



CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA

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The Ignatian Way: Prayer, Service, Community

May 1st, 2016

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Working with Joseph

If today were not Sunday, it would be the Memorial of Saint Joseph the Worker. Venerable Pius XII instituted the memorial in 1955 to highlight the Church's concern for workers, and he chose the first of May to counterbalance the May Day festivities then common in communist countries.

The gospels identify Joseph as a worker. The Greek word *tekton* literally means maker. Carpenter became the common translation because biblical scholars presumed the people of a poor farming village like Nazareth would be most in need of articles made of wood. However, the more general term craftsman might be a better description for Joseph. A *tekton* might work in metal and stone, not just wood, and the people of Nazareth would have needed someone who could work with all three. Joseph most likely possessed a range of skills beyond carpentry.

Still, it is hard to imagine a craftsman could make a living working for a community of four hundred souls, the estimated population of Nazareth at Jesus' time, no matter how many materials he was skilled at working with. Joseph needed another source of income. During Jesus' youth and young adulthood, Herod Antipas was restoring the

city of Sepphoris. The project went on for years and would have required craftsmen with various skills. Sepphoris is about an hour's walk from Nazareth. It is quite possible Joseph walked to Sepphoris to work. Once Jesus was old enough, he would have accompanied his father as an apprentice. After Joseph's death, Jesus may well have continued to work in Sepphoris as an independent contractor.

Contemporary sources describe the rich Jewish citizens of Sepphoris who would have employed Joseph and Jesus as urbane and sophisticated. Living in a multi-ethnic city, they were at ease with foreigners, appreciative of Hellenistic culture, and content collaborating with the Roman regime. In comparison with their counterparts in Jerusalem, they had a much more open and receptive attitude toward gentiles. Indeed, religious purists like the Judean priests and scribes who became Jesus' opponents often called Jesus' native land Galilee of the Gentiles and dismissed it as a place so influenced by paganism that no good could come from it.

If Jesus and Joseph worked in Sepphoris, its ambiance would inevitably have influenced them. We may see positive aspects of that influence reflected in the gospel portrait of Jesus. His ease interacting with the rich, his welcoming attitude toward people of all classes and conditions, and his impatience with rigorist interpretations of the law might well be qualities his dealings with his cosmopolitan employers in Sepphoris nurtured.

Working with Joseph in Sepphoris may have affected Jesus in more personal ways as well. It most likely deepened his appreciation for companionship. If Jesus and Joseph walked to Sepphoris together and worked there together, they would have spent long hours together. As a result, they probably talked more than many fathers and sons, grew to appreciate each other

more than many fathers and sons, and learned to depend on each other more than many fathers and sons. A rich companionship would inevitably have grown up between them. That could have influenced the love of companionship and gift for gathering companions we see in the gospels' portrayal of Jesus.

Working so closely with Joseph may also have deepened Jesus' capacity for compassion. Joseph does not appear in the gospels as a participant in the events of Jesus'

public life the way Mary does. Because of that, tradition holds that Joseph died during Jesus' young adulthood. Given how close they were, the loss of Joseph must have been a terrible blow to Jesus. He would have felt truly bereft. This personal experience of loss likely heightened Jesus' sensitivity to all suffering and helped make him the astoundingly compassionate man we meet in the gospels.

Jesus' experiences of work and companionship with Joseph, the love he had for Joseph and the pain he felt when he lost Joseph helped shape Jesus as a person. In turn, the person Jesus was shaped the salvation history he was God's chosen instrument in creating. This should serve as a reminder to us. Our experiences of work and companionship, of love and loss, are not unimportant. Like Jesus' experiences, they shape salvation history. We should approach these experiences with reverence because God is at work in them just as God was at work in the lives of Joseph and Jesus.

— Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J.
Administrator



Christ in the House of His Parents.
John Everett Millais. 1849–50.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



Special
Collection

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This weekend our Parish will take up the annual collection for *Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.*

Visit stignatiusloyola.org to read a letter from Cardinal Dolan regarding this special collection.



SUNDAY, MAY 1st

Blood Drive. Sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. McKinnon Hall. *Details at right.*

Sunday Social. 8:30 PM. Wallace Hall. Hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults. Follows the 7:30 PM Mass.



MONDAY, MAY 2nd

Ranger Rosary Ministry. 7:00 PM. Meeting Room.



Join us in making rosaries to send to our military. New members are welcome!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4th

Job Transition Support Group. 10:00 AM. Parish Lounge.

Bringing together experienced professionals looking to secure employment.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting. 7:00 PM. Conference Room. All are welcome.

ASCENSION THURSDAY

MAY 5th

Anticipated Mass at 5:30 PM on *Wednesday, May 4th.*

Masses at 8:30 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:30 PM, and 7:30 PM on *Thursday, May 5th.*

All Masses will be celebrated in the Church.



SATURDAY, MAY 7th

IGNITE! Teen Ministry. 6:30 PM. Hoefner Lounge.

Teens age 13–19 are welcome! To register, email Teresa Cariño at carinot@saintignatiusloyola.org



For your convenience

To reach the *Giving* page on the parish website, scan the **QR Code** at left.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



BLOOD DRIVE TODAY

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
McKinnon Hall

The New York Blood Center requires 2,000 donations daily to meet the transfusion needs of our community.

Your donation may enable a premature baby to live, a burn victim to recover, a cancer patient to be treated, or an accident victim to survive.

Walk-ins are welcome.

A photo or signature ID is required.

Please drink plenty of fluids and eat a well-balanced meal before giving blood.

Please help us exceed our goal of 38 donations!



The Staff of the St. Ignatius Loyola Day Nursery cordially invites the members of the Parish Community to

The Annual Spring Benefit

Friday, May 20th, 7:00 PM to Midnight
Guastavino's

*Cocktails, Dinner, Dancing, Raffle,
Live and Silent Auctions*

For ticket information, please call 212-734-6427 x24.

Persons over 21 years of age are welcome.



Pope Francis' May Prayer Intentions

Apostleship of Prayer receives monthly prayer intentions from Pope Francis and urges Christians throughout the world to unite in prayer for those intentions.

Universal: Respect for Women

That in every country of the world, women may be honored and respected and that their essential contribution to society may be highly esteemed.

Evangelization: Holy Rosary

That families, communities, and groups may pray the Holy Rosary for evangelization and peace.

WALLACE HALL AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL

For more information, contact Caroline Fernandes at 212-288-3588 or fernandesc@saintignatiusloyola.org

Coming Next Month

Thursday, June 2nd

Ministers' Night Annual Supper Social.
In Wallace Hall at 7:00 PM.

Sunday, June 5th

Reception congratulating our new (as of June 1st) Pastor, Fr. Yesalonia, and thanking Fr. Feely for serving as Parish Administrator for the past year.

In McKinnon Hall following the 11:00 AM Masses.

Note: There will be no Coffee Hour in Wallace Hall that day.

Save
THE
DATE

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, May 2nd (St. Athanasius)

Acts 16:11-15 Psalm 149 John 15:26-16:4a

8:30 MEM Brian Maroff

12:10 MEM Mary Wesley

5:30 MEM Lauren Megias

Tuesday, May 3rd (SS. Philip & James)

1 Corinthians 15:1-8 Psalm 19 John 14:6-14

8:30 MEM Lidia Lugo

12:10 MEM Ianniceli Family

5:30 MEM Anne Anderson

Wednesday, May 4th (Sixth Wednesday of Easter)

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

8:30 MEM Allison MacEachron

12:10 MEM Antoinette Angioletti

5:30 Anticipated Mass Ascension of the Lord

Thursday, May 5th (The Ascension of the Lord)

Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47

Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23 Luke 24:46-53

Friday, May 6th (Sixth Friday of Easter)

Acts 18:9-18 Psalm 47 John 16:20-23

8:30 MEM Norah Waters

12:10 MEM Cleveland Michaels

5:30 MEM Sose & Mark Prekelezaj

Saturday, May 7th (Sixth Saturday of Easter)

Acts 18:23-28 Psalm 47 John 16:23b-28

8:30 MEM Julia Anne O'Donnell

Sunday, May 8th (Seventh Sunday of Easter)

Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 97

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20 John 17:20-26

MUSIC

SUNDAY, MAY 8TH

11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS

with Parish Community Choir

Tournemire *In Ascensione Domine*

Mendelssohn *Verleih uns Frieden*

Bach *Mass in B Minor: Dona nobis pacem*

Hurford *Laudate Dominum Suite: VI. Let God arise*



**Psalms, Hymns &
Spiritual Songs**

Wednesday, May 11th
7:00 PM

The season concludes with a rousing celebration of music for unaccompanied choir: Aaron Copland's 1947 choral concerto *In the Beginning*, Philadelphia composer Jennifer Higdon's *Sanctus*, and *Carmina mei, cordis* by award-winning Minnesota native Abbie Betinis.

Tickets: \$25-\$80



Rejoice in the Lord!
**A Music Ministry
Celebration**

Sunday, May 22nd
3:00 PM

The Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola, Parish Community Choir, Wallace Hall Choir, Canticum Sacrum, and Children's Choirs join forces in gratitude and joy.

FREE WILL OFFERING.
NO TICKETS NECESSARY.

Tickets for all concerts are available online at www.smssconcerts.org or by calling 212-288-2520.

Parishioners and Friends of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish are cordially invited to attend LifeWay Network's Spring Fundraiser



**Event Towards New Life:
Walking Together Towards Freedom**

Thursday, May 19th
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM in Wallace Hall

Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

This event supports LifeWay Network, which collaborates to combat human trafficking through safe housing and education.

Tickets: \$125 before May 2nd/\$150 thereafter

Visit www.lifewaynetwork.org to register and pay online, or mail payment to LifeWay Network, Inc., PO Box 754215, Forest Hills, NY 11375



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



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Volunteer Opportunity. The Community of St. Egidio is looking for volunteers for their activities in Manhattan, including preparing and distributing food to homeless men and women and visiting a nursing home on the Upper East Side. If you are interested, contact Paola at 646-765-3899 or at santegidiousa@gmail.com

Lecture Series: The Jubilee Year of Mercy — A Faith Formation Experience with Dr. Bernie Swain. Tuesday, May 17th – Thursday, May 19th, 7:00 PM. *The Church of St. Monica, 413 East 79th Street.* This series will examine mercy's place in our daily lives, focusing on the questions "What does 'Merciful Like the Father' really mean?" and "How can we 'evangelize by attraction?'" Dr. Bernie Swain is a noted theologian, author, and parish consultant. With over 40 years of pastoral ministry experience, Dr. Swain is also the author of *Liberating Leadership*, which analyzes collaborative ministry, and has written for a variety of publications, including *Atlantic Monthly*, *Commonweal*, *Harvard Theological Review*, and *Miami Herald*.



The Cardinal's Appeal offers vital support to Catholic programs and ministries throughout the Archdiocese as well as in our own parish.

Gifts can be made online at
www.cardinalsappeal.org



Annual Golden Wedding Mass Celebration

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2016 are invited to attend *one* of the *Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass Celebrations* with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick on **Saturday, June 25th at 1:30 PM and Sunday, June 26th at 2:00 PM.**

Pre-registration is required.

To register, contact Diane Boyle at the Parish House (212-288-3588 x618 or boyled@saintignatiusloyola.org) by **Tuesday, May 24th.**

PARISH STAFF

Parish Administrator

Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J.

Associate Pastors

Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.
Rev. Michael P. Hilbert, S.J.
Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J.

Pastoral Associates

Teresa Marie Cariño
Carly-Anne Gannon

Assisting Priests (Sunday)

Rev. Philip G. Judge, S.J.
Rev. James Martin, S.J.
Rev. Samuel J. Sawyer, S.J.
Rev. Anthony P. SooHoo, S.J.

Music Ministries

Scott Warren, *Director*
Daniel Beckwith
Robert Reuter
Michael Sheetz
Maureen Haley
Philip Anderson
Sara Murphy, *Administrator*

Assistant to the Pastor

Diane M. Boyle

Administrative Assistant

Patricia Schneider

Communications Coordinator

Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Director of Facilities

Michael Gardiner

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. Hilbert

Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Hilbert

9:30 AM Fr. Bergen

Wallace Hall 11:00 AM Fr. Yesalonia

Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Feely

7:30 PM Fr. Feely

Religious Education

for Children

Ms. Carly-Anne Gannon, Director
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St. Ignatius Loyola Grammar School

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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 call Teresa Cariño 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 Teresa Cariño 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