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October 13, 2019 | Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Choral Classics Goes to Italy

t's fairly short notice, I know, but I am pleased to announce that the Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola will be spending the year in Italy.

OK, not literally, although I'm sure they'd love the idea. Rather, we will delve into the riches of the Italian choral tradition during the 2019–2020 season of Concerts at St. Ignatius. From the elegant grace of Palestrina (choir director at St. Peter's Basilica during the 16th century) to the grandeur of Gabrieli (music director at St. Mark's, Venice in the latter part of that century), sacred choral music was the foundation upon which a considerable amount of the Italian output—including madrigals, and later, opera— was built.



By the 19th century, opera was the primary vehicle of Italian vocal music. While still in his 20's, Gioachino Rossini (b. 1792 in Pesaro, d. 1868 in Paris) became the leading opera composer of his generation, forming a part of the *bel canto* triumverate, which included Donizetti (1797–1848) and Bellini (1801–1835). By 1829, he had penned 39 operas, the (arguably) most famous being *Il barbiere di Siviglia*, and the last, *Guillaume Tell*. Following the exuberant reception of the latter, and in a rather unprecedented move for an artist of his stature, he abruptly withdrew from composing opera. With the exception of his *Stabat Mater* (completed in 1841), when he composed at all, he was writing small forms like art songs, piano solos, and chamber music, which he called *péchés de vieillesse* ("sins of old age"). In 1863, he was commissioned to compose a mass, which he called *Petite Messe Solennelle*. The title itself is a joke, as the piece is neither petite (the vocal score is 184 pages in length) nor solemn, containing all the jaunty musical high jinx one would expect from the master of comic opera. On the last page of the manuscript, he wrote: "Dear Lord, here it is finished,

this poor little mass. Have I just written sacred music, or rather, sacrilegious music? I was born for opera buffa, as you well know. Not much technique, a little bit of heart, that's all. Blessings to you and grant me Paradise."

The self-deprecating composer was, of course, selling himself short with the remark about technique. The craftsmanship in the *Messe* is weighty, but the music itself retains a light, refreshing humor and effervescent joy that pervades every measure. It is interesting to note, however, that Rossini's close friend, Giuseppe Verdi, was not so impressed. In a letter, he wrote, "Lately Rossini has made progress and studied! Studied what? Personally, I would advise him to unlearn the music and write another *Barber*". Fortunately, Maestro Verdi's opinion wasn't widely held, and multiple performances over the last 155 years have established this great work in the canon of must-hear choral monuments. This Thursday evening, I have the privilege of leading the Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola in a performance of the *Petite Messe Solennelle*, utilizing its original (and Rossini's preferred) instrumentation of two pianos and a harmonium.

Speaking of Verdi, what a joy it is to present his *Requiem* as the capstone of our season! The Parish Community Choir will join the expanded Choir and (very) large Orchestra of St. Ignatius Loyola on May 13th for this most spectacular event.

On February 25th, we bring the sonic worlds of Rossini and Verdi together, along with the aforementioned Palestrina and the early 20th century master, Ildebrando Pizzetti, as we explore the *a cappella* genre in a concert entitled *Italy* "*Unplugged*". Palestrina's exquisite *Missa Sine Nomine* (with which J. S. Bach was so impressed, he made his own handwritten copy) anchors the first half of the concert, which also features Rossini's *Cantate Domino* and *O salutaris*, as well as Verdi's Ave *Maria* and *Lauda alla Vergine Maria*. Pizzetti's luminous *Requiem* for double choir will conclude the evening.

All of this happens in our sumptuous Italian baroque-inspired church...it will be a feast for the ears and eyes. I hope you will join us!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13th

Ignatian Young Adults Sunday Social. 6:00 PM. Wallace Hall.

Details on page 3.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14th

The Parish House will be closed in observance of the Columbus Day holiday.

One Mass will be celebrated in the Lady Chapel at 8:30 AM. There will be no 12:10 PM or 5:30 PM Masses.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15th

Parish Men's Faith Group. 7:00 PM. Parish House.

Details on page 3.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16th

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting. 7:00 PM. Conference Room.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17th

More Than a Book Club October Selection Book Discussion. 2:00 PM. Parish Lounge.

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LGBT Catholics & Friends. 7:00 PM. Parish Lounge.

Parish Women's Faith Group. 7:30 PM. Conference Room.

Details on page 3.

Concert | Rossini Petite Messe Solennelle. 8:00 PM. Church.

Details on page 5.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19th

Celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.
At the 5:30 PM Mass. Church.

Details at right.



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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

I am delighted to announce the arrival of Father Frank Hannafey, SJ to the parish. He comes to us directly from his most recent assignment at the Beijing Center in China. Prior to that, Father Hannafey was for many years Professor of Religious Studies at Fairfield University. As he awaits a new assignment from his religious superior, Father Hannafey will be living in the Parish House and assisting us with Masses and other pastoral responsibilities. He will be with us through the end of this calendar year.

Please join me in extending a warm welcome to Father Hannafey.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Gesalonia



The commissioning of Parish Ministers will take place at all Masses this weekend.



Celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Saturday, October 19th at the 5:30 PM Mass

All parishioners are invited to attend the *Celebration of* the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during the **5:30 PM Mass on Saturday, October 19th**. This liturgy is designed so that the community can support our brothers and sisters who face the trials of illness or aging.

During the course of the Mass, all those who feel the need of healing and strength because of illness, physical weakness or spiritual distress will be invited to come forward to receive the Sacrament of Anointing.

COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND



On **World Mission Sunday** we recommit ourselves to our baptismal vocation to share our faith. We also pray for the Church's worldwide missionary work.

Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH MEN'S FAITH GROUP



Tuesday, October 15th 7:00 PM Parish House

Joy is a life of interior freedom and peace, yet it is the human condition to resist this mysterious grace. Our conversation will explore ways we can open ourselves to receiving joy while working through our resistances.

To RSVP, email Brian Pinter at brianbpinter@gmail.com

IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS

Sunday Social Schedule

The Sunday Socials are held in Wallace Hall at 6:00 PM, before the 7:30 PM Mass.

They are hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults. All young adults (ages 21–39) are welcome.

Sunday Social Dates

October 20 November 17 December 1 & 15



Living *Laudato Si*: An Ecological Examen on the Sound

Saturday, October 26th 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM Compo Beach, Westport, Connecticut

Join the Ignatian Young Adults for a retreat on the Long Island Sound using an Ignatian Ecological Examen.

Directions (via train)

Take the 9:02 AM Metro-North train from Grand Central Station. Registrants may choose to meet the group at the Westport Train Station or take a taxi/car to the Compo Beach entrance.

To RSVP, email Jean Santopatre at santopatrej@saintignatiusloyola.org by Monday, October 21st.

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

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

PARISH WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP



<u>Discussion Focus</u>
The books *Quest For the Living God* and *Consider Jesus*by Elizabeth Johnson

Thursday, October 17th 7:30 PM Conference Room

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 are facilitated by Adele Gallo.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Shelter Orientation Session

Wednesday, October 23rd 6:30 PM Wallace Hall

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will once again be sponsoring a women's shelter every other weekend in Wallace Hall from November through April. The shelter season begins the weekend of November 22nd.

Orientation begins with a Safe Environment video at 6:30 PM, followed at 7:00 PM by an overview of procedures for Stay Over (adults only) and Set-Up volunteers (Eighth Graders or older. Note: There will always be at least 2 adults present).

New and experienced volunteers are invited to join us and learn more about this ministry to the homeless.

For more information, email svdp.shelter980@gmail.com

Calling All Snowbirds!

Are you in Florida during the winter months? Then we invite you to join us for events we will be hosting in Palm Beach & Naples in early March.

For more information, contact Erin Pick at picke@saintignatiusloyola.org or (212) 288-3588 x608.



Jesuit Friends & Alumni Mass

Sunday, October 20th at the 7:30 PM Mass

Presider: Rev. Dennis Yesalonia, S.J. Preacher: Rev. James Miracky, S.J.

Join us for *Jesuit Friends & Alumni Sunday*, an opportunity for alumni and friends of Jesuit schools to share their common bonds through the celebration of liturgy.

The Mass will be followed by a reception in Wallace Hall that will highlight opportunities for continuing spiritual growth and service to the local & global community.

To RSVP, visit JesuitsEast.org/AlumniSunday

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice

November 16th – November 18th 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@saintignatiusloyola.org for more information ASAP.

<u>Announced Masses and Readings</u> for the Week

Monday, October 14th

(Twenty-eighth Monday in Ordinary Time) Romans 1:1–7 Psalm 98 Luke 11:29–32 **8:30 MEM** Jesus E. Semillano

Tuesday, October 15th

(St. Teresa of Jesus)

Romans 1:16-25 Psalm 19 Luke 11:37-41

8:30 MEM Jack O'Leary **12:10 MEM** Joseph Kennedy

5:30 MEM Elizabeth Troilo

Wednesday, October 16th

(Twenty-eighth Wednesday in Ordinary Time) Romans 2:1–11 Psalm 62 Luke 11:42–46

8:30 MEM Marjorie Carnivals **12:10** MEM Gerald & Julian Davitt

5:30 MEM Sose & Mark Prekelezaj

<u>Thursday, October 17th</u>

(St. Ignatius of Antioch)

Romans 3:21-30 Psalm 130 Luke 11:47-54

8:30 MEM Alex Labayan 12:10 MEM Robert Troilo

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

Friday, October 18th

(St. Luke)

2 Timothy 4:9–17b Psalm 145 Luke 10:1–9

8:30 MEM James Johnson

12:10 MEM Katherine McLoughlin

5:30 MEM Martha Martin

Saturday, October 19th

(Ss. John de Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues)

2 Corinthians 4:7–15 Psalm 126 Matthew 28:16–20

8:30 MEM Carla Fendi

Sunday, October 20th

(Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Exodus 17:8–13 Psalm 12 2 Timothy 3:14–4:2 Luke 18:1–8



McKinnon Hall Coffee Hour

Sunday, October 20th | McKinnon Hall

We hope you will join us following the 11 AM Solemn Mass as we welcome Fr. Frank Hannafey to the parish.



Visit of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

Thursday, October 31st 8:15 AM to 6:30 PM

8:15 AM

Procession of statue into the Church

8:30 AM Mass

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9:15 AM

Recitation of the Rosary

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Confessions

5:30 PM

Vigil Mass of the Solemnity of All Saints with Litany to Our Lady & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

6:30 PM

Procession of statue out of the Church

MORE THAN A BOOK CLUB

OCTOBER SELECTION BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, October 17th at 2:00 PM Parish Lounge

NEWS OF THE WORLD

OCTOBER BOOK SELECTION

News of the World by Paulette Jiles

In the aftermath of the Civil War, an aging itinerant news reader agrees to transport a young captive of the Kiowa back to her people in this exquisitely rendered, morally complex, multilayered novel of historical fiction that explores the boundaries of family, responsibility, honor, and trust.

To register for the book discussion, email MoreThanaBookClubSIL@gmail.com

Registration required.

MUSIC



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH 11 AM SOLEMN MASS

Callahan

Partita on Ein feste Burg, Op. 44

Mendelssohn

Elijah: Lift thine eyes; He, watching over Israel

Zöllner

Der 121 Psalm

Mendelssohn

Sonata in Bb Major, Op. 54, No. 4: IV. Allegro maestoso e vivace

7:30 PM MASS

with Parish Community Choir

Mendelssohn

Elijah: Cast thy burden upon the Lord; He, watching over Israel



Rossini Petite Messe Solennelle

Thursday, October 17th 8:00 PM

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

The piece is presented in its original—and Rossini's preferred—form: chamber choir accompanied by two pianos and harmonium, with four vocal soloists.

Tickets: \$20 - \$80

Tickets are available online at *ignatius.nyc*.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?



If you feel attracted to the Catholic faith, we want you to know about a program at the Parish that begins this month.

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.

For more information on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program, contact Maureen Fullam at 212-288-3588 or email church@saintignatiusloyola.org.



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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. Martin Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Amiot

9:30 AM Fr. Bergen

Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM Fr. Hilbert

Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Yesalonia

7:30 PM Fr. Yesalonia/Fr. Miracky

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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.

Catholic Men's Conference. Saturday, November 2nd. SUNY Purchase Performing Arts Center, 735 Anderson Hill Road, Purchase, New York. This day-long event will provide an opportunity for men throughout the Archdiocese to recommit themselves to their spiritual lives. Speakers will include Cardinal Dolan, author Joe Sweeney, and Ryan Holladay, pastor of the Lower Manhattan Community Church. Cost: \$30 (advance registration)/\$40 (day of the event), includes a boxed lunch and afternoon refreshments. Space is limited. For more information or to register, visit eventbrite.com/e/2019-mensconference-tickets-66486505929.

After-School Tutors Needed. The Little Sisters of the Assumption Family Health Service is in need of after-school tutors to assist lowacademic 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. 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.

Sunday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Every Sunday from 3:15 PM to 5:30 PM. Saint Joseph's Church, 404 East 87th Street. An opportunity for quiet prayer and silent adoration. All are welcome.

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