If God’s love is seen pre-eminently in the “Word-made-flesh,” then our love for God should be manifested primarily in our love for Jesus. But though this is obvious enough for us as Christians, it is something that we have to reflect on again and again, so that the full impact of its meaning becomes deeply rooted in us.

First, one has to look at the fact that human beings necessarily commit themselves, entrust themselves, to others. The word “necessarily” is put in because no one can live in total isolation. Every encounter with another involves some degree of trust – even if it is the simple trust that the trader will not sell me a scorpion when I ask for an egg. Obviously, then, this handing over of oneself to another can have many different shades of intensity. Perhaps the clearest form it takes is in marriage. In marriage, a human being completely, as unconditionally as possible, entrusts and confides oneself to another. In fact, it is only when each of the spouses, in love, loses him or her self in the other that each can succeed in finding the self. Otherwise, each becomes trapped, imprisoned in themselves.

We can commit ourselves to another on grounds that are adequate to the commitment only when we come to know the other personally. And so with Jesus. All the Bible study, reading of commentaries, historical and cultural background knowledge cannot substitute for the personal encounter with Him. All of those other studies are important, but we must move beyond them. Jesus Himself, and not just our idea about Him, must be accepted and loved. We must love not an abstract idea but a concrete, actual human being.

But this poses another problem. How do we come to love a person who lived so long ago in such a different culture? There is always the risk of falling back to an idea of Christ. But, we answer, Christ is alive today; He is risen. That is true, and if it were not true, there would be no hope of coming to a personal relationship.

But on the human level, people do sometimes reconstruct within themselves extraordinary personalities of history. They have heroes of the past whose lives are reconstructed in their imaginations and still inspire them. But with Christ, it cannot remain at this level.

Let us look at this from another angle. Human beings seek nearness to each other. When a married couple in love are in one another’s presence, they seek to express the exchange of love between them in a physical way. Love seeks to break down even the physical, material bodies that separate them. They want to become ONE. Yet, despite their desire, they remain separate. Paradoxically, it is precisely this separateness or distinction that makes love possible. For the lover loves and affirms the other precisely as other, not by absorbing the other into his or her own peculiar being.

Therefore, love requires distinction in order to express oneness that leaves the two their own personal uniqueness. Therefore, all love must come to grips with at least some spatial and temporal separation. Lovers seek the greatest possible nearness to express the intensity of love; yet they know that their love reaches across space and time.

Therefore, one can love Jesus, in Himself, in true, genuine, immediate love. We realize that this love comes from His initiative in seeking us out, and, by His grace, making the love relationship possible. We read the gospels in the way that lovers gaze at one another in the living of their life together, observing one another, and finding every detail a source of union because it is a sharing. It is not just a study of some exemplar or model.

It is possible to love Jesus, in all immediacy and concreteness, with a love that transcends space and time in virtue of the nature of love in general, and by the power of the Holy Spirit of God.

So spend time with the gospels, coming to know this Jesus, sharing His life with Him and praying that you may love Him more and more.

- Rev. Ugo Nacciarone, S.J.
Associate Pastor
**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20th**
Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting.
7:00 PM. Conference Room.
All are welcome.

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**Welcome, Father Marina!**

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Father Joseph Marina, S.J. He will be here at St. Ignatius Loyola for the next year.

Fr. Marina was born in Phillipsburg, NJ. He entered the Society of Jesus in 2004 and was ordained to the priesthood on June 9, 2012 at Fordham University Church.

Prior to joining the Jesuits, Fr. Marina served as Dean of the School of Continuing Education at Providence College, Assistant Dean for the College of Science and Mathematics at Montclair State University, and in various administrative positions at St. John’s University.

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**Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers Needed**

If you regularly attend the Sunday 8:00 AM or 9:30 AM Mass, please consider becoming a Lector or Eucharistic Minister at that Mass.

Contact Fr. Bergen at bergenw@saintignatiusloyola.org

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**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

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**On behalf of Pastor George Witt, S.J., and the Staff of Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, best wishes for a blessed Father’s Day.**

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**Religious Education for Children**

Registrations for the 2012-2013 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: www.stignatiusloyola.org

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**CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

The *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* is a program of religious formation for children aged 3, 4, and 5. The program draws on the scriptural and liturgical traditions of the Church.

Our meeting place is the Atrium, behind Wallace Hall, a space where the child enjoys an environment that supports his/her spiritual development.

We meet weekly on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons from September through May.

For more information contact Adele Gallo at amdgallo@me.com

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**PLEASE OPEN FOR PAGES 3 AND 4**
Boomers & Beyond cordially invites you to an Interparish Liturgy concelebrated by the Pastors of the Upper East Side Catholic Parishes.

Wednesday, June 20th, 7:00 PM
Church of St. Stephen of Hungary
414 East 82nd Street

A reception will follow.
RSVP by Monday, June 18th:
BoomersandBeyond.eastside@gmail.com (preferred) or call 646-241-1332.

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ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK

The 3rd Annual Friends of the Jesuits Golf Outing
Monday, September 24th
Meadow Brook Club
Jericho, NY

• To benefit those in need through the works of the Jesuits
• To support the care of elderly and infirm Jesuits

Golf Outing Co-Founders:
Pete Dagher, Brian Devaney, Gary Goodenough

Golf Committee Members:

Individual golfer: $1250
Contact: Debra Ryan at the New York Jesuit Office: 212-774-5544
For registration and information on sponsorships and journal ads visit: www.nysj.org
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 which will begin in September. A group will meet here 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 is also open to those Catholic adults who have not received the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation.

For more information about this process, which is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), contact Maureen Fullam at 212-288-3588 or email church@stignatiusloyola.org

Finding God in Unsettled Times: A Conference on Ignatian Spirituality

Friday, June 29th – Sunday, July 1st Loyola University Maryland

Can we find God in unsettled times? And if so, how? Ignatius lived in unsettled times. The world around him was experiencing wars, religious and ethnic persecutions, slavery, and plague. And Ignatius himself experienced the loss of loved ones, career upheaval, near-death illness, and the profound unsettledness that comes when one faces one’s own sinfulness. Centuries later we find ourselves in unsettled times that are different and yet much the same.

The Jesuit Collaborative invites you to learn about Ignatius’s Spiritual Exercises, a time-tested way of finding God, and to journey with them as they seek to find God in unsettled times, in these times, at all times, always.

The Conference will offer a variety of workshops and keynote presentations.

Additional information can be found by visiting www.jesuit-collaborative.org

We pray for the faithful departed

Gabriela Valencia Legaspi

May she rest in the peace of the Risen Lord

Announced Masses and Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday, June 18th
(11th Monday in Ordinary Time)
1 Kings 21:1-16  Psalm 5  Matthew 5:38-42
8:30  MEM  John & Margaret Reilly
12:10  MEM  Anne Scarangella
5:30  MEM  Anthony Leone

Tuesday, June 19th
(St. Romuald)
1 Kings 21:17-29  Psalm 51  Matthew 5:43-48
8:30  MEM  John Figge
12:10  LVG  Marie-Claire Foss
5:30  MEM  Rosemary Kerr

Wednesday, June 20th
(11th Wednesday in Ordinary Time)
2 Kings 2:1, 6-14  Psalm 31  Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
8:30  ANN  Julia Anne O’Donnell
12:10  MEM  Louise McGloin
5:30  MEM  Louise McGloin

Thursday, June 21st
(St. Aloysius Gonzaga)
Sirach 48:1-14  Psalm 97  Matthew 6:7-15
8:30  MEM  Elizabeth Brocks
12:10  MEM  Joseph Gerard Michele
5:30  MEM  Nathan Davidson

Friday, June 22nd
(St. John Fisher, St. Thomas More, & St. Paulinus of Nola)
8:30  MEM  Louise McGloin
12:10  MEM  Genevieve Slon
5:30  MEM  Rose Buscarino

Saturday, June 23rd
(11th Saturday in Ordinary Time)
2 Chronicles 24:17-25  Psalm 89  Matthew 6:24-34
8:30  MEM  David Wicks

Sunday, June 24th
(Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist)
Isaiah 49:1-6  Psalm 139
Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

EMERGENCY HEATING AND COOLING CAMPAIGN

The heating and cooling systems which have served our church for over 50 and 35 years respectively are in desperate need of replacement.

In order to address this urgent need, we must raise $2,400,000.

Our total currently stands at $1,661,638.

Pledge cards are available in the Narthex and at the Parish House.

Complete information about the campaign can also be accessed by visiting our website, www.stignatiusloyola.org and clicking on the Emergency Heating and Cooling Campaign tab at upper right.

For additional details, please contact Mary Reed, Director of Development, at 646-981-2632 or reedm@stignatiusloyola.org

Summer Mass Schedule Changes

The final Wallace Hall Family Mass of the season will be Sunday, June 24th.

The Family Mass will resume on Sunday, September 9th.

Our summer Daily Mass Schedule begins on Monday, July 2nd and runs through Friday, August 31st. During this time the 12:10 PM Daily Mass is discontinued.

The 8:30 AM Daily Mass will be celebrated in the church and the 5:30 PM Daily Mass will be celebrated in the Lady Chapel.

Congratulations and best wishes to the 50 members of the 2012 Graduating Class of Saint Ignatius Loyola School!

This year's graduates have been awarded over $1.55 million dollars in merit scholarship.

In September the students will be attending:

Academy of Software Engineering
Bergen Catholic High School
Convent of the Sacred Heart
Dominican Academy
Fordham Preparatory School
Hackly High School
Harvest Collegiate High School
Iona Preparatory High School
La Salle Academy
Loyola School
Marymount School
Mt. Saint Michael’s Academy
Notre Dame High School
Poly Preparatory Country Day School
Regis High School
St. Vincent Ferrer
Xavier High School

Summer “Temps”

The Ministry of Hospitality invites you to Be A Temp. Choose a weekend in either July or August and volunteer to serve as an usher at the Mass of your choice. During these months many of our regular ministers are away and extra help is needed to fill their slots.

Please contact Adele Gallo at amdgallo@me.com if you can serve during July or August.
Eucharistic Ministers needed.
Mount Sinai Hospital is in need of Eucharistic Ministers to visit the Catholic patients in the hospital. Days and hours are flexible. If you can volunteer a few hours a week please contact Julia Catrain at 212-241-5280 or Rev. Francis at friroot@gmail.com.

Catholic Charities is recruiting a team to participate in the 2012 ING New York City Marathon. Team Catholic Charities NY runners will raise funds for the St. Nicholas Project, a program that provides critical social services for families in need in the New York Archdiocese. St. Nicholas Project services include nutritious meals, job readiness training, housing assistance, and immigration and refugee resettlement counseling.

To learn more about the St. Nicholas Project and Team Catholic Charities NY, visit CatholicCharitiesNY.org/marathon. Inquiries may be directed to TeamCathCharitiesNY@archny.org.

The 2012 Archdiocesan Stewardship Appeal

The Stewardship Appeal supports many important ministries and programs. Your gifts are allocated towards religious education programs, youth ministries, local charities, the education of seminarians, retired clergy, and all of the services provided by the Archdiocese.

If you have not yet made your commitment to the Appeal, please prayerfully consider making a pledge or a one-time gift. Envelopes are available in the pews and in the Narthex.

Thank you for your generosity.

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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. Judge
Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Ugo
9:30 AM Fr. Bergen
Wallace Hall 11:00 AM Fr. Witt
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7:30 PM Fr. Witt

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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 and Thursdays 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:
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