

June 26, 2022 | Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Bittersweet Farewell

This is the toughest aspect of Jesuit life. One year is just enough time to get settled, develop a new routine, get to know people, make friends, gain a feeling of confidence and something roughly resembling competence...and then leave.

When I was preparing to move from Chicago to New York in 2016, I was talking with my spiritual director about the difficulty of leaving people and a place I had come to love. He said, "At times of departure, there are, at most, two things to say: 'Thank you' and, if appropriate, 'I'm sorry." As always, he was correct.

I'll begin with the latter by quoting George Washington's farewell address: "Though, in reviewing the incidents of my administration ["pastoral year" in my case], I am unconscious of intentional error, I am nevertheless too sensible of my defects not to think it probable that I may have committed many errors." Whether it was forgetting your name despite having already been introduced, a moment of distraction and not engaging you in more meaningful conversation, a line in a homily that didn't sit well, or anything else, for any and all of my shortcomings this year, I do apologize.



The "thank you" portion of my leave-taking, if done properly, would fill many bulletins. Over the course of my life, I have found God to be bafflingly, comically, abundantly, inexplicably generous and gentle with me. He has continued this undeserved trend this year through you, the wonderful people of the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola. When I arrived in August I had celebrated perhaps a dozen Masses, heard a handful of confessions, and presided at one wedding and zero funerals. Your generosity in getting to know me, responding to my homilies, welcoming me to baptize your children and bury your loved ones, sharing your human weaknesses and deep, profoundly holy desires in the confessional, and dedication to this parish community are God's grace made real to me. This parish has been a welcoming, supportive, joyful place in which I've been able to stretch and grow into priesthood. As I've told several of you this year, the reason newly ordained priests keep getting sent here is that you take good care of us.

Thanking particular people or groups runs the risk of unintentionally overlooking others, but I'd be remiss to not express my gratitude in some specificity. To the whole parish staff, thank you for your tireless work, your generous spirit of collaboration, and the many laughs we've shared. To the facilities and sacristy team, without whom nothing would get done, *mil gracias por todo su ayuda y diligencia*. To the Friends of the Border, our trip was a fortuitous surprise and one of the highlights of the year for me. To IVC, youth group, IYA, ISJ, and the other groups with whom I've spent time, thank you for the energy you bring to this community. To all of the musicians, your talent adds so much to the life and prayer of this parish. If left to my own devices, I wouldn't have processed out of a single Mass until your final notes had finished echoing in the farthest corners of the church. To my brother priests, your support and encouragement of me and your genuine care for the people of this parish have been deeply edifying and are among the key lessons I take away from my time here.

I depart for my doctoral studies at Boston College as a better priest, a better Jesuit, a better Christian, and a better human being because of my time here and the blessings all of you have been to me.

This is not goodbye, but see you later. Until then, thank you.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, JUNE 26th

Farewell to Fr. Gustafson.
Following the 11 AM Masses.
Gonzaga Meeting Room.

Details below.

Hour Children Donation Truck. 9 AM to 1 PM. Outside the Grammar School. Details at right.

March with LGBT Catholics & Friends. 2 PM. NYC Pride Parade.

Details below.

TUESDAY, JUNE 28th

Tuesday Night Book Group | The Pilgrim's Story: The Life and Spirituality of St. Ignatius Loyola. 7 PM. Zoom.

Details on page 3.

Farewell to Fr. Gustafson

Sunday, June 26th, following the 11 AM Masses Gonzaga Meeting Room

Join us for a farewell reception for Fr. Danny Gustafson, S.J., as we thank him for his service to our parish.

We will have a guest book present. We invite you to sign it, share a favorite memory of Fr. Gustafson, and wish him well in his next chapter.

LGBT CATHOLICS & FRIENDS

March with LGBT Catholics & Friends

LGBT Catholics & Friends invites all parishioners to march with them in the NYC Pride Parade on **Sunday, June 26th**.

They will be joining marchers from other Catholic parishes in the tristate area.

Check-in time: 2 PM Section #: 5

Order #: 31

Marcher Formation Block:

26th Street between 6th & 5th Avenues



To stay up-to-date on parish news, follow us on Instagram and Facebook at *stignatiusnyc*.

Hour Children Donation Truck

Sunday, June 26th 9 AM to 1 PM

The Hour Children truck will be parked outside the Grammar School on East 84th Street (between Park & Madison Avenues) to receive donations of:

- Clothing/accessories for women, men, babies & children
- Small appliances (nothing larger than a microwave)
 - Kitchenware (pots, pans, dishes, flatware, etc.)
 - Linens

They will <u>not</u> accept donations of books, toys, stuffed animals, puzzles, games, or furniture.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration Now Open for the 2022-2023 Session of IREP

Register now for the next session of our Interparish Religious Education Program (IREP).

IREP is an ongoing formation process for Kindergarten to 8th-grade students.



To register, visit ignatius.nyc/irep-registration or scan the QR code at left.

Lady Chapel Open for Private Prayer



The Lady Chapel is open daily for private prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, from 1 PM to 4 PM.

During those hours, the Church will be closed.

Sign-up for Our Weekly E-Newsletter!

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



To sign-up, scan the QR code at left or visit *ignatius.nyc*.

Low-Gluten Hosts

For parishioners wishing to receive a low-gluten host at the distribution of Holy Communion, please speak with a Hospitality Minister.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?



Do you have a friend, family member, or a loved one who is considering becoming Catholic? Encourage them to reach out

to us to inquire about our parish program designed to initiate adults into the Catholic faith.

A group will meet here during the year to inquire into the Catholic faith, to come to know Jesus through the Gospels, and to pray & to prepare for the Easter Sacraments.

For more information, contact Maureen Fullam at 212-288-3588 or email church@stignatiusloyola.org.

TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK GROUP

The Pilgrim's Story: The Life and Spirituality of St. Ignatius Loyola Through Tuesday, August 9th 7 PM to 8:15 PM Zoom

The Pilgrim's Story goes beyond a simple biography to explain how the life of St. Ignatius affected his Spiritual Exercises and describe how Ignatian spirituality can help each of us understand our own spiritual longings and experiences.

Leading the discussion will be Bob Giugliano, Ph.D., a licensed psychologist, spiritual director, and adjunct faculty member in the Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education at Fordham University with extensive experience in Ignatian Spirituality including leading the Spiritual Exercises.

To receive the Zoom link for this discussion, email TuesdayNightBookGroup@gmail.com.

Altar Servers

Young people currently in grade 5 through the first year of high school are eligible to serve as altar servers.

If your child is interested, please contact Fr. Hallinan by calling the Parish House or via email at hallinanm@saintignatiusloyola.org.

We would warmly welcome new volunteers!

GIVING

At this time of the year, the weekly collection decreases, while parish expenses remain constant.

As you enjoy a warm-weather respite, please remain connected to St. Ignatius through your financial support of parish operations during the summer months.



To contribute, visit ignatius.nyc/virtual-offertory or scan the QR code at left.

IGNATIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE

Volunteer Opportunities at the **New York Common Pantry**

The New York Common Pantry is seeking volunteers from St. Ignatius Loyola to help at the Pantry.

They have a new mobile pantry on East 108th. Their "Help 365" Program offers social services. Their "Project Dignity" is for homeless people, offering showers, haircuts, mailing addresses, etc. The Pantry needs a pipeline of volunteers, especially Wednesdays. If you'd like to volunteer, please identify yourself as a St. Ignatius Loyola parishioner.

> Volunteers can sign up for times at nycommonpantry.org.

For more information, contact Alan Pardee, parishioner and member of the Ignatian Social Justice ministry, at alanpardee123@gmail.com.

Ignatian Volunteer Corps



IVC volunteers are adults over 50 years of age who offer their life skills and experience one to two days a week to directly serve those in need.

Interested? Contact Maureen Fullam, Regional Director, at 917-859-0928 or email mfullam@ivcusa.org, and visit us at ivcusa.org.

In Search of Hospitality Ministers

The Hospitality Ministry is seeking parishioners interested in serving at the 7:30 PM Sunday Mass.

If you are interested in serving, email siloyolanyhospitality@gmail.com.

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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 Brian Pinter Jean Santopatre

Pastoral Assistant

Maureen Haley

Assisting Priest

Rev. James Martin, S.J.

Music Ministries

Daniel Beckwith Robert Reuter Michael Sheetz Maureen Haley Douglas Purcell

Scott Warren, *Director* Danya Katok, *Director of Concerts*

Assistants to the Pastor

Diane M. Boyle Rebecca Brucas

Administrative Assistant

Patricia Schneider

Director of Communications

Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Director of Facilities

Robert Cisternino

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 July 3rd

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm Fr. Yesalonia Sunday: 8:00 am Fr. Gustafson 9:30 am Fr. Bergen Solemn 11:00 am Fr. Hilbert 7:30 pm Fr. Hilbert

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
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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

Resumes in September.

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, June 27th

(13th Monday in Ordinary Time) Amos 2:6–10, 13–16 Psalm 50 Matthew 8:18–22

8:30 MEM Eileen Rown Walsh
12:10 MEM Living & Deceased
Members of the Fiorella/Russo Families
5:30 ANN Jack Kehoe

Tuesday, June 28th (St. Irenaeus)

Amos 3:1–8; 4:11–12 Psalm 5

Matthew 8:23-27

8:30 MEM Margaret & John Reilly

12:10 MEM Alice Squeri

5:30 MEM Jonathan Hayes Bradley

Wednesday, June 29th

(Ss. Peter & Paul) Acts 12:1–11 Psalm 34 2 Timothy 4:6–8, 17–18

Matthew 16:13–19
8:30 MEM Dorothy Casey
12:10 MEM Living & Deceased
Members of the Fiorella/Russo Families

5:30 MEM Zenia Co

Thursday, June 30th

(13th Thursday in Ordinary Time) Amos 7:10–17 Psalm 19 Matthew 9:1–8

8:30 MEM John & Mae Rooney
12:10 MEM Living & Deceased
Members of the Fiorella/Russo Families
5:30 MEM William Powers

Friday, July 1st

(13th Friday in Ordinary Time) Amos 8:4–6, 9–12 Psalm 119 Matthew 9:9–13

8:30 MEM Ciro Saracino 5:30 MEM Christian Ambrose Valero DeVera

Saturday, July 2nd

(13th Saturday in Ordinary Time) Amos 9:11–15 Psalm 85 Matthew 9:14–17 8:30 MEM Larry Cooney

Sunday, July 3rd

(14th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
Isaiah 66:10–14c Psalm 66
Galatians 6:14–18 Luke 10:1–12, 17–20