Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This infant would one day give his life to free his people from sin and death. Jesus’ whole life was a living out of that consecration, and his death was the real sacrifice that saved not just the Jewish people, but all the men and women of the Earth.

As we celebrate Jesus’ consecration to the Lord for the sake of the kingdom, the Church also sets aside this day as the World Day for Consecrated Life. It is a day when we honor and reflect on the call to religious life. We pray for the thousands of religious sisters, brothers, and priests. As Jesus was presented and consecrated on this day, the religious members of the Church have consecrated themselves to the Lord by taking vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

The beginnings of religious life can probably be traced back to the desert fathers. What was behind this strange life away from the comforts of civilization?

“It was an alternative to village order that these men sought. Some ascetics ... embraced a wild and solitary life, without shelter, clothes, food cooked or even cultivated; but the majority were intent upon creating a new society. Their spirituality reflected that aim, catering for relationships as well as personal goals.”

(The Study of Spirituality, edited by Cheslyn Jones, Geoffrey Wainwright, and Fr. Edward Yarnold, S.J.)

St. Benedict, two centuries later, gave order and community expression to this ideal of the earlier ascetics — the gathering of men and women through the ages, living out a common vision continued. They normally arose as a result of crises in society. For St. Francis of Assisi it was the corruption and wealth of the church and the monasteries that challenged him to return to the simple life of the Gospel and to spread its message of love and faith. For St. Ignatius, it was the Reformation. And we don’t want to leave out the great women like Angela Merici, Louise de Marillac, and Theresa of Calcutta, among many others. All of them, in their own day and culture, were like the ascetics of old, intent upon creating a new society and reacting against the excesses of their time. They were the original counter-culturalists.

We see this exemplified in the life of Fr. Alfred Delp. Alfred Delp was born in Germany in 1907. In 1926, at the age of 19, he entered the Jesuits. He was ordained in 1937, and worked in a parish where he aided Jews in their escape to Switzerland. He was also a member of a group planning a future for Germany after Hitler, based on the social teachings of the church. He was arrested with many others, though he was not involved in any planned coups d’etat. He was executed by hanging on this day, February 2nd, 1945.

He wrote in prison: “If through one man’s life there is a little more love and kindness, a little more light and truth in the world, then he will not have lived in vain.” May that be said of each of us as we remember our own consecration to the Lord this day!

Finally, it is on February 2nd that the candles to be used in liturgical service throughout the year are blessed. The theme of light comes from the canticle of Simeon, which we read in the Gospel: “For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all the peoples, a light for the revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.”

The consecrated women and men in religious life are a true light for the world. When we look at the religious communities in our Church, we find men and women consecrated to God and dedicated to their work. Their charisms take in everything from nursing to teaching, counseling, social development, and community building. What could not be accomplished by such a group of men and women, who love God, the people, and the nation? On this day, then, let us pray for a growth in vocations to the religious life.

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd
Feeding Our Neighbors: Archdiocesan-Wide Food Drive ends today. Please bring donations to the Parish House. Details on page 5.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5th
Ignatian Young Adults Knitting Group. 7:30 PM. Conference Room. Details on page 3.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7th
Potluck Wine, Cheese, & Sweets Social. 6:30 PM. Wallace Hall. Hosted by Ignatian 40s. Details below.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8th

IGNATIAN 40s
We are the St. Ignatius Loyola ministry, organizing spiritual, service and social activities for parishioners in their 40s (those in their late 30s and early 50s are also welcome). Upcoming Event: Potluck Wine, Cheese, & Sweets Social Friday, February 7th at 6:30 PM, Wallace Hall

To join our mailing list and learn more about our upcoming events, please email Ignatian40s@gmail.com

Shelter Volunteers Needed
Shelter Weekend Friday, February 14th – Sunday, February 16th
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

For your convenience...
To reach the Giving page on the parish website, scan the QR Code at left from your smartphone.

Special Collection Next Weekend: Peter’s Pence Collection
Next weekend, our Parish will take up the annual Peter’s Pence Collection.

This worldwide collection supports the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, natural disasters, and others in need of emergency assistance. Read a letter below from Cardinal Dolan regarding this special collection.

Office of the Cardinal
1011 First Avenue
New York, NY 10022

February 2, 2014
Dear Friends in the Lord,

As you know, our annual participation in the Peter’s Pence collection affords us an opportunity to be witnesses of charity to the neediest of our brothers and sisters in the Lord throughout the world. Your gift helps the Holy Father support victims of war, natural disasters, and others requiring assistance.

On Easter Sunday 2013, Pope Francis encouraged each person to be a witness of charity. He said, “Let us be renewed by God’s mercy...and let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation, and make justice and peace flourish.” The Holy Father has continued to remind us, through his own actions and words, that we must serve our brothers and sisters in order to be true disciples of Christ.

Please heed the call of Pope Francis to serve as witnesses of charity throughout the world. You can participate in this call through your donations, prayers, and outreach to spread the message of need. I ask that you be as generous as you can in the Peter’s Pence collection.

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

Adult Confirmation Class
Tuesday evenings, February 18th – April 1st
Adult parishioners of St. Ignatius who have received First Eucharist but who have not yet received the sacrament of Confirmation can register for a course in preparation for the sacrament to be conferred here on Thursday, April 3rd, at 5:30 PM.

The course will begin on Tuesday, February 18th, at 7:15 PM and will continue for seven consecutive Tuesday evenings, concluding on Tuesday, April 1st.

Attendance at all the sessions is required. Enrollment is limited.

Interested adults should contact Fr. Bergen at 212-288-3588.

PLEASE OPEN FOR PAGES 3 AND 4
**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).”

**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

**Emmanus 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 run by experienced facilitators. Registration is required. See box below.

**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 and guided meditation. 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 Emmanus 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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**Ignatian 40s Speaker Series**

Ignatian 40s invites all parishioners to its second Annual Speaker Series led by the pastoral staff of St. Ignatius and external speakers.

**Part 1 — Ignatian Spirituality**

Discerning God’s Will & Presence in Everyday Life  
Sunday, February 9th  
Presenter: Fr. Joseph Marina, S.J., Pastor, Church of St. Francis Xavier

This session will explore St. Ignatius’ rules for discernment as a means for understanding God’s will in our lives. Once one realizes that the presence of God permeates and can be recognized in all things, discernment takes on a whole new meaning.

**Part 2 — Catholic Faith in Everyday Life**

Sunday, March 9th  
Ignatian Contemplation — Jesus & Me  
Presenter: Fr. Ugo Nacciarone, S.J., Associate Pastor Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

Sunday, March 23rd  
Ignatian Spirituality & Sport  
Presenter: Mr. Dennis Baker, S.J., Jesuit Scholastic of the New York Province

Sunday, April 6th  
Health Care Ethics: Finding God Beyond the Bedrails  
Presenter: Fr. Dan O’Hare, S.J., Ethicist Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center

Sunday, April 27th  
Ignatian Spirituality & Politics  
Presenter: Fr. Matt Malone, S.J., Editor-in-Chief, America

All sessions will be held in Wallace Hall from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Email ignatian40s@gmail.com to register.

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**Fill a Seat. Fulfill a Dream.**

Become a Be A Student’s Friend sponsor through the Inner-City Scholarship Fund. Every year, hundreds of children are forced to leave their Catholic schools mid-year because tuition expenses have become unmanageable for their parents. Help ensure that these children stay in the schools they love by funding a scholarship today. You may choose to develop a close relationship with your student through regular correspondence and school visits.

Contact Kelvin Gentles at (646) 794-3328 or gentles@icsf-nyc.org to become a sponsor.
**MUSIC**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9th**

*5th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS**

Boyvin *Dialogue de Recits de Cromorne et de Cornet*  
Rachmaninoff *Vespers: Priidite, poklonimsia and Blazhen muzh*

Lubeck *Prelude and Fugue in E*  
*Also played at 7:30 PM Mass*

**11:00 AM FAMILY MASS**

with Parish Community Choir

Halley *Freedom Trilogy*

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**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**

Join us in March for...

Organ Plus! — Organist Nancianne Parella  
with Jorge Ávila, violin  
Victoria Drake, harp  
Arthur Fiacco, cello

**Sunday, March 16th at 3:00 PM**

All Tickets for Organ Recitals: $20

Call 212-288-2520 for 24/7 ticket ordering.  
Tickets can also be purchased at **www.smssconcerts.org**

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**BOOMERS & BEYOND**

All 50+ couples and singles are invited to a

HEART TO HEART MEET-UP

**Wednesday, February 12th, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

Dorrian's Red Hand Bar & Restaurant  
East 84th Street & 2nd Avenue

$25 cash payment at door  
No pre-payment or RSVP is required.  
Includes two drinks & a variety of hors d'oeuvres.

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**We pray for the faithful departed**

*Richard Gowing*

*Mark Martinez*

May they rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.

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**JANUARY SACRAMENTS**

**Weddings**

James F. Donohue & Caroline Tyburczy  
David James Robertson & Justine Elizabeth Lupo

**Baptisms**

Erik Martini Abseck  
Vasco Marsal Botelho  
Aidan Thomas Hughes  
Jose Ignacio Ochoa Villanueva  
Federico Pecora  
Vivienne Claire Sekel-Chapa  
Jase Charles Tábone

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**Announced Masses and Readings for the Week**

**Monday, February 3rd** *(4th Monday in Ordinary Time)*  
2 Samuel 15:13–14, 30; 16:5–13  
Psalm 3  
Mark 5:1–20

**8:30** MEM Mildred Carminar  
**12:10** MEM Mimi Cannazaro DeVenoge  
**5:30** MEM William P. O'Connor

**Tuesday, February 4th** *(4th Tuesday in Ordinary Time)*  
2 Samuel 18:9–10, 14b, 24–25a, 30–19:3  
Psalm 86  
Mark 5:21–43

**8:30** MEM Hugh Lowenstein  
**12:10** MEM Elizabeth Cunningham  
**5:30** MEM Jim Ellson

**Wednesday, February 5th** *(St. Agatha)*  
2 Samuel 24:2, 9–17  
Psalm 32  
Mark 6:1–6

**8:30** MEM The Choix & Gordon Families  
**12:10** MEM Pauline Diaz  
**5:30** MEM Irene Berolini

**Thursday, February 6th** *(St. Paul Miki & Companions)*  
1 Kings 2:1–4, 10–12  
1 Chronicles 29  
Mark 6:7–13

**8:30** MEM Sose & Mark Prekelezaj  
**12:10** MEM The Meehan Family  
**5:30** MEM Rose Gulasy

**Friday, February 7th** *(4th Friday in Ordinary Time)*  
Sirach 47:2–11  
Psalm 18  
Mark 6:14–29

**8:30** MEM David Oing  
**12:10** MEM Nora Terriberry  
**5:30** MEM Mary Klondick

**Saturday, February 8th** *(4th Saturday in Ordinary Time)*  
1 Kings 3:4–13  
Psalm 119  
Mark 6:30–34

**8:30** ANN David Oing

**Sunday, February 9th** *(5th Sunday in Ordinary Time)*  
Isaiah 58:7–10  
Psalm 112  
1 Corinthians 2:1–5  
Matthew 5:13–16

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**THE FAITH THAT DOES JUSTICE LECTURE SERIES**

**Sponsored by Ignatian Social Justice**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 7:00 PM**

**Pope Francis & His Message for Our Time.**

Robert Ellsberg, Publisher and Editor-in-Chief, Orbis Books. Details at right.

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

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**Feeding Our Neighbors:**

**Archdiocesan-Wide Food Campaign**

**ENDS TODAY!**

Please bring donations of non-perishable foods to the Parish House.

All donations are greatly appreciated, but especially needed are rice, canned vegetables, pasta, tomato sauce, and canned tuna.

All donations will go to the Community Pantry at the Church of St. Gregory the Great on West 90th Street.

Every item counts!

Thank you for your generosity.

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**The Faith That Does Justice Lecture Series**

**POPE FRANCIS & HIS MESSAGE FOR OUR TIME**

**Monday, February 10th**

7:00 PM

Wallace Hall

During the brief time he has occupied the Chair of St. Peter, Pope Francis’ leadership has electrified not only Catholics but millions of others around the world.

With his influence crossing both datelines and the boundaries of faith, how does Pope Francis’ simple ways and powerful words impact American public life?

**About Robert Ellsberg**

Mr. Ellsberg, a native of Los Angeles, became a Catholic in 1980 while a member of Dorothy Day’s Catholic Worker community. He now serves as publisher and editor-in-chief of Orbis Books.

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

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**DEADLINE TO RSVP IS TOMORROW!**

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.

This will be a wonderful opportunity to come together as a Parish Community to share a meal and learn about the work being done at St. Gregory’s. Maureen Albert, head of the St. Gregory’s Community Food Pantry, will present a short talk about how the food we donate gets to those in need.

Dinner will consist of meatless lasagna, salad, & beverages.

Families are encouraged to attend!

To RSVP, visit https://donate.stignatiusloyola.org/ignatianwaydinner or email silsupper2@gmail.com by Monday, February 3rd.

Space is limited!

Free will offering.

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**Coming in March...**

**LENTEN CROSS**

Parishioners are invited to commit to a positive act of service, advocacy, or prayer during the Lenten Season.

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Gender Issues in the American Church: A Vineyard Workers’ Workshop. Friday, February 7th, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Fordham University, Rose Hill Campus, Keating Hall. Presented by Thomas Beaudoin, Ph.D. This workshop will introduce research bearing on some important matters that arise for lay ministers in Catholic pastoral contexts concerning sex, gender, and sexual orientation. The significance of this research for contemporary lay ministry will be explored. In advance of the session, students will be required to read and comment on materials that will be made available through Fordham’s Blackboard site. Fee: $100 for students enrolled in Fordham’s Religion and Religious Education graduate program. For more information and to register, visit www.fordham.edu/gre

Lecture: Karl Rahner’s Legacy and the Frontiers of Theology Today & the Installation of the Karl Rahner, S.J., Memorial Chair in Theology. Tuesday, February 11th, 5:30 PM. Fordham University, Rose Hill Campus. Bradford E. Hinze will discuss the two facets of Rahner’s theology: his engagement with the struggles of his contemporaries and his dedication to searching the received sources of Catholic theology in order to articulate a still-emerging tradition of Christian faith in ways capable of captivating contemporaries and his dedication to searching the received sources of Catholic theology in order to articulate a still-emerging tradition of Christian faith in ways capable of captivating contemporaries and his dedication to searching the received sources of Catholic theology in order to articulate a still-emerging tradition of Christian faith in ways capable of captivating contemporary lay ministry will be explored. In advance of the session, students will be required to read and comment on materials that will be made available through Fordham’s Blackboard site. Fee: $100 for students enrolled in Fordham’s Religion and Religious Education graduate program. For more information and to register, visit www.fordham.edu/gre

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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 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:

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

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