



May 19, 2024 | Pentecost

## The Birth of the Church

Someone once said that the early Christian community waited in eager anticipation for the return of the Lord in glory but the Church showed up instead. Today we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. It has often been described as the birthday of the Church—the oldest living body in today’s world, yet one that is still going through its growing pains. This shouldn’t be too surprising. Anything truly alive goes through change and development all its life. This is the way with living things. People shouldn’t be unduly alarmed, therefore, at the changes happening in the Church in our time. This is a sign of its vitality.

Living things that don’t move are dead. If we want to check on whether a person is dead or alive, we first look for some sign of movement—a heartbeat, breathing, any kind of motion. For too long a time, many Catholics have associated the Church with a lack of movement. We have focused on one of its many attributes, its stability—the fact that, through the years, it remains basically the same in its form and core teachings. We may have forgotten that because it is a living reality, the Church must change and renew itself.



The great guiding force behind change in the Church is the Holy Spirit, the parting gift of Jesus to his then-small circle of friends. “I will not leave you orphans,” he had told them during his last supper with them. “I will ask the Father, and he will give you the Holy Spirit to be with you forever.”

In his Acts of the Apostles, Saint Luke describes how that promise was fulfilled as the Holy Spirit came to the group of twelve apostles. The Resurrection and Ascension had come and gone. They were left feeling abandoned, with no sense of mission or purpose. As they huddled together for prayer on the Jewish Feast of Weeks (in Hebrew Shavuot), something quite extraordinary happened to them. Luke writes of a noise like a strong rushing wind, tongues of fire, and the ability to speak in several languages. The apostles suddenly felt energized and empowered. Soon Peter is out into the streets preaching to the crowds of pilgrims who had come to Jerusalem for the festival. We are told that 3,000 people were baptized that first Pentecost! This is more than the capacity of St. Patrick’s Cathedral! It was the birthing of the Christian Church.

What began on Pentecost spread like a forest fire. In thirty years, it spread so dramatically that Christianity became a powerful force in faraway Rome, and the Emperor Nero made it the target of an all-out persecution. With Pentecost, there was a new coming of God to the world—a sort of second Christmas—because God came in the Person of the Holy Spirit to be always with and in the Church. And twenty centuries later, the Church is still here—in every corner of the world—alive, changing and always growing, despite the schisms, the conflicts and scandals that have plagued the Church from its earliest days.

Wherever the Spirit is at work we can be sure there is a call to live in the community of the Church and to be involved in that community. This is what happened to the apostles on that first Pentecost. Instead of remaining isolated and fearful of the Jewish religious authorities who had plotted the murder of Jesus, they immediately began to proclaim the Good News about the Resurrection of Jesus. Small Christian communities began to spring up near and far.

Christians of every generation are called to be part of that same movement—the movement away from isolation and individualism to community and involvement. The Holy Spirit will always be a challenge to the one who thinks, “I don’t need the Church, I can go to God on my own.” It may be a hard lesson for some to learn but we are saved together. No one is saved on their own.

— Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.  
Senior Priest

## This Week at a Glance

**SUNDAY, MAY 19th**

**Community Coffee Hour.**

12 PM. Outside the Parish House. *Details below.*

**The Mary Project.**

2 PM. Wallace Hall. *Details on page 3.*

**TUESDAY, MAY 21st**

**War and Peace Discussion Group:**

**Viewing of the Film “Baghdad ER.”**

7 PM. Parish House.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22nd**

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting.**

7 PM. Parish House.

**THURSDAY, MAY 23rd**

**PANEL DISCUSSION | Loneliness and Social Isolation:**

**Mental Health Issues of the**

**Different Stages of the Life Cycle.**

7 PM. Wallace Hall. *Details at right.*

## Community Coffee Hour

Sunday, May 19th

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.

## 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](https://youtube.com/c/ChurchofStIgnatiusLoyolaNYC)  
or by scanning the QR code at left.

## The Spring Appeal is Underway!

The Spring Appeal is an important source of funds for the  
many ministries and ordinary operations of the parish. To  
date, \$247,988 has been raised toward our goal of \$500,000.

Please support your parish and contribute  
to the 2024 Spring Appeal.



To give online, visit  
[ignatius.nyc/annual-appeal](https://ignatius.nyc/annual-appeal)  
or scan the QR code at left.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

## Panel Discussion

**Loneliness and Social Isolation:  
Mental Health Issues of the  
Different Stages of the Life Cycle**  
Thursday, May 23rd at 7 PM in Wallace Hall

### PANELISTS

**Colleen Cullen, PsyD**

*Executive Director of the Faculty Practice  
Organization, Columbia University Medical Center  
Associate Professor of Medical Psychology*

**Erin Engle, PsyD**

*Clinical Director of the Psychiatry Specialty  
Clinics, Columbia University Medical Center  
Associate Professor of Medical Psychology*

**Elizabeth Murphy Fitelson, MD**

*Director: Women's and Reproductive Mental  
Health Program at Columbia University  
Associate Professor of Psychiatry at C.U.M.C.*

**Mary Scitutto, MD**

*Medical Director: Psychiatry Specialty Clinics,  
Columbia University Medical Center Assistant  
Dean, College of Physicians and Surgeons  
Professor of Psychiatry at C.U.M.C.*

## Offertory



You may contribute to today's Offertory  
collection by using the QR code  
made available here. Please designate  
your donation as "Offertory."

## 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](mailto:hilbertm@saintignatiusloyola.org) or leave your  
name and phone number at the Parish House for  
Fr. Hilbert, and someone will be scheduled to visit.

## Low-Gluten Hosts

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

Follow us on Instagram and Facebook at *stignatiusnyc*.

## Ignatian Interfaith Ministry

### The Mary Project Sunday, May 19th at 2 PM Wallace Hall

Join the Ignatian Interfaith Ministry as they partner with our Muslim friends from the Peace Islands Institute for this final session exploring Mary in both faith traditions.

**Registration is required. To register, email [ignatianinterfaithministry@gmail.com](mailto:ignatianinterfaithministry@gmail.com).**

## Lay Minsters' Enrichment

### LME Day of Reflection: Forgiveness and Reconciliation Saturday, June 15th, 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM Wallace Hall

#### PRESENTER

**Fr. Thomas Feely, S.J.**

*Superior of the Xavier Jesuit Community, New York*

We invite you to join us for a Day of Reflection. This is the final LME program of the 2023-2024 season, featuring a remarkable guest, Fr. Thomas Feely, S.J.

Before his current assignment as the Superior of the Xavier Jesuit Community in New York City, Fr. Feely served as Associate Pastor and Parish Administrator at St. Ignatius Loyola. He was also the moderator of LME, presenting and leading several of our programs.

Before embarking on a new assignment, LME and the St. Ignatius Community are privileged and deeply appreciative to welcome Fr. Feely as our esteemed presenter. His profound insights and extensive experience promise to make this Day of Reflection a truly enriching experience.

*"Forgiveness is basic to Christian life. This program will consider what forgiveness entails. We will examine what forgiveness is and what it is not, how the process of forgiveness proceeds, how forgiveness can lead to reconciliation, and why there are times when reconciliation is impossible even after forgiveness has been given." — Rev. Thomas Feely, S.J.*

**To register, visit [tinyurl.com/LMESpring2024](http://tinyurl.com/LMESpring2024).  
Registration is required.**

## 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](http://ignatius.nyc).**

## Second Annual Parish Art Show Thursday, June 20th to Saturday, June 22nd Wallace Hall

Are you ready to unleash your inner Picasso or Ansel Adams and dazzle the parish community with your artistic flair? Then, grab your pencils, your paintbrushes, or your finest lens, for it's your time to shine. Be they masterpieces or happy accidents, we invite you to submit your work to our second annual Parish Art Show.

Any non-digital media can be submitted: photographs, paintings, drawings, pastels, watercolors, etchings, linocuts, lithographs, collages, mixed media, sculpture. All artists aged 18 and over are invited to submit.

You can submit up to two pieces (more if we have the space). All submissions (except sculptures) must be framed and ready to hang. Maximum size is limited to 3 feet by 3 feet; sculptures are limited to 25 pounds.

Pre-registration is required. **Sign up online at [ignatius.nyc/artshowreg](http://ignatius.nyc/artshowreg).** Don't miss out!

**Submissions are to be dropped off at the Parish House on Thursday, June 13th (6 PM to 8 PM), Friday, June 14th (2 PM to 4 PM), and Saturday, June 15th (9 AM to 11 AM).**

You can offer the work for sale or display it. If your work is sold, all sale proceeds will go to the parish.

All art must be family-friendly.

The Art Show will open in Wallace Hall on Thursday, June 20th, at 6:30 PM. The art will remain on display until Saturday, June 22nd, at 2:30 PM.

**For more information, email [silartshow@gmail.com](mailto:silartshow@gmail.com).**

## New Opportunity to Participate in 2nd Annual Parish Art Show

We invite Young Artists (10–18 years old) from the parish to submit their work for the show in June.

A panel of artists will pick the top 10 for inclusion in a special Young Artists Section of the Show.

**To submit work, visit [ignatius.nyc/artshowreg](http://ignatius.nyc/artshowreg).**

All young artists will be notified by June 15th if their work is part of the "Top 10"!

Good luck to our young artists.

## St. Ignatius Now Has an App!

It has never been easier to find current information on parish programming, participate in online giving, learn about our ministries, and more.



**To download our app, visit [parishsolutionsco.com/ignatiusnewyork.html](http://parishsolutionsco.com/ignatiusnewyork.html) or scan the QR code at left.**

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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.

### Assisting Priest

Rev. James Martin, S.J.

### In Residence

Rev. James A. Casciotti, S.J.

### Pastoral Associates

Kate Noonan Brian Pinter Jean Santopatre

### Pastoral Assistant

Maureen Haley

### Music Ministries

Daniel Beckwith Douglas Purcell  
Robert Reuter Elizabeth Van Os  
Michael Sheetz Christina Kay  
Scott Warren, *Director*

### Assistant to the Pastor

Rebecca Brucas

### Administrative Assistant

Patricia Schneider

### Director of Communications

Elizabeth O'Sullivan

### Director of Facilities

Robert Cisternino

### Facilities Coordinator

Caroline Fernandes

### 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 May 26th

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM Fr. Bergen  
Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Casciotti  
9:30 AM Fr. Casciotti  
Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Hilbert  
Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM Fr. Hallinan  
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  
M.S. Ed. (Admin.), M.S. Ed. (Literacy)  
48 East 84th Street  
(212) 861-3820 | Fax: (212) 879-8248

### 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, May 20th

(The Blessed Virgin Mary)  
Genesis 3:9–15, 20 Psalm 87  
John 19:25–34

**8:30 MEM** Alice & Winthrop  
Rutherford

**12:10 MEM** Carla Fendi

**5:30 MEM** Nico Nuno

### Tuesday, May 21st

(7th Tuesday in Ordinary Time)

James 4:1–10 Psalm 55  
Mark 9:30–37

**8:30 MEM** Arthur Levine

**12:10 MEM** Virgelina Villanueva

**5:30 ANN** Nathan Davidson

### Wednesday, May 22nd

(7th Wednesday in Ordinary Time)

James 4:13–17 Psalm 49  
Mark 9:38–40

**8:30 MEM** Kelly Reilly-Gillebaard

**12:10 MEM** Miriam Mychalczak

**5:30 MEM** James R. Lewis

### Thursday, May 23rd

(7th Thursday in Ordinary Time)

James 5:1–6 Psalm 49  
Mark 9:41–50

**8:30 MEM** Miriam Mychalczak

**12:10 MEM** Timothy Patrick  
Gallagher

**5:30 MEM** Living & Deceased

Members of the Wallace Family

### Friday, May 24th

(7th Friday in Ordinary Time)

James 5:9–12 Psalm 103  
Mark 10:1–12

**8:30 MEM** Charles Denihan

**12:10 MEM** Sose & Mark  
Prekelezaj

**5:30 MEM** Charles Denihan

### Saturday, May 25th (St. Philip Neri)

James 5:13–20 Psalm 141  
Mark 10:13–16

**8:30 MEM** Frank Ceglia

### Sunday, May 26th

(The Most Holy Trinity)

Deuteronomy 4:32–34, 39–40  
Romans 8:14–17 Psalm 33

Matthew 28:16–20