



April 30, 2023 | Fourth Sunday of Easter

Where Do You “Find” God in All Things?

As part of my weekly Ignatian Parents book club, sponsored by neighboring Regis High School, I have been pondering and reflecting on the Ignatian concept of “finding God in all things.” It really is an interesting part of my spiritual journeying, perhaps sparked partly by some recent health challenges. While the book we are exploring is mainly about “forgiveness” (*The Jesuit Guide to Forgiveness: Ten Steps to Healing* by Marina Berzins McCoy), other Ignatian concepts and themes have also come to the surface for me.

I would like to share some thoughts of truly finding God in all things—which turns out to be rather easy if *you prepare yourself to just look at what is going on around you* in a normal week. Because our life in NYC lately seems to have been so focused on what I will call the political and pandemic craziness, we can easily get distracted. We miss what is happening with and for us on a daily basis.



One suggestion I would like to make, in order to see where you can find God in all things for yourself, is to remove the news cycle for a week. Get rid of it from your sphere of reference (print and online, and TV). Believe it or not, that alone could be a significant reason why you get distracted and can't find God in all (any!) things.

Next, take a walk with no destination in mind, just walk for 15 minutes aimlessly in terms of seeking a destination, but at the same time, with your eyes and ears open to what is happening around you. The last time I did this on my 15-block walk to my office, I saw a mother carrying her daughter's purple backpack and skillfully maneuvering her daughter's purple scooter on their way to school. The young girl, I think a kindergartener, was also wearing striped purple leggings and a purple hat. (I guess she likes purple—one of my favorite colors, too). They were talking to each other and laughing about something I couldn't hear. But what I saw was an unmistakable love and awareness of each other on a busy Second Avenue stretch of about six blocks. It made me smile and think of our own 16-year-old twins. In that instant, I saw God working divine magic on that young girl and her mother and reminding me of our graces and gifts, too.

In general, I have come to think that finding God in all things is not as hard as it sounds because God is the source of all things and creator of all things, visible and invisible. So I would like to suggest that you can find him in familiar everyday things and in the people who are part of your everyday life. Sometimes you even find God in strangers like the mom and her daughter on the purple scooter, but you can find God just as easily in your own family, friends, and colleagues. Just look. I promise you'll be surprised.

— **Rich Miller-Murphy**
Parishioner

Rich joined St. Ignatius Loyola Church in 2010 and is currently working towards his Master of Arts in Chaplaincy at Hartford International University for Religion and Peace (formerly Hartford Seminary).

This Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, APRIL 30th

Community Coffee Hour.

Following the 11 AM Masses.

Outside the Parish House. *Details below.*

CONCERT | Isabelle Demers Organ Recital.
3 PM. Church & Livestreamed. *Details at right.*

TUESDAY, MAY 2nd

TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK GROUP | *Proclaiming the Power of Christ* by Bishop Robert Barron.
7 PM. Zoom.

For more information and to register, email TuesdayNightBookGroup@gmail.com, with "Bishop Barron" in the subject line.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3rd

BACK TO BASICS CLASS | Ignatian Spirituality 101.
7 PM. McKinnon Hall (Grammar School),
48 East 84th Street. *Details on page 3.*

SCRIPTURE COURSE | Women of the Hebrew Scriptures.
7 PM. Zoom. *Details on page 3.*

FRIDAY, MAY 5th

WAR & PEACE DISCUSSION GROUP |
Viewing of the Documentary Film *Citizenfour*.
7 PM. Parish Lounge. *Details on page 3.*

Community Coffee Hour

Sunday, April 30th

Following the 11 AM Masses
Outside the Parish House

Join us on Park Avenue for a new season
of our Community Coffee Hour.

We will have coffee as well as an opportunity
to mix & mingle with fellow parishioners.

Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary any time during 2023 are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 4th at 2:30 PM.

Pre-registration is required.

To register, contact Rebecca Brucas
at 212-288-3588 or
brucasr@saintignatiusloyola.org
by Monday, May 15th.

Our Parish, Our Home Festival Mass

Sunday, May 7th at 11 AM

Church

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

This is an opportunity for all of us to celebrate being one parish family.

The Spring Appeal is Underway!

The Spring Appeal is an important source of funds for the many ministries and ordinary operations of the parish.

Please support your parish and contribute to the 2023 Spring Appeal.



To give online, visit
ignatius.nyc/annual-appeal
or scan the QR code at left.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Isabelle Demers Organ Recital

Sunday, April 30th at 3 PM

Church & Livestreamed

Join us for our final concert of the season: an organ recital by Isabelle Demers featuring her very own transcription of Stravinsky's *The Firebird Suite*.

Possessing "bracing virtuosity" (*Chicago Classical Review*), she has enraptured listeners worldwide with spell-binding performances. Born in Québec and a graduate of Juilliard, Dr. Demers is the newly-appointed Associate Professor of Organ at McGill University in Montréal. Her acclaimed recordings on the Acis and Pro Organo labels have been heralded as "expressive...profound and searching" (*RSCM's Church Music Quarterly*).

To purchase tickets, visit ignatius.nyc/concerts.

Home Communion Call



If you or a loved one is confined to home and would like to receive Communion on a periodic or regular basis, someone from the parish's Compassionate Care Ministry will come to your home and bring Communion.

If interested, email Fr. Hilbert at hilbertm@saintignatiusloyola.org or leave your name and phone number at the Parish House for Fr. Hilbert, and someone will be scheduled to visit.

Lectures at St. Ignatius

Quiet Prophecy – Another Kind of Protest for Social and Religious Transformation

Monday, May 22nd at 7 PM
Wallace Hall & Livestreamed

SPEAKER: FR. RONALD ROLHEISER, OMI

Scripture tells us that, as he grew, John the Baptist “grew strong in spirit.” What if you are the type of person who is “accommodating in spirit”? What if you are not the type of person who can openly protest things and openly challenge others? What are your prophetic gifts?

How can your quiet gifts challenge the world and the church to be more just, loving, and faith-filled? Is there another kind of “protest” that is powerfully prophetic?

About the Speaker

Fr. Rolheiser is President Emeritus of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, Texas, and a Professor of Spirituality there. He is a community-builder, lecturer, and writer. His books

are popular throughout the English-speaking world and have now been translated into many languages. His weekly column is carried by newspapers worldwide.



Back to Basics Class: What It Means to Be Catholic

Through Wednesday, May 10th, in the Grammar School's McKinnon Hall (48 East 84th Street), the priests of the parish will offer an opportunity to learn more about what it means to be Catholic.

The topic areas that will be covered are:

Ignatian Spirituality 101 | Wednesday, May 3rd | 7 PM
Fundamental principles. *The Examen*. Discernment. The meaning and significance of AMDG. (Fr. Hilbert)

Liturgy of the Mass 101 | Wednesday, May 10th | 7 PM
Each part of the Mass will be explained, along with its accompanying prayers. (Fr. Hallinan)



To register (registration is required), visit [ignatius.nyc/back-to-basics-class-registration](https://www.ignatius.nyc/back-to-basics-class-registration) or scan the QR code at left.

Join Our Email Mailing List!

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



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

Inaugural Parish Art Show Thursday, May 11th to Saturday, May 13th Wallace Hall

Join us to see the hidden talents of your fellow parishioners! And perhaps buy a piece of art for your home or as a gift. Maybe something for the maternal figure in your life for Mother's Day!

We will also feature 15 pieces by Ukrainian artists Sonia Atlantova & Olexander Klimenko—depicting icons on ammunition boxes. Proceeds will benefit a mobile hospital in Ukraine.

Join us for the opening reception on
Thursday, May 11th, from 7 PM to 9:30 PM,
in Wallace Hall.

Light refreshments will be served.

Art will remain on display and for sale through
Saturday, May 13th at 4 PM.

For more information, email silartshow@gmail.com.

Scripture Course

Women of the Hebrew Scriptures
Four Wednesdays, beginning May 3rd at 7 PM
Zoom

Women play pivotal roles in the story of salvation, cooperating with God's plans at key moments to further God's work of redemption.

Our class meetings will explore the extraordinary stories of Rebecca, Ruth, Esther, and others. Brian B. Pinter, Pastoral Associate, will present.

To RSVP, email brianbpinter@protonmail.com.

War & Peace Discussion Group

**Viewing of the Documentary Film
*Citizenfour***
Friday, May 5th at 7 PM
Parish Lounge

For our May meeting, we will study the rise of the surveillance state in the United States, which benefits numerous companies that profit off the military-industrial complex. The documentary we will be viewing is *Citizenfour*, an Oscar-winning film directed by Laura Poitras and produced by Steven Soderbergh.

To view the trailer, visit [citizenfourfilm.com/trailer](https://www.citizenfourfilm.com/trailer).

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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 7th

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

Religious Education for Children

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Saint Ignatius Loyola School

Upper Campus

(First Grade through Eighth Grade)

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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 contact Maureen Haley at
baptisms@saintignatiusloyola.org
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 contact
Maureen Haley at
weddings@saintignatiusloyola.org
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.

Ignatian Young Adults (IYA)

For more information about our IYA
ministry, email Jean Santopatre at
santopatrej@saintignatiusloyola.org

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, May 1st

(Fourth Monday of Easter)

Acts 11:1–18 Psalm 42

John 10:11–18

8:30 MEM Ciro Saracino

12:10 MEM Uri Lavy

5:30 MEM Andrea Ferrazzano

Tuesday, May 2nd

(St. Athanasius)

Acts 11:19–26 Psalm 87

John 10:22–30

8:30 MEM John & Nora Reilly

12:10 MEM Edward McAnaney

5:30 MEM Isabelito Palconit

Wednesday, May 3rd

(Ss. Philip & James)

1 Corinthians 15:1–8 Psalm 19

John 14:6–14

8:30 MEM The Choix & Gordon
Families

12:10 MEM Charlotte Barrows

5:30 MEM Sabrina Lauzat

Thursday, May 4th

(Fourth Thursday of Easter)

Acts 13:13–25 Psalm 89

John 13:16–20

8:30 MEM Joyce Zebrowski

12:10 MEM Joy Blanton

5:30 MEM Charles Tantillo &
Paula Tantillo-Fudge

Friday, May 5th

(Fourth Friday of Easter)

Acts 13:26–33 Psalm 2 John 14:1–6

8:30 MEM Living & Deceased
Members of the Brenninkmeijer
Family

12:10 MEM Joseph A. Duchesneau

5:30 MEM Bill Hassett

Saturday, May 6th

(Fourth Saturday of Easter)

Acts 13:44–52 Psalm 98

John 14:7–14

8:30 LVG Peter & Anna Disbrey

Sunday, May 7th

(Fifth Sunday of Easter)

Acts 6:1–7 1 Peter 2:4–9

Psalm 33 John 14:1–12