There is nothing more sacred than our relationship with God. For most of us, while that relationship is lived out through our daily lives and vocations, we can nourish it through prayer. Prayer has many incarnations, whether it is feeling the wind at our back and knowing we’re in the presence of the Holy Spirit or spending time with a friend and feeling God is with us. But for many, prayer is talking to God through words we say at Mass or perhaps at a special time of day.

The LME ministry is tasked with enriching the spiritual life of the laity, a responsibility that is sacred and joyous. Growing in our spiritual life spills over into growth in other areas of our lives and brings us closer to God and each other. It can be difficult to make time for prayer in our busy lives, but prayer, like anything we nurture, benefits from consistency and continuity. Anytime we interact with others, we have a chance to be more God-like. We can learn a lot not only about God, but also about ourselves as we move deeper into prayer, moving from a prayer of petition to the prayer that is simply being in God’s presence. Most of all, we can marvel at how we begin to see God in those around us, including in those we share Mass with each week.

This Saturday, January 26th, join the LME and the Ignatian Interfaith Ministry for an intrafaith day of retreat with Father Sergey Trostyanskiy, an Eastern Orthodox priest, and Father Mesrop Parsamyan, of the Armenian Church. They will explore ancient prayer traditions and introduce us to new ways of praying. Father Sergey will discuss the Jesus Prayer while Father Mesrop will introduce us to St. Gregory of Narek’s Book of Prayers.

We each have our own journey with God, and one special aspect about this retreat day is the chance to explore that journey with others through faith sharing. If you haven’t experienced it, faith sharing is an opportunity to share your thoughts and feelings with others. It is about listening and being present for each sharer. Being in a faith-sharing group can be powerful and even transformative. It brings people together as we discover that we are not alone in our questions, fears, challenges, and hopes. We hope you will take part in this wonderful event with our reflections about God and the learned presentations. We also invite you to take part in the prayer service that will conclude our day. Praying with one another can be a rich experience that deepens our communication with God as we talk to him together.

How does prayer impact your life? What is most challenging to you about prayer? What do you find most rewarding about prayer? Does prayer come easily to you, or do you find yourself stuck during the times you reserve for prayer? Do you have a prayer ritual and routine? No matter how you feel about your prayer life—whether you’re struggling to connect with God or feeling His presence keenly—this will be a day to learn more ways you can pray. Members of our facilitators’ faith communities will join us, making this a unique time to spend with Christians from other traditions.

This will be an opportunity not only to learn from the facilitators, but to interact with your fellow parishioners in the greatest prayer of all, the prayer we all live every day through our being a new creation in Christ.

— Cynthia-Marie Marmo O’Brien
Parishioner & LME Committee Member

For more information on the Saturday, January 26th LME retreat day, see page 3.
Dear Parishioners,

On January 15, 2019, Father John Cecero, S.J., the Provincial of the USA Northeast Province of the Society of Jesus, released the names of Jesuits, living and deceased, who were found to be credibly accused of the sexual abuse of minors since 1950. I am deeply sorry to report that two of those identified had been assigned to the parish at one point in their careers. They are: John Gallen, now deceased, who was on the parish staff 1980-1983; and John Garvey, now deceased, who was on the parish staff 1987-1989 and 2004-2006.

In his letter Father Cecero expressed his sorrow to the victims for the harm they experienced because of the reprehensible behavior of these men. He also urged anyone who experienced abuse by a Jesuit of the USA Northeast Province to contact Ms. Kristin Austin, Victim Assistance Coordinator of the USA Northeast Province, at 443-370-6357, or at UNEadvocacy@jesuits.org.

As we continue to come to terms with this tragic episode in the life of the Church, let us remember in prayer and support those who, as minors, suffered the indignity of sexual abuse at the hands of members of the clergy that was compounded by the indifference of those who held positions of authority in the Church and who knowingly failed to protect them.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Yesalonia

Morning of Renewal for Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday, February 9th
9:30 AM to Noon in Wallace Hall

Fr. Sullivan will direct this Morning Renewal session, which will include time for reflection and review of practices. All Eucharistic Ministers are encouraged to attend.

If you are interested in becoming an Eucharistic Minister, you are welcome to attend this meeting.
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 19th – April 10th | 9:30 AM–11 AM
Closing Mass: Wednesday, April 10th at 7:00 PM

**Evening Sessions**
Wednesdays, February 20th – April 10th | 7 PM–8:30 PM
Closing Mass: Wednesday, April 10th at 7:00 PM

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. A good faith offering is appreciated.

To register, email MCIP@saintignatiusloyola.org

**LAY MINISTERS’ ENRICHMENT**

*LME invites all parishioners to a day of reflection, prayer and sharing*

Saturday, January 26th
9:30 AM to 4:00 PM
Wallace Hall

LME together with the Interfaith Ministry presents a retreat day focused on prayer practices. The day will be facilitated by Eastern Orthodox priest and scholar Father Sergey Trostynskiy, who serves at St. Gregory the Theologian Church, and Father Mesrop Parsamyan, vicar of St. Vartan Armenian Cathedral. They will share ancient prayer traditions.

The day will include continental breakfast, catered lunch, presentations, faith sharing, and a prayer service.

To register, visit https://tinyurl.com/lme-reg-2019 or register in-person at the Parish House.

Registration is required.

**MONTHLY PARISH COFFEE HOUR**

Sunday, February 17th
Following the 11 AM Solemn Mass
McKinnon Hall

Share Your Heart (and your baked goods) at next month’s Parish Coffee Hour in McKinnon Hall

We invite you to bring small baked goods (e.g. cookies, cupcakes, muffins, etc...) to share with your fellow parishioners. (If you’re not a baker but would still like to participate, treats from a bakery are great, too!)

If you are interested in contributing baked goods to next month’s Parish Coffee Hour, please email silcoffeehour@gmail.com by Sunday, February 10th.

**Upcoming Coffee Hour Dates**
February 17  March 17  May 19  June 16
Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, January 21st (St. Agnes)
Hebrews 5:1–10    Psalm 110    Mark 2:18–22
8:30  MEM    Kristina Jones Sommerkamp

Tuesday, January 22nd
(Second Tuesday in Ordinary Time)
Hebrews 6:10–20    Psalm 111    Mark 2:23–28
8:30  MEM    George R. Bisacca
12:10  MEM    Special Intentions of the Troilo Family
5:30  MEM    John Figge

Wednesday, January 23rd
(Second Wednesday in Ordinary Time)
Hebrews 7:1–3, 15–17    Psalm 110    Mark 3:1–6
8:30  MEM    Kenneth Wu
12:10  MEM    Norman Horning
5:30  MEM    Robert & Sally Mueller

Thursday, January 24th (St. Francis de Sales)
Hebrews 7:25–8:6    Psalm 40    Mark 3:7–12
8:30  MEM    Geraldine Kanuck
12:10  MEM    George MacDonald
5:30  MEM    Marcella Paroli

Friday, January 25th
(The Conversion of St. Paul)
Acts 22:3–16    Psalm 117    Mark 16:15–18
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Nehemiah 8:2–4a, 5–6, 8–10    Psalm 19

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
January 18th – 25th
This year’s theme is
Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue

The Week of Christian Prayer invites Christians throughout the world to pray in communion with the prayer of Jesus: “that they all may be one...so the world may believe.”

MORR THAN A BOOK CLUB
FILM SCREENING
The Courageous Heart of Irena Sendler
Thursday, January 24th
2:00 PM
Parish Lounge

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To RSVP for the screening, email MoreThanABookClubSIL@gmail.com

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FRIDAY – SUNDAY
JANUARY 25th – JANUARY 27th
SVdP Women’s Shelter
Wallace Hall

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If you would like to volunteer in the Shelter, please leave a message for Teresa Abruzzo at the Parish House or email svdp.shelter980@gmail.com

Shelter Information Session
Wednesday, January 30th
7:00 PM in Wallace Hall

New and experienced volunteers are invited to join us for the information session and learn more about this ministry to the homeless.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 27th

11 AM SOLEMN MASS

Howells
Psalm-Prelude, Set 1, No. 2

Palestrina
Justitiae Domini

Howells
Magnificat (Collegium Regale)

Hurford
Exurgat Deus

The Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola will sing selections from the show.

Presented by
Ignatian Social Justice
LGBT Catholics and Friends
St. Ignatius Loyola Music Ministry

Welcoming the Stranger:
An Evening with Kevin Tuerff
Tuesday, January 29th | 7:00 PM
Wallace Hall

Kevin Tuerff, author of Channel of Peace—his story of being stranded in Gander, Newfoundland on 9/11—discusses his book, his present work for refugees, and Come From Away, the Tony Award-winning musical inspired by his story.

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Feeding Our Neighbors:
Archdiocesan-Wide Food Campaign

The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola will be participating in the food drive scheduled from
Sunday, January 27th through Sunday, February 3rd.

Donations will go to the Church of the Ascension on the Upper West Side.

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

The N.P. Mander Organ Recital Series presents
Renée Anne Louprette & Ivan Goff

TODAY at 3:00 PM

Following a celebratory début at St. Ignatius Loyola last season, acclaimed concert organist Renée Anne Louprette and renowned Irish musician Ivan Goff return to present an eclectic program featuring original compositions and stunning arrangements for uilleann pipes, Irish concert flute, and the N.P. Mander pipe organ.

Tickets: $25

Passion For Bach and Coltrane
Friday, February 8th | 8:00 PM

FEATURING
Imani Winds | Harlem Quartet
A.B. Spellman, Poet and Orator composed by Jeff Scott

Passion is a work for wind quintet, string quartet, piano, double bass, percussion and orator. It was inspired by the poetry of A.B. Spellman, from his book of poems Things I Must Have Known. The poetry speaks to the musical mastery of J.S. Bach, John Coltrane and Gonzalo Rubalcaba, as well as religion and mortality.

Tickets: $20 to $80

Tickets are available online at www.smssconcerts.org or by calling 212-288-2520.
PARISH STAFF

Pastor
Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J.

Associate Pastors
Rev. Michael P. Hilbert, S.J.
Rev. Vincent B. Sullivan, S.J.

Assistant Pastor
Rev. Brian G. Konzman, S.J.

Senior Priest
Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.

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Maureen Haley

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Caroline Fernandes

Director of Development
Erin Pick

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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. Martin
Sunday: 8:00 AM  Fr. Hilbert
9:30 AM  Fr. Sullivan
Wallace Hall Family  11:00 AM  Fr. Konzman
Solemn  11:00 AM  Fr. Bergen
7:30 PM  Fr. Bergen

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

St. Ignatius Loyola Grammar School
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48 East 84th Street
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Ms. Joy L. Blom, Executive Director
M.A., M.Ed.
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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.

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

We pray for the faithful departed
Marisol (Maria) Rocha
May she rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.