As a cradle Catholic born post-Vatican II who was raised in a guitar-strumming, folk song-singing, wood-paneled, suburban parish, I thought of my own Catholic parish as something of a club, not unlike Girl Scouts. There were rules in this “club”: Do genuflect. Don’t eat meat on Fridays during Lent. Always listen when Father is speaking.

Along with these guiding rules, there seemed to be many jobs that needed to get done in this club, roles that needed to be filled. It seemed to me that it took a lot of volunteers to support this organization.

Fast forward to 2010. I am a Eucharistic Minister serving at the 7:30 PM Mass. After a few months, I am invited to “set the table.” I nervously accept. After all, this is part of the “job” of being a Eucharistic Minister at this Mass. And so, as the offertory hymn begins, I stand, take a deep breath, and carry the chalices to begin to “prepare the altar” for the priest. Except something inside me changes entirely. Suddenly my heart is full, as I recognize that I’m not preparing the table for the priest. Rather, I’m preparing the table for Christ. And I see a reflection of my everyday self in the work I’m doing at the altar. I’m the woman who happily sets the table at family gatherings and, here I am, at this celebration, preparing the table for the arrival of Jesus in the Eucharist. I imagine that it’s just what I would have done had I been present at that first Eucharist.

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Shortly thereafter, I found myself wondering: If I was living out my vocation as a Eucharistic Minister, then perhaps the others who were “volunteering” at church were also filling a vocation, answering a call.

That question led me to become an active participant in the Lay Ministers’ Enrichment Program (LME). LME nourished this emerging sense that the work I was doing with and for the Church was something more than just volunteering. As I listened to the stories of other participants, “ministry” was broken open even wider. I came to understand “ministry” as God’s invitation to each one of us by virtue of our baptism — an invitation to use our gifts and talents to meet the needs of the world, and to offer those gifts back to God.

At St. Ignatius, we respond to this baptismal call through a wide range of ministries. Our liturgical ministers offer welcome and hospitality, proclaim the Word, share the Eucharist, and deepen our worship with music. Beyond those most visible ministries, our ministers serve and lead in many ways: by providing catechesis and faith formation, by leading our age-targeted ministries, by offering their talents to the fiscal stability of the parish, by supporting and praying for our troops, by feeding the hungry, by sheltering the homeless, by visiting the sick, by accompanying the bereaved, by standing in solidarity with the oppressed.

St. Ignatius is an active, vibrant, and engaged parish community. There is a life-giving, spirit-filled cycle at work here. The clergy and parish staff invest in the faith formation of the congregation, and thus the congregation is nourished and filled. This spiritual fullness evokes a call to act; this action manifests as ministry. This ministry further nourishes the parish community, and so on.

The purpose of the Lay Ministers’ Enrichment program is to encourage lay ministers as we minister to our Parish and the world. Our programming offers an opportunity for lay ministers throughout the parish, and across ministries, to gather together to learn, to reflect prayerfully, and to nourish our vocations as lay ministers.

The Lay Ministers’ Enrichment team prays that those of you who are seeking a ministry will find a way to answer your call here at St. Ignatius. We invite all of you who are involved in lay ministry in any capacity to join us this year at one or all of the Lay Ministers’ Enrichment programs.

— Jennifer Anderson

On behalf of the Lay Ministers’ Enrichment Committee:

Jennifer Anderson  Julie McGee
Isabelle Carroll  Erin Pick
Neal Martelo  Gerard Rath

Please see page 3 for details on the first LME program of the 2014–15 season.
THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5th
The Hour Children Truck. 9:00 AM. Outside the Church.
Donate your unwanted household items. Details at right.

Sunday Social. 8:30 PM. Wallace Hall.
Hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults.
Follows the 7:30 PM Mass.
Details at right.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6th
Ranger Rosary Ministry. 7:00 PM.
Meeting Room. Join us in making rosaries to send to our military.
New members are welcome!
Details at lower right.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8th
Job Transition Support Group.
10:00 AM. Parish Lounge.
Details at right.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting.
7:00 PM. Conference Room.
All are welcome.

New! Job Transition Support Group
Wednesday, October 8th
10:00 AM in the Parish Lounge
Bringing together a group of experienced professionals looking to secure employment,
we hope to help each other in the job search process.
Participants will be invited to contribute their expertise and knowledge.
Please bring your resume. All are welcome.
For more information, contact
John Holewa at jfholewa@gmail.com or
Christian Nolan at ctnolan59@gmail.com

The Psalms: Source of Prayer
Presented by Mr. Brian Pinter
Six Sessions Beginning October 20th
Mondays at 7:00 PM in the Parish Lounge

For centuries the Psalms have been the foundational scriptures for the prayer of both the Israelite and Christian religions. These ancient sacred texts of praise, wisdom, lament, and thanksgiving have touched the hearts of generations of faithful because they speak to the human condition and our longing for God.

Join us as we explore the scriptural jewel box known as the Psalms, and we see how their poetry can enrich our prayer.

Brian Pinter is the former Chaplain and Teacher of Theology at Regis High School. He is currently the Education Associate and Bible scholar-in-residence at Christ Church United Methodist. Mr. Pinter holds degrees in theology and religion from St. Joseph's and Fordham Universities.

Space is limited. Early registration is recommended.

For information and/or to register,
email bergenw@saintignatiusloyola.org

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

The Hour Children truck is here!

TODAY
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

The HOUR CHILDREN truck will be parked outside St. Ignatius Church, ready to receive donations of clothing, toys, kitchenware, knick-knacks, household items, electronics, and small furniture.

HOUR CHILDREN: A community of mothers and children where love makes the difference.
Visit www.HourChildren.org
Sponsored by the Ignatian Young Adults

RANGER ROSARY MINISTRY

12,015 ROSARIES (AND COUNTING)!

Last week the Rosary Rangers reached a milestone when they passed the 12,000 mark and completed their 12,015th rosary.

Started at St. Ignatius in August 2009, the Ranger Rosary ministry, meets twice a month to make rosaries for Catholics who are serving in the armed services. These combat rosaries are constructed from materials with no metal parts that might reflect light or make a rattling noise.

If you are interested in joining, the next Ranger Rosary meeting is Monday, October 6th at 7:00 PM in the Meeting Room. New members are always welcome!

PLEASE OPEN FOR PAGES 3 AND 4
Are you a young adult in your 20s or 30s? CharisNYC invites you to attend one of our upcoming retreats.

Seekers Retreat – January 30, 2015 to February 1, 2015
Transitions Retreat – March 20, 2015 to March 22, 2015

For more information, email CharisRetreatNYC@gmail.com or call 347-619-2692.

Sunday Socials Fall/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).”

Saturday, October 25th
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.
Register online at http://tinyurl.com/October2014Enrichment
Contact layministersenrichment@gmail.com with questions.

New Parishioners: We welcome new parishioners and invite you to fill out a Parishioner Registration Card located in the pew racks, at the Parish House, and online at stignatiusloyola.org. Registration is our only means of certifying membership in the Parish.
Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, October 6th
(Twenty-seventh Monday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 MEM John Ragalli
5:30 MEM The Meehan Family

Tuesday, October 7th
(Our Lady of the Rosary)
8:30 MEM Luis Samaniego
5:30 MEM John McNamee

Wednesday, October 8th
(Twenty-seventh Wednesday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 MEM Mary Lou Flaherty
5:30 MEM Frances Franck

Thursday, October 9th
(Twenty-seventh Thursday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 MEM Paul Choix
5:30 MEM Deceased Members of the Scanlon & McLoughlin Families

Friday, October 10th
(Twenty-seventh Friday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 MEM Mary Ann Mullen
5:30 MEM Mary Connor

Saturday, October 11th
(Twenty-seventh Saturday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 MEM John & Margaret Reilly

Sunday, October 12th
(Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
Isaiah 25:6–10a    Psalm 23
Rescheduled October 12:10 PM Daily Mass Intentions:
5:30 MEM Maureen Hanley
8:00 MEM Mary Johnson
9:30 MEM Charles Regan
11:00 (Wallace Hall) MEM Valentino Mazzia
11:00 (Solemn) MEM Fred Krimendahl
7:30 MEM Nathan Davidson

ATTENTION PARENTS OF 8TH GRADERS!
The TACHS – Test for Admission into Catholic High Schools will be administered in the Archdiocese of New York on Friday, November 7th.

Paper applications must be received by the TACHS office no later than Wednesday, October 8th. The deadline for internet/telephone registration is Monday, October 20th.
SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, October 23rd at 7:30 PM
Wallace Hall
Please join us for a conversation with journalist and author Elisabetta Piqué as she discusses her new book, *Pope Francis: Life and Revolution.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

Registrations for the 2014–2015 IREP and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd programs can be made by calling the Parish House at 212-288-3588 and pressing “0” for the receptionist. Registration forms can also be found on our website stignatiusloyola.org

IREP classes are now underway.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* is a program of religious formation for children ages 3, 4, and (returning) 5 year olds. The program draws on the scriptural and liturgical traditions of the Church.

Our meeting place is the Atrium, behind Wallace Hall, a space where children enjoy an environment that supports their spiritual development.

Classes are now underway.

Volunteer Teacher’s Assistant Needed

*For Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*

Wednesdays, 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM
Contact Adele Gallo at amdgallo@me.com or 516-528-4660.

MUSIC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS

Albright  *Wer nur den lieben Gott last walten*  
Bairstow  *Jesu, the very thought of Thee*
Victoria  *Jesu dulcis memoria*
J.S. Bach  *Fugue in B Minor, BWV 579 on a theme of Corelli*

7:30 PM MASS

with Parish Community Choir

Bain, arr. Bullard  *Brother James’ Air (Psalm 23)*

* Albright and Bach also played at 7:30 PM Mass

MOZART’S GREAT MASS

Wednesday, October 22nd at 7:00 PM

Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola
K. Scott Warren, conductor

HAYDN  *Symphony No. 97*

MOZART  *Great Mass in C minor*

Sacred Music in a Sacred Space begins its Choral season with Mozart’s *Great Mass in C minor* — a majestic setting featuring double chorus. An intensely personal, rule-breaking composition, the *Mass* is a riveting statement about the complex mixture of joy and pain in human relationships, one that transcended the proscribed Austrian Mass tradition at the time of its composition.

Tickets: $80 Premium  |  $65 Preferred

Call 212-288-2520 for 24/7 ticket ordering.

Tickets can also be purchased at smssconcerts.org

Scan the QR code at left to view a video discussing Mozart’s *Great Mass.*

The N.P. Mander Organ Recital Series presents

DAVID ENLOW
Organist and Choir Master, Church of the Resurrection, NY
Organ Faculty, The Juilliard School

Sunday, November 2nd at 3:00 PM

Tickets: $20

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Tickets can also be purchased at www.smssconcerts.org

PRESERVATION

WALLACE HALL AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL

The space is available for a variety of events including fundraisers, lectures, receptions, and formal banquet-style dinners.

For more information, contact Caroline Fernandes at 212-288-3588 or fernandesc@saintignatiusloyola.org

Celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Saturday, October 18th at the 12:10 PM Mass

For those who are seriously ill, elderly, disabled, facing surgery, or who are afflicted with any other condition of physical, mental, or spiritual suffering.

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We pray for the faithful departed
Robert John Coleman
May he rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.

Breakfast With Friends. Hosted by the Health Care Chaplaincy Network and Mutual of America. Tuesday, October 7th, 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM. Mutual of America, Penthouse Ballroom, 320 Park Avenue (between 50th and 51st Streets). Speaker: Steve Parrish, Chairman, Safe Horizon. This free breakfast will feature a presentation by Mr. Parrish discussing his personal story and the impact that the Health Care Chaplaincy has had on his life. To RSVP, contact Michelle Nicholas at mnicholas@healthcarechaplaincy.org or 212-644-1111 x135.

Annual Scala Gala Dinner. Hosted by the Scalabrini Center for All Migrants. Saturday, October 11th, 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM. Demo Hall, Our Lady of Pompeii Church, 25 Carmine Street. Funds raised will support the Scalabrini Center, which offers legal, social, and educational assistance to all migrants. Cost: $35. For more information, contact the parish at 212-989-6805 or the Center at 646-789-4097.

Lecture Series: More, Erasmus & Fisher. Presented by The Wethersfield Institute Courses in Catholic Studies. Thursday evenings, October 16th, 23rd, & 30th. 6:30 PM. St. Agnes Church, 143 East 43rd Street. Speaker: Rev. Joseph Koterski, S.J., Associate Professor of Philosophy, Fordham University. Series will explore the lives of Thomas More, Desiderius Erasmus, and John Fisher. Cost: $15 per lecture. For more information, visit wethersfieldgarden.org/wethersfield-institute.html, email homeland214@aol.com or call (845) 373-8037 x110.

Are you a Catholic physician, health care professional, or medical student? The Catholic Medical Association (CMA) helps doctors and health care professionals grow in faith, maintain ethical integrity, and provide excellent health care in accordance with the teachings of the Church. The CMA offers professional, spiritual, and moral support through local chapters and annual national conferences featuring world-class speakers and CME credits. Visit cathmed.org to learn more about the CMA and the benefits of membership.

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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 (212-288-3588 x632) 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 (212-288-3588 x632) 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