

# Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

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November 24, 2019 | Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

## Some Thoughts on Christ as King in this Season of Thanksgiving

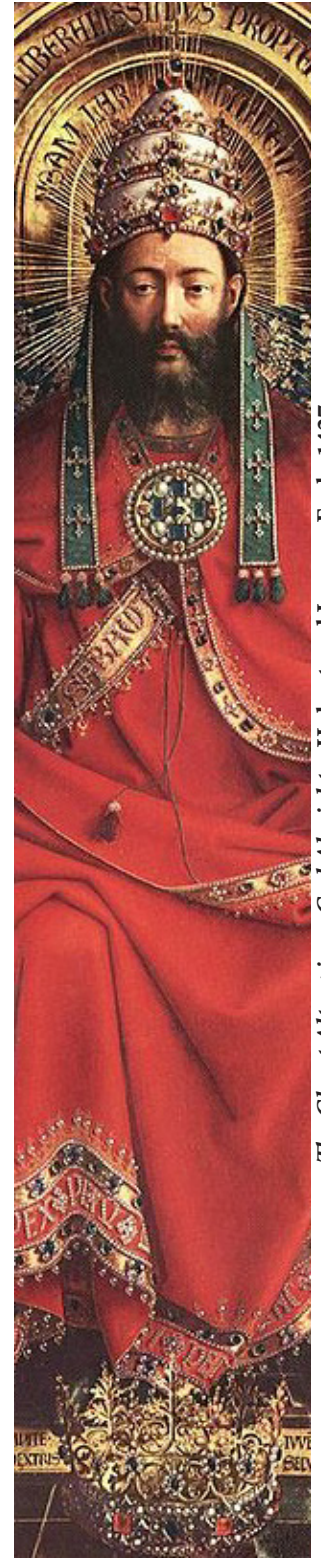
Today, on this last Sunday of the liturgical year, the Church around the world celebrates Jesus Christ as King of all the people who live, have lived, and will live upon the earth. For us who believe that Jesus is both God and one of us, he is also King of the universe and what a king! He was before the world was and all that is was made through him. Yet, he did not insist upon our acknowledging his prerogatives as universal king. Jesus is a king who came not to be served, but to be of service. He never compelled people to follow him but invited people to enter into a deep friendship with him. Sometimes this invitation is to explicit Christian faith; sometimes it is the graced longing of the individual human heart faithfully followed that brings a person to him. In order that he might be accessible to us, he did not cling to his divinity but accepted our humanity in its totality. This he did in such a way that the humanity we share with him and freely accept, as he did, in its totality, is the very means of our sharing in his divinity. What God has done for us in Jesus is most certainly cause for rejoicing, praise, and thanksgiving. Indeed there is no more perfect time of year for us to be thankful.

This Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. A person does not have to be an expert in the works of Shakespeare to feel the passion and understand the meaning of these words spoken by King Lear in the play, named after him: "How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is to have a thankless child!" Now, we, you and I, are the children of God, and the Thanksgiving Season appears to be an excellent opportunity for us to reflect on what kind of children we have been and what has been our response to all that God has given us.

The trouble with this, of course, is that it can move our attention away from focusing on God, the giver of gifts, to focusing on ourselves. We can spend our time exclusively in counting our blessings and passing judgment on the adequacy of our response to all we have been given. If we do this, however, we risk merely thinking about ourselves and on our responses to God's generosity, and we can foster an easy self-indulgent introspection. As an antidote to this inclination, I would suggest postponing self-examination in favor of merely enjoying what has been given. After all, in the first moment, the Divine Lover does not give us gifts to elicit our praise or extort our gratitude, but that we might delight in the gifts themselves. God, as it were, would have us play like little children with these signs of God's affection, to rejoice in them, and to use them for our delight and to share them with others. Then, when it is time to turn our hearts to God in thanksgiving, we will be doing so with a deeper appreciation of the gifts and of the giver. For in Jesus they are one. At that point our gratitude will be authentic and we might even be inclined to pray these words of George Herbert:

*Thou, that hast given so much to me,  
Give one thing more: a grateful heart....  
Not thankful when it pleaseth me;  
As if Thy blessings had spare days:  
But such a heart whose pulse may be  
Thy praise.*

— Rev. Damian A. O'Connell, S.J.  
Senior Priest



The Ghent Altarpiece: God Almighty. Hubert and Jan van Eyck. 1427.

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**SVdP Christmas Angel Project**  
begins this weekend,  
continues through Sunday, December 15th.  
*Details on page 3.*

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26th**  
**Interfaith Thanksgiving Service.**  
**7:00 PM. Church.**  
*Details below.*

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28th**  
**Thanksgiving Day Mass.**  
**9:00 AM. Church.**  
*This will be the only Mass celebrated on  
Thanksgiving Day. The Parish House will be closed.*

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29th**  
**One Daily Mass will be celebrated**  
**in the Lady Chapel at 8:30 AM.**  
**The Parish House will be closed.**



### Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

*Tuesday, November 26th at 7:00 PM*

Connect with your neighbors of all faiths  
and share a message of peace.

**A reception in Wallace Hall will follow the service.**

### Your Parish, Your Home Giving Challenge

**Sunday, November 24th to Sunday, December 8th**

*Your parish,  
your home.*

Campaign for  
the Church of  
St. Ignatius Loyola

Three anonymous donors are  
challenging those who have not  
made a gift to the *Your Parish, Your*

*Home Capital Campaign* to participate in our giving weeks.

They are sponsoring this challenge with a \$275,000 gift.

**YOU GIVE + THEY MATCH = TWICE YOUR DONATION**

**To contribute, visit [donate.stignatiusloyola.org/capital](http://donate.stignatiusloyola.org/capital)**



### SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend our Parish will take  
the annual collection for the

**Catholic Charities Campaign for Charity & Justice**

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

On Tuesday of this week, November 26th, at 7:00 PM, the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola will host the annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. This long-standing tradition brings together the various faith communities of the Upper East Side to pray in thanksgiving to God for the bounteous blessings we have received throughout the year.

In our name I invited the clergy of 22 UES congregations and their congregants to join us on the 26th. The faith communities that were invited are Jewish, Christian, Orthodox, and Muslim. They are representative of the beautiful tapestry of faith traditions that are present and thriving in the UES.

As the hosts of this prayer service, it is my hope that we are well represented among those attending the service so that we may warmly welcome our visitors to the parish, to our home.

Sincerely in the Lord,

*Fr. Yesalonia*



Lectors

### Lectors Needed

New lectors needed for the  
Saturday 5:30 PM Mass and  
the Sunday 8:00 AM Mass.

**For more information, email Fr. Bergen at  
[bergenw@saintignatiusloyola.org](mailto:bergenw@saintignatiusloyola.org).**

### THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE



The *Book of Remembrance* has  
been placed on the altar of the  
Jesuit Boy Saints (at the back of the  
church, on the 84th Street side).

Individuals are invited to write the names of deceased  
loved ones in this book, which will be kept on the  
altar during Masses until the *Feast of Christ the King*,  
Sunday, November 24th.

Departed loved ones will be remembered in prayer  
at all Masses during the month.



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## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



### Christmas Angel Project

*Continues This Weekend!*

**to benefit the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Lower Manhattan & the Church of the Annunciation, West Harlem**

Through Sunday, December 15th, participants will be able to select up to three Angel cards from one of the tables that will be placed in the Narthex and Wallace Hall. Cards will also be available at the Parish House while the supply lasts.

**Gifts must be returned to the Parish House no later than Sunday, December 15th.**



### Annual Toy Drive

*Begins This Weekend!*

**to benefit the children from the St. Mary of the Assumption & Our Lady of Mt. Carmel–St. Benedict on Staten Island**

*Through Sunday, December 15th*

Please bring new, unwrapped toys or games for boys and girls between the ages of 6–12 to the Parish House.



## BOOMERS & BEYOND



### Christmas Caroling

*Sunday, December 1st  
1:30 PM*

**Lott Assisted Living Residence–5th Avenue  
(between 107th and 108th Streets)**

Come join us in bringing the magic of merriment to these wonderful residents.



### Join Our Email Mailing List!

Whether you're traveling or staying close to home, stay current on parish news and events.

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



### Welcoming the Divine Child

**Three Wednesdays Beginning December 4th  
7:00 PM in the Parish House**

Within each of us is an inner child, a part that remains immature and unconsciously clings to past hurts and wounds. Our presentations and conversations will explore how we can allow the grace of Christ's birth to heal and transform our hearts.

Sessions will include short presentations by Brian B. Pinter, Pastoral Associate, Q & A, prayer, and quiet time for reflection.

## FAMILY MINISTRY



### Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

**Sunday, December 8th  
Wallace Hall**

*Immediately following the 11:00 AM Mass.*

**All are welcome.**

## WALLACE HALL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



**Sunday, December 15th**

***Immediately following the  
11:00 AM Family Mass***

We hope that your family will join us in this celebration of our Lord's birth.  
There is a role for everyone!



**To participate:** Scan the QR Code at left to be directed to the online registration form or visit [stignatiusloyola.org](http://stignatiusloyola.org)

**Two rehearsals are required:**

Sunday, December 9th at noon in Wallace Hall & Sunday, December 15th at 9:30 AM in Wallace Hall

**Questions?**

**Email Mary Jo Ward at [mjward@med.cornell.edu](mailto:mjward@med.cornell.edu).**



### Bambinelli Sunday

***December 15th  
Following the 11 AM Wallace Hall Mass***

Following the December 15th 11 AM Mass, we will bless Infant Jesus figurines that will be placed in crèches. We invite parishioners to bring in their figurines for the blessing.



## OCTOBER SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISMS



Madeline Pitkin Bride  
William Christopher Caruso  
Marshall James Deng  
Thomas Henry Eshelman  
Rose Hennessy Hartnett  
George William Haynes  
Duke Lawrence Johnson  
Edward Waits Kingsbery  
Nicholas Teeling Luciano  
Michael Rhys Lupton  
Ashley Emerson Marsh  
James Bridger Neuffer  
Liam Matthew Raju  
Matthew Francis Ritter  
Gunnar James Sears

### FIRST COMMUNION



Odin Jeffrey Adeler  
Mackenzie Raye Albino Levitt  
Nicholas Joaquin Chia  
Maxwell Kent Edmister  
Ella Grace Frascatore  
Adrian Zef Juncaj  
Marcus Francis Kawabata  
Daniel Mala  
Jake Brian Reynoso  
Matilda Silva

### WEDDINGS



Emmet Daniel Browne &  
Caroline Marie O'Connor  
John Pasquale Desposati &  
Joanna Marie Barakat  
Daniel James Dirscherl & Molly McGarry Breen  
Fiachra Patrick Moody & Jeanne Margaret Steuerer  
Walter Gerard Murphy III & Sarah Marguerite Jensen  
Nicholas James Prevete & Kathleen Butler Simpson

## Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

### Monday, November 25th

*(Thirty-fourth Monday in Ordinary Time)*

Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20 Daniel 3 Luke 21:1-4

8:30 MEM Joan Challinor

12:10 MEM Jay McNamee

5:30 MEM Charlie Glowacki

### Tuesday, November 26th *(St. John Berchmans)*

Daniel 2:31-45 Daniel 3 Luke 21:5-11

8:30 MEM Emil Wittek

12:10 MEM Francis Mazurkiewicz

5:30 MEM John Figge

### Wednesday, November 27th

*(Thirty-fourth Wednesday in Ordinary Time)*

Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 Daniel 3  
Luke 21:12-19

8:30 MEM Thomas & Karen Flannigan

12:10 MEM Toni Brown

5:30 MEM William Powers

### Thursday, November 28th

*(Thirty-fourth Thursday in Ordinary Time)*

Daniel 6:12-28 Daniel 3 Luke 21:20-28

### Friday, November 29th

*(Thirty-fourth Friday in Ordinary Time)*

Daniel 7:2-14 Daniel 3 Luke 21:29-33

8:30 MEM Craig Jacko

### Saturday, November 30th *(St. Andrew)*

Romans 10: 9-18 Psalm 19 Matthew 4:18-22

8:30 MEM Thomas Bagot

### Sunday, December 1st *(First Sunday of Advent)*

Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122

Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:37-44

## ANNUAL APPEAL



Please support this year's Annual Appeal.

The Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2019  
is now available.

A copy of the Annual Report is available  
online at [stignatiusloyola.org](http://stignatiusloyola.org) or by  
scanning the QR Code at right.



*Thank you for your generosity!*



## 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](mailto:picke@saintignatiusloyola.org) or (212) 288-3588 x608.*

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

## MEETING CHRIST IN PRAYER

*Continuing the Journey Through Holy Listening*

*Tuesday Mornings*

*Dec. 3, 10 & 17*

*9:30 AM to 10:30 AM*

*Parish Lounge*

*Tuesday Evenings*

*Dec. 3, 10 & 17*

*7:00 PM to 8:00 PM*

*Faber Lounge*



If you treasured the faith sharing experiences of Meeting Christ in Prayer and long to deepen your relationship with Christ, we invite you to continue the journey and join us for three sessions of Holy Listening.

Based on Advent readings, this program provides new opportunities for spiritual conversation as you share your prayer experience with spiritual friends.

To register  
(by Sunday, December 1st),  
email [MCIP@saintignatiusloyola.org](mailto:MCIP@saintignatiusloyola.org).

*Space is limited.*

## Snow Ball Dance



*Saturday, December 14th*

*7:00 PM to 10:00 PM*

*Wallace Hall*

Come eat, drink and dance to live music with your friends and other fellow adult (21+) parishioners.

Tickets can be purchased at  
<https://snowballdance2019.eventbrite.com>.

**Tickets:** \$50 adults/\$40 seniors (60+)

*Please consider bringing an unwrapped toy in support of the toy drive sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.*

**We look forward to welcoming you!**

## Interested in Becoming Catholic?



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

## MUSIC

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

#### 11 AM SOLEMN MASS

**Biery & Peeters**

*Two settings of Veni, Emmanuel*

**Manz**

*E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come*

**Rheinberger**

*Neun Advent-Motetten, Op. 176: Ad te levavi*

#### 11 AM FAMILY MASS

**Caldwell/Ivory**

*Hope for Resolution*



### A Chanticleer Christmas

*Friday, December 6th at 8:00 PM &  
Sunday, December 8th at 4:00 PM*

The joy of Christmas comes once again to what we hope are fresh eyes and ears, hearts and voices. Gregorian chant and Biebl are never far away, but this year we turn also to carols in half-a-dozen languages, American hymns, Spanish villancicos that ask us to dance, and "I Wonder as I Wander," which calls us to pray. This is a tradition we cherish, and we can't wait to celebrate the holidays with you again.

**Tickets: \$30-\$93**



### Star of Wonder: Annual Christmas Concerts

*Sunday, December 15th at 3:00 PM  
Sunday, December 22nd at 3:00 PM*

Christmas is our favorite time of year, when we accompany your holiday season with joy and tranquility in music old, new, and familiar.

In our most popular concert year after year, raise your voice with the Choirs and Orchestra in traditional carols and a thundering "Hallelujah Chorus" sing-along. Over 100 musicians deliver the heart-warming melodies of Christmas.

**Tickets: \$30-\$78**

**Tickets are available online at [ignatius.nyc](http://ignatius.nyc).**



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## PARISH STAFF

### Pastor

Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J.

### 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

Brian Pinter

Jean Santopatre

### Pastoral Assistant

Maureen Haley

### Assisting Priests

Rev. Ronald Amiot, S.J. Rev. Frank Hannafey, S.J.

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

### Music Ministries

Daniel Beckwith Maureen Haley

Robert Reuter Philip Anderson

Michael Sheetz

Scott Warren, *Director*

Sara Murphy, *Executive Director | SMSS Concerts*

Danya Katok, *Administrator*

### Assistant to the Pastor

Diane M. Boyle

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Patricia Schneider

### Communications Coordinator

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

## Religious Education for Children

Ms. Nicole Bedard, M.A.

Director

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## St. Ignatius Loyola Grammar School

Ms. Mary Larkin,

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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.

**Lecture: U.S. v. Nixon at 45: An Evening with Philip Allen Lacovara, Esq. Wednesday, December 4th, 6:30 PM.** *America Media*, 1212 Avenue of the Americas, 11th Floor. Presented by *America* magazine and Fordham University School of Law. **Moderator:** Matt Malone, S.J., Editor-in-Chief, *America* magazine. **First Respondent:** Jed Shugerman, J.D., Professor of Law, Fordham University To RSVP, email [events@americamedia.org](mailto:events@americamedia.org).

**Ignatian Yoga Retreat. Friday, March 20th to Sunday, March 22nd, 2020.** *Mariandale Retreat Center*, Ossining, New York. Join Bobby Karle, S.J. and the Ignatian Yoga Team for the only East Coast retreat this Spring. To register, visit [ignatianyoga.com](http://ignatianyoga.com).

**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.

**We pray for  
the faithful departed  
Kathleen Mary Del Gaudio  
May she rest in the peace  
of the Risen Lord.**

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