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“Building a Community of Disciples”

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Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Pope Francis on the Holy Family

As the year comes to a close, we are used to year-end roundups and Top 10 lists. December is a time of remembering, gathering up and sorting out, discriminating between the abiding and the evanescent. Pope Francis has given us some beautiful and abiding messages on marriage and the family during the past year, beginning with his Angelus message on the Feast of the Holy Family, December 29, 2013:

“Today our gaze on the Holy Family lets us be drawn into the simplicity of the life they led in Nazareth. It is an example that does our families great good, helping them increasingly to become communities of love and reconciliation, in which tenderness, mutual help, and mutual forgiveness is experienced. Let us remember the three key words for living in peace and joy in the family: “may I”, “thank you” and “sorry”. In our family, when we are not intrusive and ask “may I”, in our family when we are not selfish and learn to say “thank you”, and when in a family one realizes he has done something wrong and knows how to say “sorry”, in that family there is peace and joy. Let us remember these three words. Can we repeat them all together: may I, thank you, sorry.”

Pope Francis spoke often in October during the Extraordinary Synod on Marriage and the Family, but his attention to marriage and family was a Leitmotif running through the entire year. On September 14, Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, at a Mass that included the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony, he told the crowd in Saint Peter’s Square:

“This makes us think of families, our families, walking along the paths of life with all their day to day experiences. It is impossible to quantify the strength and depth of humanity contained in a family: mutual help, educational support, relationships developing as family members mature, the sharing of joys and difficulties. Families are the first place in which we are formed as persons and, at the same time, the ‘bricks’ for the building up of society.”

Shortly before the beginning of the synod, on the Pope’s name day—October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi—at a meeting on the family Pope Francis addressed the participants with these words:

“It is significant how — even in the individualistic culture which distorts bonds and renders them ephemeral — in each person born of woman, there remains alive an essential need for stability, for an open door, for someone with whom to weave and to share the story of life, a history to belong to.

The communion of life embraced by spouses, their openness to the gift of life, the mutual protection, the encounter and the memory of generations, educational support, the transmission of the Christian faith to their children.... With all this, the family continues to be a school unparalleled in humanity, an indispensable contribution to a just and supportive society.”

The Pontiff returned to the theme of family in his Address to the European Parliament on November 25:

“To give...hope means more than simply acknowledging the centrality of the human person; it also implies nurturing the gifts of each man and woman. It means investing in individuals and in those settings in which their talents are shaped and flourish.



The Holy Family. Francisco de Zurbarán. 1659.

The first area surely is that of education, beginning with the family, the fundamental cell and most precious element of any society. The family, united, fruitful and indissoluble, possesses the elements fundamental for fostering hope in the future. Without this solid basis, the future ends up being built on sand, with dire social consequences. Then too, stressing the importance of the family not only helps to give direction and hope to new generations, but also to many of our elderly, who are often forced to live alone and are effectively abandoned because there is no longer the warmth of a family hearth able to accompany and support them.”

On this Feast of the Holy Family, we are comforted and challenged by these authoritative and insightful thoughts of Pope Francis, and we pray the Prayer to the Holy Family composed by him for the synod, a synod that will conclude in the coming year:

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendor of true love, to you we turn with trust.

experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches.

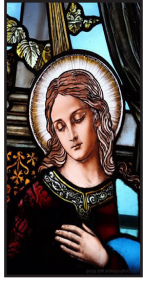
Holy Family of Nazareth, may the approaching Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God’s plan.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer.

— Rev. Michael P. Hilbert, S.J.
Associate Pastor

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31st
Daily Masses at 8:30 AM and 12:10 PM
5:30 PM Vigil Mass in the Church

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1st
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
The Solemnity is a holy day of obligation.
One Mass will be celebrated
at 10:30 AM in the Church.
(The Parish House will be closed.)



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31st
Job Transition Support Group.
10:00 AM. Parish Lounge.
Details on page 3.



FRIDAY – SUNDAY
JANUARY 2nd – JANUARY 4th
Shelter Weekend. Wallace Hall.
For information on volunteering
in the Shelter, see details below.

NEXT WEEKEND: SPECIAL COLLECTION



Next weekend, January 3rd & 4th,
our Parish will take up a special
collection at all Masses for the



Catholic Communication Campaign
and
The Catholic University of America.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Shelter Volunteers Needed!

Friday, January 2nd–Sunday, January 4th
Wallace Hall

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Women's Shelter
needs set-up and stay-over volunteers
every other weekend through April.

There is a particular need for stay-over volunteers, especially on
Sunday nights. Both men and women are invited to volunteer.

*To volunteer, please leave a message for Erin Hazard at the
Parish House or e-mail svdp.shelter980@gmail.com*



For your convenience...

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



Job Transition Support Group

Wednesday, December 31st
10:00 AM in the Parish Lounge

*For more information, contact John Holewa at
jfholewa@gmail.com or Christian Nolan at ctnolan59@gmail.com*

LAY MINISTERS' ENRICHMENT



Saturday, January 31st
Wallace Hall

Presenter: K. Scott Warren
Director of Music Ministries

Lay Ministers at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola
are invited to attend.

Registration details to follow in an upcoming Bulletin.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, December 29th

(Fifth Day in the Christmas Octave)

1 John 2:3–11 Psalm 96 Luke 2:22–35

8:30 MEM Sose & Mark Prekelezaj

12:10 MEM Linda Lorber & Irene Skwarko

5:30 MEM Michael Santangelo

Tuesday, December 30th

(Sixth Day in the Christmas Octave)

1 John 2:12–17 Psalm 96 Luke 2:36–40

8:30 MEM Margaret Sullivan

12:10 MEM Paul Hendricks

5:30 MEM William Powers

Wednesday, December 31st

(Seventh Day in the Christmas Octave)

1 John 2:18–21 Psalm 96 John 1:1–18

8:30 MEM Peter Burke

12:10 MEM William Wallace

Thursday, January 1st

(The Octave Day of Christmas)

Numbers 6:22–27 Psalm 67

Galatians 4:4–7 Luke 2:16–21

Friday, January 2nd

(St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen)

1 John 2:22–28 Psalm 98 John 1:19–28

8:30 MEM Estelle O'Sullivan

12:10 MEM Mary Catoggio

5:30 MEM Dolorita Wallace

Saturday, January 3rd

(The Most Holy Name of Jesus)

Sirach 51:8–12 Psalm 8

Philippians 2:1–11 Luke 2:21–24

8:30 MEM Patrick Murphy

Sunday, January 4th

(The Epiphany of the Lord)

Isaiah 60:1–6 Psalm 72

Ephesians 3:2–3a, 5–6 Matthew 2:1–12

MAKING ALL THINGS NEW

POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



TOWN HALL MEETING

To discuss Cardinal Dolan's proposal that St. Thomas More parish be merged with St. Ignatius Loyola.

Have you made your donation to the Annual Appeal?



Thank you to those who have already responded to the Annual Appeal, which is now underway.

In order to fund the current level of service and programming, we rely heavily on this annual collection.



If you have not yet made a donation, you can do so by visiting the Annual Appeal page on the St. Ignatius website by scanning the QR code at left.

To electronically access the Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2014 and a letter from Father Witt about the Annual Appeal, visit our website at www.saintignatiusloyola.org

Copies are also available at the Parish House.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

MUSIC



SUNDAY, JANUARY 4TH
The Epiphany of the Lord



11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS

Buxtehude *Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern*
(BuxWV 223)

Mendelssohn *There shall a star*

Scriven *Christ the Appletree*

Arr. Chapman *Bring a torch, Jeanette, Isabella*

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 www.stignatiusloyola.org

IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS



Sunday Socials Fall/Winter 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)."

Sunday Social Dates:

Jan. 11	Feb. 8
Feb. 22	March 8

IYA Knitting Group



All IYAs are welcome to join us as we craft for charity. If you have questions or would like to be placed on the mailing list, contact Amy at

IYAKnitting@gmail.com

Monday, January 12th
7:00 PM in the Conference Room



SEEKERS' RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

January 30th - February 1st

Friday Evening - Sunday Afternoon
Mariandale Retreat Center, Ossining, NY

For young adults in their 20s and 30s

Join other young adults as they learn how their Catholic faith impacts their lives through Ignatian spirituality. Take time to reflect on your journey and God's hopes and dreams for you.

Cost: \$250/person; financial assistance available.

Registration ends Thursday, January 15th.

For more information, visit charis.nyc, email CharisRetreatNYC@gmail.com, or call 347-619-2692.

PRAYER RESOURCES

Pray as You Go

<http://www.pray-as-you-go.org>

Pray as You Go is a daily prayer session designed for use on your iPod or other portable MP3 player.

3-Minute Retreats

<http://www.loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer.htm>

Take a short prayer break right at your computer. Spend some time reflecting on a Scripture passage.



You've notified your friends, you've notified your credit cards, you've notified your magazines. Please don't forget to notify your church.



Interested in becoming Catholic? Call 212-288-3588 or email church@stignatiusloyola.org



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We pray for the faithful departed
Louis Fusco, Jr.
John A. LaGrua, Jr.
Patrick O'Connor
May they rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.

After School Tutors Needed: The Little Sisters of the Assumption Family Health Service is in great need of after-school tutors to assist low-academic performing East Harlem children (ages 7 - 12). The one-on-one tutoring sessions are held at the Center, at 333 East 115th Street (between First Avenue and Second Avenue), once a week for 70 minutes. A variety of days and times are available. For more information, contact tgough@lsafhs.org or visit the website littlesistersfamily.org



Special Needs Mass: For families with loved ones on the Autism spectrum and with other challenging behaviors. Sunday, January 4th at 4:00 PM. Church of the Blessed Sacrament, 152 West 71st Street. All family members are invited to attend. For more information, contact jackie@snacknyc.com



New York Encounter: Identity: In Search of the Human Face. Friday, January 16th – Sunday, January 18th, 2015. Metropolitan Pavilion, 125 West 18th Street. A three-day cultural festival centered around presentations, artistic performances, conferences, exhibits, and information booths introducing a variety of charitable, cultural, and work-related initiatives. Featuring opening remarks by Cardinal Dolan. All events are free and open to the public. For more information, visit newyorkencounter.org or call (347) 713-5146.



Men's Weekend Retreat, Thursday, January 22nd – Sunday, January 25th, 2015. Loyola House of Retreats, Morristown, NJ. Directed by Fr. Bill Rakowicz S.J. The retreat will begin Thursday night following 7:00 PM dinner. Cost: \$400 free will offering. To RSVP, call 973-539-0740 and reference the group name "St. Ignatius New York – Men's." For additional information, contact Peter Riordan at 212-877-5134, Carlos Cuartas at 917-509-5329, or visit loyola.org

PARISH STAFF

Pastor

Rev. George M. Witt, S.J.

Associate Pastors

Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.

Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J.

Rev. Michael P. Hilbert, S.J.

Pastoral Associates

Joanne Cunneen

Carly-Anne Gannon

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

Assistant to the Pastor

Diane M. Boyle

Administrative Assistant

Patricia Schneider

Communications Coordinator

Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Director of Facilities

Czeslaw "Chester" Ciupinski

Asst. to the Director of Facilities

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. Bergen

Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Hilbert

9:30 AM Fr. Bergen

Wallace Hall 11:00 AM Fr. Witt

Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Martin

7:30 PM Fr. Martin

Religious Education for Children

Ms. Carly-Anne Gannon, M.Phil., M.Ed.

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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:

4:30 PM Saturday or by appointment.

Communal Penance Services are celebrated during Advent and Lent.

Baptisms: Please call Joanne Cunneen at the Parish House (212-288-3588 x632) 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 (212-288-3588 x632) 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