

June 11, 2023 | The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Living Bread

Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Jesus saying, "I am the living bread come down from heaven," is a tremendous claim. He is the word God utters to reveal himself to us.

He is God's word—God's promise—to be with us on the journey of life, wherever the doubts, the sins, the sufferings and joys lead, even through the valley of the shadow of death.

Jesus the food for the journey: in his person, God nourishes us. In his living, dying, and rising God shows us the path to joyous life in holy communion with him, one another, with all who have gone before and all who are to come.

Behind all talk about Eucharistic doctrine is the real presence God wants to have in our lives. Albert Edward Day:

...God is present in reality no matter what unreality our practices or ponderings imply. He is forever trying to establish communication; forever aware of the wrong directions we are taking and wishing to warn us; forever offering solutions to the problems that baffle us; forever standing at the door of our loneliness...clinging to our indifference in the hope that someday our needs, or at least our tragedies will waken us to respond to his advances. The Real Presence is just that, real and life-transforming.

"The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." Eating flesh, drinking blood is an idiom meaning to ruthlessly destroy. Bread becomes the flesh of Jesus broken and poured out on the Cross.

"If you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you." We are to feed on his flesh—graphic language for a profound reality.

The Eucharist is the Risen Body of Christ under the appearance of bread and wine. The enfleshment—of God continues. I am, we are, ever becoming, his body in the world.

I feed on him, I digest him, and he remains in me, in every molecule of me, and I in him. The eternal life of God is in me. My bodily life has a value, a purpose, a destiny beyond this world.

Christ remains in you. I must bear your burdens and accept with affection your quirks and faults. I must respect and defend the dignity and rights of each and all of us. As Ignatius of Antioch wrote before the year 110:

Those who hold erroneous opinions hold aloof from Eucharist and prayer, because they do not confess that the Eucharist is the flesh of our Savior, Jesus Christ, which suffered for our sins and which the Father in his loving-kindness raised from the dead...They concern themselves neither with the works of charity, nor widows, nor orphans, nor the distressed, nor those in prison or out of it, nor the hungry or thirsty.

Jesus longs for the transubstantiation of each disciple.

Receiving his Flesh and Blood, we affirm that, with Jesus, we are willing to be broken by disappointment, betrayal, and suffering in order not to oppress others, in order to share the burdens of others who struggle and are afraid. There is such joy in this.

This is the Living Bread come down from heaven.

This Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, JUNE 11th

Hour Children Donation Truck. 9 AM to 12:30 PM.

East 84th Street, between Park & Madison Avenues.

Details on page 3.

Community Coffee Hour. Following the 11 AM Masses. Outside the Parish House.

TUESDAY, JUNE 13th

Tuesday Night Book Group | Proclaiming the Power of Christ by Bishop Robert Barron.
7 PM. Zoom.

To receive the Zoom link, please email TuesdayNightBookGroup@gmail.com with "Bishop Barron" in the subject line.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17th

Tuesday Night Book Group | Saturday Midday Retreat: Talk on Saint Faustina Kowalska.

To register to attend (there is no cost) and to receive details, email tuesdaynightbookgroup@gmail.com with "June 17th Retreat" in the subject line.

LGBT Catholics & Friends

March with LGBT Catholics & Friends

LGBT Catholics & Friends invites all parishioners to march with them in the Pride Parade on **Sunday, June 25th**.

Our group will meet at 3:45 PM, on East 26th Street, between Madison and Fifth (enter the block from the east side).

For information, contact join.lgbt.caf@gmail.com.

Snow Ball Dance Saturday, December 2nd Wallace Hall

Mark your calendars and get ready to dance the night away at our annual Snow Ball Dance as we kick off the joyous holiday season!

Grab a pen and make sure to save the date so you don't miss out on this opportunity to celebrate the holidays with friends and loved ones.

We can't wait to see you there!

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!

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.

Livestream Viewing Recommendation

For a consistently more reliable viewing of livestreamed Masses, we encourage you to use our parish YouTube channel, rather than Facebook.



You can find us on YouTube at youtube.com/c/ChurchofStIgnatiusLoyolaNYC or by scanning the QR code at left.

Join the Knights of Columbus for Free

Are you a man looking for a meaningful way to serve your community and live out your faith? Look no further than the Knights of Columbus, a fraternal organization that offers men the opportunity to make a difference in the world while deepening their spiritual journey. You can now join the Knights of Columbus for free using the promo code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY.

For more information, including how to join, visit kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-kofc.html.

Lost & Found

If you have lost an item while visiting the church, please stop by the Parish House to check if your misplaced article has been turned in.

Religious Education

Registration Now Open for the 2023-2024 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.

IREP is intended for children who do not attend Catholic School but would like to be guided in the Catholic Faith.



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

Ignatian Social Justice

New York Common Pantry Volunteer Opportunity

There is an urgent need for volunteers to help at the New York Common Pantry (NYCP)'s Hub in the Bronx at 1290 Hoe Avenue.

Volunteers are needed on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays; NYCP can accommodate up to 125 volunteers from 10 AM to 1:30 PM on any of those days. While there is parking, it is limited street parking.



To volunteer, scan the QR code at left and select "sign up" beside an opportunity that interests you.

All volunteers are required to show proof of vaccination (2 doses for Pfizer or Moderna or 1 dose of Johnson & Johnson), consistent with organization-wide policy.

Please note that due to COVID-19, all volunteers must wear masks at all times in the Pantry.

Olivewood Sale

Saturday, June 24th & Sunday, June 25th In the Narthex, following all Masses

Representatives from Bethlehem Handicrafts will be selling religious articles carved from olivewood, a handicrafts trade that evolved as a cultural tradition of Christians in the Holy Land and as an industry of great importance to the local people of the Holy Land who rely on it for their livelihood.

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Hour Children Donation Truck Sunday, June 11th, from 9 AM to 12:30 PM

The Hour Children truck will be at St. Ignatius on Sunday, June 11th, from 9 AM to 12:30 PM to accept donations of the following items—all must be clean and in good condition:

- Clothing new or gently used in good condition, clean, with no stains, tears, etc.
 - Kitchen appliances in good working condition
- Cookware, dishes, and other kitchen items in good condition
 - Towels, sheets, and other housewares

No books, toys, games or puzzles, stuffed toys, devices such as cellphones, tablets, computers, or furniture.

Note: The Hour Children trucks may be parked on East 84th Street rather than in front of the Church.

About Hour Children

Hour Children is a nonprofit provider of services to help women who are incarcerated and formerly incarcerated and their children to reunify with their families, rejoin the community, and rebuild their lives. Items you donate will be given to their clients or sold in their thrift shops to support their many programs.

If you have any questions, email Liz Martucci, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, at svdpmembership980@gmail.com.

From the Archdiocese

New York State Eucharistic Congress
October 20th to 22nd
Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine, Auriesville, New York

Join 10,000 Catholics to worship at the spot where the North American Martyrs gave their lives for Christ and where St. Kateri Tekakwitha was born.

Events include Mass with Cardinal Dolan and New York bishops, confessions, and Eucharistic Adoration & Procession.

For more information and to register, visit nyseucharisticcongress.org.

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*.

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Weekday Masses (Monday - Friday)

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

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Masses for the Weekend of June 18th

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM Fr. Cortese Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Hallinan 9:30 AM Fr. Casciotti

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Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Hilbert Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM Fr. Yesalonia

7:30 PM Fr. Hilbert

Religious Education for Children

Ms. Kate Noonan, Director (212) 288-3588 x609 noonank@saintignatiusloyola.org

Saint Ignatius Loyola School

Upper Campus

(First Grade through Eighth Grade)
Ms. Mary Larkin, Head of School
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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

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, June 12th

(Tenth Monday in Ordinary Time) 2 Corinthians 1:1–7 Psalm 34 Matthew 5:1–12

8:30 MEM Carla Bartels

12:10 MEM Bradford Paul Keith

5:30 MEM Josephine Sciarrino

Tuesday, June 13th

(St. Anthony of Padua)
2 Corinthians 1:18–22 Psalm 119
Matthew 5:13–16

8:30 ANN Arthur Calcagnini, Jr.

12:10 MEM Ingeborg Zeumer

5:30 MEM Elizabeth &

Robert Troilo

Wednesday, June 14th

(Tenth Wednesday in Ordinary Time) 2 Corinthians 3:4–11 Psalm 99 Matthew 5:17–19

8:30 LVG Ann McCooey

12:10 MEM Sose & Mark

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5:30 MEM Bill Hassett

Thursday, June 15th

(Tenth Thursday in Ordinary Time) 2 Corinthians 3:15–4:1, 3–6 Psalm 85 Matthew 5:20–26

8:30 MEM Jack O'Leary

12:10 MEM Alice Cinco

5:30 MEM Colleen McGuiness Clarke

Friday, June 16th

(*The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*) Deuteronomy 7:6–11 Psalm 103 1 John 4:7–16 Matthew 11:25–30

8:30 MEM John & Margaret Reilly

12:10 MEM Natividad Repasa **5:30 MEM** John Silva

Saturday, June 17th

(The Immaculate Heart of Mary) 2 Corinthians 5:14–21 Psalm 103 Luke 2:41–51

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

Sunday, June 18th

(Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time) Exodus 19:2–6a Psalm 100

Romans 5:6–11 Matthew 9:36–10:8