“Yo soy peregrino.” “I am a pilgrim.” This is how I responded this past summer whenever someone asked what I was doing in Spain. I would then go on to explain, in broken Spanish, that I was making a pilgrimage to the various places that St. Ignatius Loyola lived, prayed, and worked during his lifetime. This was part of my Tertianship experience, the last phase of Jesuit formation before taking final vows.

It was a wonderful experience. My heart was moved as I visited these holy sites, and time and again I found myself uttering a prayer of gratitude for the opportunity to be there. The trip deepened my appreciation and love for St. Ignatius, whose story came alive as I walked the very paths he once traveled. And it deepened my appreciation and gratitude to God for calling me to the religious order he founded, the Jesuits. Just the kinds of graces one would hope for in Tertianship!

Part of what was so compelling about being a pilgrim in Spain was the fact that Ignatius understood himself in the very same way. In his Autobiography, he continually refers to himself by that nameless but powerfully descriptive term, “the pilgrim.” The term captures perfectly the attitude he lived by: venturing forth into an unknown future, placing trust in God, relying on the goodness and generosity of others, and helping those in need along the way.

Of course, as a contemporary pilgrim, my experience was very different from his, including the use of modern conveniences he could never have imagined, such as a rented car and a GPS. But the spiritual heart of the experience was the same: a great desire on my part to embody the attitude Ignatius exhibited so well. It was a great blessing to follow along the Ignatian way both literally (in the places he knew) and metaphorically (through commitment to prayer, community, and service).

For those who may be interested in hearing more about my time in Spain, and seeing a handful of my many photographs, I invite you to a presentation in Wallace Hall on the evening of October 10th. More importantly, however, I invite the entire parish this year into a deeper reflection on our Ignatian heritage.

Even before I left for Spain, a joint meeting of the Parish staff and the Parish Ministry Council (comprised of the heads of our various ministries) focused discussion on how to enrich and to deepen our already vibrant parish. One fruit of the meeting was a call to emphasize more explicitly our Ignatian character.

We are the inheritors of a wonderful tradition stretching back to 1866, the arrival in the parish of the very first Jesuits. In ways large and small, as pilgrims in the spirit of St. Ignatius, we have been faithful to our charism. We have been faithfully carrying forward what has been handed on to us.

At the same time, as was confirmed for me this summer, there is tremendous power in being reminded of one’s roots, in getting in touch with one’s founding spirit. Such effort does not require a literal journey to another land, but can be accomplished through greater intentionality in living Ignatius’ way of prayer, community, and service.

To this end, we are planning a year of greater focus on our Ignatian heritage. Next week, Fr. Marina will write an essay explaining this initiative and detailing some of what is planned. My hope, and the hope of those who participated in the joint planning meeting, is that we will experience increased appreciation and love for St. Ignatius, and that the bonds which unite this parish community that bears his name, will be strengthened. My further hope is that we will come to see ourselves as pilgrims along the Ignatian way.

Many blessings for a fruitful year to come!

- Rev. George M. Witt, S.J.
Pastor
THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th
Sunday Social. 8:30 PM. Wallace Hall.
Hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults
(follows the 7:30 PM Mass). All young adults
(ages 21-39) are welcome.

40s & Fabulous Monthly Social.
8:30 – 10:00 PM. Parish Lounge.
Details below.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th
Ranger Rosary Ministry. 7:00 PM.
Meeting Room. Supplies and instructions
are provided. New members are welcome!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th
Parish Community Choir Season Kickoff
2:00 – 6:00 PM. Wallace Hall.
Details on page 5.

The Emergency Heating and Cooling
Campaign Needs Your Help!
Parish Goal: $2,400,000
To date, 10% of our parishioner base has
generously pledged $1,788,450.00
(74.5% of our goal). Amount left to raise: $611,550.
It is possible to take up to two years to fulfill a pledge.
Every gift is appreciated, and all are tax-deductible. Pledge cards
are available in the Narthex and the Parish House.
You may also donate online by visiting www.stignatiusloyola.org
and clicking on the Emergency Heating and Cooling Campaign
tab on the right hand side of the homepage.
If you have any questions or would like to make a credit card
payment over the phone, please contact Pat Schneider at
schneiderp@saintignatiusloyola.org or 646-981-2610.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to Principal Mary Larkin, the faculty,
students, parents, and administration on achieving
a 100% pass rate on the Archdiocesan Religion Exam!

Office of the Archbishop
1011 First Avenue
New York, NY 10022
August 13, 2012
Dear Ms. Larkin:
It is with great joy and happiness that I write to you today. It has
been brought to my attention that Saint Ignatius of Loyola has
achieved a 100% pass rate on the Archdiocesan Religion Exam.
What a remarkable accomplishment for your school community!
I would like to thank you for your commitment to Catholic
education, and particularly for your stewardship of the Catholic
identity of your school. The collective care of you and your teachers
for your students’ spiritual growth and understanding is most
evident. Our hope in our faith is strengthened by the dedication
of schools like yours to nurture the love of Jesus and the Church
in our young people.

Once again, I thank you and the community of Saint Ignatius of
Loyola for your commitment to the message of Christ through
Catholic education. May your dedication be a light to all within
the Archdiocese of New York.

With prayerful best wishes for a wonderful school year ahead, I am,
Faithfully in Christ,
+Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse
of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious, or lay person serving in
the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P.,
at 212-371-1000 x2949, or Deacon George J. Coppola at
917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at
victimassistance@archny.org
Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan
website, www.archny.org
In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse
of minors, this information is provided to ensure that
our children remain safe and secure.

Parishioner Admissions Information Meeting
Hosted by Ms. Mary Larkin, Principal
Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00 PM – McKinnon Hall
Parishioners are welcome to attend for a general
overview of the school’s admission process.
RSVP: 212-861-3820 x130
Meeting Christ In Prayer

“Meeting Christ in Prayer” is an eight-week program of spiritual renewal based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. It is a fresh opportunity to encounter Jesus Christ, to grow in knowledge and understanding of Him, to imitate His love, and to renew one’s participation in His risen life. Each weekly gathering includes a guided meditation, faith-sharing, and orientation for the prayer of the following week.

Open to both beginners in the spiritual journey and those committed to a prayer life for years, the commitment of participants is daily personal prayer of 30 minutes and an “examen,” or review of the day, in the evening.

Suggested scale for offering: $30 – $50 to cover materials.

Two sessions:
- Tuesday Mornings, 9:30 to 11:00 AM, October 2nd to November 27th (no class Thanksgiving week.)
- Wednesday Evenings, 7:00 to 8:30 PM, October 3rd to November 28th (no class Thanksgiving week.)

For additional information and registration, contact Sr. Kathryn King at kingk@saintignatiusloyola.org

Thursday Morning Prayer Group

An opportunity to continue a group support for those who have made the Meeting Christ in Prayer Retreat.
Meets weekly from 9:30 to 11:00 AM.
For information and registration, contact Sabina Fila sabinaft@verizon.net

Altar Servers Needed!

We are in need of conscientious altar servers for weekend Masses and occasional funerals. Boys and girls (in grades 4-8) who are interested should contact Fr. Joseph Marina in the Parish office at 212-288-3588 or at marinaj@saintignatiusloyola.org

It is not necessary to be a student in the Parish grammar school to serve. Training sessions will begin in the near future. Thank you for considering this invitation!

Next weekend our Parish will take up the annual collection for St. Joseph's Seminary.
Thank you in advance for your generosity.

IGNITIAN YOUNG ADULTS

Sunday Socials Fall 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 for those in their 20’s and 30’s.

We look forward to seeing you there!

To receive updates on IYA events and other opportunities, you can follow us on Facebook at “Ignatian Young Adults (NYC)"

Sunday Social Dates:
Sept. 9 Oct. 28 Nov. 11 Dec. 9
Sept. 23 Nov. 25


A Benefit for the Emergency Heating & Cooling Campaign
Arctica Bar & Grill: 384 Third Avenue
7:00 – 10:00 PM
Donation: $75

Reserve your ticket now to the upcoming fundraiser to be held at Arctica! Be a part of a fantastic night out, while assisting the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola. Your donation gets you unlimited food and two drinks (mixed/beer/or wine). There will be live music and a chance to win terrific prizes (sports tickets, theater tickets, and much more).
Payment is due by October 12th.

Contact Erin Pick or Kenn Kern to reserve your ticket: kennkern@yahoo.com or erin.e.pick@gmail.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a program of religious formation for children ages 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 children enjoy an environment that supports their 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
Baptisms
Christian Thomas Attisani
Alban Lee Bates
Olivia Lis Blohm
Theodore Steven Calabrese
Molly Ryan Fitzgerald
Ava Grace Frydl
Max Edward Johnson
Olivia Lennox Letendre
Charlotte Alexandra McGuire
Catherine Elizabeth Murphy
Amelia Stella Nazarewicz
Julianna Elizabeth Shackelford
Johnathan Daniel Sopcak
Michael William Sopcak
Adelaide Ivy Tiranno

Weddings
Brandon E. Baker and Carmela Tracy Resano Lopez
Fabio Michael Bari and Marina Concettina Scotto
Douglas Peter Borkowski and Rachel Lee Reinhart
Stephen Matthew Feiler and Kelly Anne Schulz
Gregory P. Larsson and Caela Ellen Carter
Stephan Herbert Repenning and Angela Sharon Peretti
Matthew Evan Santiago and Joanna Lynn Bogado

We pray for the faithful departed:
Rafael Garcia
May he rest in the peace of the Risen Lord

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, September 10th
(Bl. Francis Gárate)
8:30  MEM    Tom Keane
12:10  MEM    Valentino Mazzia
5:30  MEM    Jose Antonio Mujica

Tuesday, September 11th
(23rd Tuesday in Ordinary Time)
8:30  MEM    Dorothy Casey
12:10  MEM    Hon. Nicholas H. Politan
5:30  MEM    Richard Fraser

Wednesday, September 12th
(Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
8:30  MEM    Giro & Elina Zullo
12:10  MEM    Joseph Sullivan, Sr.
5:30  MEM    Pasquale Ferraro

Thursday, September 13th
(St. John Chrysostom)
8:30  MEM    Sr. Kathleen Cox
12:10  MEM    Maria Young
5:30  MEM    Lucy Ferranto

Friday, September 14th
(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    Jack O’Leary
5:30  MEM    Claudelina Pando Guillen

Saturday, September 15th
(Our Lady of Sorrows)
1 Corinthians 10:14-22    Psalm 116    John 19:25-27
8:30  MEM    Margaret Molnar

Sunday, September 16th
(24th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
Isaiah 50:5-9a    Psalm 116
James 2:14-18    Mark 8:27-35

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 later 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
K. SCOTT WARREN
Director of Music Ministries
and Artistic Director of
Sacred Music in a Sacred Space

Sunday, September 16th at 3:00 PM

Mendelssohn Sonata No. 3 in A Major
Bach Prelude and Fugue in A Major
Bach O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig
Schreiner Lyric Interlude, The Prayer of Faith
Paulus Triptych (2000)
Saint-Saëns Fantasie in E-flat Major
Jongen Four Pieces for Organ, Op. 37, Cantabile, Choral
Widor Symphony No. 6 in G minor, Allegro, Adagio, Finale

Tickets: $20 | $10 student/senior day-of rush
Advance tickets available online
or in person at the Parish House Reception Desk
Visit www.smssconcerts.org for complete information

MUSIC AT MASSES
Sunday, September 16th

11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS
Paulus Triptych for Organ (2000): Still be my vision
Clemens non Papa Crux fidelis
Morley Agnus Dei
Paulus Triptych for Organ (2000): As if the whole creation cried

Parish Community Choir Season Kickoff
Saturday, September 15th
2:00 – 6:00 PM in Wallace Hall

We are a volunteer choir
that enhances the ministry of our church through music.
We sing at various liturgies at St. Ignatius,
including the Solemn Mass, Wallace Hall Mass,
7:30 PM Mass, Saturday 5:30 PM Mass,
the Good Friday Three Hour Devotion, the Parish Memorial Mass,
as well as the Christmas and Spring Concerts.
Rehearsals are Tuesday nights from 7:00 – 9:00 PM.

To all with musical gifts in our Parish and beyond:
Come forward this fall and join in singing
with our wonderful choir!

THE IGNATIAN WAY
CELEBRATION OF PARISH MINISTRIES

Sunday, September 30th
in McKinnon Hall
immediately following
the 9:30 AM,
11:00 AM, and
7:30 PM Masses

Life isn’t easy in 2012. The world seems angry and dangerous.
Dreams of peace, love and understanding seem to be fading.
How do we cope? Jesus says “Fear Not” and “Judge Not,”
but that advice can be difficult to put into practice.

Join Fr. Tony D’Souza, S.J.
as he shares how Jesus’ difficult sayings can be
translated into simple psycho-spiritual practices
that can help us find meaning and relevance in
our lives, our church, and our ministries.

Fr. D’Souza holds a Ph.D. in clinical psychology.
Combining his clinical experience, hands-on grass roots activism, and
intimate knowledge of Christian and Eastern mystical traditions,
Fr. D’Souza has developed an approach that has proved invaluable
to many engaged in ministering to others. He lives in Mumbai, India.

Saturday, October 20th
9:30 AM – 3:00 PM in Wallace Hall

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Space is
limited and registration closes on Monday, October 15th.
Register online at http://october2012enrichment.eventbrite.com
Contact Fr. Ugo Nacciarone at 212-288-3588 or
nacciaroneu@stignatiusloyola.org with questions.

Participants are encouraged to read the first four chapters of
Fr. Tony’s book, Discovering Awareness. (They are brief!)
The book will be available for purchase for $10 at the
Lay Ministers’ Enrichment table at the Celebration of Parish
Ministries in McKinnon Hall on September 30th and can also
be purchased online at DiscoveringAwareness.org,
Amazon.com, or the iTunes bookstore.

MUSIC
Paying Attention to the Holy Spirit: Online Vocation Discernment Retreat. September 23rd-27th. Open to single Catholic women, ages 18-40. Sponsored by the Sisters and Daughters of Charity. For questions or help with registration contact St. Joy Pellegrino, SC at 718-543-5131 or jmppellegrino@scny.org.

Fourth Annual Retreat Day for Catholic Teachers in Public Schools. Wednesday, September 26th, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers Center, 55 Ryder Road, Ossining, NY. Suggested donation: $25. Sponsored by the Archdiocesan Catechetical Office. For more information, contact Helen Doon at Helen.doon@archny.org or 212-371-1011, x2822.

The Dialogue of Practice: Thomas Merton’s Conversation with Buddhism. Judith Simmer-Brown and Paul Knitter, presenters. Saturday, September 29th at 1:00 PM. Corpus Christi Church, 529 West 121 Street. Chapter members free; non-members, $10. Contact: mertonny@yahoo.com or 212-666-9350 or www.corpus-christi-nyc.org/MertonSociety.htm

Open House: Regis High School, an all-scholarship Jesuit secondary school for Catholic boys, announces its Open House for 8th graders and their parents: Wednesday, October 3rd, 5:30 – 8:30 PM. For additional information, contact Eric Di Michele, Director of Admissions, at 212-288-1100 or edimiche@regis-nyc.org

Become a Union Settlement/OASIS Reading Tutor: Older adults are invited to work one-on-one with K-3 students who need help developing reading and language skills. Training, materials, and ongoing support will be provided. No teaching experience is needed. Contact Harriet Stein, Program Coordinator, at hstein@unionsett.org or 646-672-5044.

The 3rd Annual Friends of the Jesuits Golf Outing
Monday, September 24th
Meadow Brook Club in Jericho, NY
Individual golfer: $1250
Contact Debra Ryan at the NY Jesuit Office: 212-774-5544 or visit www.nysj.org

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. Marina
9:30 AM Fr. Witt
Wallace Hall 11:00 AM Fr. Ugo
Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Marina
7:30 PM Fr. Witt

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