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May 1, 2022 | Third Sunday of Easter

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## *A Family Reunion – A Festival Mass*

Family reunions take many different forms. Some occur to celebrate milestone moments in our lives, like birthdays and weddings. Others are sources of consolation at times of loss. And the really special ones are those whose sole purpose is to enjoy the company of relatives or those who are dear to us — to catch up on the latest news of one another, to reminisce, and to share the affection and good cheer that binds us together as family and friends. Family reunions invariably lift our spirits and nurture our souls, both in the moment and in the afterglow of our memories.

My experience has been that any reunion, no matter what variety, takes lots of planning. For some people, the very anticipation of coming together is itself a source of delight. It whets the appetite for experiencing everyone enjoying themselves. Planning every detail of the reunion becomes a labor of love that is appreciated by all as a gift itself. Yes, there are some who cringe at the prospect of a family reunion. With foreboding, they envision scenarios of skeletons of the past coming to life, yet they will show up lest they be considered party-poopers and curmudgeons. The paradoxical thing about this group is that they will eventually enjoy the get-together immensely and will be among the first to suggest that planning for the next reunion should begin as soon as possible!



I am sure that all of us have memories of family reunions of long ago or more recent ones. I think of such things as the kids raucously playing, the elders sitting on lawn chairs and going in and out of several conversations at the same time, of the menfolk at the grill and the women folk shuttling back and forth from the house to the yard with enough food and drink to feed the neighborhood. Then a moment would come when the banter would pause and a meal of food and love would be served like a royal banquet on the finest china, even though it was actually paper plates and plastic cups. Then dessert was served, and the sugar-high revved up the kids once again as the wizened elders looked askance at parents who allowed such frivolity to intrude upon their need for tranquility. There is a nostalgic glow to my memories,

tied together with the thread of gratitude I experienced during those celebrations, but lost sight of with the passage of time, that is, until we once again gathered as a family.

I believe it is time for us, here at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, to have a family reunion — of sorts. On Sunday, May 8th, Mother's Day, those in our parish community who ordinarily attend the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass and those who ordinarily attend the 11:00 AM Wallace Hall Family Mass will celebrate in common ***Our Parish, Our Home Festival Mass*** at 11:00 AM in the church. We will come together to experience anew our stated mission as a parish: to welcome all and to worship joyfully.

Planning for this Mass has been in the works for several weeks. The hospitality, liturgical, and music ministries will be combined for this celebration. Like a family reunion, we will reacquaint ourselves with one another. We will be nourished from the same table of faith, friendship, and love. We will call to mind and celebrate what has been meaningful to us as parishioners of this vibrant parish on the Upper East Side of New York City that we recognize and cherish as our parish, our home.

And to our “distant cousins” who may regularly attend one of the other weekend Masses, you are also gladly welcomed to join the other members of the family on May 8th at 11:00 AM.

No RSVP is required! The doors of the church will be wide open to welcome all of you.

— Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J.  
Pastor

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## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**SATURDAY, MAY 7th**

**Counteracting Unconscious Bias:**

**A Workshop for Parishioners and Staff of St. Ignatius.**

**8 AM. Parish House. Details at right.**

**Webinar | The German Church:**

**Leaders of Catholic LGBT Equality.**

**1 PM. Zoom. Details below.**

## Our Parish, Our Home Festival Mass

**Sunday, May 8th at 11 AM in the Church**

Join us as our 11 AM Solemn Mass and 11 AM Wallace Hall Family Mass communities gather together to celebrate the *Our Parish, Our Home Festival Mass*.

We will unite as one parish family, renewing our parish mission to welcome all and to worship joyfully.

## LGBT CATHOLICS & FRIENDS

**WEBINAR | The German Church:**

**Leaders of Catholic LGBT Equality**

**Saturday, May 7th at 1 PM on Zoom**

In recent years the German Church has emerged as the leader of the progressive movement within the Catholic Church. In this webinar, Dr. Michael Brinkschröder and Rainer Teuber explore how the church in that nation has moved so far forward on LGBT issues. They will also discuss the #OutInChurch movement, in which 125 LGBT priests and church workers in Germany “came out” earlier this year in a public statement and a documentary broadcast on national television.



To register, please visit [ignatius.nyc/event/may7webinar](https://www.ignatius.nyc/event/may7webinar) or scan the QR code at left.

## New Parishioners Reception

**Thursday, May 12th, from 7 PM to 9 PM**

**Wallace Hall**

Fr. Dennis Yesalonia, S.J., and the staff of the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola cordially invite you to a reception to welcome our newest parishioners.

Meet new friends, enjoy refreshments, and learn about parish ministries and activities.

**RSVP by Saturday, May 7th to Lou Csabay at [lou@csabayconsulting.com](mailto:lou@csabayconsulting.com) or (908) 581-4580.**

## Parish Ministries Appreciation Dinner

**Tuesday, May 24th at 7 PM**

**Wallace Hall**

Fr. Dennis Yesalonia, S.J., Pastor, cordially invites those St. Ignatius Loyola parishioners who have served this year to our *Parish Ministries Appreciation Dinner*.



**To RSVP, visit**

***[ignatius.nyc/parish-ministries-dinner-2022](https://www.ignatius.nyc/parish-ministries-dinner-2022) or scan the QR code at left.***

*The RSVP deadline is May 13th.*

**We look forward to sharing a meal together!**

## Counteracting Unconscious Bias:

**A Workshop for Parishioners and**

**Staff of St. Ignatius Parish**

**Saturday, May 7th, from 8 AM to 3 PM**

**Optional Session to Debrief, from 3 PM to 4 PM**

**Mass for Sunday at 4 PM**

In the gospels, Jesus challenged his contemporaries to overcome their biases toward those whom they judged to be different from themselves. That challenge of Jesus to his contemporaries is a challenge to which each of us, as his followers, must respond.

*Are we open to looking honestly at how our perceptions, judgments, and reactions to others who are different from us reflect unconscious biases that influence the way we speak and act toward them?*

*Are we willing to acknowledge these unconscious biases at work within us and to learn strategies for overcoming them so that we treat all persons as we ourselves want to be treated?*

*How are we to follow Jesus' commandment to love one another as He has loved us when our subconscious biases prevent us from doing so?*

This day-long workshop requires a commitment from each participant:

- To be open, honest, and respectful in sharing one's thoughts and feelings
- To accept that the workshop will raise issues that can be challenging and unsettling
- To be prompt and stay for the entire workshop and not leave early.

**Registration is required. Please call the Parish House or email your reservation to Fr. Hallinan, S.J., by Tuesday, May 3rd at [hallinanm@saintignatiusloyola.org](mailto:hallinanm@saintignatiusloyola.org).**

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### Pastor

Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J.

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### Senior Priest

Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.

### Pastoral Year Priest

Rev. Daniel N. Gustafson, S.J.

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Kate Noonan                      Jean Santopatre  
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Maureen Haley

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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 May 8th

Saturday Vigil                      5:30 PM Fr. Gustafson  
Sunday:                              8:00 AM Fr. Bergen  
   9:30 AM Fr. Hilbert  
Festival Mass                      11:00 AM Fr. Yesalonia  
   7:30 PM Fr. Yesalonia

## 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  
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*(PreK-3 through Kindergarten)*

Ms. Mary Larkin, Head of School

240 East 84th Street

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## 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, May 2nd

*(St. Athanasius)*

Acts 6:8–15 Psalm 119 John 6:22–29

**8:30 MEM** Ciro Saracino

**12:10 MEM** Joan Donovan

**5:30 MEM** Rebecca Strittmatter

### Tuesday, May 3rd

*(Ss. Philip & James)*

1 Corinthians 15:1–8 Psalm 19

John 14:6–14

**8:30 MEM** Daniel Torres

**12:10 MEM** Fr. Vincent Butler, S.J.

**5:30 MEM** Joseph Brunetti

### Wednesday, May 4th

*(Third Wednesday of Easter)*

Acts 8:1b–8 Psalm 66

John 6:35–40

**8:30 MEM** The Choix & Gordon  
Families

**12:10 MEM** Ray Cremin

**5:30 MEM** Daniel Moloney

### Thursday, May 5th

*(Third Thursday of Easter)*

Acts 8:26–40 Psalm 66

John 6:44–51

**8:30 MEM** Ron May

**12:10 MEM** Rajmonda Pilinci

**5:30 MEM** Jack Kehoe

### Friday, May 6th

*(Third Friday of Easter)*

Acts 9:1–20 Psalm 117 John 6:52–59

**8:30 MEM** Julia Anne O'Donnell

**12:10 MEM** Eleanor Pearson  
Gordon

**5:30 MEM** Charles Tantillo &  
Paula Tantillo Fudge

### Saturday, May 7th

*(Third Saturday of Easter)*

Acts 9:31–42 Psalm 116 John 6:60–69

**8:30 MEM** Arthur Levine

### Sunday, May 8th

*(Fourth Sunday of Easter)*

Acts 13:14, 43–52 Psalm 100

Revelation 7:9, 14b–17 John 10:27–30