

Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

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September 10, 2017 | Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Only When It Is Dark Enough Can You See the Stars

Sitting in front of the screen of my computer to compose the essay for this bulletin, I am blinded by the luminescence of a blank screen. I have known for weeks that it would be my responsibility to write something which, in some way, would set the tone for the cycle of essays which begins the weekend after Labor Day. However, shaking off the sweet lethargy of summer proved to be difficult. It was not that there was an absence of topics to consider; rather, repeated attempts to write something became more and more elusive. Finally, I appealed to the parish staff to suggest a topic. One response which resonated with me was “write about hope.”

The day before he was assassinated Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. addressed a rally in Memphis, Tennessee with these words: *The nation is sick. Trouble is in the land; confusion all around. That's a strange statement. But I know, somehow, that only when it is dark enough can you see the stars. And I see God working in this period of the twentieth century in a way that men, in some strange way, are responding.* Dr. King used these words as a reflection of how he would respond if Almighty God offered him any time in history to live. Dr. King chose “the now” of his life. In the midst of one of the darkest and most tumultuous times in our history as a nation, Dr. King chose his time because in the twilight of one era he saw glimmers of the radiance of a new reality taking hold of our country. As he endured the mockery of white-hooded fiends, the ignominy of being herded into police vans and jail cells, and the heartbreak of shameful violence against innocent victims, he dared to hope for a more just world and he sang of the triumph of freedom over the forces of evil. His abiding trust in the inherent goodness of all women and men and his belief in a loving God never wavered, even in a troubled land shrouded in the darkness of racism, bigotry and hatred. His anthem *We Shall Overcome* became the rallying cry of a generation. It is a dream which I believe we all share, even to this day. How bittersweet that the chords of this refrain must be played again in “the now” of our lives.

It is our turn to stand on the mountaintop and gaze at a span of history from the beginning of the civil rights movement to today, recognizing that our notions of equality under the law and freedom sprang forth from fallow fields of cotton and smoky battlefields where brother fought against brother and North and South meant more than directions on a compass. How prophetic still are the words of Dr. King, *Trouble is in the land!* Jim Crow laws were abolished but still live in the hearts of many. Their reach now goes beyond people of color and include people of other nationalities and religions. The moral compass of elected officials is no longer fixed on what is right and just, but rather on self-interest and a false notion of greatness. As Harvey relentlessly pounded the city of Houston, nature itself raged in protest against the false claim that change is not taking place. In the now of our reality, far different and yet so similar to our recent history, what do we say to those who yearn to see the stars through the darkness?

And so, I have written about hope in this essay. Fraught with risk, a challenge to grasp, and breathtaking in its scope, hope nonetheless is essential to our faith. And once attained, hope illuminates the darkness of our souls with the radiance of all the stars of heaven. Let us sing together the sweet anthem of Dr. King as we live our faith as heralds of hope in a troubled land.

— Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J.
Pastor



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

The 11:00 AM

Wallace Hall Family Mass resumes.

*Will include prayers and blessings
for students and teachers
as the school year begins.*

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th

Ranger Rosary Ministry.

7:00 PM. Meeting Room.

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SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16th

Seniors Luncheon.

1:00 PM. Wallace Hall. Sponsored by
the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

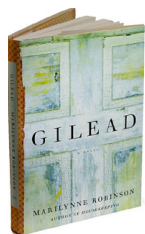
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MORE THAN A BOOK CLUB

NEW! Beginning Thursday, September 21st
2:00 PM
Parish House Meeting Room

More Than a Book Club is a new afternoon program beginning in September. Activities will include book discussions as well as tours, events, and guest speakers.

SEPTEMBER BOOK SELECTION



Gilead by Marilynne Robinson

Winner of the 2005 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, *Gilead* is an intimate tale of three generations—from the Civil War to the 20th century—told from the perspective of minister John Ames.

Gilead is available for purchase from most book retailers, including Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble.

To register for the September 21st book discussion,
email MoreThanaBookClubSIL@gmail.com

Registration required.



Special Collection

This weekend, our Parish will take up
the annual collection for the
*Church in Latin America and
Catholic Home Missions.*

We thank you for your generosity.

FAMILY MINISTRY



Fall Potluck Dinner

Saturday, September 23rd

5:00 PM in Wallace Hall

Come join us for a casual dinner with
other St. Ignatius families and friends.

What to Bring:

- Your favorite dish or a contribution at the door
(Contribution: \$50 for a family up to four or
\$75 for a family of five or more)

To RSVP, email

parentcommittee.familyministry@gmail.com

All are welcome.

MEETING CHRIST IN PRAYER



Meeting Christ in Prayer is an interactive 8-week guided prayer experience for small groups. Based on the *Spiritual Exercises* of St. Ignatius Loyola, it introduces participants to various ways of praying and provides an opportunity to support one another through faith sharing.

Morning Sessions

Tuesdays, October 3rd – November 14th at 9:30 AM

Evening Sessions

Wednesdays, October 4th – November 15th at 7:00 PM

Closing Mass: Wednesday, November 29th at 7:00 PM

Weekly meetings are 90 minutes long and include group prayer, guided meditation, small group faith sharing, and an orientation for the following week's prayer or prayer techniques. The cost of the program is a sliding scale of \$30-\$50 and covers all materials. Scholarships are available.

To register, email MCIP@saintignatiusloyola.org

EMMAUS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP



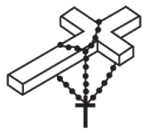
A six-session support group for those who
have experienced the death of a loved one
will begin on **Tuesday evening, October 3rd**,
in the Parish Lounge, from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM.

The sessions, both educational and supportive,
are run by experienced facilitators.

For information and/or to register, please email
EmmausBereavementGroup@gmail.com or leave
your name and phone number at the Parish House.

Registration is required.

RANGER ROSARY MINISTRY



Monday, September 11th
7:00 PM in the Meeting Room
Over 17,550 rosaries and counting!

The Ranger Rosary ministry meets twice a month to make rosaries for Catholics who are serving in the armed services. **New members are always welcome!**

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Seniors of the parish and neighboring community are invited to the

Seniors Luncheon

Saturday, September 16th at 1:00 PM
Wallace Hall



To RSVP, call the Parish House at (212) 288-3588 or email svdpmembership980@gmail.com with your full name by Monday, September 11th.

Space is limited.



Annual Friends of the Poor Walk Saturday, September 30th

Join us as we walk from the steps of St. Patrick's Cathedral to Most Holy Redeemer Church (173 East 3rd Street).

This fundraising event helps support our St. Lawrence O'Toole Conference serving those in need, with 100% of all funds raised remaining within our Conference.

For more information, please email svdpmembership980@gmail.com

Please arrive by 9:45 AM. Walk starts promptly at 10 AM.

IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS



Sunday Social 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.

Sunday Social Dates

Sept. 17 Oct. 1 Oct. 15 Nov. 12



LME FALL PROGRAM

St. Joseph: Companion in Change

Saturday, October 7th

Presenter: Fr. Tom Feely, S.J.

We are constantly faced with changes in our life circumstances and in our interior lives. When St. Joseph accepted responsibility for Jesus, he embarked on a life of change which can make him a model for us.

The two presentations will use imagination to go behind scripture. The first will reflect on the Flight into Egypt, seeing St. Joseph as a model for facing changes in our life circumstances. The second will reflect on the Finding in the Temple and family life in Nazareth, seeing St. Joseph as a model for meeting changes in our interior life.

Registration information will follow.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?



We have the privilege at St. Ignatius of welcoming many visitors and new parishioners. We especially welcome those who may be thinking of becoming Catholic. If you feel attracted to the Catholic faith, we want you to know about a program at the Parish that will begin in the Fall.

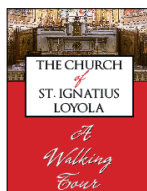
A group will meet during the year to inquire into the Catholic faith, to come to know Jesus through the Gospels, and to pray and to prepare for the Easter Sacraments.

This process, which is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is also open to those Catholic adults who have not received the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation.

For more information,
contact Maureen Fullam at 212-288-3588
or email church@saintignatiusloyola.org

Available at the Parish House

The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola: A Walking Tour



Updated in commemoration of our Sesquicentennial Celebration, the redesigned *Walking Tour* provides a detailed overview of the rich architectural history of the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola.

Cost: \$8



ST. IGNATIUS IS NOW ON FACEBOOK!

To stay up-to-date on upcoming events, follow us at [churchofstignatiusloyolanyc](https://www.facebook.com/churchofstignatiusloyolanyc)

GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Parishioner Admissions Information Meeting



Hosted by Ms. Mary Larkin, Principal

Monday, September 18th at 7:00 PM
McKinnon Hall

Parishioners are welcome to attend for a general overview of the school's admission process.

For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at (212) 861-3820 x106

An RSVP is not required.



ATTENTION PARENTS OF 8th GRADERS!

The TACHS (*Test for Admission into Catholic High Schools*) will be administered in the Archdiocese of New York on **Friday, November 3rd**.

Online registration is available 7 days a week by going to the website www.tachsinfo.com or by calling 1-866-618-2247.

The deadline for internet/telephone registration is **Monday, October 16th**.

For additional details, visit tachsinfo.com or call the TACHS Admission Office at 1-866-618-2247.



PRAYER RESOURCES

Pray as You Go

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

www.loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer.htm

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

Moving? Please don't forget to notify your church.
This information helps us to keep our database current.



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

Registration is our only means of certifying membership in the Parish.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, September 11th

(Twenty-third Monday in Ordinary Time)

Colossians 1:24-2:3 Psalm 62 Luke 6:6-11

8:30 MEM Dorothy Casey

12:10 MEM Nora Terriberly

5:30 ANN Richard Fraser

Tuesday, September 12th

(Twenty-third Tuesday in Ordinary Time)

Colossians 2:6-15 Psalm 145 Luke 6:12-19

8:30 MEM Kelly Reilly-Gillebaard

12:10 MEM Cathi Gray Wasilik

5:30 MEM Joseph Sullivan, Sr.

Wednesday, September 13th (*St. John Chrysostom*)

Colossians 3:1-11 Psalm 145 Luke 6:20-26

8:30 MEM Giro & Elina Zullo

12:10 MEM Gordon Vaughan

5:30 MEM Josephine Stelter

Thursday, September 14th (*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*)

Numbers 21:4b-9 Psalm 78

Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17

8:30 MEM Paul Choix

12:10 MEM Mary C. McKeown

5:30 MEM Thomas F. McEvily, Jr.

Friday, September 15th (*Our Lady of Sorrows*)

1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14 Psalm 16 John 19:25-27

8:30 MEM Daniel Shuhet

12:10 MEM Jack O'Leary

5:30 MEM J. Wallace

Saturday, September 16th (*Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian*)

1 Timothy 1:15-17 Psalm 113 Luke 6:43-49

8:30 MEM Randolph Morales

Sunday, September 17th

(Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Sirach 27:30-28:9 Romans 14:7-9

Psalm 103

Matthew 18:21-35

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• Then, click on the button marked *Register: Sign up free using your parish code*, which is located in the lower right-hand corner, and then enter our code **JM4KZX** (all uppercase letters).



SCRIPTURE CLASSES

Women in the Bible, Part II

Six Sessions Beginning September 18th

Mondays at 11:00 AM in the Meeting Room

(Note: Due to the Columbus Day holiday, that week's session will meet on Tuesday, October 10th)

From Sarah to Syntyche, from Rebekka to Ruth, from Miriam to Mary, women have been God's indispensable partners in the unfolding drama of our faith, often fulfilling unexpected and vital roles.

We will continue our study of biblical women as we meet Miriam and the Hebrew midwives who save Moses' life, the daughters of Zelophehad – early advocates of women rights, Ruth – an outsider who shows extraordinary fidelity to Israel's God, and Judith – a beautiful widow who delivers Israel from powerful foes. We will also explore the role of women in the early church and how that role dramatically changed within a generation.

To register, email WomenintheBibleClass@gmail.com

When Bad Things Happen to Good People:

The Book of Job

Six Sessions Beginning September 18th

Mondays at 7:00 PM in the Meeting Room

(Note: Due to the Columbus Day holiday, that week's session will meet on Tuesday, October 10th)

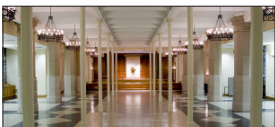
As we mature in our faith we are inevitably confronted with difficult questions—do things happen for a reason? Why do good people suffer? Is there any connection between our deeds and what happens to us? Why is life unfair? Is God really loving and just?

The book of Job explores these with uncompromising honesty—the main character, Job, goes so far as to accuse God of being an overpowering bully who has some explaining to do! And God's response to Job's questions—our questions—is stunning.

To register, email BookofJobClass@gmail.com

All sessions led by **Brian Pinter**, Education Associate and Bible scholar-in-residence at Christ Church United Methodist.

WALLACE HALL AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL



The space is available for a variety of events including fundraisers, lectures, receptions, and formal banquet-style dinners.

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

MUSIC



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH



11 AM SOLEMN MASS

Bach, J.S.

Prelude and Fugue in C Major, BWV 547

Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake

Schütz

Lobe den Herren, meine Seele, SWV 39

Telemann

Trumpet Tune and Ayre



Philippine Madrigal Singers

Friday, October 6th

8:00 PM

Under the direction of Mark Anthony Carpio, the Philippine Madrigal Singers are UNESCO Artists for Peace, "putting fame and influence at the service of UNESCO's ideals and efforts to promote cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue and a culture of peace."

The Madz is one of the most awarded choral groups in the world, having consistently won all top prizes in major choral competitions.

The group has a virtuosic repertoire range while continuing to promote Filipino choral works. The group sings in a distinctive seated semicircle without a conductor.

Tickets: \$35-\$80

The N.P. Mander Organ Recital Series

presents

KENT TRITLE

Director of Cathedral Music and Organist,
Cathedral of St. John the Divine

Sunday, October 22nd

3:00 PM

The N.P. Mander organ is the largest tracker-action pipe organ in the New York metropolitan area. All N.P. Mander Organ Recitals feature large-screen projection, offering the audience a rare view of the organist at work.

Tickets: \$25

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



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Rev. Michael P. Hilbert, S.J.

Assistant Pastor

Rev. Brett B. McLaughlin, S.J.

Senior Priest

Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.

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Teresa Marie Cariño Carly-Anne Gannon

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Michael Sheetz

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Fernando Castro

Weekday Masses (Monday to 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. Yesalonia
Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. McLaughlin
9:30 AM Fr. McLaughlin
Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM Fr. Feely
Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Bergen
7:30 PM Fr. Bergen

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.

Centering Prayer

Mondays at 6:30 PM.

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.

Concert: The Sistine Chapel Choir. Saturday, September 16th, 7:00 PM. *St. Patrick's Cathedral, Fifth Avenue between 50th and 51st Streets.* The world's oldest organized choir will perform at St. Patrick's Cathedral for the first time in three decades during the choir's first stop of their three-city U.S. tour. To reserve tickets, visit sistinechapelustour.com **Suggested Donation: \$50.**

Concert: The Music of Your Life: A Pops Concert Presented by Members of the St. Monica's Choir and Friends. Saturday, September 16th, 7:30 PM. *The Church of St. Monica, 413 East 79th Street (between First & York Avenues).* **Cost:** Faith offering appreciated.

Event: Catholic Guardian Services Cocktail Hour. Monday, September 18th, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. *The Skylark Room, 200 West 39th Street (at Seventh Avenue), 30th Floor.* A cocktail event to learn about Associate Board membership with Catholic Guardian Services. Sponsored by the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York, Catholic Guardian Services offers an array of services for underserved families and individuals with special needs. For more information, email Julie Inglese, Associate Board co-chair, at jinglese@gibsondunn.com An RSVP is not required.

Nightfever NYC. Saturday, November 18th, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. *Saint Patrick's Cathedral, East 50th Street and 5th Avenue.* Nightfever NYC is hosting a night of praise, worship, and reconciliation. Confessions will be heard throughout the evening. For more information, email nightfevernyc@gmail.com

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