:30 MEM Keith Johnson

Sunday, September 22nd

(*Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

Amos 8:4–7 Psalm 113

1 Timothy 2:1–8 Luke 16:1–13

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.

*The registration deadline is
Wednesday, September 18th.*

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

MUSIC



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND 11 AM SOLEMN MASS

Mozart

Fantasia in F, K. 594: Adagio-Allegro-Adagio

Blow

Praise the Lord, ye servants

Mozart

Solemn Vespers: Laudate pueri

Mozart

Fantasia in F minor, K. 608: Allegro



The Great French Tradition of Organ Music with Paul Jacobs

*Featuring Works from the
19th, 20th, and 21st Centuries*

Tuesday, September 24th at 7:30 PM

Tickets: \$20

Rossini Petite Messe Solennelle

*Thursday, October 17th
8:00 PM*

*Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola
K. Scott Warren, conductor*

There is nothing petite about this monumental mass setting, which Rossini wrote following a thirty-year self-imposed retirement from composing opera. It is a tour-de-force for chorus and soloists alike, and is one of the many reasons Rossini earned the respect of his dear friend Giuseppe Verdi. We present the piece in its original—and Rossini's preferred—form: chamber choir accompanied by two pianos and harmonium, with four vocal soloists.

**Tickets are available online at ignatius.nyc.org 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.*



CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA

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PARISH STAFF

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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

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Robert Reuter Philip Anderson

Michael Sheetz

Scott Warren, *Director*

Sara Murphy, *Executive Director of SMSS Concerts*

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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 5:30 PM Fr. Yesalonia

Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Konzman

9:30 AM Fr. Konzman

Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM Fr. Judge

Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Hilbert

7:30 PM Fr. Hilbert

Religious Education for Children

Ms. Nicole Bedard, M.A.

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St. Ignatius Loyola Grammar School

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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.

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.

Art Fundraiser at the Alderton House. Friday, September 27th to Thursday, October 3rd. Opening night: Friday, September 27th, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. Alderton House,

117 East 70th Street. Learn about the Alderton House organization as you take in the setting of the Alderton Collection, an exclusive series of watercolor paintings donated by artist Txon Pomés. Proceeds from the event benefit programs geared towards helping women excel. For more information or to RSVP, visit AldertonHouse.org.

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