

# CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA

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December 12, 2021 | Third Sunday of Advent

## PARISH STAFF

### Pastor

Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J.

### Associate Pastors

Rev. Mark C. Hallinan, S.J.  
Rev. Michael P. Hilbert, S.J.

### Senior Priest

Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.

### Pastoral Year Priest

Rev. Daniel N. Gustafson, S.J.

### Pastoral Associates

Kate Noonan      Jean Santopatre  
Brian Pinter

### Pastoral Assistant

Maureen Haley

### Assisting Priest

Rev. James Martin, S.J.

### Music Ministries

Scott Warren, *Director*

Daniel Beckwith      Maureen Haley  
Robert Reuter      Philip Anderson  
Michael Sheetz

Danya Katok, *Director of Concerts*

### Assistant to the Pastor

Diane M. Boyle

### Administrative Assistant

Patricia Schneider

### Director of Communications

Elizabeth O'Sullivan

### Director of Facilities

Robert Cisternino

### Director of Development

Erin Pick

### Treasurer

Fernando Castro

### Weekday Masses (Monday – Friday)

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

Saturday: 8:30 AM

### Masses for the Weekend of December 19th:

Saturday Vigil      5:30 PM Fr. Hallinan  
Sunday:              8:00 AM Fr. Hallinan  
                             9:30 AM Fr. Yesalonia  
Solemn                11:00 AM Fr. Bergen  
Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM Fr. Gustafson  
                             7:30 PM Fr. Bergen

## Religious Education for Children

Ms. Kate Noonan, Director  
(212) 288-3588 x609

## Saint Ignatius Loyola School

### Upper Campus

(First Grade through Eighth Grade)

Ms. Mary Larkin, Head of School

M.S. Ed. (Admin.), M.S. Ed. (Literacy)

48 East 84th Street

(212) 861-3820

Fax: (212) 879-8248

### Lower Campus

(PreK-3 through Kindergarten)

Ms. Mary Larkin, Head of School

240 East 84th Street

(212) 734-6427

Fax: (212) 734-6972

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sundays at the 9:30 AM Mass.

### 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.

## Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

### Monday, December 13th (St. Lucy)

Numbers 24:2–7, 15–17a Psalm 25  
Matthew 21:23–27

8:30 MEM William & Ann Reilly

12:10 MEM Barbara Ann Cronin

5:30 MEM Joseph & Margaret  
Phelan

### Tuesday, December 14th

(St. John of the Cross)

Zephaniah 3:1–2, 9–13 Psalm 34

Matthew 21:28–32

8:30 MEM Robin Srebnick

12:10 MEM David Zoerb

5:30 MEM John Figge

### Wednesday, December 15th

(3rd Wednesday of Advent)

Isaiah 45:6c–8, 18, 21c–25 Psalm 85

Luke 7:18b–23

8:30 MEM Jack O'Leary

12:10 MEM Jean Bauman

5:30 MEM Bill Hassett

### Thursday, December 16th

(3rd Thursday of Advent)

Isaiah 54:1–10 Psalm 30

Luke 7:24–30

8:30 MEM Arthur Roderick  
Carmody, Jr.

12:10 MEM Gladys Celeste  
Mercader

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

### Friday, December 17th

(3rd Friday of Advent)

Genesis 49:2, 8–10 Psalm 72

Matthew 1:1–17

8:30 MEM Richard B. Bruno

12:10 MEM Carl Vitale

5:30 MEM Jim Moreth

### Saturday, December 18th

(3rd Saturday of Advent)

Jeremiah 23:5–8 Psalm 72

Matthew 1:18–25

8:30 MEM Carla Fendi

### Sunday, December 19th

(4th Sunday of Advent)

Micah 5:1–4a Psalm 80

Hebrews 10:5–10 Luke 1:39–45

## Prepare and Rejoice!

Rejoice, the Lord is near! St. Paul proclaims in the reading today that all shall rejoice in the Lord as the time is near for his incarnation. Today is Gaudete Sunday, and Gaudete is the Latin word for Rejoice. The purple vestments and candles make way for rose-colored vestments and candles that represent joy. This week in Advent signals that the birth of Jesus is imminent. This is the moment we wait with Mary and join with her in preparation for the birth of Jesus.

There are many ways to prepare for the birth of Jesus during Advent. For me, growing up in an Italian American family, holidays always centered around festive foods and traditions. In the third week of Advent, my Nanna's kitchen smelled divine. Flour, sugar, spices, vanilla, anise, and almond flavorings were spread across her kitchen table. Mouth-watering aromas wafted from her oven. Noticeably missing were recipe cards or sheets of paper with recipes written down. I learned



that she brought all her recipes from Italy, yet none were written down anywhere. All her recipes were memorized in Italian, and she did not use measuring cups! She would take handfuls of flour, half-handfuls of sugar—that was her baking technique. And every year, we rejoiced in her delicious delicacies. Even though her unique baking style was unconventional, the taste was always superb! Nanna loved to bake ricotta pies, spinach and escarole pies, pizza, “thodals”—that are similar to angel drops, making pasta from scratch, and more. Every day she walked a mile to 6 AM Mass and then began her marathon days of baking when she returned home. This was her way of preparing for the birth of the baby Jesus as she waited with Mary.

Nanna was always smiling and happy, but at Christmas, she exuded an extra measure of joy. As I ponder the joy Christmas brought to me in my youth, I see how much my Nanna taught me. Her everyday life became my script. She was a unique yet simple role model. Therefore, all these years later, I still follow her tradition of baking delicious Christmas treats during the third week of Advent in preparation for the birth of Jesus. Although I only have one true recipe from her, because we stopped her at every handful of flour or sugar and put it into a measuring cup, I continue to make that one and have created my own baking traditions and mimic others with new recipes. During my baking days, I pause to reflect on my Nanna and feel her presence as I scurry about my kitchen. She taught me well that joy and love are not ingredients you physically add to the recipe, but those ingredients are infused into the recipe by the one who bakes.

Every Christmas, I prepare for the birth of Jesus and wait with Mary the same way my Nanna showed me.

As we head into the fourth week of Advent, reflect on what family traditions were passed along to you. Have you kept these traditions? Or have you created space for the new? Or maybe you have blended the old with the new. In this time, as we anticipate the birth of Jesus, the One who brought the Holy Spirit and fire of Baptism, remember to infuse joy and love into your days and share it with others.

Together, as we prepare for the birth of Jesus, let us Rejoice in the journey to make all things new in Christ as we wait with Mary through Advent.

Rejoice! The Lord is near. May your hearts be filled with wonder and grace.

— Jean Santopatre  
Pastoral Associate

# CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

## Christmas Eve

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

8:30 AM Daily Mass

4:00 PM Family Mass

(WITH Omega Dance Company, Children's Choirs,  
AND Wallace Hall Choir)

Please note: Given the protocol that is followed at the Wallace Hall Family Mass on Sundays and the large number of children who will be present at the Family Mass, face masks are required to be worn by everyone attending the 4:00 PM Mass.

6:00 PM

(WITH Parish Community Choir)

8:00 PM Vigil Mass

(WITH The Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola)

Midnight Mass (livestreamed)

(WITH The Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola)

## Christmas Day

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

10:00 AM (livestreamed)

12:00 Noon Solemn Mass

(WITH The Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola)

To view the livestream of our Midnight and Christmas Day Masses, visit our parish YouTube channel at [ChurchofStIgnatiusLoyolaNYC](https://www.youtube.com/channel/ChurchofStIgnatiusLoyolaNYC).

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12th**  
Concert: *A New and Glorious Morn.*  
4 PM. Church.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14th**  
Moms, Pops & Tots.  
11 AM. Outside the Parish House.

Tuesday Night Book Group: *St. Augustine's Confessions.*  
7 PM. Zoom.



### Bambinelli Sunday

December 19th  
11 AM Wallace Hall Mass

We will bless Infant Jesus figurines that will be placed in families' crèches. We invite parishioners to bring in their figurines for the blessing.



### Reconciliation Monday

December 20th

Confessions will be heard in the Church  
from 11 AM to 1 PM & 6 PM to 8 PM.

### SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



### Christmas Angel Project

Ends This Weekend!

Benefiting Immaculate Conception/St.  
Mary's Church in Yonkers &  
St. Patrick-St. Mary's Parish in Newburgh

Participants will be able to select up to **five** 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 12th.**



### Annual Toy Drive

Through Wednesday, December 15th

Please bring new, unwrapped toys  
or games for children between the ages of 6-12  
to the Parish House.

### Women's Voices: An Advent Reflection Series



This Advent, as we wait with joyful anticipation of Christ's birth, we are gifted with Women's Voices from our parish sharing their reflections. Each Sunday of Advent we will present a video reflection from a female member of our parish community.

DECEMBER 11TH | Nicole Bedard

DECEMBER 18TH | Karen Smith

DECEMBER 25TH | Jean Santopatre

You may view these video reflections through  
our e-newsletter and on our parish website.

### The Annual Fund Matching Gift Week

Through Sunday, December 19th



An anonymous parish family will match new gifts made to The Annual Fund between Sunday, December 12th and Sunday, December 19th.

YOUR GIFT + THEIR MATCH =  
DOUBLE YOUR DONATION



To contribute,  
visit [ignatius.nyc/giving](https://www.ignatius.nyc/giving) or  
scan the QR code at left.

### 2021 Annual Report



A copy of the Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2021 is available online on our parish website [ignatius.nyc](https://www.ignatius.nyc).

To read the full report,  
scan the  
QR code at right.



### Join Our Email Mailing List!

We invite you to sign-up for our e-newsletter to receive updates on parish news and events.



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