

**IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA
PRIEST (1491 ~ 1556)
JULY 31**

The founder of the Jesuits was on his way to military fame and fortune when a cannon ball shattered his leg. Because there were no books of romance on hand during his convalescence, he whiled away the time reading a life of Christ and lives of the saints. His conscience was deeply touched, and a long, painful turning to Christ began. Having seen the Mother of God in a vision, he made a pilgrimage to her shrine at Montserrat (near Barcelona). He remained for almost a year at nearby Manresa, sometimes with the Dominicans, sometimes in a pauper's hospice, often in a cave in the hills praying. After a period of great peace of mind, he went through a harrowing trial of scruples. There was no comfort in anything - prayer, fasting, sacraments, penance. At length, his peace of mind returned.

It was during this year of conversion that he began to write down material that later became his greatest work, the *Spiritual Exercises*.

He finally achieved his purpose of going to the Holy Land, but could not remain, as he planned, because of the hostility of the Turks. He spent the next eleven years in various European universities, studying with great difficulty, beginning almost as a child. Like many others, he fell victim twice to the superstitions of the time, and was twice jailed for brief periods.

In 1534, at the age of forty-three, he and six others (one of whom was Saint Francis Xavier) vowed to live in poverty and chastity and to go to the Holy Land. If this became impossible, they vowed to offer themselves to the apostolic service of the pope. The latter became the only choice. Four years later Ignatius made the association permanent. The new Society of Jesus was approved by Paul III, and Ignatius was elected to serve as the first general.

When companions were sent on various missions by the pope, Ignatius remained in Rome, consolidating the new venture, but still finding time to found homes for orphans, catechumens and penitents. He founded the Roman College, intended to be the model of all other colleges of the Society.

Ignatius was a true mystic. He centered his spiritual life on the essential foundations of Christianity - the Trinity, Christ, the Eucharist. His spirituality is expressed in the Jesuit motto - "for the greater glory of God." In his concept, obedience was to be the prominent virtue, to assure the effectiveness and mobility of his men. All activity was to be guided by a true love of the Church and unconditional obedience to the Holy Father, for which reason all professed members took a fourth vow to go wherever the pope should send them for the salvation of souls.

COMMENT: Luther nailed his theses to the church door at Wittenberg in 1517. Seventeen years later, Ignatius founded the Society that was to play so prominent a part in the Counter-Reformation. He was an implacable foe of Protestantism. Yet the seeds of ecumenism may be found in his words: "Great care must be taken to show forth orthodox truth in such a way that if any heretics happen to be present they may have an example of charity and Christian moderation. No hard words should be used nor any sort of contempt for their errors be shown." One of the greatest twentieth-century ecumenists was Cardinal Bea, a Jesuit.

QUOTE: Ignatius recommended this prayer to penitents: "Receive, Lord, all my liberty, my memory, my understanding and my whole will. You have given me all that I have, all that I am, and I surrender all to Your divine will, that You dispose of me. Give me only Your love and Your grace. With this I am rich enough, and I have no more to ask."

From *Saint of the Day*, edited by Leonard Foley, O.F.M. & Pat McCloskey, O.F.M.

PARISH NEWS



SHARING COMMUNITY MEAL: This Thursday, August 1st, we will be providing our Sharing Community Meal. Please bring your ziti or dessert to the Rectory. Doors will open at 6:45 a.m. The Sharing Community thanks all who participate. For information on this important effort, please call the Rectory Office.

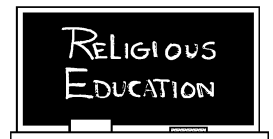
HOLY HOUR: This Friday, August 2nd, is First Friday. We will have our monthly Holy Hour at 1 p.m. On Saturday, August 3rd, the Divine Mercy Holy Hour will begin at 3 p.m. All are invited to spare an hour and come to adore Jesus Christ Who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist.



OUR FAMILY MASS: Next Sunday, August 4th, we will celebrate our Family Mass at 10 a.m. All children and their families are encouraged to attend. Mass will be followed by "Family Breakfast" at the McManus Parish Center. All are welcome.



Registration for Religious Education classes for public school children, running September through June, is open. Classes are available for children in 1st grade through high school senior year, including those with Special Education needs. Classes are available to prepare children of all ages for the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation, regardless of any lack of previous instruction. **All Catholic children attending public schools should enroll in a religious education program.** Please call (476-6676) for more information.



OUR PARISH R.C.I.A. PROGRAM

If you or someone you know needs information on the Catholic Faith or has not been confirmed, please call the Religious Education Office for information on the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) in our parish.



Faith Question of the Day

Want to learn more about your faith? Simply click on the Adult Faith Formation tab on our parish website and access the "Question of the Day" column. Here you will find answers to questions that you may have always wanted to ask. Our parish website can be found at www.saintbartsparish.org.



**VISITING
PRIEST**

welcome

We welcome Monsignor Kabyanga John Mary to our parish community. He will be speaking to us about the role we can play to

support his diocese in Uganda as they battle health, education, and other social issues. You and I are invited to join in the worldwide mission of Jesus by supporting the Propagation of the Faith, through prayer and financial aid. Please, let us be generous in supporting this worthy cause of the Church's mission.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION TRIPS

Glory in Gotham: Explore the Influence of Religion on NY History

Join this full day tour to visit some of the most beautiful houses of worship in NYC, explore the influence of religion on NY's history from Catholicism to Judaism & from Buddhism to Islam. Enjoy lunch in a relaxed, cozy, French atmosphere at *Le Rivage*. This trip is planned for Friday, September 27th; and the cost of **\$109 per person** includes the tour with a tour director, lunch, and transportation.

Miracle of Christmas

Go back in time and witness the greatest birth in history. Be surrounded by the bustling village of Bethlehem as camels, horses, donkeys, and villagers pass by. Be transported to the hillside where legions of angels descend upon the shepherds to proclaim, "The Savior is born!" Dine at the famous Miller's Smorgasbord prior to the show.

An all day excursion to the Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA to see the *Miracle of Christmas* on Thursday, December 5th, is planned. The bus leaves at 9 a.m. and returns at 10 p.m. The cost is \$139 per person. **Seating is limited; reservations are required now.** For information and reservations, call Cheryl Duda (476-6676).

PROTECTING PARISH INTERESTS

The Archdiocese of New York takes the stewardship of your donations and its resources seriously. If you have knowledge of financial misconduct or suspect that it might be occurring, please report your concerns via a toll free hotline, at 877-820-0541, or at www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY. Both are available 24 hours per day.

The 1st & 3rd Sunday evenings of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass, our Youth Group meets in the McManus Parish Center. All youths age 13 and up are invited.



MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Held after the 9 a.m. Mass on Mondays.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Join your fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary after the 9 a.m. Mass on weekdays and Saturdays.

STEWARDSHIP

What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits to me?

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

July 22, 2012

Adults' Contribution	\$6212.90
Children's Contribution	\$64.35
Last Year's Total	\$6277.25

July 21, 2013

Adults' Contribution	\$5481.00
Children's Contribution	\$20.00
This Year's Total	\$5501.00

There will be a second collection next weekend at all the Masses for the maintenance of our buildings and grounds. Please be as generous as your means allow.

REMEMBER YOUR BELOVED PARISH

Remember, "We make a living by what we earn. We make a life by what we share." Please remember our Parish in your Will as a lasting and loving gift to your parish family. Thank you!



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ethel Thomas, Aldina Pereira, Rebecca Conroy, Andy DeFabritis, Maria Marte, Barbara Rup, Jule Yaskovic, Rosalie Heit, Florence B. Swetz, Clare Yaskovic, Neil Caruso, Deacon James Byrnes, Andrea Objay, Carmen Torres, Frank Marra, Deacon Patrick Troy, Josephine Apuzzo, Edith Dugan, Gary Roth, Joyann Allan, Lois Burton, Mary DeStefano, Mark Cianfaglione, Shawn Colon, Margaret Maccia, Nicole Ryan Betancourt, Anthony Spinner, Audrey & Alfred Falcone, Kathleen Hayes, Marge Muraik, Donna Vasconez, Nicole Pisani-Frame, Louis Petrulo, Cynthia Swiatkowicz, Jimmy Maimone, Robert Mirsky, Roseanne Mercandetti, Louis Brusco, Josephine Daniele, Jennifer Dorsey, Valerie Riccardi, Fatima Panik, Marian Fletcher, Anna Bonacci, Minerva Hernandez, Paula Parente, Barbara Olivieri, Bridget O'Malley, Anna Brucculeri, Peggy Clevenberg, Gerald Mazzerese, Jr., Patricia Keane, Louis Milone, Joey Bastardi, Carol Stola, Amada Ortiz, Karen Aprea, Stephen Sarich, Neil Cawley, Barbara McCormack, Josephine Lehotyak, and Father Raphael Ezech, MSP.

2014 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

The Mass Book for 2014 opened on Ash Wednesday and there are still many dates open in this year's Mass Book, as well. Consider giving a loved one or someone (living or deceased) who has a special place in your life the graces associated with having a Mass offered on their behalf. You may have a thanksgiving Mass offered for your loved ones or for yourself on such occasions as birthdays, wedding anniversaries, etc. Also, you may consider offering the altar flowers, altar bread and wine, altar candles, or sanctuary lamp for your intention. Come to the Rectory Office, **Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.** to make arrangements or to inquire about the availability of a particular date.

JULY 28, 2013

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 27 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Deceased Members of Orsini & Ragusa Families

Sunday, July 28

8:30 AM Robert Liddell +
10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish
11:30 AM Rose & Gaetano Legio & Family+
5:00 PM Carlos Sepulveda +

Monday, July 29

Saint Martha

7:00 AM Rita Bolduc +
9:00 AM Gene DelBene +

Tuesday, July 30

Weekday

7:00 AM Angela Brusco (living)
9:00 AM Joseph Carmody +

Wednesday, July 31

Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

7:00 AM Karl Argo +
9:00 AM Dave Fitton +

Thursday, August 1

Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM Rita Bolduc +
9:00 AM Stephen Hickey +

Friday, August 2

Weekday

7:00 AM Deceased Members of Bolduc & Savard Families
9:00 AM Carmine DiMarcello +

Saturday, August 3

Weekday

9:00 AM Antonio Marchetti +

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 3 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Grace Raguso +

Sunday, August 4

8:30 AM Carl Laredo +
10:00 AM Mary & Joseph Prior +
11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish
5:00 PM Allan Trancynger (living)

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WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!

Our warmest welcome to our visitors! We are glad you came to celebrate the Eucharist with us today. We thank God for you! Do not hesitate to let us know how we may serve you.

Every family and single adult to be considered an active parishioner of St. Bartholomew's Parish must be properly registered in the Parish, receiving and regularly using the Parish Weekly Collection Envelopes. Only in this way can the Pastor provide documents attesting to Catholic practice of the faith and Parish membership, e.g. a letter to be a Godparent or Sponsor. For further information call the Parish Office on 965-0566.

If you have not registered or need to correct some of the information in our file, please fill out this form and check (X) the appropriate box below, or complete the Registration Form found on the table at the rear of the Church, and drop the completed form into the collection basket or drop off/mail it to the Rectory. Thank you!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Comment: _____

- I am a visitor.
- I am interested in parish membership.
- Change of Address / Telephone Number.
- I am moving out of the Parish.
- I am going to the hospital.
- I would like to be visited by a priest / minister.
- Please send me the *Catholic New York*.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

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Looking for a (Better) Job?

If you are unemployed, underemployed, or simply looking for a better job, then you will want to attend the **FREE Help & Hope Career Coaching Program** offered by Catholic Charities Community Services. **Ann Ruecker**, MPA, MA CPCC will provide you with practical information and follow up strategies that you can take with you and use the next day. The **program consists of two group sessions** and 1:1 **optional** follow ups:

- Session 1: Thursday, August 1st, from 7 - 9 p.m.
- Session 2: Tuesday, August 20th from 7 - 9 p.m.

Location: Immaculate Conception Lower Church
53 Winter Hill Road, Tuckahoe, NY 10707

There is a \$10 co-pay for each of up to 3 follow-up sessions, which can be used to refine your resume, discuss interviewing strategies, and otherwise hone your job searching skills.. You determine how many you need.

To register or for more information, please call Karen Reynolds at (914) 476-2700.

