Human Trafficking/Modern Slavery

Receiving the credentials of new ambassadors to the Holy See, Pope Francis called human trafficking, “a true form of slavery.” The news media make us aware of the trafficking of women and children for sexual and domestic servitude, but that is just the tip of the iceberg. The manufacturing sector in many places depends on the labor of men, women, and children who have been trafficked. They frequently surrender their identity documents as a condition of employment and then find themselves herded into compounds where they receive the bare minimum of food and shelter but no wages. Without documents or income, they cannot escape the effective slavery in which they are held.

A selection from Pope Francis’ comments, printed in L’Osservatore Romano, December 20/27, 2013, follows:

Today there is one area I would like to consider with you which concerns me deeply and which currently threatens the dignity of human persons, namely human trafficking. Such trafficking is a true form of slavery, unfortunately more and more widespread, which concerns every country, even the most developed. It is a reality which affects the most vulnerable in society: women of all ages, children, the handicapped, the poorest and those who come from broken homes and from difficult situations in society. In a particular way, we Christians recognize in these women, men and children the face of Jesus Christ, who identified himself with the least and those most in need.

It is believed that there are millions of victims of forced labor, victims of human trafficking for the purposes of manual work and sexual exploitation. This cannot continue. Human trafficking is a crime against humanity. It constitutes a grave violation of the rights of those victimized and is an offense against their dignity, as well as a defeat for the worldwide community. Together we can and must employ our energies so that these victims of modern slavery can be freed, thus putting an end to this horrible trade.

People of good will, whether or not they profess religious beliefs, must not allow these women, men and children to be treated as objects, to be deceived, raped, often sold and resold for various purposes, and in the end either killed or left devastated in mind and body, only to be finally thrown away or abandoned. We must unite our efforts to free the victims of this increasingly aggressive crime which threatens not only individuals and the fabric of the family, but the basic values of society and of international security and justice.

What is called for is a shared sense of responsibility and firmer political will to gain victory on this front. Responsibility is required toward those who have fallen victim to trafficking in order to protect their rights, to guarantee their safety and that of their families, and to prevent the corrupt from escaping justice and having the last word over the lives of others. Suitable legislative intervention in the countries of origin, transit and arrival can diminish this grave problem.

But in order to achieve positive results, the efforts to combat human trafficking must also be effective on the cultural level and in the realm of media and of social communications. It is precisely on this level that we need to make an examination of conscience. How many times have we permitted a human being to be seen as an object in order to sell a product or to satisfy an immoral desire? The human person ought never to be sold or bought as if she or he were a commodity. Whoever uses human persons in this way and exploits them, even indirectly, becomes an accomplice of this injustice.

I have shared with you these thoughts regarding a social scourge of our time because I believe in the power of concerted commitment to combat it. I therefore urge the international community to devise a more united and effective strategy against human trafficking so that in every part of the world, men and women may never be used as instruments, but always respected in their inviolable dignity.

An influx of visitors for events like the Super Bowl often leads to an increase in trafficking for sexual exploitation. Religious and civic organizations in metropolitan New York are working to raise consciousness about the increasingly prevalent and violent crime of human trafficking. A forum of survivors and experts, for the purpose of education and sharing opportunities for action, will be held at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish on Thursday, January 23rd at 7:00 PM (See page 5 for details).

The Anti-Trafficking Initiative Committee
**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 12th**

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

Praying With Yoga. 6:00 PM. Parish Lounge. For young adults in their 20s & 30s. Details on page 3.

Sunday Social. 8:30 PM. Wallace Hall. Hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults. Attended by Cardinal Dolan. Follows the 7:30 PM Mass. Details at right and on page 3.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 13th**

Ranger Rosary Ministry. 7:00 PM. Meeting Room. Join us in making rosaries to send to our military. New members are welcome!

**FRIDAY – SUNDAY**

**JANUARY 17th – JANUARY 19th**

Shelter Weekend. Wallace Hall. For information on volunteering in the Shelter, see details at right.

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**TODAY!**

We welcome Cardinal Dolan to the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola. The Cardinal will be celebrating the 7:30 PM Mass and attending the Ignatian Young Adults Social. All are welcome!

**In Appreciation…**

Our deepest thanks to Adele and Joe Gallo for their faithful service to the parish in heading the Hospitality Ministry for the past six years. Adele and Joe exuded a warm and welcoming spirit as they greeted visitors and regulars alike to St. Ignatius Church each weekend, and did an outstanding job coordinating the countless details that accompany this ministry.

Rob Manning has graciously accepted the call to head the Hospitality Ministry and we are grateful for his willingness to serve.

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**Catholic Schools Week**

**January 26th – February 1st**

*Catholic Schools Week* is an annual national celebration of Catholic elementary and secondary schools and the important role they play in providing a values-added education for America’s young people.

**Grammar School Tour**

**Sunday, January 26th**

In recognition of Catholic Schools Week, parishioners are invited to take a tour of our Grammar School immediately following the 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM Masses. All are welcome!

The Grammar School is located at 48 East 84th Street.

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**THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

**BLOOD DRIVE**

*Sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul*

**TODAY**

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Grammar School, McKinnon Hall

The New York Blood Center requires 2,000 donations daily to meet the transfusion needs of our community. Walk-ins are welcome. Please bring identification with photo and/or signature.

*If you have questions about your eligibility to donate, call 1-800-688-0900.*

Scan the QR code at right from your smartphone to be directed to the registration page.

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**Shelter Volunteers Needed**

**Shelter Weekend**

**Friday, January 17th – Sunday, January 19th**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Women’s Shelter needs set-up and stay-over volunteers every other weekend through April. Both men and women are invited to assist.

To volunteer, please leave a message for Teresa Abruzzo at the Parish House or email svdp.shelter980@gmail.com

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IGNATIAN 40s

**Weekend Retreat at Jogues Retreat House**
Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY
Hosted by Ignatian 40s
Led by Fr. Thomas J. Feely, S.J.

**Friday, January 24th – Sunday, January 26th**
Open to members of Ignatian 40s and other parishioners in their 40s (and late 30s or early 50s) seeking some sacred time. Centered on the theme of “Praying With Scriptures,” we will focus on deepening our faith by learning a variety of methods of prayer and how to incorporate them into everyday life. There will also be time for private prayer and time for faith sharing.

For more information, contact Ignatian40s@gmail.com

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IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS

**Sunday Socials Winter 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. To receive updates on IYA events and other opportunities, you can follow us on Facebook at “[Ignatian Young Adults (NYC)].”

**Sundays**
Jan. 12th* & 26th  Feb. 9th & 23rd

**IYA Knitting Group**
All IYAs are welcome to join us as we craft for charity. If you have questions or would like to be placed on the mailing list, contact Amy at amybalbierz@gmail.com

**Sunday, January 22nd**
7:30 PM in the Conference Room

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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, February 11th**, in the Parish Lounge, from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM.

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

Registration is required. See box below.

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MEETING CHRIST IN PRAYER

Morning Sessions: Tuesdays, February 18th – April 8th 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
Evening Sessions: Wednesdays, February 19th – April 9th 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

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.

**What does it offer?**
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.

For information and/or to register for either the Emmaus Bereavement Support Group or Meeting Christ in Prayer, please contact Sr. Kathryn King at the Parish House or email kingk@saintignatiusloyola.org

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Praying with Yoga

*with Jesuit Scholastic Bobby Karle, S.J.*

**For Young Adults in Their 20s and 30s**
Learn how the practice of yoga can deepen your spiritual life and relationship with God, and enrich your Christian faith.

Participants should wear comfortable clothing appropriate for yoga. If you have a yoga mat, bring it to the sessions.

Sundays
January 12th  February 9th
March 9th  April 13th  May 11th
6:00 PM–7:15 PM in the Parish Lounge

$10 donation requested.
All proceeds will benefit a charitable cause.

For information and registration, email bobbykarle@gmail.com

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MUSIC

**The N.P. Mander Organ Recital Series**

presents

**ANDREW HENDERSON**
Director of Music & Organist
Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 23rd at 3:00 PM
Tickets: $20 / Call 212-288-2520 for 24/7 ticket ordering. Tickets can also be purchased at www.smssconcerts.org
**Announced Masses and Readings for the Week**

**Monday, January 13th (1st Monday in Ordinary Time)**
1 Samuel 1:1–8    Psalm 116    Mark 1:14–20
8:30 MEM    Thomas Anthony Scales
12:10 MEM    June Murphy
5:30 MEM    Edward G. McSherry

**Tuesday, January 14th (1st Tuesday in Ordinary Time)**
1 Samuel 1:9–20    1 Samuel 2    Mark 1:21–28
8:30 MEM    Caesar Chiaia
12:10 MEM    Maureen V. Hanley
5:30 MEM    Maggie McKenzie

**Wednesday, January 15th (1st Wednesday in Ordinary Time)**
1 Samuel 3:1–10, 19–20    Psalm 40    Mark 1:29–39
8:30 MEM    Dolores Gomez Fox
12:10 MEM    Jack O'Leary
5:30 MEM    Dr. Louis Del Guercio

**Thursday, January 16th (1st Thursday in Ordinary Time)**
1 Samuel 4:1–11    Psalm 44    Mark 1:40–45
8:30 MEM    Peg O'Brien
12:10 MEM    Muriel Walton
5:30 MEM    Tim O'Carroll

**Friday, January 17th (1st Friday in Ordinary Time)**
1 Samuel 8:4–7, 10–22a    Psalm 89    Mark 2:1–12
8:30 MEM    John Frohnhofer
12:10 MEM    Andrew Jeffries
5:30 MEM    Philippa Haggar

**Saturday, January 18th (1st Saturday in Ordinary Time)**
1 Samuel 9:1–4, 17–19; 10:1    Psalm 21    Mark 2:13–17
8:30 MEM    Mary & Henry Stenglein

**Sunday, January 19th (2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)**
Isaiah 49:3, 5–6    Psalm 40
1 Corinthians 1:1–3    John 1:29–34

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**MUSIC**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 19th**
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS
J.S. Bach  
*Canzona in D Minor, BWV 588*
J.S. Bach  
*Fugue in B Minor on a Theme of Corelli, BWV 579*

*Also played at 7:30 PM Mass

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**NEW PARISHIONERS**

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**LAST MONTH’S LETTER TO PARISHIONERS**

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The generosity of your parishioners at St.Ignatius Loyola is truly breathtaking! Once again, your parishioners contributed an extraordinary variety of toys. You cannot imagine how much joy and pleasure these toys have brought to so many children here in Port Richmond.

May the New Year be rich in blessings for all the good people of St. Ignatius Loyola!

Sincerely,
Rev. Mark C. Hallinan, S.J.
Pastor

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**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

January 18th – 25th

This year’s theme is “Has Christ Been Divided?”

(1 Corinthians 1:13).

The Week of Christian Prayer invites Christians throughout the world to pray in communion with the prayer of Jesus: “that they all may be one...so the world may believe.” (John 17:21).

For more information, visit www.geii.org

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**FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE**

The Archdiocese of New York takes the stewardship of your donations and its resources seriously. If you have knowledge of financial misconduct or suspect that it might be occurring, please report your concerns via a toll-free hotline, **877-820-0541**, or on the internet at **www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY**. Both are available 24 hours per day.

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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 **sacredspace.ie**

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**Last month, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at St. Ignatius Loyola sponsored its annual Christmas Toy Drive. The donations were sent to St. Mary of the Assumption Parish on Staten Island. A letter of thanks from Fr. Mark Hallinan, Pastor of St. Mary’s, was recently received by Fr. Witt:**

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You’ve notified your friends, you’ve notified your credit cards, you’ve notified your magazines.

Please don’t forget to notify your church.

This information helps us to keep our database current, and cuts down on the cost of additional postage. Thanks!
THE FAITH THAT DOES JUSTICE
LECTURE SERIES
Sponsored by Ignatian Social Justice

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23rd, 7:00 PM
Human Trafficking/Modern Slavery.
Cait Mullen, Brooklyn Legal Aid Society.
Details at right.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 7:00 PM
Pope Francis & His Message for Our Time.
Robert Ellsberg, Publisher and Editor-in-Chief,
Orbis Books

MONDAY, MARCH 24th, 7:00 PM
Identity & Inclusiveness: A Tug of War in
Today's Church. Peter Steinfels, founding
co-director of the Center on Religion and
Culture at Fordham University

THURSDAY, MAY 22nd, 7:00 PM
Catholic Social Teaching & Public Policy.
John Carr, director of the Initiative on
Catholic Social Thought and Public Life at
Georgetown University

All The Faith That Does Justice events
will be held in Wallace Hall

LAY MINISTERS’ ENRICHMENT
The Year of the Family: A Journey From
the Vatican to the Street and Back Again
with
Rev. Gregory C. Chisholm, S.J.
Pastor, St. Charles Borromeo Church
Saturday, January 25th
9:30 AM – 3:30 PM, Wallace Hall

Grounded in both Ignatian and Franciscan traditions of contemplation
and action, Pope Francis has revolutionized the encounter between
Catholicism and the person on the street. He has shifted the church’s
focus beyond divisive issues to the joys of the Gospel and of direct
encounter with persons just as they are. This is very encouraging as
the worldwide church begins the Year of the Family. What do his
teaching and example say to us as Lay Ministers as we consider the
experience of “family” in our city, in our church, and in our ministry?

Continental breakfast and lunch to be provided.
Space is limited.
Registration closes on Monday, January 20th.
Please register online at
http://january2014enrichment.eventbrite.com

The Faith That Does Justice Lecture Series

Human Trafficking/Modern Slavery
Thursday, January 23rd, 7:00 PM
Wallace Hall

Moderated by Sr. Kati Hamm, S.C.,
Education Coordinator of Lifeway Network

A panel presentation leading to awareness, appreciation,
and advocacy concerning the pervasive presence
of a modern form of slavery and its impact
on people, culture, and society.

Panelists:
• Two women from the organization Girls Educational
  & Mentoring Services (GEMS) who are survivors of the
  trafficking trade.
• Cait Mullen, JG, Brooklyn Legal Aid Society
  Ms. Mullen’s 2004 appellate brief on behalf of a 12-year-
  old Bronx girl articulated the new legal standard that
  became the Safe Harbor Act, which protects sexually
  exploited children from criminal prosecution.

To RSVP, call the Parish House at 212-288-3588.

Sponsored by Boomers & Beyond, Ignatian 40s,
Ignatian Social Justice, Ignatian Young Adults, and
the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Copies of a brochure that details upcoming
The Faith That Does Justice lecture events are
available in the Narthex, the Parish House,
and at stignatiusloyola.org

Feeding Our Neighbors:
Archdiocesan-Wide Food Campaign

The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola
will be participating in the food drive scheduled from
Sunday, January 26th through Sunday, February 2nd.
Donations will go to the Community Pantry at the Church of St.
Gregory the Great on West 90th Street.
Please bring non-perishable foods to the Parish House.

All donations are greatly appreciated!

Join Fr. Witt, Members of the
Parish Staff, and Members of
our Parish Ministries for

The Ignatian Way Dinner:
Feeding the Hungry, Feeding Our Souls
Saturday, February 8th in Wallace Hall
immediately following the 5:30 PM Mass.
Dinner will consist of meatless lasagna, salad, and beverages.
Registration details to follow.

Interesting in becoming Catholic? Call 212-288-3588 or email church@stignatiusloyola.org
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Fax: (212) 734-3671  WWW.STIGNATIUSLOYOLA.ORG

March for Life in Washington, D.C.: Wednesday, January 22nd. A Manhattan bus (sponsored by the Archdiocesan Family Life/Respect Life Office) will leave from Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 457 West 51st Street. Mass at 6:15 AM/Depart 7:00 AM. Total cost for the trip: $50. If you are not able to make the trip, please consider making a donation so that others can attend. For further information and to register, call Sr. Shirley at 212-371-1011x3195 or sr.shirleyann@archny.org

**Men’s Weekend Retreat, Thursday, January 23rd – Sunday, January 26th.** Loyola House of Retreats, Morristown, NJ. Directed by Fr. Thomas R. Marciniak, S.J., Fordham University. The retreat will begin Thursday night following 7:00 PM dinner. Cost: $400 free will offering. To RSVP, call 973-539-0740 and reference the group name “St. Ignatius New York – Men’s.” For additional information, contact Peter Riordan at 212-877-5134 or visit loyola.org

**Gregorian University for a Day. Saturday, February 1st.** Fordham University, Lincoln Center. Now you can get a feel of what happens in our classrooms in Rome here in Manhattan. Instructors: Rev. George Coyne, S.J., Le Moyne College; Rev. Norman Tanner, S.J., Gregorian University; Dr. Pauline A. Viviano, Loyola College; Rev. Ugo R. Nacciarone, S.J., Gregorian University. Suggested donation: $200/person, $300/couple. Reservations are limited. For more information or to register, visit petersway.com

**Pilgrimage to Rome with the Archdiocese of New York for the Canonization of Blessed John Paul II and Blessed John XXIII. Thursday, April 24th – Thursday, May 1st.** Includes a special Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Basilica of St. Paul-Outside-the-Walls. Six-night package prices start at $4,245/person, sharing a twin room. Deadline is February 15th, 2014. For additional details and rate information, visit petersway.com

**Religious Education for Children**

Joanne Cunneen, M.A., M.S.  Director  
(212) 861-4764

**St. Ignatius Loyola Grammar School**

Ms. Mary Larkin, Principal  
M.S. Ed. (Admin.), M.S. Ed. (Literacy)  
48 East 84th Street  
New York, NY 10028  
(212) 861-3820 Fax: (212) 879-8248

**St. Ignatius Loyola Day Nursery**

Ms. Theodora Crist, M.S.  Executive Director  
240 East 84th Street  
New York, NY 10028  
(212) 734-6427 Fax: (212) 734-6972

**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 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:**

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