I
n the Rite of Ordination the ordaining bishop addresses those who are to be ordained with these instructions: *Share with all mankind the word of God you have received with joy. Meditate on the law of God, believe what you read, teach what you believe, and put into practice what you teach.*

The charge which the bishop gives to a priest on his ordination day may seem rather daunting but for the fact that underlying the gift of priesthood is *JOY.* However, that is not to say that being a priest is not without its challenges.

In the bulletin essay of October 11, 2015, I introduced myself to you as a new Associate Pastor and elaborated on what I believe to be the threads which make up the tapestry of priestly ministry in today’s world. And now, no more than six months later, I have been appointed your Pastor.

It is with *JOY* that I begin this new relationship with you whom I have come to know and grown to love. God has been good to our parish and blessed us with an extraordinary generosity of spirit. It is brilliantly manifested in the ways in which we worship together and are present to each other in times of celebration and times of need. We are blessed with an extraordinary parish staff who help to administer an admirable array of parish ministries. Their efforts, however, would be without effect, but for the leadership, commitment and support of our parishioners!

I have no doubt that what underlies the vibrant life of the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola is the *JOY* we experience as fellow pilgrims in faith, yearning to find life through our experience and knowledge of Jesus Christ, who reveals to us the very face of God.

On a more personal note, I am delighted that as Pastor I will have the benefit of continuing to work with and learn from my brother Jesuits who currently serve this parish: Father Feely, who has generously served as Parish Administrator during the interim period between Pastors; Father Bergen, whose gentle wisdom and knowledge of the parish is legendary; and Father Hilbert, who recently traded views of *bella Roma* for the skyline of his native New York.

When I begin my term as your Pastor in June, you can be assured of my commitment to the responsibilities which Cardinal Dolan has entrusted to me. First and foremost, I will be tireless in my efforts to serve you and to care for your spiritual well-being. I will recommit myself to the instructions which the bishop gave to me on the day of my ordination. With the help of God, you will find in me a Pastor who wishes to share with you the *JOY* of knowing Christ, a teacher who will lead by example, a priest who will strive to nurture your faith and invite you to celebrate your diversity with a unifying spirit of compassion and mercy, and a companion of Jesus who will search for those who are lost and reach out to those who have been forgotten.

I am enough of a realist to know that I cannot accomplish these goals or be the Pastor I desire to be without help – the help of God and your help. Together we can do great things to build up God’s kingdom on earth, and it starts right here at St. Ignatius Loyola Church. Let us be confident that God the Father will never fail to shower us with His grace and blessings! Let us always rely on the guidance of God’s Holy Spirit to lead us to paths of truth and justice, especially in our efforts to serve the poor! And let us be steadfast in trusting in the love of God’s Son for us as we proclaim in word and deed the *JOY* of the Gospel!

I am truly humbled by Cardinal Dolan’s appointment of me as your Pastor. Before I set foot in the Pastor’s Office and assume its responsibilities, I ask for your patience and your prayers. The path before us may at times get bumpy because to be authentic in our faith is to be challenged by each other and by the times in which we live. Let us walk together as friends in the Lord, with the sure and certain knowledge that together we joyfully labor for the greater glory of God.

*Oremus pro invicem!*

[Let us pray for one another!]

— Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J.

Associate Pastor
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13th
Job Transition Support Group.
10:00 AM. Parish Lounge.
Bringing together experienced professionals looking to secure employment.
Details on page 3.

Caritas Concert: Ike Sturm + Evergreen.
6:30 PM. Wallace Hall.
Details on page 5.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14th
Sacrament of Confirmation. Church.
2:00 PM – Grammar School Students
5:30 PM – IREP Students

SATURDAY, APRIL 16th
IGNITE! Teen Ministry.
6:30 PM. Hoefner Lounge.
Teens 13–19 are welcome! Details on page 3.

We extend a warm welcome to Bishop John O’Hara, who will be presiding at the Confirmation of our Grammar School and IREP students on Thursday, April 14th at 2:00 PM and 5:30 PM.
Please pray for all of the Confirmandi.

Dancing God’s Mercy
A free sacred dance workshop for children ages 6–8 (Kindergarten–2nd Grade)
Presented by Omega Dance Company
Sunday, April 24th
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM
Wallace Hall
Space is limited. Advance registration required.
To register, visit http://goo.gl/forms/uYZHb2J2ki or email omega@omegadancecompany.org

THE ANNUAL CHANGE FOR CHANGE DRIVE
Donations this year will be forwarded to the Jesuit Refugee Service: Mercy in Motion Campaign.
Mercy in Motion supports the JRS Global Education Initiative, a worldwide effort by the Jesuit Refugee Service to expand educational programs to refugees and those who have been forcibly displaced.
The collection period runs to the end of April.
Loose change, bills, and checks (made out to “Church of St. Ignatius Loyola”) are welcome!
Please bring donations to the Parish House in care of Carly-Anne Gannon.

PRAYER SUGGESTION — Sacred Space
Spend 10 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
**Sunday Social Spring 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.

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To receive updates on IYA events and other opportunities, you can follow us on Facebook at “Ignatian Young Adults (NYC).”

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**WHAT NEXT? RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS**
April 15th – 17th
Friday Evening – Sunday Afternoon
Mariandale Retreat Center, Ossining, NY
For young adults in their 20s and 30s
Join other young adults in exploring the transitions of life through the lens of the Paschal Mystery. Learn how Ignatian spirituality and the Jesuit way can help you make better decisions and deepen your relationship with God.
Cost: $260/person; financial assistance available.
For more information, visit charis.nyc or email CharisRetreatNYC@gmail.com

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**IGNITE! TEEN MINISTRY**
Saturday, April 16th
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

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**Volunteers Needed for Painting Project**
Saturday, April 23rd
9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Habitat for Humanity is seeking volunteers for an upcoming painting project.
Project details to follow.
All volunteers must be 16 years of age or older.
If you would like to volunteer, and can commit to participating for the full day, please email Peter Wood at PeterWoodNYC@aol.com

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**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

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**Moving? Please don’t forget to notify your church. This information helps us to keep our database current.**
**Announced Masses and Readings for the Week**

**Monday, April 11th (St. Stanislaus)**
8:30   MEM Cecil Spadafora  
12:10  MEM Paul Allegretti  
5:30   MEM Deceased Members of the Scanlon & McLoughlin Families

**Tuesday, April 12th (Third Tuesday of Easter)**
8:30    LVG Patricia Manzo  
12:10   MEM Joseph T. Harte  
5:30   MEM Valentino Mazzia

**Wednesday, April 13th (Third Wednesday of Easter)**
Acts 8:1b–8    Psalm 66    John 6:35–40  
8:30   MEM Charles A. Kibort, Jr.  
12:10   MEM Joyce Flammer  
5:30   MEM Susan Meyer

**Thursday, April 14th (Third Thursday of Easter)**
Acts 8:26–40   Psalm 66   John 6:44–51  
8:30   MEM Thomas Morgan Kelly  
12:10   MEM Joseph W. O’Connor  
5:30   MEM Ann Fredenburgh

**Friday, April 15th (Third Friday of Easter)**
8:30   MEM John Halpin  
12:10   MEM Kim Hucker  
5:30   MEM Anna Cocozza

**Saturday, April 16th (Third Saturday of Easter)**
8:30   MEM Wolfgang Herz

**Sunday, April 17th (Fourth Sunday of Easter)**

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**The Administration, Faculty and Staff of Saint Ignatius Loyola School cordially invite the members of the Parish Community to Celebrate the Night in Black and White**

**2016 Benefit Auction**
Saturday, April 16th, 6:30 PM to 11:00 PM  
Wallace Hall

**Tickets:** $135/Adult  
For ticket information, please call the Development Office at 212-861-3820 x135  
Black tie optional.

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**Annual Golden Wedding Mass Celebration**
Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2016 are invited to attend one of the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass Celebrations with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick on Saturday, June 25th at 1:30 PM and Sunday, June 26th at 2:00 PM.

**Pre-registration is required.**
To register, contact Diane Boyle at the Parish House (212-288-3588 x618 or boyled@stignatiusloyola.org) by Tuesday, May 24th.

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“Jesus on the cross feels the whole weight of the evil, and with the force of God’s love he conquers it; he defeats it with his resurrection. This is the good that Jesus does for us on the throne of the cross. Christ’s cross, embraced with love, never leads to sadness, but to joy, to the joy of having been saved and of doing a little of what he did on the day of his death.”

— Pope Francis, *The Church of Mercy*

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**Interested in becoming Catholic?**
Call 212-288-3588 or email church@stignatiusloyola.org

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**MARCH SACRAMENTS**

**Weddings**
Joseph Michael Davis & Lucy Olwell Buschmann  
Robert F. Soler & Kristin A. Theiss

**Baptisms**
Matthew Thomas Brennan  
Ryder Kevin Clinton  
Finn Yoshihito Huh  
Karolina Dewi Kagy  
Hanako Morimoto  
Lara Barba Mullen  
Avi Kathleen O’Brien  
Dillon Clare O’Leary  
Katherine Laine Oliver

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The Jesuit Collaborative invites you to share the gift of Ignatian spirituality and meet interesting people who are ready to further develop their spiritual lives.

Please visit us at www.jesuitcollaborative.org
The Parish Community of St. Ignatius congratulates Fr. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J., on his appointment as Pastor effective Wednesday, June 1st.

To read a letter from Fr. John Cecero, Provincial of the Northeast United States Province of the Society of Jesus, announcing the appointment, visit our website at stignatiusloyola.org

MUSIC

SUNDAY, APRIL 17th

11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS
Friedell, Willan  Two Preludes on St. Columba
Lassus  Surrerex pastor bonus
Schütz  Jauchzet dem Herrn, SWV 36
Stanford  At Eastertide

11:00 AM FAMILY SING SUNDAY
with Wallace Hall Choir & Children’s Choirs
arr. Curry  My Maker’s World

CARITAS CONCERT
Ike Sturm + Evergreen

Wednesday, April 13th at 6:30 PM
Wallace Hall

Caritas Concerts have the appeal of the less formal 19th-century salon concerts. The evenings begin and end with light refreshments, and a chance to mingle with the performers. Intimate seating places the audience in close proximity to the music.

Ike Sturm + Evergreen is a family of nine friends and artists creating ambient jazz and soaring melodies. Their new Shelter of Trees project is a collection of original songs and psalm settings focused on renewal and restoration.

All proceeds will benefit Habitat for Humanity New York City.

Tickets: $50

The N.P. Mander Organ Recital Series presents

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

Sunday, April 17th at 3:00 PM

David Enlow presents a program of all J.S. Bach to celebrate the release of his new CD, Bach on Park Avenue. The CD was recorded on St. Ignatius Loyola’s N.P. Mander Organ, the largest tracker-action pipe organ in the New York metropolitan area.

Tickets: $20

Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs

Wednesday, May 11th at 7:00 PM

The season concludes with a rousing celebration of music for unaccompanied choir: Aaron Copland’s 1947 choral concerto In the Beginning, Philadelphia composer Jennifer Higdon’s Sanctus, and Carmina mei, cordis by award-winning Minnesota native Abbie Betinis.

Tickets: $25–$80

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, May 1st
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 drink plenty of fluids and eat a well-balanced meal before giving blood.

Please help us exceed our goal of 38 donations!
Lecture: Thomas Merton & the Environment — Their Inscape is Their Sanctity. Presented by the Corpus Christi Chapter of the International Thomas Merton Society. Saturday, April 23rd, 2:00 PM. Fordham University, Lincoln Center Campus, Corrigan Conference Center, 12th-Floor Lounge. Encore Presentation: Wednesday, April 20th, 6:00 PM. Fordham University, Rose Hill Campus, Walsh Family Library, Flom Auditorium. Presenter: Rev. Patrick J. Ryan, S.J., Laurence J. McGinley Professor of Religion and Society. Respondents: Professor Sarit Kattan Gribetz, PhD, Fordham University, and Professor Mehnaz Afridi, PhD, Manhattan College. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 718-817-4745, email mcgchair@fordham.edu or visit fordham.edu/mcginleychair

Caregiver Retreat: God’s Strengthening Love for Caregivers. Wednesday, April 20th, 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM. Loyola Jesuit Center, Morristown, New Jersey. For family caregivers, church leaders, and professional and volunteer caregivers. This retreat demonstrates lessons for reducing stress and uplifting one’s spirit while living the reality of being a caregiver. Suggested Donation: $40. Donation includes breakfast, lunch, and a copy of the book God’s Strengthening Love for Caregivers. To register, call 973-539-0740 or email retreathouse@loyola.org

Lecture: Making War, Making Peace — Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Attitudes. Tuesday, April 19th, 6:00 PM. Fordham University, Lincoln Center Campus, Corrigan Conference Center, 12th-Floor Lounge. Encore Presentation: Wednesday, April 20th, 6:00 PM. Fordham University, Rose Hill Campus, Walsh Family Library, Flom Auditorium. Presenter: Rev. Patrick J. Ryan, S.J., Laurence J. McGinley Professor of Religion and Society. Respondents: Professor Sarit Kattan Gribetz, PhD, Fordham University, and Professor Mehnaz Afridi, PhD, Manhattan College. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 718-817-4745, email mcgchair@fordham.edu or visit fordham.edu/mcginleychair

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

We pray for the faithful departed
Susanne Shaub Feldman
May she rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.

Religious Education for Children
Ms. Carly-Anne Gannon, Director
M.Phil., M.Ed.
(212) 861-4764

St. Ignatius Loyola Grammar School
Ms. Mary Larkin, Principal
M.S. Ed. (Admin.), M.S. Ed. (Literacy)
48 East 84th Street
New York, NY 10028
(212) 861-3820  Fax: (212) 879-8248

St. Ignatius Loyola Day Nursery
Ms. Theodora Crist, M.S.
Executive Director
240 East 84th Street
New York, NY 10028
(212) 734-6427  Fax: (212) 734-6972

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

Confessions
4:30 PM Saturday or by appointment.

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.