As many of you know, I have only recently joined the staff of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish. How did I get here?

Last spring, the provincial of our New York Jesuit Province asked me what kind of ministry I would want to engage in next if it were up to me to choose a ministry for myself.

When the provincial asked that question, I took a quick look back at my years in the Society.

After growing up in the Bay Ridge neighborhood of Brooklyn, I had entered the Jesuits right out of high school because I wanted to be a priest and a teacher. I got half my wish. I was ordained a priest, but my teaching career was a short one. I spent five years in the classroom, and then I spent fifteen years in school administration. First I served as assistant principal and principal of Colegio San Ignacio de Loyola, the Jesuit high school in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Immediately after that, I served as principal of Regis High School here in Manhattan.

After I had spent twenty years in schools, the provincial at the time asked me to work in the formation programs the Society runs for young Jesuits. So I spent five years as superior of Ciszek Hall, the community at Fordham University for Jesuits who have just finished the novitiate and are beginning their studies for the priesthood. Then I spent eight more years as director of formation for all of the Jesuits in studies from our three East Coast provinces. With well over a decade of service to my Jesuit brothers behind me, when the provincial asked me what kind of ministry I would want to engage in next, I immediately responded, “Work with ‘real people.’”

I don’t think any of my Jesuit brothers would be offended by the implied distinction between Jesuit and real in the answer I gave the provincial. In fact, I think all of my Jesuit brothers would intuitively understand what I meant. And I think they would agree with me wholeheartedly.

Jesuit life has its joys and its difficulties, its freedoms and its responsibilities. All lives do. And none of us who are Jesuits would want to trade our life for any other. But the joys, difficulties, freedoms, and responsibilities of our life are not the same as those of most lives, and our life only makes sense because of those other lives.

The Society of Jesus was founded with an expansive goal, “for the good of souls.” In other words, Jesuits exist to offer what assistance we can to people who desire to seek and find God. Most of those people have been called to seek and find God in single life, married life, and family life – the lives of “real people” in my shorthand phrase.

In part, this expansiveness is the product of Jesuit history. Saint Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, was a single person when he conceived the Spiritual Exercises which are the bedrock of what we call Ignatian Spirituality. In his own lifetime, he led many more single persons, married persons, and heads of families through the Exercises than prelates or priests or nuns.

In part, this expansiveness is the product of Ignatius’ instinct “always to seek the more universal good.” Ignatius wanted the Exercises to reach the widest possible audience because he conceived the experience of the Exercises in response to what he considered a truly universal need. Every one of us needs to discover and respond to the mysterious call of the God who is Mystery in the circumstances in which we actually find ourselves.

In one of our weekday readings last month, Saint Paul put the same thought in different words. “This is the will of God, your holiness.” We all need to become holy, not according to some universal pattern of holiness but according to the unique pattern of holiness we will discover by seeking and finding God exactly where we are.

Everything that parish life offers and entails – sacraments and prayer, outreach and community, programs for spiritual growth and programs for spiritual renewal, reflection on God’s Word and reflection on our Catholic tradition – has that same goal. We do it all so that we can become more sensitive to the mysterious call of the God who is Mystery in the circumstances in which we actually find ourselves.

So I am very glad my provincial’s idea of what should come next for me was exactly the same as my own, and I am very happy he has sent me to work with and for you here at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish.

- Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J.
  Associate Pastor
**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th**
40s & Fabulous Picnic in Central Park, 1:00 – 3:00 PM.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th**
Interparish Religious Education Classes begin.
For registration information, see page 5.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st**
Parish Community Choir Season Kickoff.
4:00 – 8:00 PM. Wallace Hall.
Details on page 3.

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**IGNATIAN 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. 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:**
- Sept. 22
- Oct. 6
- Oct. 13
- Oct. 27
- Nov. 17
- Dec. 1
- Dec. 15

**Special Event:**
Join us at the Parish Celebration in McKinnon Hall following the 7:30 PM Mass on Sunday, September 29th!

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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, October 15th**, in the Parish House from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. The sessions, both educational and supportive are facilitated by experienced facilitators. Registration is required.

**COMPASSIONATE CARE**

**Information Meeting**
Thursday, September 26th
7:00 – 8:00 PM in the Parish Lounge
Learn about the parish outreach to the sick and homebound.
Eucharistic Ministers are urgently needed for DeWitt Nursing Home and Lenox Hill Hospital.
Become a part of this wonderful ministry!

For information and to register for either the Emmaus Bereavement Support Group or the Compassionate Care ministry, please contact Sr. Kathryn King at the Parish House or email kingk@saintignatiusloyola.org

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**CHARIS NYC presents**
“**What Next?**”
A peer-led weekend retreat for those in their 20s and 30s.

Friday evening, November 8th – Sunday, November 10th
Mariendale Retreat Center, Ossining, NY
**Cost:** $255 per person
(early registration through September 30th: $230)
Register at www.jesuit-collaborative.org/charisnyc
Questions? CharisRetreatNYC@gmail.com or 347-619-2692

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**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.
Please contact Fernando Castro, Treasurer, at 212-606-3476 or castrof@stignatiusloyola.org

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

MUSIC AT Masses
Sunday, September 22nd

11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS
Widor Symphonie No. 3: Menuetto
Monteverdi Cantate Domino
Schütz Jauchzet dem Herren
Widor Symphonie No. 3: Finale

7:30 PM MASS
Mendelssohn Andante in F (Berlin-Krakow manuscripts)
Trad. Scottish, arr. Bullard Bread of the world
Saint-Saëns Sept Improvisations: No. 7 Allegro giocoso

Parish Community Choir
Season Kickoff
Saturday, September 21st
4:00 – 8:00 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 N.P. Mander Organ
Recital Series
presents

K. Scott Warren
Director of Music Ministries
and Artistic Director of
Sacred Music in a Sacred Space

Sunday, September 29th at 3:00 PM
BACH selections from Clavierübung III

Prelude in E-flat, BWV 552/1
Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit, BWV 669
Christe, aller Welt Trost, BWV 670
Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 671
Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam, BWV 684
Fugue in E-flat, BWV 552/2

Widor Symphony No. 3 in E minor

Tickets: $20
Call 212-288-2520 for 24/7 ticket ordering and customer service.
Tickets can also be purchased at www.smssconcerts.org

40s & FABULOUS

The 40s & Fabulous group is excited to start its new year!
We are the St. Ignatius Loyola ministry for parishioners in their 40s (and now 50s). We organize spiritual, service and social activities, and events that support a deeper understanding of our faith as well as building community and a deeper connection with one another.

We currently have over 200 members and we look forward to meeting you!

Upcoming Activities:
• Picnic in Central Park Today, 1:00 – 3:00 PM
• Metropolitan Museum Roof Garden Bar Friday, September 27th, 6:00 – 8:00 PM
• St. Francis Xavier Soup Kitchen: Sunday, September 29th, afternoon
• Group Mass with Father Feely followed by a Group Dinner: Friday, Oct. 4th, time TBD

To join our mailing list and learn more about our upcoming events, please email 40sandfabulous@gmail.com

BOOMERS & BEYOND

Join other Catholic singles (50+)
for a casual End of Summer Meet-Up
Monday, September 16th, 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Dorrian’s Red Hand Bar & Restaurant
(corner of 84th Street and 2nd Avenue)
$25.00 (cash) payment at the door.
No pre-payment or reservations are required.
Price includes two drinks and a variety of hors d’oeuvres.
Happy Hour prices for additional beverages.
Visit www.boomersandbeyondnyc.com

BOOMERS & BEYOND is an inter-parish social and community service organization for Catholics who are over 50.

4th Annual Friends of the Jesuits Golf Outing
To benefit the apostolic works of the Jesuits and support the care of aging and infirm Jesuits.
Monday, September 30th
Meadow Brook Club Jericho, NY
Individual golfer: $1250
Contact Debra Ryan at the New York Jesuit Office: 212-774-5544
For registration and additional information, visit: www.nysj.org
Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

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(St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian)
8:30 MEM
Samuel Maglione
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Jack O'Leary
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Kyle Larson

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(St. Robert Bellarmine)
1 Timothy 3:1-13  Psalm 101  Luke 7:11-17
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Rose Bernabei
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Mary Springer
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Wednesday, September 18th
(24th Wednesday in Ordinary Time)
1 Timothy 3:14-16  Psalm 111  Luke 7:31-35
8:30 MEM
Giro & Elina Zullo
12:10 MEM
Jack Joyce
5:30 MEM
Alfred Ziccardi

Thursday, September 19th
(24th Thursday in Ordinary Time)
1 Timothy 4:12-16  Psalm 111  Luke 7:36-50
8:30 MEM
Kelly Gillebaard
12:10 MEM
Assunta Sommella Peluso & Ignazio Peluso
5:30 MEM
Evelyne Scott Hansen Simond

Friday, September 20th
(St. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn & St. Paul Chŏng Ha-sang)
1 Timothy 6:2c-12  Psalm 49  Luke 8:1-3
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ATTENTION PARENTS
OF 8th GRADERS!
The TACHS – Test for Admission into Catholic High Schools
Schools will be administered in the Archdiocese of New York on Friday, November 8th. Catholic school students will receive applications in their own schools. Public school students may obtain applications from Catholic high schools participating in the program, Catholic elementary schools, or Parish religious education programs.

Online registration is available 7 days a week by going to the website www.tachsinfo.com or by calling 1-866-618-2247.

Paper applications must be received by the TACHS office no later than Wednesday, October 9th. The deadline for internet/telephone registration is Monday, October 21st.

For additional details about the examination, visit www.tachsinfo.com or call the TACHS Admission Office at 1-866-618-2247.

We pray for the faithful departed
Norma Foerderer
May she rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.

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 or email church@stignatiusloyola.org

Celebrate CASAColumbia® Family Day
– Be Involved. Stay Involved.™
Family Day is a national initiative created by CASAColumbia to promote simple acts of parental engagement as key ways to help prevent risky substance use in children and teens.

What started out in 2001 as a grassroots initiative to inform parents about all the benefits of frequent family dinners, has grown into a national movement that is supported by a network of partners and sponsors across the country.

Family Day has evolved and expanded to reflect how important it is to connect with your children at various times throughout the day including while driving them to soccer practice, tucking little ones into bed, or having frequent family dinners.

These every day activities have a lasting effect on your children. Each of these moments offers an opportunity to communicate with them and to really listen to what is on their minds.

We are delighted that St. Ignatius Loyola Church, which was the first church in the nation to support and promote Family Day, and Saint Ignatius Loyola Grammar School, will once again be helping to make parents aware of Family Day.

For more information, visit www.CASAFamilyDay.org

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All Lay Ministers at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola are invited to the first Lay Ministers’ Enrichment Program of the Season:

Bringing Contemplation into Action: Bringing Action into Contemplation

with Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J., Associate Pastor

Using a variety of prayer forms, Fr. Feely will invite us into a conversation about the relationship between contemplation and action. There will be time for private prayer and reflection, small group faith sharing, and large group faith sharing.

Saturday, October 5th
9:30 AM – 3:30 PM
in Wallace Hall

Continental breakfast will be available beginning at 9:15 AM. Lunch will also be provided.

Space is limited and registration closes on Tuesday, October 1st.

Register online at http://october2013enrichment.eventbrite.com

Contact layministersenrichment@gmail.com with questions.
Mary Manning Walsh Home Volunteer Association 26th Annual Walk-A-Thon. Saturday, September 21st. Walkers leave Mary Manning Walsh Home at 9:30 AM for Central Park. Pets are also welcome without charge. Fees: $15 for adults, $12 for children ( waived if $60 or more is collected from sponsors). For further information, contact Sr. Michael Mary at 212-628-2800.

Seven Secrets to Landing a Job: Free Job Search Workshop: Presented by International Career Expert Rod Colón. Saturday, September 21st. 2:00 – 4:00 PM. Sponsored by the Church of St. Francis of Assisi Job Seekers Outreach Ministry. San Damiano Hall, 129 West 31st Street. To register, or for more information, call 212-736-8500, ext. 357 or resume@stfrancisnyc.org

Special Evening with Mother Dolores Hart: Sponsored by Lighthouse International, a non-profit dedicated to helping individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Monday, September 23rd, 6:00 PM. Mother Dolores is best known for walking away from a budding film career in the 1960’s to become a Benedictine nun. This event will feature both a screening of the Academy Award nominated short documentary, *God is the Bigger Elvis*, as well as a book signing for Mother Dolores’ new memoir, *The Ear of the Heart*. Lighthouse International, 111 East 59th Street. The event is free. Space is limited. RSVP by September 20th to Melissa Shorey at mshorey@lighthouse.org or 212-821-9227.

The Conversion of Saint John XXIII: From Roncalli to the First Pope of the Contemporary World. This forum will explore why the man remembered as “the Good Pope” still resonates with the faithful, and asks if Pope Francis is indeed his natural heir. Sponsored by the Fordham Center on Religion and Culture. Monday, September 23rd at 6:00 PM. 12th-floor, E. Gerald Corrigan Conference Center, 113 W. 60th Street. Sponsored by Lighthouse International, a non-profit dedicated to helping individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Monday, September 23rd, 6:00 PM. Mother Dolores is best known for walking away from a budding film career in the 1960’s to become a Benedictine nun. This event will feature both a screening of the Academy Award nominated short documentary, *God is the Bigger Elvis*, as well as a book signing for Mother Dolores’ new memoir, *The Ear of the Heart*. Lighthouse International, 111 East 59th Street. The event is free. Space is limited. RSVP by September 20th to Melissa Shorey at mshorey@lighthouse.org or 212-821-9227.

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