May 15th, 2016

Solemnity of Pentecost

I love imaginative prayer. Over the years I’ve gained many graces by allowing myself to be fully embraced by a scripture passage. The ability to be completely in the story, hearing the sounds, feeling the cold or the warmth—I can be transported to another time and place.

This week, while composing this essay, I prayed about Pentecost. I imagined myself in the upper room with the disciples when the Holy Spirit descended upon them, as Jesus had promised. Jesus said to his disciples, “If you love me, you will keep my commandment…. I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Holy Spirit who will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.”

What a beautiful gift! What a huge responsibility! The disciples accepted this gift, along with the responsibility. We accept this beautiful legacy joyfully. By accepting the Holy Spirit, we become advocates of God’s presence for others. We keep this commandment through the good works we do.

At St. Ignatius Loyola we have a group known as Ignatian Social Justice, or ISJ. ISJ has brought many important issues to our attention through education and hands on involvement.

This year we decided to focus our attention and energy on three timely areas. They are:
- Homelessness and Housing Justice
- Prison Ministry
- Food Security, locally and globally

These three very important issues that share a common thread — poverty.

We started the year in September by collaborating with The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, the Parish of St. Francis Xavier’s Peace and Justice Committee, and Bread for the World to present a Poverty Simulation. The simulation allows participants to experience a “month” of living at or below the poverty level. They spend four “weeks” struggling to keep their families fed, the children out of trouble and in school, and to keep a roof over their heads. It’s a powerful simulation! The participants are often reduced to tears as they try to complete the everyday chores and errands so many of us take for granted. When there’s little or no money in their pocket the most mundane act of buying food for dinner becomes overwhelming. We concluded the event by asking everyone to take part in a Bread for the World letter-writing campaign. The letters were presented to Pope Francis for a Papal Blessing during his visit to NYC before they were delivered to the senators and representatives.

ISJ also hosted a forum on Housing Justice, “Responding to Homelessness in NYC with Faith.” We invited three well-respected voices as panelists, and one brilliant moderator to keep the conversation going. They did a wonderful job of informing us of housing issues through the lens of our Catholic faith. Our plan is to continue the conversation by hosting more housing forums next year.

Our next project, also a collaboration with Xavier’s Peace and Justice, was the Jesuit Prison Ministry. We introduced this ministry to the parish by inviting Joe Assadourian, the writer and solo performer of The Bullpen, to present a selection from his acclaimed off-Broadway play before joining Sr. Tesa Fitzgerald, CSJ of Hour Children, and two formally incarcerated women for a panel discussion, moderated by Zach Presutti, S.J. They all spoke to the loneliness and depression incarcerated people experience. It was the perfect starting point for our prison ministry.

On Friday evenings, several of us have been visiting men at the Manhattan Detention Center. I can say it’s one of the most rewarding ministries I’ve ever been part of. We’re bringing Ignatian Spirituality to incarcerated men. The response is remarkable! Most of them have never had the opportunity to pray in such a powerful, meaningful way.

Last, but not least, we’ll be addressing food security through advocacy by being in relationship with Bread for the World. We’ll be sponsoring a Bread for the World letter writing campaign next weekend, May 22 and 23. You’ll find members of ISJ at the tables in the Narthex after every Mass.

As you can see we’ve been busy this year. We’re living the gospel by advocating, and by getting our hands dirty. Our planning for next year will begin at our next meeting, Thursday, May 26th. We’d love to hear from you. There’s always room at the table. Please join us!

— Pattie Hughes
Chairperson, Ignatian Social Justice
THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, MAY 15th
Sunday Social. 8:30 PM. Wallace Hall.
Hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults.
Follows the 7:30 PM Mass.

MONDAY, MAY 16th
Ranger Rosary Ministry.
7:00 PM. Meeting Room.
Join us in making rosaries to send to our military. New members are welcome!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18th
Job Transition Support Group.
10:00 AM. Parish Lounge.
Bringing together experienced professionals looking to secure employment.

SATURDAY, MAY 21st
Offering of Letters Campaign for Bread for the World.
Narthex. Following the 5:30 PM Mass.
Details below.

IGNATIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE
Offering of Letters Campaign for Bread for the World
Saturday, May 21st & Sunday, May 22nd
In the Narthex after all Masses

The focus of this year’s letter-writing campaign is to urge members of Congress to increase funding for the nutrition and health of mothers, infants, and children.

Members of ISJ will be in the Narthex after each Mass to assist parishioners with their letters.

Volunteers Needed for Build Project
Saturday, May 21st, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Habitat for Humanity is seeking volunteers for an upcoming build project. The project is likely to be in Staten Island as part of Habitat’s ongoing effort to assist families with the restoration of homes affected by Hurricane Sandy.

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

Reception for Fr. Feely and Fr. Yesalonia
Sunday, June 5th in McKinnon Hall
Following the 11:00 AM Masses

Please join us on June 5th for a reception thanking Fr. Feely for his service as Parish Administrator this past year and congratulating Fr. Yesalonia, who officially becomes pastor of St. Ignatius Loyola on June 1st.

The Parish Ministry Council cordially invites those St. Ignatius Parishioners who have served this year to

The Ministers’ Night Annual Supper Social
Growing in Prayer, Service, and Community
Thursday, June 2nd
7:00 PM
Wallace Hall

RSVP by Tuesday, May 31st:
212-288-3588 or ministrydinner@gmail.com
Please leave both your name and your ministry.
We look forward to sharing a meal together!

Event Towards New Life: Walking Together Towards Freedom
Thursday, May 19th
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM in Wallace Hall
Wine and hors d’oeuvres will be served.

This event supports LifeWay Network, which collaborates to combat human trafficking through safe housing and education.

Tickets: $150
Visit www.lifewaynetwork.org to register and pay online, or mail payment to LifeWay Network, Inc., PO Box 754215, Forest Hills, NY 11375
Parish House Makeover
The reception area and parlors in the Parish House have recently been renovated and refurbished. The furniture company Ethan Allen made a most generous donation of the furnishings in the parlors. Laura Santoro, District Visual Merchandiser, and Stephanie Fontana, Design Consultant, both of Ethan Allen, coordinated the entire process, from sketches to installation, with admirable organization and good humor. Through our parishioner Margaret E. Maruschak, we were blessed by the professional services of Maggie Cohen, ASID, whose design work resulted in a harmonious motif of the many elements of the reception area and parlors. Parishioners Shannon and Anthony Hayes also were enthusiastic members of the team from the beginning. Their generous gift provided for the repainting of all the rooms, and the handsome new pendant light fixture in the foyer of the Parish House.

We are indeed grateful to all those who generously gave of their time, talent, and treasure to provide a welcoming and comfortable environment for visitors to the Parish House.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

**Monday, May 16th (Seventh Monday in Ordinary Time)**
- 8:30 MEM Julia Wallace
- 12:10 MEM Roland Joseph Leveille
- 5:30 MEM Denise Higgins

**Tuesday, May 17th (Seventh Tuesday in Ordinary Time)**
- James 4:1–10 Psalm 55 Mark 9:30–37
- 8:30 MEM Ilene Holmgren
- 12:10 MEM Patricia Covino
- 5:30 MEM Bessie & William Callahan

**Wednesday, May 18th (Seventh Wednesday in Ordinary Time)**
- James 4:13–17 Psalm 49 Mark 9:38–40
- 8:30 MEM John Burns
- 12:10 MEM John C. Nicholas
- 5:30 MEM Cono Pasqua

**Thursday, May 19th (Seventh Thursday in Ordinary Time)**
- James 5:1–6 Psalm 49 Mark 9:41–50
- 8:30 MEM Enrico Bovera
- 12:10 MEM Elizabeth J. Davenport
- 5:30 MEM Joseph Signorelli

**Friday, May 20th (Seventh Friday in Ordinary Time)**
- James 5:9–12 Psalm 103 Mark 10:1–12
- 8:30 MEM Alice & Winthrop Rutherfurd
- 12:10 MEM James Gallacher
- 5:30 MEM Nathan Davidson

**Saturday, May 21st (Seventh Saturday in Ordinary Time)**
- James 5:13–20 Psalm 141 Mark 10:13–16
- 8:30 MEM Katherine Glenn

**Sunday, May 22nd (The Most Holy Trinity)**
- Proverbs 8:22–31 Psalm 8
- Romans 5:1–5 John 16:12–15

**Rejoice in the Lord! A Music Ministry Celebration**
**Sunday, May 22nd at 3:00 PM**
The Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola, Parish Community Choir, Wallace Hall Choir, Canticum Sacrum, and Children’s Choirs join forces in gratitude and joy.

**FREE WILL OFFERING. NO TICKETS NECESSARY.**

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**SUNDAY, MAY 22ND**

**11:00 AM SOLEMN MASS**
**Messiaen** Méditations sur le Mystère de la Sainte Trinité: VIII. God alone is God; the Three are one
**Palestrina** Benedicta sit sancta Trinitas
**Mendelssohn** Heilig
**Sheppard** Libera nos, salva nos
**Rheinberger** Pastoral-Sonate in G Major, Op. 88: III. Fuguer

**As stewards and Disciples of Christ, we recognize that all of the goods and riches in our life are gifts from God. Strengthened by the Eucharist, we respond to God’s generosity in our lives with gratitude by using and sharing our gifts in the service of others. Please share your gifts and make a donation to the Cardinal’s Annual Appeal.**

**Gifts can be made online at www.cardinalsappeal.org**
Volunteer Opportunity. The Community of St. Egidio is looking for volunteers for their activities in Manhattan, including preparing and distributing food to homeless men and women and visiting a nursing home on the Upper East Side. If you are interested, contact Paola at 646-765-3899 or at santegidiousa@gmail.com

Lecture Series: The Jubilee Year of Mercy — A Faith Formation Experience with Dr. Bernie Swain. Tuesday, May 17th – Thursday, May 19th, 7:00 PM. The Church of St. Monica, 413 East 79th Street. This series will examine mercy’s place in our daily lives, focusing on the questions “What does ‘Merciful Like the Father’ really mean?” and “How can we ‘evangelize by attraction’?” Dr. Bernie Swain is a noted theologian, author, and parish consultant. With over 40 years of pastoral ministry experience, Dr. Swain is also the author of Liberating Leadership, which analyzes collaborative ministry, and has written for a variety of publications, including Atlantic Monthly, Commonweal, Harvard Theological Review, and Miami Herald.

Lecture: Not Born Bad — The Catholic Truth About Original Sin. Saturday, May 21st, 6:00 PM. New York University, Catholic Center, Washington Square South, 238 Thompson Street. Presented by Archbishop J. Augustine Di Noia, O.P., Adjunct Secretary of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Reception to follow. This event is free but registration is required. To reserve tickets, visit cardinaleganlecture.com or call 914-502-1859.

Interested in Becoming Catholic? If you feel attracted to the Catholic faith, we want you to know about a program at the Parish will begin in the Fall.

A group will meet here during the year to inquire into the Catholic faith, to come to know Jesus through the Gospels, 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, contact Maureen Fullam at 212-288-3588 or email church@stignatiusloyola.org

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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.

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

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