Throughout our Lenten journey and our whole life as Christians we are accompanied by our Blessed Mother Mary. She is the Christ bearer (Greek: Θεοτόκος = Theotókos) par excellence. From the annunciation until the resurrection and beyond she is with us always.

As we arrive at Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week, Mary is not only a bystander in the Passion of her son Jesus, she is also deeply engaged with him and God the Father as the life and death spiritual struggle of Jesus is reenacted in all Christian communities throughout the world.

We turn to Mary often in our life of prayer asking for her assistance, intercession, and protection. We ask that she hold us in her arms with motherly love just as she held Jesus in his infancy and as the crucified mature son was taken down from the cross and placed in the tomb. She manifests to us a total, unflinching faith, care, and love which is the very basis for the worship of God. This adoration is ultimately realized in the mysteries of the resurrection and assumption of Jesus and the subsequent outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the gift of Pentecost.

Throughout the entire Church’s liturgical year we recall Mary’s intimate relationship with Jesus. The principal feasts each month that recall her central role as Mother of God, Christ, and the Church (the People of God) are:

- January 1st: Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God
- February 2nd: Presentation of the Lord in the Temple
- March 25th: The Annunciation
- April 26th: Our Lady of Good Counsel
- May 31st: The Visitation
- June 27th: Our Lady of Perpetual Help
- July 16th: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
- August 15th: The Assumption
- September 8th: The Birth of Mary
- October 7th: Our Lady of the Rosary
- November 21st: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- December 12th: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Of course, there are many other feasts dedicated to her such as Fatima, Lourdes, and Czestochowa, etc. The months of May and October and most Saturdays of the liturgical year are dedicated to Mary.

The original traditional 15 mysteries of the Rosary (Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious) plus the Luminous mysteries, introduced by Pope John Paul II in 2002, also show how the Christian community venerates our Blessed Mother and her unique role in salvation history.

The Sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary, which all focus on Jesus, are expressed in the Agony in the Garden, the Scourging at the Pillar, the Crowning with Thorns, the Carrying of the Cross, and the Crucifixion. They help us experience again the death of Jesus by standing at the foot of the cross with Mary. The life-giving power of this prayer allows us to understand the depth of God’s love for his people, incarnate in the life and death of Jesus.

On this Palm Sunday, as we enter Holy Week, let us consider prayerfully our encounter with Mary in the Stations of the Cross. Throughout Jesus’ excruciating ordeal, from his condemnation to death in the first station until the 14th and last station, Mary is present. She is holding Jesus in her heart, thoughts, and love and is lifting him up to the Father as Jesus pays the price of our redemption through his sacrifice and opens the passage for us, his faithful ones, to the heavenly Kingdom.

We are not alone on our Lenten journey as we follow Jesus to his passion, death, and resurrection. Our Blessed Mother is with us, in addition to the great communion of saints and all the faithful, as we seek to identify ourselves with Jesus, knowing that he truly is the Lord and is our one and only hope for salvation.

Some words from the ancient hymn Stabat Mater Dolorosa (“The sorrowful mother stood”) will recall to us the enormous grief and cost that Mary bore as she shared in Christ’s redemptive love:

“At the Cross her station keeping, stood the mournful Mother weeping, close to her son to the last. Through her heart, His sorrow sharing, all His bitter anguish bearing, and now at length the sword has passed….. O thou Mother! Fount of love! Touch my spirit from above, make my heart with thine accord: Make me feel as thou hast felt; make my soul to glow and melt with the love of Christ my Lord.”

Rev. James L. Dugan, S.J.
Associate Pastor
**GOOD FRIDAY**

The *Liturgy for Good Friday* will be celebrated on April 22nd at 7:00 PM. It is the starkest of all liturgies during the year and includes the chanting of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion.

Many churches, including St. Ignatius Loyola, also have a *Three Hours Devotion* service from Noon to 3:00 PM to commemorate the time Jesus hung and died on the cross.

This devotion includes meditations on the *Seven Last Words* of Jesus from the cross.

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**MONDAY, APRIL 18th**
Dead Man Walking: *The Journey Continues*
A talk by Sr. Helen Prejean, C.S.J.
7:00 PM. Wallace Hall. Details on page 3.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 19th**
Spiritual Community Reading Group Monthly Meeting. 7:15 PM. Conference Room. Details on page 3.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20th**
Ignatian Volunteer Corps Information Session.
12:45 - 2:00 PM. Parish Lounge. Details on page 3.

**HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 21st**
Mass of the Lord’s Supper. 7:00 PM *(doors open at 6:30 PM)*. Details on page 5.

**GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 22nd**
Three Hours Devotion. Noon to 3:00 PM. *(doors open at 11:30 AM)*. Details on page 5.
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion. 7:00 PM *(doors open at 6:30 PM)*. Details on page 5.
Sacrament of Reconciliation. 2:00 – 4:00 PM. Church and Lady Chapel.

**HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 23rd**
Sacrament of Reconciliation.
5:00 – 6:00 PM. Parish House Parlors.
Easter Vigil. 8:15 PM *(doors open at 7:45 PM)*. Details on page 5.
(For reasons of safety, once the Vigil begins, no one will be admitted into the Church until the end of the “Exultet.” Please be on time.)
**April 18th: Reconciliation Monday**

The Archdiocese of New York is joining with the Diocese of Brooklyn and the Diocese of Rockville Centre in offering the sacrament of reconciliation at every parish on Monday, April 18th from 3:00 to 9:00 PM.

St. Ignatius Loyola will be participating in Reconciliation Monday. Confessions will be heard in the Church from 3:00 to 9:00 PM.

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**Information Session**

Wednesday, April 20th. 12:45 – 2:00 PM. Parish Lounge.

IVC provides men and women, age 50 and over, the opportunity to serve the needs of those who are economically poor, to work for a more just society, and to grow spiritually by reflecting and praying in the Ignatian tradition.

For more information, or to confirm your attendance, please contact IVC Regional Director Liz McMahon at 201-618-6924 or emcmahon@ivcusa.org

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**BOOMERS & BEYOND**

Visit to the Islamic Cultural Center 1711 Third Avenue Thursday, May 12th at 6:15 PM

Join BOOMERS & BEYOND for an evening of education, enrichment, and enlightenment on the basic beliefs of Islam both as a religion and as a way of life.

IMAM SHAMSII ALI will meet us to discuss Islam and the history and architectural significance of the Mosque. Following Imam Ali’s talk, there will be a question and answer period and an opportunity to observe an evening prayer service.

(It is suggested that women wear a head covering while in the Mosque.)

Meet at the 96th St. entrance of the ISLAMIC CULTURAL CENTER (which is located at 1711 Third Ave.).

This invitation is open to ALL Boomers, married or single. Please take the opportunity to participate in this unique experience!

**RSVP by Monday, May 9th to:**

boomersandbeyond.eastside@gmail.com (email preferred) or call: 646-241-1332

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**IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS**

Sunday Socials Schedule April 17th May 1st & 15th, June 12th & 26th

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 are welcome.

**To receive updates on IYA events and other opportunities, follow us on Facebook at “Ignatian Young Adults (NYC).”**

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**SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY READING GROUP**

Monthly Meeting:

Tuesday, April 19th at 7:15 PM in the Conference Room

In preparation for this meeting, please read The End of the Affair by Graham Greene.

For additional information, contact Chris Carney at ccarney123@gmail.com or 914-316-3068 or Meg Gottemoeller at megcorp@aol.com

New members are always welcome!
Easter Memorial Liturgy  
Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:00 PM  
Our annual liturgy to remember parishioners and family members who died in 2010. You are invited to submit the names of deceased loved ones to Sr. Kathryn King no later than Monday, April 25th.  
Sr. King can be reached at 212-288-3588 or kingk@stignatiusloyola.org

PRAYER SUGGESTION...  
Sacred Space  
We invite you to make a “Sacred Space” in your day and spend ten minutes in prayer, as you sit at your computer, with the help of on-screen guidance and scripture chosen specially every day. Visit www.sacredspace.ie

Pastoral Visits Available for Homebound and Ill Parishioners  
Parishioners have been trained for the ministry of pastoral visiting to the homebound and chronically ill in our Parish.  
If you are interested in having a visit arranged for yourself or for another person, please contact Sr. Kathryn King.  
Sr. Kathryn can be reached at 212-288-3588 or kingk@stignatiusloyola.org

Announced Masses and Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday, April 18th  
(Monday of Holy Week)  
8:30 MEM  Mac Rooney  
12:10 MEM  Kathleen Ann Bartone  
5:30 MEM  Sonia & Joe Trapani

Tuesday, April 19th  
(Tuesday of Holy Week)  
Isaiah 49:1-6  Psalm 71  John 13:21-33, 36-38  
8:30 MEM  Kathleen Ann Bartone  
12:10 MEM  The Bernabei Family  
5:30 MEM  George Palms

Wednesday, April 20th  
(Wednesday of Holy Week)  
Isaiah 50:4-9a  Psalm 69  Matthew 26:14-25  
8:30 MEM  Kathleen Ann Bartone  
12:10 LVG  In Thanksgiving to St. Ann  
5:30 MEM  Nathan Davidson

The fonts will be emptied after the Holy Thursday Liturgy and filled again at the end of the Easter Vigil Service.  
This is in preparation for the blessing of new water during the Easter Vigil.

Training Session for New Eucharistic Ministers  
Those who are interested in serving as an EM at St. Ignatius Loyola are invited to attend a training session:  
Thursday, May 12th from 7:00 – 9:00 PM or Sunday, May 22nd from 1:30 – 3:30 PM  
RSVP by Monday, May 9th to Fr. Anthony SooHoo, S.J., at the Parish House (212-288-3588) or soohooa@stignatiusloyola.org

CHANGE FOR CHANGE: We are collecting donations throughout Lent for the Mercy Center in the Bronx.  
The Collection period runs from Ash Wednesday to the end of April.  
Loose change, bills, and checks are welcome!  
Please bring donations to the Parish House in care of Joanne Cunneen.

No Mass Intentions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday

Thursday, April 21st  
(Thursday of Holy Week)  
Mass of the Lord's Supper:  
Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14  Psalm 116  
1 Corinthians 11:23-26  John 13:1-15

Friday, April 22nd  
(Good Friday of the Lord's Passion)  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion:  
Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12  Psalm 31  
Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9  John 18:1 – 19:42

Saturday, April 23rd  
(Holy Saturday)  
Easter Vigil:  
Genesis 1:1 – 2:2  Genesis 22:1-18  
Exodus 14:15 – 15:1  Isaiah 54:5-14  
Ezckiel 36:16-17a, 18-28  Romans 6:3-11  
Psalm 118  Matthew 28:1-10

Sunday, April 24th  
(Easter Sunday)  
Acts 10:3a, 37-43  Psalm 118  
Colossians 3:1-4  John 20:1-9
HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE
PASSION SUNDAY
APRIL 17th
Regular Weekend Mass Schedule:
Saturday 5:30 PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM
11:00 AM (Solemn)
11:00 AM (Wallace Hall Family Mass)
7:30 PM

CONFESSON SCHEDULE
Monday, April 18th:
3:00 – 9:00 PM in the Church
Good Friday, April 22nd:
2:00 – 4:00 PM in the Church and the Lady Chapel
Holy Saturday, April 23rd:
5:00 – 6:00 PM in the Parish House Parlors

LITURGIES OF THE TRIDUUM
HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 21st
Mass of the Lord’s Supper
7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM)
Rev. William Bergen, S.J., Presider
Rev. Anthony SooHoo, S.J., Homilist

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 22nd
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
Liturgy at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM)
Rev. Ugo Nacciarone, S.J., Presider
Rev. James Dugan, Homilist

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 23rd
Easter Vigil
8:15 PM (doors open at 7:45 PM)
Rev. George M. Witt, S.J.,
Presider and Homilist
(For reasons of safety, once the Vigil begins, no one will be
admitted into the Church until the end of the “Exultet.”
Please be on time.)

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 24th
Please note the change in Mass Times:
7:30 AM - Quiet
9:00 AM - Organ/Cantor
10:30 AM - Organ/Cantor/Choirs/Brass
11:00 AM (Wallace Hall Family Mass) -
Piano/Choirs
Noon (Solemn) - Organ/Cantor/Choirs/Brass
7:30 PM - Organ/Cantor

THE THREE HOURS
DEVOTION
Good Friday, April 22nd
Noon to 3:00 PM
“The Seven Last Words of Christ”
A traditional Christian devotion
commemorating our Savior’s
death, centered around the
“seven last words”
spoken by Jesus
from the cross.

FIRST WORD: “Father, Forgive Them”
Rev. Thomas Smith, S.J., Superior
Loyola Jesuit Community
Fordham University, Bronx, NY

SECOND WORD: “Today You Will Be With Me
In Paradise”
Rev. Gregory Freier, Pastor
Immanuel Lutheran Church, NY

THIRD WORD: “Woman, Behold Your Son”
Sr. Vivienne Joyce, SCNY, Spiritual Director
St. Ignatius Retreat House, Manhasset, NY

FOURTH WORD: “My God, My God,
Why Have You Abandoned Me?”
Rev. Erin Keys, Interim Associate Pastor
for Education and Discipleship
Brick Presbyterian Church, NY

FIFTH WORD: “I Thirst”
Rev. Anthony SooHoo, S.J., Associate Pastor
Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, NY

SIXTH WORD: “Into Your Hands, Lord,
I Commend My Spirit”
Rev. Tom Ehrich, President, Morning Walk Media
Park Avenue Christian Church, NY

SEVENTH WORD: “It Is Finished”
Rev. Matthew Hoskinson, Senior Pastor
First Baptist Church, NY

Participating Musicians
and Choirs
Kent Tritle, Renée Anne Louprette,
Nancianne Parrella, Robert Reuter, Philip Anderson
Members of the Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola
Parish Community Choir
St. Ignatius Loyola Children’s Choirs, Mary Huff, Director
Arthur Fiacco, cello
The Passion of Christ: Artists’ Choices
A multimedia presentation exploring a variety of artists’ choices, struggles, and solutions for depicting the passion of Christ.
Speaker: art historian and associate professor emerita Jeanne Chenault Porter. Wednesday, April 20th at 6:30 PM. Saint Jean Baptiste Auditorium (please enter at 184 East 76th Street). All are welcome.

**Praying the Easter Triduum Retreat: “No Greater Love”**
Thursday, April 21st – Sunday, April 24th
St. Ignatius Jesuit Retreat House, 251 Searingtown Road, Manhasset, NY (Accessible by LIRR, Port Washington Line.)
The retreat begins with supper at 6:00 PM on Holy Thursday and ends with breakfast after an Easter Morning Emmaus Walk. Cost: $300 pp/semi-private, $300 pp/private. Call 516-621-8300 x15 for registration and additional information, or visit www.inisfada.net

Second Annual Healing Mass in Honor of St. Peregrine, patron of those suffering with cancer.
Monday, May 2nd at 7:00 PM
Cathedral of St. Patrick
For cancer patients, survivors, their families, friends, and members of the medical community.
This healing Mass will include the communal rite of the anointing of the sick.

Pax Christi’s 29th Annual Good Friday Way of the Cross April 22nd 8:30 AM – Noon
The Way of the Cross is a modern-day enactment of the Stations of the Cross, witnessing for peace and justice in the streets of New York. The walk begins at 8:30 AM on April 22nd at 47th Street between First and Second Avenues, proceeds along 42nd Street and ends on 42nd Street between Eighth and Ninth Avenues around noon. The New York Province of the Society of Jesus is one of many co-sponsors.

For more information, please call Pax Christi Metro NY at 212-420-0250 or visit www.nypaxchristi.org