The Cost of Discipleship

In 1937, when Nazism was a growing power in Germany, the Lutheran pastor and theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer published a book entitled “The Cost of Discipleship.” It was a call to Christians to accept the price of being a true disciple of Jesus in difficult times. The basic theme of the book is the distinction that Bonhoeffer makes between “cheap” and “costly” grace. But what is “cheap” grace? In Bonhoeffer’s words: “cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, Communion without confession. Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ.”

It is all too easy for us to hear Jesus’ gracious words of forgiveness, but be deaf to the words that follow, “Go and sin no more.” Mercy and forgiveness are the first steps in the long and strenuous work of true conversion, allowing God to remake us in his image.

In one of the Prefaces for Lent that is recited at Mass, we find the following: “For you will that our self-denial should give you thanks, humble our sinful pride, contribute to the feeding of the poor, and so help us imitate you in your kindness.” Here we are implicitly told that the discipline of Lent will require a following of Jesus that means self-denial and the willingness to take up the cross with him, as he so often invites us in the Gospel.

This is a great challenge. In another context, but relevant to this discussion, is a quotation from one of the great leaders of African liberation from colonialism, Amilcar Cabral, who died in his effort to bring freedom to Guinea Bissau and Cape Verde. He once wrote: “Our experience has shown us that in the general framework of daily struggle, this battle against ourselves, this struggle against our own weaknesses… is the most difficult of all.”

Jesus was never afraid to ask difficult things of those who desired to follow him. Far from discouraging many of them, they took up the challenge and were literally willing to lay down their lives for him. It was for this reason that we had so many martyrs in the early Church. Great challenges do not discourage people; they often attract very generous souls.

When Ernest Shackleton was recruiting men for his attempt to cross the Antarctic continent through the South Pole, he put this advertisement in the newspapers: “Men wanted for hazardous journey: Small wages, bitter cold, long months of complete darkness, constant hunger, safe return doubtful; honour and recognition in case of success.”

He had an overwhelming response. St. Ignatius puts out a similar call in the Spiritual Exercises when he imagines Jesus recruiting men and women. Jesus addresses them as follows: “My will is to conquer the whole world and all my enemies, and thus to enter into the glory of my Father. Therefore, whoever wishes to come with me must labor with me, so that through following me in the pain he or she may follow me also in the glory.”

Today we celebrate Passion Sunday. In the liturgy we are taught that the cost for Jesus of being faithful to the Father was very high. Though people may have acclaimed him on Palm Sunday, they called for his crucifixion a few days later, and he gladly accepts the cross as his road to glory. It is also the road he points out to us:

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it.”

– Mark 8:34

We pray that we may hear his call and respond generously as we approach the end of Lent. Only in that way can we fully appreciate the incredible joy and fullness of life that the risen Lord holds out to us at Easter.

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

**SUNDAY, APRIL 13th**
Final week of the SVdP Lenten Food Drive.
Details on page 6.

Praying With Yoga. 6:00 PM. Parish Lounge.
For young adults in their 20s & 30s. Details on page 7.

**MONDAY, APRIL 14th**
ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF RECONCILIATION
All parishes in the Archdiocese of New York will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
Confessions will be heard at St. Ignatius Loyola from 3:00 PM – 6:45 PM.
*This will be followed by our PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE at 7:00 PM
Many priests will be available for Confession.*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16th**
Daily Masses at 8:30 AM, 12:10 PM, and 5:30 PM: Quiet Wednesdays.
Daily Mass on the Wednesdays of Lent offer a few moments to reflect on the readings of the day.

Stations of the Cross for the Parish Community. 7:30 PM. Church.
Details at right.

**HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17th**
The church will be closed during the morning for set-up and rehearsal. During this time the Lady Chapel will remain open.
Mass of the Lord’s Supper. 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM).
Details on page 5.

**GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18th**
The church will be closed until 11:30 AM on Friday morning as it is prepared for the Three Hours Devotion. During this time the Lady Chapel will remain open.
Three Hours Devotion. Noon to 3:00 PM. Details on page 4.
Sacrament of Reconciliation. 3:00 PM. Immediately following the Three Hours Devotion. Church.
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion. Liturgy at 7:00 PM. *(Doors open at 6:30 PM).* Details on page 5.

**HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19th**
The church will be closed for decorating. The Lady Chapel will remain open all day.
Sacrament of Reconciliation.
5:00 PM – 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.”

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### Special Collection on Good Friday:
**Holy Land Mission**

On Good Friday, our parish will take up the Holy Land Mission Special Collection.
Please find below a letter from Cardinal Dolan regarding this collection.

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

April 13, 2014

Dear Friends in the Lord,

On Good Friday, when our attention turns to the Passion and death of Our Lord in the Holy Land, our Holy Father requests that we take up a special collection in all the parishes throughout the world to assist those, and in particular the Franciscan Friars, entrusted with care of the holiest sites of our faith.

The good works of the friars, who have custody over the sites in the Holy Land, also support various aspects of Church life, including Catholic education, healthcare, and special projects of social development.

With this in mind, I ask that you be as generous as you can possibly be in assisting the friars with their crucially important work for the Lord and His Church in this, sadly, troubled part of the world.

With prayerful best wishes for a holy Lent and a glorious Easter, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,
Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan  
Archbishop of New York

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### Monday, April 14th
ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 3:00 PM to 6:45 PM.

*To be followed by the PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE at 7:00 PM
Many priests will be available for Confession.*

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### Holy Week

A complete list of Masses, Devotions, and confessions can be found in the Holy Week Schedule. Copies are available in the Narthex, at the Parish House, and at stignatiusloyola.org
Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence. “Fasting” requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

“Abstinence” prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

THE THREE HOURS DEVOTION

Good Friday, April 18th, from 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”
Sister Eileen Burns, O.S.F.
Spiritual Director and Educator, Sisters of St. Francis

SECOND WORD: “Today You Will Be With Me In Paradise”
Rev. Canon Patti Welch
Chaplain, The Cathedral School and Canon for Education
The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine

THIRD WORD: “Woman, Behold Your Son”
Rev. Adrian Dannhauser
Lilly Fellow, St. James Episcopal Church, New York

FOURTH WORD: “My God, My God, Why Have You Abandoned Me?”
Reverend Francis X. Hezel, S.J.
Former Jesuit Missionary, Micronesia

FIFTH WORD: “I Thirst”
Br. Joseph Hoover, S.J.
Saint Ignatius Grammar School/Actor

SIXTH WORD: “Into Your Hands, Lord, I Commend My Spirit”
Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J.
Associate Pastor, Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, New York

SEVENTH WORD: “It Is Finished”
Rev. Dr. Cathy S. Gilliard
Senior Pastor, Park Avenue United Methodist Church, New York

Participating Musicians and Choirs
K. Scott Warren, Nancianne Parrella, Robert Reuter, Michael Sheetz, Philip Anderson
Members of the Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola
Canticum Sacrum Parish Community Choir
Wallace Hall Choir
St. Ignatius Loyola Children’s Choirs, Maureen Haley, Director
Ellen O’Neill, oboe Sara Murphy, soloist with Omega Dance Company
The Easter Vigil
The Easter Vigil liturgy is the most beautiful liturgy in the Roman Catholic Church. Celebrated on Holy Saturday after sunset, the Vigil Mass is regarded as the most important Mass of the liturgical year.

Adults who have never been baptized are baptized at this liturgy. Baptized Christians of other denominations are received into the Church through the sacraments of Confirmation and first Eucharist. Baptized Roman Catholics who have never had religious instruction are confirmed and receive their first Eucharist.

Because it is so rich with detail, the Vigil Mass usually lasts about three hours. We invite you to attend the Vigil service on Saturday, April 19th! Doors will open at 7:45 PM; the service begins at 8:15 PM. Because the Vigil begins in complete darkness, no latecomers will be admitted into the Church until the end of the “Exultet.”

You are most cordially invited to attend an
EASTER MEMORIAL LITURGY

to remember deceased parishioners and deceased family members of parishioners
Tuesday, April 29th at 7:00 PM
Refreshments following in Wallace Hall
RSVP by Friday, April 25th to Sr. Kathryn King at 212-288-3588 or kingk@saintignatiusloyola.org
You are invited to submit the names of deceased loved ones to Sr. Kathryn King no later than Tuesday, April 22nd.

The Annual Change for Change Drive
Donations this year will be forwarded to St. Ignatius School Nativity Mission in the Bronx. Inspired by Jesuit educational values, SIS educates promising children from low-income families.

Loose change, bills, and checks (made out to “Church of St. Ignatius Loyola”) are welcome!

Bring donations to the Parish House in care of Joanne Cunneen.
HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PASSION SUNDAY, April 13th
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

CONFESSION SCHEDULE
Monday, April 14th:
ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF RECONCILIATION
The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 3:00 PM to 6:45 PM.
To be followed by the
PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE AT 7:00 PM
Many priests will be available for Confession.

Good Friday, April 18th:
3:00 PM – Immediately following the
Three Hours Devotion. Church.

Holy Saturday, April 19th:
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM in the Parish House Parlors.

LITURGIES OF THE TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17th
Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM)
Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J., Presider

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18th
Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Liturgy at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM)
Rev. Ugo Nacciarone, S.J., Presider

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19th
Easter Vigil
8:15 PM (doors open at 7:45 PM)
Rev. George M. Witt, S.J., Presider

For reasons of safety, once the Vigil begins, latecomers will not be admitted into the church until the end of the “Exultet.” Please be on time.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20th
Please note the change in Mass Times:
7:30 AM – Organ/Cantor
9:00 AM – Organ/Cantor
10:30 AM – Organ/Cantor/Choirs/Brass
10:30 AM (Wallace Hall Family Mass) – Piano/Choirs/Omega Dance Company
Noon (Solemn) – Organ/Cantor/Choirs/Brass
There will be no 7:30 PM Mass on Easter Sunday.
The Parish House will close at 4:00 PM.

MUSIC

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17th
MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER
7:00 PM MASS
Durufle Ubi caritas, Tantum ergo sacramentum
Farrant Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake
Tallis O sacrum convivium
12th c Lament of Rachel

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18th
THREE HOURS DEVOTION
from Noon – 3:00 PM
with Parish Community Choir, Children's Choirs, and Omega Dance Company
Archer The Lord's My Shepherd
Gillen In Living Water

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S PASSION
7:00 PM
The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ
According to St. John
Victoria Popule meus
Victoria O vos omnes

SATURDAY, APRIL 19th
SOLEMN VIGIL OF EASTER – 8:15 PM
Palestrina Sicut cervus
Victoria Vidi aquam
Vaughan Williams Five Mystical Songs: Antiphon
Lassus Surgens Jesus
Widor Symphony No. 5: Toccata

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20th
10:30 AM MASS AND
12:00 PM NOON MASS (SOLEMN)
Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola with Parish Community Choir and St. Ignatius Loyola Brass
Victoria Vidi aquam
Vaughan Williams Five Mystical Songs: Antiphon, Easter
Farnam Toccata on O FILII ET FILIAE (10:30 AM)
Widor Symphony No. 5: Toccata (12:00 PM)

10:30 AM WALLACE HALL FAMILY MASS
Prelude begins at 10:15 AM
with Omega Dance Company
Gillen In Living Water
Halley Ubi Caritas
Ray He Never Failed Me Yet
Warren, Jackson and Kibble, arr. Hallelujah, from Handel's Messiah: A Soulful Celebration
IGNATIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE

Screening of the documentary *Inequality for All*

Tuesday, April 22nd at 7:00 PM
Parish Lounge

Filmmaker Jacob Kornbluth presents a powerful look at author and economist Robert Reich and his theories, featuring footage from Reich's lectures and his conversations with Americans from many walks of life as well as interviews with the author. The film also highlights the roles stagnating wages, and the decline of manufacturing may play in the weakened American economy.

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).”

**Praying with Yoga**

with Jesuit Scholastic Bobby Karle, S.J.
For Young Adults in Their 20s & 30s

Learn how the practice of yoga can deepen your spiritual life and enrich your Christian faith. Participants should wear comfortable clothing appropriate for yoga. If you have a yoga mat, bring it to the sessions.

**NEW! IYA Women's Fellowship Group**
6:00 PM – 7:15 PM in Hoefner Lounge

Next meeting: Sunday, May 25th

A discussion group for women in their 20s & 30s to discuss the delicate balance between work and faith.
COMING IN MAY

Ignatian Spirituality for New Parents

For couples with a first child under 2 years old
Saturday, May 3rd
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM in the Parish Lounge
Healing – Led by Joseph P. Parkes, S.J., President, Cristo Rey New York High School

Sponsored by Contemplative Leaders in Action (CLA), a program of The Jesuit Collaborative, participants will come together as a community of men and women who are adjusting to the transition of being new parents. Through reflection on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, participants will seek to support one another in their discernment, endeavoring to understand where God's presence is leading them in the context of parenthood.

For more information, email lauren.s.decker@gmail.com

BLOOD DRIVE
Sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Sunday, May 4th
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
McKinnon Hall

The New York Blood Center requires 2,000 donations daily to meet the transfusion needs of our community. Your donation may enable a premature baby to live, a burn victim to recover, a cancer patient to be treated, or an accident victim to survive.

To register:
Online – www.nybloodcenter.org/blood
Telephone – (800) 933-2566

Please reference Group Code 06239 when registering.
Walk-ins are also welcome.
A photo or signature ID is required.
Please eat a well-balanced meal before giving blood.

HOW TO INTERPRET THE BIBLE: FROM AUGUSTINE TO BERGOGLIO

Tuesday, May 6th at 7:00 PM
Wallace Hall
Presented by Fr. Peter Dubovsky, S.J., Dean of the Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome

Biblical interpretation has a long and often uneasy history. It can be a battlefield of differing theological and spiritual schools. Various interpretations may fall across a full spectrum, from what is heretical or academically suspect to what is wonderfully appealing or even enlightening.

This lecture will consider different approaches to the Bible, their pluses and minuses, and will ask what makes for good and right interpretation of Biblical texts. To accomplish this, we will employ Jesuit Fr. John W. O’Malley’s understanding of culture as presented in his book, Four Cultures of the West.

A brief presentation will follow on the work of the Gregorian University Foundation by Fr. Alan Fogarty, S.J., President.

Sponsored by the Gregorian University Foundation & the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

PSALMS OF DAVID
Schütz, Gabrieli, Monteverdi, and Rossi
Wednesday, May 7th
7:00 PM
Choir and Orchestra of St. Ignatius Loyola
K. Scott Warren, conductor

The lineage of Western sacred music begins with the Psalms: timeless songs of faith composed during the last millennium before the common era. These songs of love, songs of repentance, and songs of praise reach full expressive power in the hands of early Baroque masters Schütz, Gabrieli, Monteverdi and Rossi. Multiple choirs and instrumental ensembles will fill the space with majesty.

Tickets: $65 Preferred / $50 General / $40 Reduced
Call 212-288-2520 for 24/7 ticket ordering.
Tickets can also be purchased at www.smssconcerts.org
WAY OF THE CROSS OVER THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE
On Good Friday, April 18th, Communion and Liberation will sponsor the Way of the Cross over the Brooklyn Bridge.
Participants will congregate for the first station at St. James Cathedral, Brooklyn, at 10:00 AM. After a station on the Brooklyn Bridge, the procession will follow the cross to a third station at City Hall Park in Manhattan, and a fourth station near Ground Zero. The final station will be at St. Peter’s Church on Barclay Street, concluding at 1:30 PM.

At each station, there will be readings from the Passion, a meditation, a reflection, and hymns. All are invited.

For more information, please call Communion and Liberation at (212) 337-3580 or visit the website at www.wocbrooklynbridge.com

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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:
See page 2 for details.

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.

For your convenience...
To reach the Giving page on the parish website, scan the QR Code at left with your smartphone's camera.