I had the great pleasure recently of attending a screening of the film *Full of Grace: The Story of Mary the Mother of Jesus*. *Full of Grace* is a gripping and beautiful depiction of the early Church after the resurrection. Told through the eyes of Mary, the mother of Jesus, she challenges Peter and the disciples to remember their original encounter with Christ.

Set in Jerusalem, ten years after the passion of her son, Mary lives out her final earthly days and contemplates the incredible mystery of her life. Accompanied by her young maidservant Zara, she quietly awaits the return of the “Rock”, the one her Son placed as responsible for the Christian people — Peter. Arriving at Mary’s home after a decade of traveling, preaching, and fleeing from death, Peter feels the overwhelming responsibility and helplessness of the great task he must undertake. Spending days with Mary and recounting what happened in both their lives after meeting Christ, Peter slowly discovers that he is not leading the Church, but following what Jesus had started.

During the post-screening discussion, “Toward a New Christian Cinema”, the writer and director Andrew Hyatt, a Jesuit-educated re-convert to the faith, recounts that he and his producers wondered why there had not been another movie like *The Passion of the Christ* made since its release. They desired to create a movie that resonated with their own imperfect, human experiences.

Reflecting this desire, Mary Rezac from the Catholic News Agency, in her article “Can Film Be Sacred Art?”, also quotes *Full of Grace*’s producer T.J. Berden: “If the filmmaker makes something for him or herself, not as a selfish enterprise but as something that really speaks to their life, that’s the only chance you’re going to have for it to resonate into somebody else’s life.” Following Pope Francis’ emphasis on the personal moment of “encounter” with Jesus, the filmmakers, Berden emphasized, sought to portray Mary as “kind of the emblem of [the encounter, as] she never loses the memory of Christ. She’s like the keeper of memory.”

This truly unique film captures the dormition and assumption of Mary, asking its viewers to put themselves into the film as a kind of “cinematic prayer”. This approach sets *Full of Grace* apart from a recent spate of faith-based movies that — though well-intentioned — preach at the audience. Mary Rezac observes that as *Full of Grace* developed, “so did the idea for film as an icon, as sacred art, a genre Berden has started calling “Sacred Arthouse.” Berden cited the Terrence Malick film *The Tree of Life* (2011) as a cinematic influence during the post-viewing discussion.

“Sacred art is always trying to speak to men in the world,” Berden said. In the Middle Ages, sacred art meant using stained-glass windows and mosaics to tell the story of Christ to the illiterate masses in church. “Today we have a lot of advantages. Today, people read, but there’s another kind of illiteracy going on,” he added. “It’s an illiteracy of the heart; it’s a crisis of the person. We don’t know who we are, so who are we in relationship to this God is very confused.”

*Full of Grace* spoke directly to the “illiteracy” of my own heart. The inspired and intimate performance by actress Bahia Haifi as Mary, the Mother of Jesus, shined welcomed light upon my own misguided notions of who God is or what God is doing in my life. I experienced a *metanoia*, a change or renewal of mind that can only be awakened first in the heart.

The film’s beautiful cinematography captures the seemingly paradoxical characteristics of Mary: gentleness and strength. I venture to say that these characteristics set the tone for the film, which produces a contemplative, slower paced, dialogue-focused film. The filmmakers intentionally sought to invite the audience to use their imaginations to enter more fully into the final events of Mary’s earthly life. Not unlike our own St. Ignatius of Loyola.

I encourage you to view *Full of Grace* and, in the words of the filmic Mary, “Listen. In the stillness. In the silence.”

— Carly-Anne Gannon
Director of Religious Education
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27th
Job Transition Support Group. 10:00 AM. Parish Lounge.
Bringing together experienced professionals looking to secure employment.

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28th
An Evening with Joe Assadourian, Sr. Tesa Fitzgerald, and Friends. 7:00 PM. Wallace Hall.
Details at right.

FRIDAY – SUNDAY
JANUARY 29th – JANUARY 31st
Shelter Weekend. Wallace Hall.
For information on volunteering in the Shelter, see details below.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
FRIDAY – SUNDAY
JANUARY 29th – JANUARY 31st
SVdP Women’s Shelter Wallace Hall
There is a particular need for stay-over volunteers, especially on Sunday nights.
Both men and women are invited to volunteer.
If you would like to volunteer in the Shelter, please leave a message for Louise Decatrel at the Parish House or email svdp.shelter980@gmail.com

Catholic Schools Week
January 31st – February 6th
Catholic Schools Week is an annual national celebration of Catholic elementary and secondary schools and the important role they play in providing a value-added education for America’s young people.

IGNATIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE
An Evening with Joe Assadourian, Sr. Tesa Fitzgerald, and Friends
Thursday, January 28th at 7:00 PM Wallace Hall

Panelists
Joe Assadourian will present a selection from his widely acclaimed Off-Broadway production of The Bullpen. Joe is a two-time PENN Award winner, and has been nominated for an Outer Critics Circle Award and two NYIT Awards for The Bullpen.
Sr. Tesa Fitzgerald, CSJ, is the executive director of Hour Children. A dynamic speaker, Tesa has been named a CNN Hero, a White House Champion of Change, and the 2014 winner of the Opus Prize. In 2015, Sr. Tesa was awarded the Cross Pro-Ecclesia et Pontifice.
Zachariah Presutti, SJ, is a Jesuit scholastic of the Northeast Province who works with incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals as a therapist at Hour Children.

A panel discussion will follow Joe Assadourian’s presentation.

Have you made your donation to the Annual Appeal?
Thank you to those who have already responded to the Annual Appeal.
In order to fund the current level of service and programming, we rely heavily on this annual collection.

If you have not yet made a donation, you can do so by visiting the Annual Appeal page on the St. Ignatius website by scanning the QR code at left.

To electronically access the Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2015 and a letter from Father Feely about the Annual Appeal, visit our website at www.saintignatiusloyola.org

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**LAY MINISTERS’ ENRICHMENT**

**Registrations now being accepted!**

**A Lot of Things:**
Wisdom from the Book of Expectations

*with*

Sister Mary Lanning, SFCC
Founder, YES!Solutions, Inc.

**Saturday, February 6th**
9:30 AM – 3:30 PM
in Wallace Hall

All parishioners who minister to others are invited to attend.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Space is limited.
Register online at
http://tinyurl.com/Feb2016LME

*For those without internet access:*
Call the Parish House at (212) 288-3588 to register.

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**IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS**

**Sunday Social 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.

**Sunday Social Dates**

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**SEEKERS’ RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS**

**January 29th – January 31st**

Mariandale Retreat Center, Ossining, NY

For young adults in their 20s and 30s

Charis NYC presents a peer-led, weekend retreat inspired by Ignatian spirituality and the Jesuit tradition. Take time to reflect on your journey, your desires, and God's hopes and dreams for you. Also, learn how to integrate your Catholic faith with the other areas of your life.

**Cost:** $260/person

Meals and boarding are included.
Financial aid available.

For more information, please visit www.Charis.nyc or email CharisRetreatNYC@gmail.com by tomorrow.

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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, February 16th**, in the Parish Lounge, from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM.

The sessions, both educational and supportive, are run by experienced facilitators.

To register, email EmmausBereavementGroup@gmail.com

Registration is required.

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**MEETING CHRIST IN PRAYER**

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.

**Morning Sessions**

Tuesdays, February 16th – April 13th*
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

**Evening Sessions**

Wednesdays, February 17th – April 13th*
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

*Note: Both sessions will conclude at the evening meeting on Wednesday, April 13th

**What does it offer?**

Weekly meetings are 90 minutes long and include group prayer, guided meditation, small group faith sharing, and an orientation for the following week's prayer or prayer techniques. The cost of the program is a sliding scale of $30-$50 and covers all materials. Scholarships are available.

To register, email MCIP@saintignatiusloyola.org

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**IGNITE! TEEN MINISTRY**

**Saturday, February 6th**

**6:30 PM – 8:00 PM, Hoefner Lounge**

**Teens 13–19 years old are welcome!**

As a parish-based youth ministry rooted in Ignatian spirituality and Catholic tradition, **IGNITE!** offers a forum through which high school students and their families may find a deeper relationship with God and each other.

**Registration for each session is encouraged but not required.**

For more information and/or to register, contact Teresa Cariño at carinot@saintignatiusloyola.org
Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

**Monday, January 25th** (The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle)
Acts 9:1–22     Psalm 117     Mark 16:15–18
8:30 MEM        Gertrude Maher
12:10 MEM       Judith Kaye
5:30 MEM        Jeanne Furstenau

**Tuesday, January 26th** (SS. Timothy & Titus)
Titus 1:1–5     Psalm 96     Mark 3:31–35
8:30 MEM        Frances Daly
12:10 MEM       Gina DePalma
5:30 MEM        Phyllis Browne

**Wednesday, January 27th** (Third Wednesday in Ordinary Time)
2 Samuel 7:4–17     Psalm 89     Mark 4:1–20
8:30 MEM        Robert Rommelsbacher
12:10 MEM       Alfred Ziccardi
5:30 MEM        Pauline Bedard

**Thursday, January 28th** (St. Thomas Aquinas)
8:30 MEM        John & Nora Reilly
12:10 MEM       Clelia Rotella
5:30 MEM        Gertrude Maher

**Friday, January 29th** (Third Friday in Ordinary Time)
2 Samuel 11:1–4a, 5–10a, 13–17     Psalm 51     Mark 4:26–34
8:30 MEM        Hilda Handel
12:10 MEM       Livio Panebianco
5:30 MEM        Joanne C. Wallace

**Saturday, January 30th** (Third Saturday in Ordinary Time)
2 Samuel 12:1–7a, 10–17     Psalm 51     Mark 4:35–41
8:30 MEM        Helen & Charles Regan

**Sunday, January 31st** (Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
Jeremiah 1:4–5, 17–19     Psalm 71

Available at the Parish House

**New York Catholics: Faith, Attitude & the Works!**
The legacy of New York City's largest religious community comes alive in these biographies of 76 women and men who have helped make New York and America great, and whose character and qualities are uniquely New York and Catholic.

**Cost:** $20

Signed copies of The Abbey, by Rev. James Martin, S.J.
The debut novel by Fr. Martin focuses on three lives intersecting and their shared journey toward faith, hope, and love — a grieving mother who lost her son, an ambitious young architect who finds himself working as a handyman, and the wise, yet uncertain abbot of a local monastery.

**A limited number of signed books are available for purchase at Reception.**

**Cost:** $25

Ready to try a 500-year-old workout regimen with proven results?
The Jesuit Collaborative invites you to share the gift of Ignatian spirituality and the opportunity to meet interesting people who are ready to further develop their spiritual lives.

Just like exercise for the physical body, St. Ignatius believed that we need spiritual exercise as well. We invite you to find God in all things through our rewarding and unique programs.

Please visit us at www.jesuitcollaborative.org or email pmcdonough@jesuitcollaborative.org

PRAYER RESOURCES

**Pray as You Go**
wwwprayasyou-go.org

Pray as You Go is a daily prayer session designed for use on your iPod or other portable MP3 player.

**3-Minute Retreats**
www.loyolapress.com3-minute-retreats-daily-onlinet-prayer.htm

Take a short prayer break right at your computer. Spend some quiet time reflecting on a Scripture passage.

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

Remember St. Ignatius in Your Estate Plan
If you would like information about planned giving, contact Fernando Castro, Treasurer, or visit our website at www.stignatiusloyola.org
Feeding Our Neighbors: Archdiocesan-Wide Food Campaign

STARTS TODAY!
The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola will be participating in the food drive scheduled to run from today through Sunday, January 31st.

Donations will go to the Community Pantry at the Church of St. Gregory the Great on West 90th Street.
Please bring non-perishable foods to the Parish House.

While all donations are greatly appreciated, these items are especially welcome:

- 100% fruit juices
- beans (canned or dry)
- canned fish (salmon, sardines, or tuna)
- canned fruits
- canned meat (chicken, beef, or ham)
- canned stews (chicken or beef)
- canned vegetables
  - coffee/tea
  - couscous
  - dried fruits
  - dry cereal and hot cereal (farina, grits, or oatmeal)
- dry milk packets

flour/cornmeal/baking mixes
nutritional beverages (Boost, Ensure, Carnation Instant Breakfast)
- nuts
- pasta/noodles
- peanut butter
- personal care items
- rice
- shelf-stable milk
- soy/almond/rice milk
- spices
- tomato sauce
- vegetable soups
- whole wheat crackers

Every item counts!
Thank you for your generosity.

SAVE THE DATE!
Join Fr. Feely, Members of the Parish Staff, and Members of our Parish Ministries for The Ignatian Way Lenten Dinner
Saturday, February 20th in Wallace Hall immediately following the 5:30 PM Mass.
Details to follow.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

BLOOD DRIVE Sunday, January 31st
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.
A sign-up table will also be in the Narthex before and after all Masses this weekend.
Please drink plenty of fluids and eat a well-balanced meal before giving blood.

MUSIC
SUNDAY, JANUARY 31ST
11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS
Howells  Rhapsody in D-flat Major (Op. 17, No. 1)
Bairstow  Though I speak with the tongues of men
Bairstow  I sat down under his shadow
Harris  Flourish for an Occasion

11:00 AM FAMILY MASS
with Middle School Choir & Training Choir II
Sibelius, arr. James  Be Still, My Soul
Duggan  The Lord’s Prayer

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, February 21st at 3:00 PM
Tickets: $20
Tickets for all concerts are available online at www.smssconcerts.org
We pray for the faithful departed
Josseline Salgo
May she rest in the peace of the Risen Lord

Academic Tutors: Comunidad Juan Diego
Tutors are needed for the Academic Support Program of Comunidad Juan Diego, a project sponsored by the Marist Brothers and the Archdiocese of New York to serve the Latino immigrant community in East Harlem. The Academic Support Program is designed to assist the children (elementary through high school) of the members of the Comunidad Juan Diego achieve academic success and growth in self-confidence. Pope Francis visited this program during his visit to New York City. Where: Our Lady Queen of Angels School, 229 East 112th Street. When: Every Wednesday from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM. For more information, contact Brother John Klein, F.M.S., Executive Director, Comunidad Juan Diego, at jklein47@gmail.com

Volunteer Eucharistic Ministers Needed.
Lenox Hill Hospital's Department of Pastoral Care is seeking additional Eucharistic Ministers. Volunteer ministers are asked to commit two hours on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. For more information and application, contact Carlos Cuartas, Chaplain at ekuartas@nshs.edu

ArchCare Care Navigation Center: Resources for Seniors. Need help caring for yourself or someone else but not sure where to turn? ArchCare, the healthcare system of the Archdiocese of New York has a Care Navigation Center staffed by health and social service professionals dedicated to helping people better understand and access the services for which they are eligible. Call 855-951-2273 between 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM seven days a week.

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

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Children’s Liturgy of the Word
Sundays at the 9:30 AM Mass.

Centering Prayer
Mondays at 6:30 PM

Confessions
4:30 PM Saturday or by appointment. Communal Penance Services are celebrated during Advent and Lent.

Baptisms: Please call Teresa Cariño 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 Teresa Cariño 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.

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. Sawyer
Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Feely
9:30 AM Fr. Judge
Wallace Hall 11:00 AM Fr. Yesalonia
Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Feely
7:30 PM Fr. Feely

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