

March 13, 2022 | Second Sunday of Lent

Open Hearts, Open Doors at 980 Park Avenue

Last Sunday St. Ignatius celebrated two Rites for 19 adults: the Rite of Sending for our catechumens (preparing for baptism) and the Call to Continuing Conversion for our already baptized candidates. In the afternoon at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Cardinal Dolan welcomed the catechumens and accepted their desire to be baptized into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

ne of my favorite passages is Luke 11:9–10, "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." I became Catholic nine years ago and since then so many doors have opened —especially the doors of service to my community.

Many people have asked: "Why did you become Catholic?" A short and simple answer: after the loss of my mother in 2010, I felt lost and alone. I had a big family and friends by my side, but something was missing. That something was finding God and letting God into my life. Maybe God would not only be the answer to help in my time of bereavement but also fulfill that need and desire of many years ago. I thought back to college (Loyola Maryland) when I dabbled with the idea of

becoming Catholic. Maybe it was time to revisit this possibility.

My journey to Catholicism and St. Ignatius Loyola Parish started in 2013. The RCIA process enabled me to come to know and become closer to Jesus Christ through reading Scripture, studying Catholic teachings, and focusing on the development of a life of prayer. All of this and entering the Catholic fold have made a great impact on my life, more than I could ever dream.

I come from a loving family that is not religious so I found myself leaning on this Parish to help provide spiritual guidance. I became more involved with St. Ignatius and began meeting new friends. I now have another family—a Spiritual Family.

I love working with our Parish's service ministries especially the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Their work for the women's shelter and the Christmas Angel Project has helped me more than I have helped others, recognizing the depths of people's needs and not just my own. St. Ignatius Loyola offers so many ministry opportunities and I want to participate in all of them!

I had the pleasure of being asked to serve on the RCIA Team and I have learned so much by being on the team. Year after year I continue to grow and learn—not just the material that we teach our catechumens and candidates—but from everyone that I have met through the program.

At one of my RCIA Rites nine years ago, the question was asked, "What do you ask of God's Church?" I had asked for "love and guidance" and my prayers are being heard and answered. I understand more and also experience God's loving presence and am realizing that God has always been with me. I just didn't feel it until I started my journey.

With guidance and discernment, there are always questions about which road to take: the straight and narrow or the one with the curves and bumps? As we know, no matter which road we take, life is always going to be curvy with bumps. God is helping me navigate this winding road.

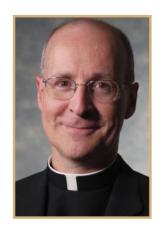
I am so blessed that I became Catholic at this Parish. Becoming Catholic as an adult is one of life's most profound and joyous experiences.

God led me to the open doors at 980 Park Avenue and this is where my journey continues. As pilgrims together in this community, let us pray for our catechumens and candidates as we walk with Jesus Christ to the Cross and Resurrection of Easter.

— WEBINAR — WALKING WITH THE EXCLUDED: ONE JESUIT'S JOURNEY

Monday, March 28th at 7:00 PM On Zoom

PRESENTER REV. JAMES MARTIN, S.J.



Editor-at-large of the Jesuit magazine America. A New York Times best-selling author, Martin's books include The Jesuit Guide to (Almost) Everything: A Spirituality for Real Life and My Life With the Saints.

He is a sought-after public speaker and media commentator on subjects such as the life and teachings of Jesus and Ignatian Spirituality as inspired by the life and teachings of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

In this presentation, Fr. Martin looks at his experiences of ministering to those who have been marginalized, excluded, and rejected.



To register for this Zoom webinar, visit ignatius.nyc/event/march28webinar or scan the QR code at left.



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, MARCH 15th

Moms, Pops & Tots.
11 AM. Outside the Parish House.

Tuesday Night Book Group — Introduction to the Spiritual Life: Walking the Path of Prayer with Jesus by Dr. Brant Pitre. 7 PM. Zoom.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16th

Society of St. Vincent de Paul. 7 PM. Gonzaga Meeting Room.

Note: Proof of vaccination is required to attend.
Email documentation to **svdpmembership980@gmail.com**prior to the day of the meeting.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19th

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

War and Peace Discussion Group

Monday, March 21st at 7 PM Parish Lounge

TOPIC: Practical and Moral Issues
Raised by Drone Warfare

The PBS Frontline documentary *Rise of the Drones* provides an excellent introduction to this topic: https://tinyurl.com/RiseOfTheDrones

Please email Fr. Hallinan at hallinanm@saintignatiusloyola.org to request the readings in advance of the class.

Proof of vaccination is required.

LAY MINISTERS' ENRICHMENT



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 23rd 9 AM to 12:30 PM Wallace Hall

Join LME for their final program of the season as they discuss brotherhood and Fr. John LaFarge's work in the field of interracial justice.

Full details will follow in a future bulletin.

Follow us on Instagram and Facebook at stignatiusnyc.

Let Your Voice Be Heard!



We invite you to join us for our upcoming Listening Sessions and Virtual Town Hall.

Listening Sessions | March 19-20:

A half-hour facilitated conversation in the Church and Wallace Hall, following all the Masses.

Virtual Town Hall | March 30th at 7 PM: Lead by a trained facilitator, this session will allow for small group discussions via breakout rooms.



To register for the Virtual Town Hall, visit tinyurl.com/siltownhall or scan the QR code at left.

IGNATIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE

A Morning of Prayer & Awareness Saturday, March 26th, from 10 AM to 12 PM Noon Wallace Hall

HOSTED BY FRIENDS OF THE BORDER

10 AM: Migrant Stations of the Cross **10:45 AM:** Panel Discussion | The Catholic Response to Immigration

PANELISTS

Dr. Leo Guardado

Professor of Theology, Fordham University

Fr. Brian Strassburger, S.J. & Fr. Louie Hotop, S.J. Co-creators of the Friends of the Border project

Ignatian Social Justice members who recently visited the Texas/Mexico Border: Laura De Boisblanc, Dolores Troy-Quinn, Terry Quinn, Christine Meyer, and Fr. Danny Gustafson, S.J.

JOB OPENING



The USA East Province of the Society of Jesus is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant for Apostolic Planning.

The Administrative Assistant provides direct support to the Provincial Assistant for Apostolic Planning & Operations through daily administrative support for the execution of the Assistant's responsibilities.

For a complete job description and application details, visit jesuitseast.org/job-opportunities.

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Weekday Masses (Monday - Friday)

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

Masses for the Weekend of March 20th:

Saturday Vigil 5:30 рм Fr. Hilbert Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Bergen 9:30 AM Fr. Gustafson Solemn 11:00 ам Fr. Hallinan

Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM Fr. Hilbert

7:30 рм Fr. Hallinan

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, March 14th

(2nd Monday of Lent) Daniel 9:4b-10 Psalm 79 Luke 6:36-38

8:30 MEM John Joseph Smith 12:10 MEM Lorne Norton 5:30 MEM Richard Wallinger

Tuesday, March 15th

(2nd Tuesday of Lent) Isaiah 1:10, 16-20 Psalm 50 Matthew 23:1-12 8:30 MEM Jack O'Leary 12:10 MEM Leo O'Brien 5:30 MEM Jimmy Neary

Wednesday, March 16th

(2nd Wednesday of Lent) Jeremiah 18:18–20 Psalm 31 Matthew 20:17-28 8:30 ANN Charles Denihan 12:10 MEM John Figge 5:30 ANN Charles Denihan

Thursday, March 17th

(2nd Thursday of Lent) Jeremiah 17:5-10 Psalm 1 Luke 16:19-31 8:30 MEM Living & Deceased Members of the Brenninkmeijer Family 12:10 MEM Christopher Murtagh 5:30 MEM Margaret Dossetor

Friday, March 18th

(2nd Friday of Lent) Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Psalm 105 Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46 8:30 MEM John & Nora Reilly 12:10 ANN Therese Troilo 5:30 MEM Mario Daiuto, David Depori & Suhair Koura

Saturday, March 19th

(St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary) 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Psalm 89 Romans 4:13, 16–18, 22 Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a 8:30 MEM Carla Fendi

Sunday, March 20th

(3rd Sunday of Lent)

Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15 Psalm 103 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 Luke 13:1-9