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“Building a Community of Disciples”

May 25, 2014

Sixth Sunday of Easter

A Golden Anniversary

On June 18th, I will celebrate the 50th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. Since this will be my last bulletin essay for this year, I would like to share my reflections on my priesthood.

The Second Vatican Council was sitting in four separate sessions from October 11, 1962 to December 8, 1965. I began my theological studies in September 1961 and ended in June 1965, encompassing three of the four sessions of the Council. Two of my professors, Frs. Gustav Weigel and John Courtney Murray, were “periti” at the Council — invited by two bishops in the United States to accompany them as theological experts and advisors. Two other professors were pioneers in the new wave of thinking that accompanied the Council. I was taught *New Testament* by Fr. Joe Fitzmyer and *Fundamental Theology* by Fr. Avery Dulles. It was four years of exciting intellectual challenges as well as growing radical changes in the Church. (I was ordained in a Latin ritual, and during my first years as a priest, I was celebrating Mass in Latin.)

But it wasn't only in the Church that big things were happening. In civil society, significant changes were erupting on the scene. In 1954, when I began my study of philosophy in Mobile, Alabama, the Supreme Court declared segregation of schools to be against the Constitution. It was the start of the civil rights movement. When I was studying theology, I took part in a march with Dr. King to protest against segregated housing. So my years of formation were a time of very great changes in American society. These eruptions in Church and society shaped me very much, and affected the way I saw my priesthood.

Another very significant factor in my early priesthood was my meeting with Dorothy Day, who taught and lived the social teachings of the Church, and who lived among and worked with the poor of New York City. The few days I stayed at the Catholic Worker community with her had a very profound effect on me.

The priesthood is a wonderful gift that has enabled me to help people reach their fullest potential. As a priest, I

have so many ways of accomplishing this. First of all there is my celibacy, which has freed me to be available to all people at all times. It also encourages them to see what the love of Christ can mean when someone puts aside marriage and a family, and takes on whatever people he is with as his family. That means a great deal to people. The celibate life is not better than marriage or worse; it is just different and offers an alternative path to service.

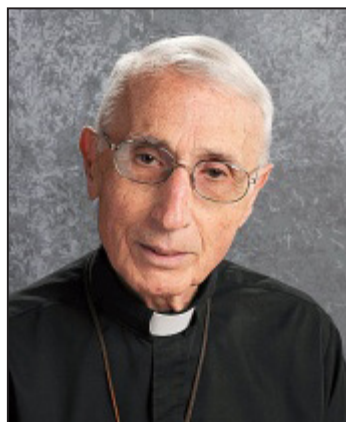
Secondly, I have the instrument of the sacraments: Masses devoutly offered, confessions heard with compassion, baptisms celebrated as an initiation into community, marriages witnessed in the sight of God, and the sacrament of the sick to bring healing and consolation to the bedridden. These actions themselves speak volumes to people. I also have the privilege of sharing the Word of God with the people each day at Mass. The homily may assist people to be better persons and help them realize the potential that God has given them.

Thirdly, I have the means of prayer. I still remain dedicated to the daily recitation of the Divine Office, daily meditations, and intercessory prayers for the people.

The priesthood is a wonderful gift. I feel honored to be called to this life. It has not always been easy. Through many trials, I always found greater opportunities and richer blessings than I could have imagined. I just have to be open to whatever God brings. The way I try to show this is by respecting God in others, and so making them know that they are indeed somebody precious.

In an older spirituality, the priest was described as an *alter Christus*, another Christ. I have not always lived up to that challenge, but it is a privilege to keep trying. I have not written about the Jesuit dimension of my priesthood, but, needless to say, the *Spiritual Exercises* not only shaped my life as a Jesuit beginning some 64 years ago, but also shaped my understanding of the priesthood as reflected in this essay.

– Rev. Ugo Nacciarone, S.J.
Associate Pastor



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



SUNDAY, MAY 25th
IYA Women's Fellowship Group. 6:00 PM.
Hoefner Lounge. *Details on page 3.*



MONDAY, MAY 26th
Memorial Day
The Parish House will be closed.
One Mass will be celebrated at
8:30 AM in the Lady Chapel.
There will be no 12:10 PM
or 5:30 PM Masses.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 28th
Meeting Christ in Prayer: Reunion
Gathering. 7:00 PM. Wallace Hall.
Details at lower right.



ASCENSION THURSDAY
May 29th
Anticipated Mass at 5:30 PM on
Wednesday, May 28th. Masses at
8:30 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:30 PM, and
7:30 PM on Thursday, May 29th.
All Masses will be celebrated in the Church.

NEXT WEEKEND: SPECIAL COLLECTION



Next weekend our Parish will take up
the annual collection for the
Pastoral Solidarity Fund
for the Church in Africa.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

MUSIC



SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST
Seventh Sunday of Easter
11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS



Mendelssohn *Andante in D with Variations*
Brahms *Requiem: Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen*
Fauré *Cantique de Jean Racine*
Widor *Symphonie VI: Intermezzo*

7:30 PM MASS

Mendelssohn *Andante in D with Variations*
J.S. Bach *Prelude and Fugue in B Flat, BWV 559 (Little 8)*



For your convenience...

To reach the **Giving** page on the parish website, scan the **QR Code** at left with your smartphone's camera.



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CARDINAL'S
ANNUAL APPEAL
Sharing God's Gifts

As of May 16th, we have raised \$449,987.20 for the 2014 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal.

This is well above our goal of \$311,000.

Thank you to those who have given!

The needs around us remain great, so please do not be deterred from giving. Remember that 60% of every dollar above goal comes directly back to the parish.

Gifts can be made online at cardinalsappeal.org

Thank you for supporting the Annual Stewardship Appeal.



Meeting Christ in Prayer: Reunion Gathering

Wednesday, May 28th
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM in Wallace Hall

This gathering is open to all those who have participated at any time in the *Meeting Christ in Prayer* program. It is an opportunity to renew and deepen your desire to continue to "meet Christ in your prayer" and life as well as to reconnect with your companions on the spiritual journey. Refreshments following.

RSVP to Sr. Kathryn King at
kingk@saintignatiusloyola.org by **tomorrow.**

Religious Education for Children



Religious Education

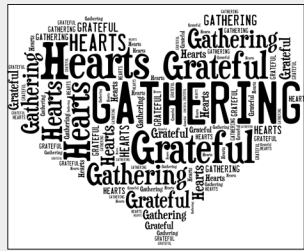
Registrations for the 2014-2015 IREP and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd programs can be made by calling the Parish House at 212-288-3588 and pressing "0" for the receptionist.

Registration forms can also be found on our website stignatiusloyola.org

New Parishioners



We welcome new parishioners and invite you to fill out a Parishioner Registration Card located in the pew racks, at the Parish House, and online at stignatiusloyola.org



The Parish Ministry
Council cordially
invites those St. Ignatius
Parishioners who are
active in Ministry
to the

Ministers' Night Annual Supper Social

Gathering with Grateful Hearts

Tuesday, June 3rd at 7:00 PM
Wallace Hall

RSVP by Sunday, June 1st:

212-288-3588 or ministrydinner@gmail.com

Please leave both your name
and your ministry.

We look forward to sharing a meal together!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY NOW

PLEASE REMEMBER US LATER!

**Remember St. Ignatius in
Your Estate Plan.**

Over the years, gifts left to the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola in wills, bequests, and memorials have helped us to continue to operate: as a place of worship, as a place to protect and teach our children, and as a caring and generous parish where parishioners may come for spiritual guidance.

If you would like information about planned giving, contact Fernando Castro, Treasurer, at 212-606-3476 x276 or castrof@stignatiusloyola.org

IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS

Sunday Socials Spring Schedule

The Sunday Socials are held in Wallace Hall at 8:30 PM, following the 7:30 PM Mass. They are hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults. All young adults (ages 21-39) are welcome. **To receive updates on IYA events and other opportunities, you can follow us on Facebook at "Ignatian Young Adults (NYC)."**

Final Socials of the Season:

June 1 June 15



IYA Women's Fellowship Group

Tonight

6:00 PM - 7:15 PM

Hoefner Lounge

A discussion group for women in their 20s & 30s to discuss the delicate balance between work and faith.

Email faithiya@gmail.com for more information.



Join choristers from local schools and sing with our St. Ignatius Children's Choirs next season!

Rising 1st through 12th graders may 'audition' on Tuesday, May 27th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM, and Thursday, May 29th, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM, in the Parish House Meeting Room. All parish children are welcome and no prior experience is necessary. A parent or guardian must be present to fill out the registration materials.

Please see the brochure in the Narthex or on our website, stignatiusloyola.org, for additional information.

Contact Maureen Haley,
Director of Children's Choirs,
at haleym@stignatiusloyola.org
for an audition time.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, May 26th (St. Philip Neri)

Acts of the Apostles 16:11-15 Psalm 149 John 15:26-16:4a
8:30 MEM Dr. Emil Wittek

Tuesday, May 27th (Sixth Tuesday of Easter)

Acts of the Apostles 16:22-34 Psalm 138 John 16:5-11
8:30 MEM Alfred Ziccardi

12:10 MEM John Carew

5:30 MEM James Waters

Wednesday, May 28th (Sixth Wednesday of Easter)

Acts of the Apostles 17:15, 22-18:1 Psalm 148 John 16:12-15

8:30 MEM Alicia Herring

12:10 MEM John Holmgren

Thursday, May 29th (The Ascension of the Lord)

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11 Psalm 47 Matthew 28:16-20

Friday, May 30th (Sixth Friday of Easter)

Acts of the Apostles 18:9-18 Psalm 47 John 16:20-23

8:30 MEM Maureen Walsh

12:10 MEM Alberto Beguiristain

5:30 MEM William Powers

Saturday, May 31st (Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

Zephariah 3:14-18a Isaiah 12 Luke 1:39-56

8:30 MEM Sose & Mark Prekelezaj

Sunday, June 1st (Seventh Sunday of Easter)

Acts of the Apostles 1:12-14 1 Peter 4:13-16

Psalm 27 John 17:1-11a



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Xavier Society for the Blind Award Dinner. Friday, June 13th. 6:30 PM – 11:00 PM. New York Athletic Club, 7th Avenue and Central Park South. The Xavier Award will be presented to Mr. Victor Gainor and to the National Braille Press. Tickets: \$150, which includes open bar for the cocktail hour, dinner, and dancing. Reservations may be made by visiting xaviersocietyfortheblind.org or calling 212-473-7800.

The New York Catholic Bible Summit. Saturday, June 21st, New York Catholic Center, 350 East 56th Street. For those interested in learning more about the Holy Scriptures and ways of promoting its use with the Catholic community. Sponsored by the American Bible Society and the Archdiocesan Catechetical Office. For more information, visit nyfaithformation.org

A Monumental Legacy: Archbishop John J. Hughes and the Building of St. Patrick's Cathedral. Open through Thursday, July 31st. Consulate General of Ireland, 345 Park Avenue, 17th floor. The exhibit tells the story of an Irish diaspora for whom the Cathedral represented a spiritual home and a symbol of their success as a community. Open 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM weekdays by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, call (212) 319-2555 x0 or email info@turloughmccconnell.com

DOCUMENTARY SCREENING

Walking the Camino: Six Ways to Santiago

Come embark on a journey with six strangers as they attempt to travel 500 miles across Spain on foot.

Dates: Friday, June 6th – Thursday, June 12th

Location: The Quad Cinema,
34 West 13th Street

Q&As with the filmmakers at every show except the 9:40 PM.

Tickets available at the Quad box office, quadcinema.com, and movietickets.com

Visit caminodocumentary.com for more information.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor

Rev. George M. Witt, S.J.

Associate Pastors

Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.

Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J.

Rev. Ugo R. Nacciarone, S.J.

Pastoral Associates

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Kathryn King, F.S.P.

Assisting Priests (Sunday)

Rev. Philip G. Judge, S.J.

Rev. James Martin, S.J.

Rev. Anthony P. SooHoo, S.J.

Music Ministries

Scott Warren, *Director*

Nancianne Parrella

Robert Reuter

Michael Sheetz

Maureen Haley

Philip Anderson

Sara Murphy, *Administrator*

Staff information: on the website at [music/music staff](http://music/musicstaff)

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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 Next Weekend:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM Fr. Ugo

Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Ugo

9:30 AM Fr. Ugo

Wallace Hall 11:00 AM Fr. Judge

Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Feely

7:30 PM Fr. Feely

Religious Education for Children

Joanne Cunneen, M.A., M.S.

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Children's Liturgy of the Word:

Sundays at the 9:30 AM Mass and the 11:00 AM Mass in Wallace Hall.

Centering Prayer:

Mondays at 6:30 PM

Confessions:

5:00 PM Saturday or by appointment. Communal Penance Services are celebrated during Advent and Lent.

Baptisms: Please call Joanne Cunneen at the Parish House 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 call Joanne Cunneen at the Parish House 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.

Music Information: (212) 288-2520 Email: music@stignatiusloyola.org