Feast of Corpus Christi

The Oscar-winning Danish film from 1987, Babette's Feast, is Pope Francis' favorite film. So much so that he mentioned the film in Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love, AL, 129), perhaps the first film to be mentioned in an apostolic exhortation. The film is based on Isak Dinesen's short story from 1950 of the same name. More recently, Babette's Feast has been adapted for the stage in an Off-Broadway production at the Theatre at St. Clement’s.

The story centers on two Protestant sisters, Martine and Philippa, who take in a young Parisian refugee, Babette Hersant, to work as a cook in their Danish home. The sisters are the inherited leaders of a puritanical sect which observes an austere and pious practice of the faith. Babette is grateful for their hospitality and slowly adapts to life in Bervelaag. When Babette learns that she has won a lottery in her native Paris, she does not use her newly acquired wealth to return home. Rather, she sacrificially spends her winnings on a lavish and lovingly prepared eight-course banquet as a gift to the community that has accepted her.

The faith community, now bickering and lacking in charity, are at first scandalized by the foreign ingredients in Babette's feast. They decide not to partake out of fear of what evil may ensue from such abundance. But slowly their hearts are softened by the grace of each course. The room begins to fill with laughter and conversation. The twelve guests are transformed by the profound Eucharistic quality of the meal. Enduring quarrels are put aside, forgiveness is extended, and lost loves rekindled.

Only General Lorens Löwenhielm recognizes Babette, now filmically established as a Christ-figure, in the breaking of the bread, so to speak. The General, so moved by the revelation of Babette who could turn any meal “into a kind of love affair” and the graces received, proclaims: “...this evening I have learned, my dear, that in this beautiful world of ours, all things are possible.”

Babette's Feast provides a fitting allegory of the Last Supper as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, more commonly known as Corpus Christi. The feast dates to the thirteenth century. St. Juliana and Blessed Eva of Liège, Belgium advocated for the feast's institution, which was universally established by Pope Urban IV. St. Thomas Aquinas composed many of the original texts for Corpus Christi including Adore te Devote, Pange Lingua and Tantum Ergo.

The readings of the Solemnity bring our attention to the covenantal relationship of God and his people through sign and sacrament. In the First Reading we hear of Moses splashing the blood of the sacrificed bull on the altar and sprinkling it on the people establishing a covenant. The Gospel presents Jesus’ words at the Passover meal, the Last Supper. Jesus taking the bread and the cup establishes a new covenant in his own sacrificial blood. The bread and wine are not merely signs but the real presence of Christ’s body and blood.

The feast draws our attention to the centrality of the Eucharist as the “source and summit of our lives.” This sacramental vision and participation will sustain us while we await the fullness of God’s presence.

In this sacrament, we are given a foretaste of Heaven, which should instill in us a greater longing for the eternal banquet. Let us not grow tired of our weekly obligation to attend Mass but remember the transformative power of the Eucharist in our daily lives by trusting God’s covenantal relationship with us even when it is harder for us to see that “all things are possible for God” (John 10:27).

— Carly-Anne Gannon
Director of Religious Education
THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY, JUNE 4th
Moms, Pops & Tots.
10:00 AM. Meeting Room. Details on page 3.

Ranger Rosary Ministry.
7:00 PM. Conference Room. Details on page 3.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9th
Rite of Summer Music Festival.
1:00 PM. Governors Island.
Sponsored by Boomers & Beyond. Details on page 5.

Join choristers from local schools and sing with our St. Ignatius Children’s Choirs next season!

Do you have a child who loves to sing? Have them become a member of the St. Ignatius Loyola Children’s Choir!

Rising 1st through 8th graders may ‘audition’ on Wednesday, June 6th, 3:15 PM – 5:00 PM, and Thursday, June 7th, 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM, in the Parish House Meeting Room.

Please contact Maureen Haley, Director of Children’s Choirs, at haleym@saintignatiusloyola.org for an audition time.

All parish children are welcome and no prior experience is necessary. A parent or guardian must be present to fill out the registration materials. Please see the brochure in the Narthex or on our website, stignatiusloyola.org, under “Music” then “Join Our Choirs” for additional information.

Children’s Sacred Dance Workshop

A free sacred dance workshop for children ages 4–9
Presented by Omega Dance Company

Sunday, June 10th | 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM
Wallace Hall
Space is limited. Advance registration required.

To register, visit goo.gl/f2HMbF or email omega@omegadancecompany.org

Summer Mass Schedule Changes

The final Wallace Hall Family Mass of the season will be Sunday, June 17th.

The Family Mass will resume on Sunday, September 9th.

Our summer Daily Mass Schedule begins on Monday, July 2nd and runs through Monday, September 3rd.

During this time, the 12:10 PM Daily Mass is discontinued. The 8:30 AM Mass will be celebrated in the Church and the 5:30 PM Mass will be celebrated in the Lady Chapel.

MORE THAN A BOOK CLUB

JUNE SELECTION BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, June 14th at 2:00 PM
Meeting Room

To register for the June 14th book discussion, email MoreThanABookClubSIL@gmail.com

JUNE BOOK SELECTION

Building a Bridge:
The Revised and Expanded Edition
by Fr. James Martin, S.J.

In Building a Bridge, Fr. Martin uses the image of a two-way bridge to enable LGBT Catholics and the Church to come together in a call to end the “us” versus “them” mentality.

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Mass for Georgetown Alumni, Parents and Families

Saturday, June 9th | 5:00 PM | Wallace Hall

Fr. Mark Bosco, S.J., Ph.D., Georgetown’s Vice President for Mission & Ministry, will preside. A reception & talk will follow the Mass. Fr. Bosco will speak on the topic Pope Francis’ Call to Jesuit Higher Education.

All parishioners are welcome to attend.

To RSVP, email mmevents@georgetown.edu

Farewell Reception for Fr. Feely

Sunday, June 17th
McKinnon Hall
Following the 11:00 AM Masses

Please join us on June 17th for a farewell reception for Fr. Feely thanking him for his service to our parish.
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

MOMS, POPS & TOTS

Monday, June 4th
10:00 AM
Meeting Room

This weekly gathering provides parents with young children the opportunity to make friends and develop community while strengthening their own spiritual lives. Coffee and treats are available for the parents.

RANGER ROSARY MINISTRY

Monday, June 4th
7:00 PM
Conference Room

The Ranger Rosary ministry meets twice a month to make rosaries for Catholics who are serving in the armed services. These rosaries are constructed from materials with no metal parts that might reflect light or make a rattling noise.

New members are always welcome!

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PRAYER RESOURCES

Pray as You Go
www.pray-as-you-go.org

Pray as You Go is a daily prayer session designed for use on your mobile devices.

3-Minute Retreats
www.loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer.htm

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

IGNATIAN INTERFAITH MINISTRY

Songs for the Holy City: An Interfaith Evening of Music and Prayer

Wednesday, June 20th at 7:30 PM
Jewish Theological Seminary
3080 Broadway at 122nd Street

Join the Ignatian Interfaith Ministry for this evening of diverse music, prayer, and song. This event is free, but all attendees must register in advance.

For more details and to register, visit jtsa.edu/holy-city-interfaith

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 that will begin in the Fall.

A group will meet 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, which is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, 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@saintignatiusloyola.org

Special Collection

This weekend our Parish will take the annual collection for the National Black and Indian Missions.

Thank you for your generosity.

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In honor of Michael G. Sikora/Eugenia and David Asken
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**Announced Masses and Readings for the Week**

**Monday, June 4th**  
*(Ninth Monday on Ordinary Time)*  
2 Peter 1:2–7  Psalm 91  Mark 12:1–12  
8:30 MEM Mae Rooney  
12:10 MEM Fr. Peter Minelli  
5:30 MEM Olga Fioravanti

**Tuesday, June 5th**  
*(St. Boniface)*  
2 Peter 3:12–15a, 17–18  Psalm 90  Mark 12:13–17  
8:30 MEM Ciro Saracino  
12:10 MEM Rita Schettini  
5:30 MEM Jack Kehoe

**Wednesday, June 6th**  
*(Ninth Wednesday in Ordinary Time)*  
2 Timothy 1:1–3, 6–12  Psalm 123  Mark 12:18–27  
8:30 MEM The Choix & Gordon Families  
12:10 MEM The Meehan Family  
5:30 ANN Toni Brown

**Thursday, June 7th**  
*(Ninth Thursday in Ordinary Time)*  
2 Timothy 2:8–15  Psalm 25  Mark 12:28–34  
8:30 MEM Luigi & Marguerita Racanelli  
12:10 MEM Betty Crawford Heller  
5:30 MEM Living & Deceased Members of the Brenninkmeijer Family

**Friday, June 8th**  
*(The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus)*  
Hosea 11:1, 3–4, 8c–9  Isaiah 12  
Ephesians 3:8–12, 14–19  John 19:31–37  
8:30 MEM Kay Carolyn Calcagnini  
12:10 MEM Sandra Ortiz  
5:30 MEM Deceased Members of the Scanlon & McLoughlin Families

**Saturday, June 9th**  
*(The Immaculate Heart of Mary)*  
8:30 MEM Simona Saracino Fendi

**Sunday, June 10th**  
*(Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)*  
Genesis 3:9–15  Psalm 130  
2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1  Mark 3:20–35

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**BOOMERS & BEYOND**

**RITE OF SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
*Saturday, June 9th*  
1:00 PM to 6:00 PM  
*Governors Island*

Join us for a free concert featuring *Ensemble Connect* on the lawn at Colonel’s Row (a short walk from the ferry).

*Ensemble Connect* is composed of some of the finest talented young professional classical musicians in the United States who are taking part in a 2-year fellowship program created by Carnegie Hall, The Juilliard School, and The Weill Music Institute in partnership with the New York City Department of Education.

It promises to be a most enjoyable afternoon of music on the lawn. Bring a blanket and a sack lunch; food may also be purchased on the Island.

We will meet at the Governors Island Ferry in Battery Park at 11:00 AM and take the 11:30 AM ferry, which is the last free ferry to the island that day. For those who wish to go earlier, free ferries are available every half hour, between 10:00 AM and 11:30 AM.

To RSVP, email  
boomersandbeyond.st.ignatius@gmail.com

Bring your friends and family!  
We look forward to seeing you there.

For more information on this event, visit  
govisland.com/things-to-do/events

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**AN AFTERNOON AT THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART**  
*Thursday, June 21st at 2:00 PM*

Join us at the Metropolitan Museum of Art as we explore the exhibit *Heavenly Bodies: Fashion and the Catholic Imagination*, which examines fashion’s ongoing engagement with the devotional practices and traditions of Catholicism.

To RSVP, email  
boomersandbeyond.st.ignatius@gmail.com

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Weekday Masses (Monday to 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. Yesalonia
Sunday: 8:00 AM  Fr. Feely
9:30 AM  Fr. Yesalonia
Wallace Hall Family 11:00 AM  Fr. Feely
Solemn 11:00 AM  Fr. Hilbert
7:30 PM  Fr. Hilbert

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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.

Baptisms
Please call Maureen Haley at the Parish House (212-288-3588 x636) 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 Maureen Haley at the Parish House (212-288-3588 x636) 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.

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 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.

Sunday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Every Sunday from 3:15 PM to 5:30 PM. Saint Joseph's Church, 404 East 87th Street. An opportunity for quiet prayer and silent adoration. All are welcome.

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