

Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

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September 22, 2019 | Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Habit of Generosity

I think we all know what generosity is. We can all think of times when we have been on the receiving end of an act of generosity. Times when we were freely given money or time or a listening ear or encouragement or emotional support or possessions or attention. And where the giver expected nothing in return—no pay-back, no tit-for-tat. They weren't doing it to benefit themselves. It was just done for us, to help us in a moment of need, to enhance our well-being.

As Christians, we are called to be generous, to model ourselves on our loving divine Parent who gave his only Son, and on Jesus who gave himself in self-sacrificial love. And there are many scripture passages that call us to be self-giving and to die to ourselves—in other words, to live lives of generosity. Most of us do random acts of generosity, one here and one there. Which is good. But I think our call is to cultivate a habit of generosity—a habit of caring and giving that changes us over time so that we behave differently. We become persons whose deep desire and inclination is wanting to give freely and generously to all, just as God does.

Developing that habit, just like developing any habit, isn't easy. (I am trying to develop some new health habits and I know!) Our patron, St. Ignatius, has a prayer we can use to keep us on track, which also captures well what a person with a habit of generosity looks like:

Lord, teach me to be generous.
Teach me to serve you as you deserve;
To give and not to count the cost;
To fight and not to heed the wounds;
To toil and not to seek for rest,
To labor and not to ask for reward,
Save that of knowing that I do your will.



Married life and family life are great places to develop a habit of generosity. There, every day, you have to forgive someone, you have to adjust your wants, you have to put your ego on the shelf and go beyond yourself. In the same way, a parish—our parish—can be a kind of school where we develop a generous spirit. As members of St. Ignatius, we are invited to be partners in its sacred mission. I know what you are thinking—this is the part where she is going to make a pitch about giving money to support the work of the parish. And that is part of it. I think of each of us as part owners of the parish. This community of faith that we are part owners of can't go on if we don't all step up and contribute dollars to the parish's support. But that is just one part of the curriculum in this school of generosity that is parish life. Taking ownership of "Our Parish, Our Home" involves joining the team, taking your place in the lineup, being crew and not just a passenger.

There are many, many opportunities to play a role—some require more time and commitment than others. But chances abound to donate food, tutor children, volunteer, join parish ministries and much more. Just look through this week's parish bulletin for some needs that may be calling your name.

So jump right in! *There are no small acts of generosity.* Seemingly small acts can be life-changing for the recipient. But also, those many acts repeated and repeated can become a habit. You may find yourself permanently changed as you die to yourself and your generous heart beats more fiercely. Plus, it will strengthen our parish community and help heal our world.

— Rose F. DiMartino
Lay Trustee, Church of St. Ignatius Loyola
& Co-chair, LGBT Catholics and Friends

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd

McKinnon Hall Coffee Hour.

Following the 11 AM Solemn Mass. Details below.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd

Ranger Rosary Ministry.

7:00 PM. Conference Room.

Details on page 3.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th

Ignatian Social Justice.

7:00 PM. Conference Room.



McKinnon Hall Coffee Hour

TODAY

Today, 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!

Religious Education for Children



The *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* is a program of religious formation for children ages 3-, 4-, and 5-years-old. The program draws on the scriptural and liturgical traditions of the Church.

Our meeting place is the Atrium, behind Wallace Hall, a space where children enjoy an environment that supports their spiritual development.

To register for the 2019-2020

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program, visit:

http://stignatiusloyola.org/index.php/education/2019_2020_catechesis_of_the_good_shepherd_registration

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



Friday October 4th at 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.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

One of the familiar criticisms about the church that I have heard all my life, even from my own parents, is "They're always asking for money." Can you guess the topic of this note *From the Pastor's Desk*?

I begin with a word of gratitude for your generosity. Everything we do at the parish is funded through your contributions. Providing pastoral care, paying all our bills and salaries, maintaining our facilities, our music program, and our social, cultural, educational, and spirituality programs are supported through the parish's annual operating budget which is primarily funded through the collections at the Offertory of the Mass, especially weekend collections, in addition to the income received through the Annual and Spring Appeals.

My purpose in writing this note is to remind us of the importance of offerings placed in the basket at Mass. The contributions from collections are a very significant revenue source. Decreases in the income received from weekly collections adversely affect the parish's ability to pay its bills. Unfortunately, there has been a downward trend in this source of revenue for the past few years. Last year alone there was an 8.0% decrease in weekly collections over the prior year, the year before that another 3.0% decrease, and the year before that a 3.0% decrease. In dollar amounts, over the past three years weekly collections have decreased by \$183,000 which has had a direct impact on the parish's annual operating budget of \$4.4 million. If such a trend continues, we will not have the resources to do all that we do.

Contrary to the offhand comments I hear about the parish, we are not wealthy, nor do we have unlimited financial resources. The parish depends on your regular freewill offerings, particularly the Sunday collection. Please use the envelopes you receive by mail for the Offertory collection at Mass, or better yet go to the parish website at stignatiusloyola.org and click on the link MAKE A DONATION to contribute on a one time or recurring basis.

Also, to facilitate your ability to support the parish we will be installing electronic devices in the narthex that will allow you to use your smart phone or credit/debit card for your donations.

As a parish, we have been blessed with so much because of the generosity of those parishioners who preceded us. May our legacy be equally regarded by those generations of parishioners who will follow us.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Yesalonia

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

Oct. 6 Oct. 20 Nov. 17

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

BOOMERS & BEYOND



Sunday Brunch

Sunday, September 29th
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.

RANGER ROSARY MINISTRY



Monday, September 23rd
7:00 PM
Conference Room

Over 20,000 rosaries and counting!

The Ranger Rosary ministry meets twice a month to make rosaries for Catholics who are serving in the armed services. These rosaries are constructed from materials with no metal parts that might reflect light or make a rattling noise.

New members are always welcome!

EMMAUS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP



A six-session support group for those who have experienced the death of a loved one will begin on **Tuesday evening, October 22nd**, in the Parish House, from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM.

The sessions, both educational and supportive, are run by experienced facilitators.

To register,
email EmmausBereavementGroup@gmail.com.

SPECIAL COLLECTION



Special
Collection

Next weekend our Parish will take the annual collection for **St. Joseph's Seminary**.

Thank you for your generosity.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Saturday Night Liturgy

Saturday, October 5th
7:00 PM
Lady Chapel

Middle and High Schoolers! Join us for our first Saturday Night Liturgy of the year! Meet in the Lady Chapel for a youth-only Mass (no parents please) followed by a St. Francis of Assisi party in the Parish House.

Compete in animal-themed challenges, win prizes, eat kitty litter cake, make new friends, and more!

For more information, contact Nicole Bedard at bedardn@stignatiusloyola.org.



Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice

Saturday, November 16–18
Washington, D.C.

Attention All High Schoolers! Are you interested in meeting other young people passionate about social justice, learning more about Catholic Social Teaching, participating in lobbying on Capitol Hill, and taking a trip to Washington D.C.? Then the Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice is the opportunity for you!

Gather with other high school and college students from November 16-18 in Washington D.C. for all of the above and more. Spots are very limited.

There will be a few pre-trip meetings, so contact Nicole Bedard at bedardn@stignatiusloyola.org for more information ASAP.

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>



***The Hour Children
donation truck is coming!***

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

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

HOURLY CHILDREN

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



FamilyDay® | Making Everyday
Special

**Celebrate Family Day on
Monday, September 23rd.**

Making Everyday Special!

Family Day is a national program that celebrates simple,
everyday things parents can do to build a strong, healthy
relationship with their kids that prevents future drug use.

Family Day will be celebrated nationwide on
Monday, September 23rd.

To learn more about Family Day,
visit CASAFamilyDay.org.



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.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, September 23rd

(St. Pius of Pietrelcina)

Ezra 1:1-6 Psalm 126 Luke 8:16-18

8:30 MEM Living & Deceased Members of the
Regan & Burke Families

12:10 MEM William J. Conroy

5:30 MEM Joyce Flammer

Tuesday, September 24th

(Twenty-fifth Tuesday in Ordinary Time)

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

8:30 MEM Martin Philip Murphy

12:10 MEM Lourdes D. Roy

5:30 MEM Gary Gartland

Wednesday, September 25th

(Twenty-fifth Wednesday in Ordinary Time)

Ezra 9:5-9 Tobit 13 Luke 9:1-6

8:30 MEM Thomas Flannigan

12:10 MEM Thomas Ignatius Hayes III

5:30 MEM Stephen P. Caruso

Thursday, September 26th

(Twenty-fifth Thursday in Ordinary Time)

Haggai 1:1-8 Psalm 149 Luke 9:7-9

8:30 MEM Emil Wittek

12:10 MEM Philip Lobkowicz

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

Friday, September 27th

(St. Vincent de Paul)

Haggai 2:1-9 Psalm 43 Luke 9:18-22

8:30 MEM Margaret O'Connor

12:10 MEM Santo Ruma

5:30 MEM Frank Sedgwick

Saturday, September 28th

(Twenty-fifth Saturday in Ordinary Time)

Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a Jeremiah 31 Luke 9:43b-45

8:30 MEM Toni Brown

Sunday, September 29th

(Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Psalm 146

1 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31



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staying close to home, stay current
on parish news, programs, and events.



To sign-up, scan the QR code at left or
visit [stignatiusloyola.org/index.php/
about_us/parish-email-list](http://stignatiusloyola.org/index.php/about_us/parish-email-list)

MEETING CHRIST IN PRAYER



Meeting Christ in Prayer is an interactive 8-week guided prayer experience for small groups. Based on the *Spiritual Exercises* of St. Ignatius Loyola, it introduces participants to various ways of praying and provides an opportunity to support one another through faith sharing.

Morning Sessions

Tuesdays, October 1st – November 20th
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Evening Sessions

Wednesdays, October 2nd – November 20th
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Meeting Christ in Prayer offers you the opportunity to take part in a retreat within your daily life, during which you will be asked to commit to 20 to 30 minutes of daily prayer and reflection exercises.

Weekly meetings are 90 minutes long and include group prayer, guided meditation, small group faith sharing, and an orientation for the following week's prayer or prayer techniques.

To register, email MCIP@saintignatiusloyola.org

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>

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

MUSIC



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH
11 AM SOLEMN MASS

Buxtehude

Prelude and Fugue in E minor, BUXWV 193

Berger

The eyes of all wait upon thee

Wm. H. Harris

Bring us, o Lord God

Leighton

Fanfare



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: \$20 – \$80



Amjad Ali Khan:
Devi

Friday, November 8th
8:00 PM

Maestro Amjad Ali Khan, the legendary master of the sarod, has created a new and very special program for the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola. Entitled *Devi* (the Sanskrit word for "goddess"), it features a set of ragas based on Vedic texts and dedicated to Hindu deities embodying purity, austerity, knowledge, music and art, and wisdom and learning.

Tickets: \$30 – \$80

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



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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. Judge
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Fr. Yesalonia
	9:30 AM	Fr. Bergen
Wallace Hall Family	11:00 AM	Fr. Yesalonia
Solemn	11:00 AM	Fr. O'Connell
	7:30 PM	Fr. O'Connell

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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.

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.

ArchCare Care Navigation Center: Resources for Seniors.

Need help caring for yourself or someone else but not sure where to turn? ArchCare, the healthcare system of the Archdiocese of New York has a Center staffed by health and social service professionals dedicated to helping people better understand and access the services for which they are eligible. Call 855-951-2273 between 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM seven days a week.

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