Ruth (not her real name) called the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) for temporary financial assistance. Two of us went on a home visit to meet her. Ruth had been unemployed for quite a while, but she had finally found a temporary job. However, since she had been out of work so long, she was in danger of losing her apartment. Ruth would be able to pay her rent going forward if we helped her pay just enough to prove her good faith to her landlord. We wrote her landlord a check significantly larger than she requested. While Ruth was surprised that SVDP would erase her debt entirely, she was flabbergasted that we would assist someone of an entirely different religious background. We help people of all different faiths.

A middle-aged woman named “Laura” called us because she, too, had fallen behind on her rent. Although she had lived in her apartment for decades and was in arrears for only a few months, her landlord had already taken her to court and threatened eviction if she could not make payment within a short time. We made a check out to her landlord for a large portion of what he demanded. Like Ruth, Laura was in tears from gratitude because she could remain in her home.

A family with three school-aged children initially asked only for rent money, but we also helped to pay for beds and new clothing for the children. The two sons shared a single bed, and the mother was separating the mattresses each night to form two beds. The father worked full time, but he had lost income after taking time off for multiple family deaths within a short time. Once these needs had been met, the family would be able once again to meet their fiscal responsibilities.

We are able to help individuals and families like these not only because of generous donors, but also because we are good fiscal stewards. There have been clients whom we have chosen not to assist. When home visits are made by two Vincentians, they have a serious discussion, separate from the clients, about whether to help and how to do it most effectively. Whether we provide financial support or not, we spend time with clients and truly listen to them.

We also serve people in other tangible ways. Each month, we serve dinner to approximately 100 people at Ronald McDonald House New York, located on East 73rd Street. This is the temporary home for pediatric cancer patients receiving active medical treatment and for their families. We give each family an opportunity to share a home cooked meal after spending the day in the hospital with their child.

Every other weekend, from November through April, SVDP provides shelter in Wallace Hall to twelve women who need a warm, safe place to stay. A drop-in center in the city selects the individuals who come to us. The same guests sleep here on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights so that it feels more like home to them. We prepare dinner each night and breakfast each morning for our guests.

Members of SVDP also serve monthly at a nearby Soup Kitchen. Last year, more than 2,100 hungry neighbors were fed. While some guests are homeless, others are employed but are struggling to put food on their tables.

We coordinate drives for food, toys, and gifts. In 2012, our combined food drives (during Thanksgiving, Lent, and Advent) fed approximately 800 people. This past Advent we collected several hundred toys to the delight of children who otherwise would not have had new Christmas gifts. This is separate from our annual Christmas Angel Gift project. It is amazing to see the collection of 400 angel gifts that require a moving van for delivery to the chosen parishes. The recipients of these gifts range in age from infants to senior citizens.

With so much time providing shelter, food, and gifts to others, SVDP members nourish ourselves at the beginning of each meeting by reflecting on the Sunday Gospel. This reminds us that Jesus is the focus of everything we do.

Teresa Abruzzo
President, Society of St. Vincent de Paul
St. Lawrence O’Toole Conference

SVDP always welcome new members and volunteers. Please contact us at the Parish House or email svdpmembership980@gmail.com
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd
SVDP Thanksgiving Food Drive starts today, continues through Tuesday, November 19th. Details on page 5.

Ignatian 40s Speaker Series: Ignatian Spirituality
Topic: The Daily Examen
Presenter: Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J.
5:30 PM. Wallace Hall Classroom. Details on page 3.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4th
Ranger Rosary Ministry. 7:00 PM. Meeting Room. Join us in making rosaries to send to our military. New members are welcome!

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th
Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting. 7:00 PM. Conference Room. All are welcome.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY NOW
PLEASE REMEMBER US LATER!
Remember St. Ignatius in Your Estate Plan.
Leave a legacy to the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola by including a bequest in your will.

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

Sunday Social Dates:
Nov. 17 Dec. 1 Dec. 15

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

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 session.

Final Session
Sunday, November 10th
6:00 PM – 7:15 PM in the Parish Lounge
$10 donation requested.
All proceeds will benefit a charitable cause.
For information, email bobbykarle@gmail.com

The Ignatian 40s Speaker Series
Begins tonight at 5:30 PM
Wallace Hall New Classroom
This fall, Ignatian 40s welcomes all parishioners to its 2nd Annual Speaker Series, Ignatian Spirituality. The goal of the series is to help parishioners improve their knowledge of the Jesuit approach to our Catholic faith, so as to better live as authentic human beings before a loving God.
Comprised of 4 sessions, the series starts tonight with The Daily Examen, led by Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J.

Questions the series aims to answer:
• What is Ignatian prayer? How does it differ from other methods of prayer?
• What does it mean to “find God in all things”?
• What is discernment, imaginative prayer, a contemplative in action, the Examen? What is the purpose of each? How do I practice them?

Upcoming sessions include:
Ignatian Prayer
Finding God in All Things
Discernment in a Nutshell

For more information, email ignatian40s@gmail.com

WALLACE HALL AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL
The space is available for a variety of events including fundraisers, lectures, receptions, cocktail parties, and formal banquet-style dinners.

For more information, contact Caroline Fernandes at 212-288-3588 or fernandesc@saintignatiusloyola.org
Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, November 4th
(St. Charles Borromeo)
8:30  MEM
Richard T. Falby
12:10  MEM
Noel Sumulong
5:30  MEM
Martin Brophy

Tuesday, November 5th
(All Saints and Blessed of the Society of Jesus)
Philippians 3:8–14   Psalm 16   John 12:23–26
8:30  MEM
Mae Rooney
12:10  MEM
Thomas Arcati
5:30  MEM
Theresa & Frank Valente

Wednesday, November 6th
(31st Wednesday in Ordinary Time)
Romans 13:8–10   Psalm 112   Luke 14:25–33
8:30  MEM
The Choix & Gordon Families
12:10  MEM
Peter McNamee
5:30  MEM
Paolina Rabbitto & Jorge Lobato

Thursday, November 7th
(31st Thursday in Ordinary Time)
8:30  MEM
John & Nora Reilly
12:10  MEM
Suzanne Gilligan
5:30  MEM
Marion King

Friday, November 8th
(31st Friday in Ordinary Time)
8:30  MEM
Kevin McEwen
12:10  MEM
Joseph Caggiano
5:30  MEM
Deceased Members of the Scanlon & McLoughlin Families

Saturday, November 9th
(Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)
Ezekiel 47:1–2, 8–9, 12   Psalm 46
8:30  MEM
Kenneth J. Boden, Sr.

Sunday, November 10th
(32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)
2 Maccabees 7:1–2; 9–14   Psalm 17

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

OCTOBER SACRAMENTS

Weddings
Daniel Christopher Aviles & Mary Teresa Priolo
Mark Anthony Manansala Del Rosario & Pamela Gaza Borja
Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet IV & Christine Margaret Harrington
Timothy Paul Gordon & Odile Antoinette Weissenborn
Brian Savoa Guthrie & Morgan Ann Foley
Chris Karalis & Lauren Elizabeth Matti
Andrew Morris & Charlotte Tobin
Christopher John Plunkett & Brigid Aileen Staley
Christopher D. Rouse & Anne-Marie Adriana Nespoli
John Philip Yodzis & Sasha Lurah Frutticher

Baptisms
Jack Brendan Cusick  Benjamin Robert Onofrey
Christopher Gene Dillon  Nicholas Girouard Powers
Angelica Lucia DiStefano  William James Riley
Massimo Christopher  James Arnaud Smith
DiStefano  William Johnson
Max Anthony Fernaine  O’Connor Stewart
Riley Thomas Hutchinson
Charlotte Lucia Kenny
Giovanni Alfred Marrello
Claire Catharine Meyers
Benjamin Daniel O’Donovan

First Holy Communion
Rune Baldwin  Michael Omidvari
Leonardo Bruckner  Dafina Paloka
Danila Caisaguano  Regina Roblesgil
Maria Eagan  Maria Pilar Timermans
Ryan Eagan  Garcia de la Granja
Lucas Escayola

Interested in becoming Catholic?
Call 212-288-3588 or email church@stignatiusloyola.org
Thanksgiving Food Drive to benefit the New York Common Pantry

NYCP’s Food Pantry Program is New York City’s largest community-based food pantry. Every Wednesday through Sunday NYCP is able to distribute packages to more than 1200 needy families.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Please bring your non-perishable food items to the Parish House between Sunday, November 3rd and Tuesday, November 19th.

Items most in demand include:
- Canned cranberry sauces, rice, turkey gravy, corn bread mix, stuffing mix, cake/brownie mix, frosting, quarts of shelf-stable 1% or skim milk, 46 oz. unsweetened apple juice (No glass jars please.)

SVDP Christmas Angel Project

Begins the weekend of November 16th-17th!

It has become a tradition at St. Ignatius for our parishioners to purchase Christmas gifts for parishioners in low-income parishes.

Beginning the weekend of November 16th and 17th, participants will be able to select up to five Angel cards from one of the tables that will be placed in the Narthex and Wallace Hall. Cards will also be available at the Parish House while the supply lasts.

Gifts must be returned to the Parish House no later than Sunday, December 8th.

Thank you for remembering those in need during the holiday season.

The N.P. Mander Organ Recital Series

Presents

MARY PRESTON

Resident Organist and Principal/Lay Family Chair with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra

Sunday, November 17th at 3:00 PM

Widor Symphony No. 3: Marcia
Bach Chorale Prelude and Trio on “Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr”
Bach Chorale Prelude and Trio on “Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend”
Walther Chorale Prelude on “Lobe den Herren”
Reger Chorale Prelude on “Lobe den Herren”
Franck Pièce Héroïque
Vierne Naiades (from Pièces de Fantaisie)
Lamontaine Even Song
Gilmant Sonata in D-minor, Op. 42

Tickets: $20 Call 212-288-2520 for 24/7 ticket ordering and customer service.

Dorothy Day and Her Message for Our Time

Monday, November 18th, 7:00 PM
Wallace Hall

An evening with

Patrick Jordan, former Managing Editor of Commonweal and The Catholic Worker & Martha Hennessy, activist and granddaughter of Dorothy Day

This November, our parish will honor this extraordinary woman with a lecture by the man who knew her and wrote about her, plus remembrances from the granddaughter who is following in her footsteps.

Survey Deadline & Town Hall Meetings

Tuesday, November 5th is the last day for parishioners to submit the survey for the Archdiocese’s Making All Things New pastoral planning initiative. A link to the online survey can be found below and on our website, stignatiusloyola.org.

For those without internet access, a print version can be picked up at the Parish House and returned there. The survey is completely anonymous.

Town Hall Meetings

This week, parishioners are invited to participate in one of three town hall meetings: Wednesday, November 6th at 7:00 PM in Wallace Hall and Sunday, November 10th in the Grammar School’s McKinnon Hall after the 11:00 AM Masses and again after the 7:30 PM Mass.

The survey and town hall meetings provide rare opportunities for us to hear the many voices and thoughts of our community. We urge every adult parishioner to participate.

Survey link: www.surveymonkey.com/s/BN95RSB
Parishioners with smartphones can scan the code at left to be directed to the survey.
Do Miracles Still Occur? The 2013 Hesburgh Lecture. Tuesday, November 5th, 6:30 PM. St. Francis of Assisi Church, San Damiano Hall, 129 West 31st Street. Speaker: Professor John Cavadini, Professor of Theology, University of Notre Dame. How can we understand the meaning of a miracle? What is the biblical and theological basis for a Catholic understanding of miracles? How do miracles serve in the process of the canonization of saints? These topics and other related questions will be addressed. The lecture is free. Refreshments will be served. To RSVP, visit www.ndnyc.org

Abrahamic Faith and Modern Culture Interfaith Dialogue. Thursday, November 7th, 7:00 PM. St. Jean Baptiste Church, Dicap Theatre, 184 East 76th Street. Discussion will focus on the role of religious tradition in contemporary culture. Speakers include: Imam Shamsi Ali, Muslim Cultural Center of Jamaica, Fr. Ernest Falardeau, S.S.S., Senior Associate, St. Jean Baptiste Church, Rabbi Jonathan Stein, Temple Shaaray Tefila, Fr. John Kamas, S.S.S. (Moderator), Pastor, St. Jean Baptiste Church. Admission is free. Reception will follow discussion. Registration is not required.

The Second Annual Adult Faith Formation and Evangelization Forum: Worship, Witness, Celebrate, Receive, and Proclaim God’s Love. Saturday, November 9th, 8:30 AM. Fordham University, Rose Hill Campus, Bronx. Presented by The Archdiocese of New York, Fordham University, and American Bible Society. Presentations in English and Spanish on how attendees can be evangelizers in their community. Price is $30. Fee includes admission to two presentations, forum panel discussion, and a box lunch. To register, visit www.nyfaithformation.org

Corpus Christi Chapter of the International Thomas Merton Society presents “Love Called Me Out Of Darkness”: Annual Retreat/Day of Recollection. Saturday, November 16th, 9:30 AM. A celebration of the 75th anniversary of Thomas Merton’s baptism at Corpus Christi Church. Retreat Leaders: Jonathan Montaldo, Sr. Suzanne Zuercher, O.S.B., Fr. James Conner, OCSO. Corpus Christi Church, 529 West 121st Street. Donation: $25. A light lunch will be provided. Registration is required. Deadline is November 14th. To register, call 212-666-9350.

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