



June 18, 2023 | Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tending to Our Spiritual Self

Our IREP, Interparish Religious Education Program, has wrapped up for the year. The end of a school year is a little bittersweet. We look forward to the summer break to recharge and refresh, but I sure do miss our weekly gatherings, feeling the absence of students and teachers alike. I enjoy the privilege of being part of our students' faith journey.

As I assess our successful 1st post-pandemic IREP year, one of my greatest hopes is that the students remember they are more than the sum of their accomplishments. We gently remind the students their souls need tending too. Our kids spend lots of time honing their academics, their sports, their extracurricular activities, their fine arts pursuits, and working on the dreaded high school application process. Long gone are the days when the final bell at school meant free time. One parent shared that the organization of their child's schedule is similar to playing a game of Jenga, a wrong move sends the entire tower, aka schedule, tumbling down.

The youngest of our parish are not alone in this pursuit of accomplishment. We all enjoy success and receiving accolades for a job well done. Yet, this pursuit often keeps us firmly grounded in this world with a tendency to forget our spiritual self and our connection to the Divine.



In IREP, we have a simple meditation we do together. I ask the students to put their hand on their heart and take a deep breath in and out with their eyes closed. I say aloud: I am here, I am safe, I am loved, and the students repeat it. After completing this meditation, we are settled in and a little more aware of our spiritual self. With this simple meditation, a space is created, allowing the students and teachers to plug into the present moment and connect with God. In this space, we can truly feel the connection to the Love that holds us.

The summer is a glorious time for all of us to slow down and connect to our spiritual self. This is simple but not easy. It takes self-discipline to move out of our thinking minds and cultivate the practice of being present. Yet in this precious space, we can allow our souls to lead the way.

Perhaps this summer, while you enjoy a break from your regular routines, you'll have the time to focus your senses on the world around you. It's an opportunity to pause your thinking mind and feel your way in the world, taking time to:

Feel the sand on your toes
Feel the water on your body as you swim
Feel the breeze on your skin
Ease into a sleepy afternoon
Smell the air after a rain shower
Listen to a bee buzz
Listen to the bite you take from sweet corn on the cob
Taste the sweetness of a peach

There are a multitude of summer experiences demonstrating the Grace of God. Take the array of summertime encounters as a reminder we are loved by God, and let it feed your soul. Be grateful for all the blessings that come from this glorious world for our enjoyment. St. Irenaeus said the "glory of God is a human being fully alive." With this thought in mind, focus on really enjoying the world around us, and take it all in. Being present and living in gratitude for the world around us is much more fulfilling than worrying if your Jenga tower may tumble. During this season, let your spiritual self be fed by all the experiences of unmerited Grace, allowing your whole being to recharge and refresh.

— Kate Noonan
Director, Interparish Religious Education Program

This Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, JUNE 18th

Community Coffee Hour.

Following the 11 AM Masses.

Outside the Parish House.

The final Community Coffee Hour of the season.

MONDAY, JUNE 19th

Juneteenth.

The Parish House will be closed
in observance of Juneteenth.

One Mass will be celebrated in the Church at 8:30 AM.
There will be no 12:10 PM or 5:30 PM Mass.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20th

**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.*

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21st

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting.

7 PM. Gonzaga Meeting Room.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24th

Olivewood Sale.

Following the 5:30 PM Mass. Narthex.

Details on page 3.

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!

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.**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Your support is needed for our Conference of the
Society of St. Vincent de Paul to assist them
in all the good work they do.



To contribute online, scan the QR code at
left (or visit ignatius.nyc/giving) and
note 'St. Vincent de Paul Society' in the
Reason for Donation box.

To contribute by check, send a check payable to the
Church of St. Ignatius Loyola (with 'St. Vincent de Paul
Society' in the memo line) to Church of St. Ignatius
Loyola, 980 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10028.

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.**

Follow us on Instagram and Facebook at *stignatiusnyc*.

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.

Olivewood Sale

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

Representatives of Gifts From Bethlehem 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.

Ignatian Volunteer Corps



Join the Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) and become a contemplative in action in the spirit of St. Ignatius Loyola and the Jesuits!

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.

Ignatian Social Justice

New York Common Pantry Volunteer Opportunity Friday, June 30th

Volunteers are needed at the New York Common Pantry, assisting those in need at a choice pantry where clients can select their own groceries.

During the volunteering session, there will be different roles available. Some volunteers can sit with clients, offering support and guidance as they make their selections. Meanwhile, other volunteers will be responsible for packing the chosen groceries and handing them to the clients.

If you are interested in participating, visit the link below to sign up:



Afternoon Session:
Friday, June 30th, 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM.
Sign up by scanning the QR code at left.

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.



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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.



Sign-up for Our Weekly E-Newsletter!

To receive regular updates on parish news and events, scan the QR code 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

Masses for the Weekend of June 25th

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM Fr. Hilbert
Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Casciotti
9:30 AM Fr. Tunney
Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Bergen
7:30 PM Fr. Cortese

Religious Education for Children

Ms. Kate Noonan, Director

(212) 288-3588 x609

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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

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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, June 19th

(11th Monday in Ordinary Time)

2 Corinthians 6:1-10 Psalm 98

Matthew 5:38-42

8:30 ANN Carla Fendi

Tuesday, June 20th

(11th Tuesday in Ordinary Time)

2 Corinthians 8:1-9 Psalm 146

Matthew 5:43-48

8:30 MEM Julia Anne O'Donnell

12:10 MEM Jean Steele

5:30 MEM Dr. & Mrs. Edward
Brennan

Wednesday, June 21st

(St. Aloysius Gonzaga)

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 Psalm 112

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

8:30 MEM Martin Philip Murphy

12:10 MEM Anthony J. Gagliardi

5:30 MEM Nathan Davidson

Thursday, June 22nd

(11th Thursday in Ordinary Time)

2 Corinthians 11:1-11 Psalm 111

Matthew 6:7-15

8:30 MEM Barbara Shook

12:10 MEM Robert Malin

5:30 MEM Living & Deceased
Members of the Wallace Family

Friday, June 23rd

(11th Friday in Ordinary Time)

2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30 Psalm 34

Matthew 6:19-23

8:30 MEM Emily Shann

12:10 MEM Martha Colangelo

5:30 MEM Joyce & Joseph
Zanleone

Saturday, June 24th

(The Nativity of St. John the Baptist)

Isaiah 49:1-6 Psalm 139

Acts 13:22-26 Luke 1:57-66, 80

8:30 MEM Helen Regan

Sunday, June 25th

(12th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Jeremiah 20:10-13 Psalm 69

Romans 5:12-15 Matthew 10:26-33