



June 23, 2024 | Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Who Am I? Whose Am I? What Am I Called to Be?

As you reflect on the Gospel reading this Sunday, imagine yourself in the boat with Jesus. Who are you? Which disciple resonates with who you are at this moment in time? Or do you resonate with Jesus' persona? St. Ignatius calls this the Imaginative Prayer when you put yourself into the story and discover who you are in that story.

Jesus was asleep and not bothered by the waves knocking the boat around. He knew who he was, and he knew they were safe with him in the stormy sea. On the other hand, some of the disciples were nervous and felt they were in imminent peril. Yet, they did not know at this time Who Jesus really was, and they looked to him to save them. As soon as they awakened him, Jesus calmed the sea. Jesus questioned their faith and even though they still did not realize who Jesus was, the Son of God, they turned to him for help. When I was a Yale/ New Haven Bridgeport Hospital chaplain intern, we used this Gospel reading for our chapel time. As we entered into the Imaginative Prayer experience, I fell asleep, like Jesus, because I was on call all night. I leaned into Jesus. It was a stormy night with one code blue death, and I was the spiritual presence for the patient and the family. Life is filled with stormy days and nights, and when I lean into Jesus as my True North, I know I am safe.

To know Jesus, first and foremost, transforms and transcends who I am. In this discernment, I come to understand Whose I am. Who has called me by name? Of course, my parents, family, and friends play a key role in whose I am. Yet, God also calls me by name as his beloved daughter. Jesus is my brother, and I see the Holy

Spirit as the feminine spirit of God—the Ruah, the breath or wind of God. As Catholics, we believe in the Holy Trinity: God the Father, God the Son, and the Holy Spirit. When stormy seas arise, I relate to God, Jesus or the Holy Spirit depending on who I need the most at that time. I believe that Jesus' disciples turned to God and looked upon Jesus as their brother, not knowing his true identity and destiny until the Last Supper. The disciples belonged to God, and when Jesus was with them, they belonged to him.



We can never be sure that Jesus' disciples truly understood what he was calling them to be, as they laid the groundwork of faith for future generations. Do you think these men actually understood the depth of what they were called to be? The disciples' faith wavered at times, and they didn't always understand Jesus' parables. Through these times of their waffling faith, Jesus reminded them of their mission and accompanied them. Jesus transformed them into becoming the apostles he needed to carry on his teachings when he would no longer be an earthly being. He was their rabbi—their teacher. Ponder on who or what you are called to be. Who are the important teachers in your life?

Reflecting on these three questions, Teilhard de Chardin, S.J., says, "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human existence." If you can think of yourself as a "spiritual being," you will look at the world with new eyes. With these new eyes you will be awakened to the answers: Who Am I? Whose Am I? What Am I Called to Be?

As we approach the Synod in October and await the outcome of how woman might have leadership roles in our Church, St. Ignatius Loyola Women's Voices is planning a Day of Reflection. Save the date for October 5th framed around these questions: Who Am I? Whose Am I? What Am I Called to Be?

— Jean Santopatre  
Pastoral Associate

## This Week at a Glance

**SUNDAY, JUNE 23rd**  
**Community Coffee Hour.**  
**12 PM. Outside the Parish House.**  
*Details below.*

**TUESDAY, JUNE 25th**  
**Tuesday Night Book Group:**  
**Manresa Ignatian Online Retreat.**  
**7 PM. Zoom.**

*To receive supplemental emails and the Zoom link for this series, please email "Ignatian Retreat" to [TuesdayNightBookGroup@gmail.com](mailto:TuesdayNightBookGroup@gmail.com).*

## Summer Daily Mass Schedule

Our summer Daily Mass Schedule begins Monday, July 1st, and runs through Monday, September 2nd.

During this time, the 12:10 PM Daily Mass is discontinued. The 8:30 AM and 5:30 PM Masses will be celebrated in the Church.

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul welcomes all St. Ignatius parishioners to volunteer with us—and join us at our meetings for prayer, reflection, spiritual growth, fellowship, and community service year-round. All levels of involvement are appreciated.

Our regular meetings take place every other Wednesday at 7 PM in the Parish House. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 17th—and all are welcome!

**For more information, please contact us at [svdpmembership980@gmail.com](mailto:svdpmembership980@gmail.com).**

## Community Coffee Hour

**Sunday, June 23rd**  
**Following the 11 AM Masses**  
**Outside the Parish House**

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

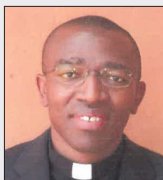
We will have coffee as well as an opportunity to mix & mingle with fellow parishioners.

## Mission Appeal

Bishop Matthew Yitiereh, of Yendi, Ghana, will be speaking at all Masses next weekend in support of the Propagation of the Faith Mission Appeal.

## From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,



I am delighted to inform you that Jesuit Father Mathew Bomki will be joining us for the months of July and August to lend a hand at the parish as the priests of the parish are away enjoying their well-deserved vacations and retreats.

Father Bomki arrives on 24 June and will reside at the Jesuit Community residence on 83rd Street.

Father Bomki hails from Cameroon. He was ordained a priest in 2013. He earned his graduate degrees in Theology and Biblical Studies in Rome and is currently engaged in biblical research at the University of Edinburgh. He has had pastoral responsibilities in the Republic of the Congo and Cote d'Ivoire.

Please join me in extending a warm welcome to Father Bomki as he joins the parish team for the summer months.

**God bless you!**

**Sincerely in the Lord,**

*Fr. Gesalonia*

## 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).**

## Giving

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

As you enjoy your 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](http://ignatius.nyc/virtual-offertory) or scan the QR code at left.**

## 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.

## 2025 Pilgrimage of Hope

In commemoration of the Jubilee year—a time for pilgrims to journey to Rome to visit the tombs of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to walk through the Holy Doors of the four major basilicas, and to gain abundant blessings—our parish intends to **organize a 10-day “Pilgrimage of Hope” to Rome in November 2025**

While Fr. Hilbert, who will be taking charge of the planning for this extraordinary parish undertaking, develops the program, would you please indicate, without any obligation, whether a parish pilgrimage draws your attention and appeals to you.

**A dedicated email account has been set up: SILpilgrim2025@gmail.com. Please write to Fr. Hilbert at the above address before Monday, July 1st with your likely intention to participate in the pilgrimage.**

## 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](mailto:church@stignatiusloyola.org).**

## 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.**

## Offertory



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

## Ignatian Social Justice

**The Migrant Accompaniment Program has two immediate needs that we hope you can fill.**

### **NEEDED: Spanish-Speaking Doctor.**

We are working with a family experiencing a complicated medical issue. The doctor treating the family doesn't speak Spanish, and some of the documents the family receives are in English. Are you a bilingual Spanish/English-speaking doctor who is willing to help out on an ad hoc basis?

### **NEEDED: Interpreter.**

We are starting to help one of our families prepare their legal asylum case. We need the assistance of several people with strong bilingual speaking abilities in Spanish and English to serve as interpreters. We estimate that up to 10 meetings with the family may be necessary over several months, and the conversation may run about 60-90 minutes. It would be helpful, although not required, for the same individual to participate in all sessions with the family.

**If you can help our families, please email Laura de Boisblanc at [socialjustice@stignatiusloyola.org](mailto:socialjustice@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](https://youtube.com/c/ChurchofStIgnatiusLoyolaNYC) or by scanning the QR code at left.**

## 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](mailto:mfullam@ivcusa.org), and visit us at [ivcusa.org](http://ivcusa.org).**

## St. Ignatius 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

Jen Arvay Kefalas Douglas Purcell  
Daniel Beckwith Michael Sheetz  
Christina Kay Elizabeth Van Os  
Robert Reuter

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 June 30th

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

**12:10 MEM** Frank Guardala

**5:30 MEM** Loralee Love

### Tuesday, June 25th

(12th Tuesday in Ordinary Time)

2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36

Psalm 48 Matthew 7:6, 12-14

**8:30 MEM** Larry Fell

**12:10 MEM** Michele Breck Tu

**5:30 MEM** Diane Krol

### Wednesday, June 26th

(12th Wednesday in Ordinary Time)

2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3 Psalm 119

Matthew 7:15-20

**8:30 MEM** Ronald Marino

**12:10 MEM** Esperanza Castro

**5:30 MEM** Michele Breck Tu

### Thursday, June 27th

(12th Thursday in Ordinary Time)

2 Kings 24:8-17 Psalm 79

Matthew 7:21-29

**8:30 MEM** Frank Cividino

**12:10 MEM** Theresa Wissell

**5:30 ANN** Jack Kehoe

### Friday, June 28th

(St. Irenaeus)

2 Kings 25:1-12 Psalm 137

Matthew 8:1-4

**8:30 MEM** Janet P. Connelly

**12:10 MEM** Anahid Meurad

**5:30 MEM** William Powers

### Saturday, 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

### Sunday, June 30th

(13th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24

Psalm 30 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Mark 5:21-43