

# SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA PARISH PARROQUIA SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Vigésimo Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

October 6th, 2024



**Praying with our parishioners on retreat at Eastern Point.  
To Hope with Creation**

**Oramos por nuestros feligreses, de retiro en Eastern Point.  
Esperanzar con la Creación**

## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 6, 2024

Gn 2:18–24 • Heb 2:9–11 •

Mk 10:2–16

### Mass Schedule

**Saturday: 4pm**

**Sunday:**

9am Family | 10:30am | 12:30pm Español | 5pm

**Weekday (followed by the Rosary):**

5:30pm Mon., Wed., Thurs. (Lannon Chapel)

Tues., Fri., (Upper Church)

8am Monday-Sunday (St. Mary's Chapel, BC)

### Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

**Thursdays: 4:15–5:15pm**

### Confession

**Saturday: before Mass, 3–3:45pm**

**Please keep in your prayers:**

*Saturday, October 5*

4pm John B. McNamara

*Sunday, October 6*

10:30am Jack Driscoll

12pm Fredda Salas

5pm J.P. Benedict, Margaret Pereira,  
Stancil Benedict, Alphonse, Emilin,  
and Marcel Gomez

*Monday, October 7*

5:30pm Ana Rivas

*Thursday, October 10*

5:30pm Thomas Coary

## Second Collection

### *Holy Father and Missionary Efforts*

This weekend's Second Collection for Missionary Efforts supports Pope Francis' collection for emergency and disaster relief fund, as well as supporting both priests and lay people for ministry to assist the Inner-City Parishes of the Archdiocese of Boston.

You can give to this collection during our weekend Masses or by giving only at [bit.ly/stignatiusgiving](http://bit.ly/stignatiusgiving)

## Reflection on the Readings

"It is not good for the man to be alone," God says in the reading from Genesis. Humans are social beings: God created us to live and work together, to share our lives, to care about and for each other. Shortly after this story in Genesis, Cain asks the rhetorical question: "Am I my brother's keeper?" The rest of the Hebrew and Christian scriptures answer with a resounding: "YES!"

The great sign of the social nature of humankind is marriage, in which the "two become one body, the two shall become as one." Another sign is the Eucharistic celebration, in which "we, though many, are one body, for we all share in the one loaf and in the one cup." Marriage and Eucharist are signs of sharing lives and living together.

Our world is shattered every day by the many scourges of injustice: racism, sexism, poverty, hunger, homelessness, war. We are constantly violating the fundamental principle: "let no one separate what God has joined." God has joined us in a society of brothers and sisters because it is not good for us to be alone: let no one separate that society through collusion in injustice.

## Respect Life Month

October is *Respect Life Month* for the Catholic Church in the US. This celebration is based in Jesus's own declaration of his earthly mission: "I came so that they might have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10). The sanctity and dignity of human life must be of primary importance for Catholics. This profound respect for human life should lead us to seek justice not only for pregnant women and children, but also for all those whose sacred value is undermined through violence, racism, discrimination of any kind, and the growing inequality of wealth and education.

*God, you have given each of us the gift of life, forming us to be the image of God in the world. Help us always to perceive in every human life, from conception to natural death, the indwelling presence of your Divine Majesty, that we may advocate for the dignity of every human being. Amen.*

Adapted from the U.S. Jesuits' 2018 statement  
"Protecting the Least Among Us"



## A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Friends in the Lord,

Every October the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning to the end of their lives, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life and the value of all that God has created.

Human dignity is the foundation upon which our rich tradition of Catholic Social Teaching is built. Many have referred to Catholic Social Teaching as our “best kept secret.” I find it very frustrating that this gem is still unknown to so many people, including the majority of Catholics. We have so much to offer the polarized and divisive politics of our time. If more people understood the importance of valuing human dignity across the life span, our world would be a more peaceful place.

Abortion, immigration, and the host of other contentious issues that are dividing our country and Church during this election year are certainly complicated realities that call for lots of patient listening and careful discernment. How can we apply our traditions of Catholic Social Teaching and Ignatian Spirituality to these complex questions? I’m happy that a group of our parishioners is on retreat this weekend at Eastern Point in Gloucester. Wouldn’t it be great if all Catholics across the country could go on retreat to savor God’s love before casting a vote this November!

Blessings,  
Fr. John

## Una Carta del Párroco

Queridos amigos en el Señor,

Cada mes de octubre, la Iglesia católica en Estados Unidos celebra el Mes del Respeto a la Vida, celebrando su primer domingo como el Domingo del Respeto a la Vida. Como católicos, estamos llamados a cuidar, defender y proteger a los más vulnerables, desde el inicio hasta el final de la vida, sin olvidar cada momento intermedio. Durante este mes, la Iglesia nos pide que reflexionemos profundamente sobre la dignidad de toda vida humana y sobre el valor de todo lo que Dios ha creado.

La dignidad humana es el fundamento sobre el que se asienta la valiosísima Doctrina Social de la Iglesia. La misma a la que muchos se han referido como nuestro “secreto mejor guardado”. Me resulta muy frustrante que este gran tesoro siga siendo desconocido para mucha gente, incluyendo a la mayoría de los católicos. Tenemos tanto para ofrecer a las políticas de polarización y división de nuestros días. Estoy seguro de que si más personas comprendieran la importancia y el valor de la dignidad humana a lo largo de toda la vida, nuestro mundo sería un lugar más pacífico.

El aborto, la migración y tantas otras polémicas que dividen a nuestro país y a la Iglesia durante este año electoral son realidades muy complicadas que exigen paciencia para escuchar y un discernimiento cuidadoso. ¿Cómo podemos aplicar la Doctrina Social de la Iglesia y la Espiritualidad Ignaciana a estas cuestiones tan complejas? Me alegro de que un grupo de nuestros feligreses estén de retiro este fin de semana en Eastern Point, en Gloucester. ¿No sería genial que todos los católicos del país pudieran hacer un retiro para saborear el amor de Dios antes de votar en noviembre?

Bendiciones,  
P. John

## Concert Series 2024–25 Season

### The St. Ignatius Concert Series is back!

After a successful pilot season, we are bringing back the St. Ignatius Concert Series for a full season! Be on the look out for the full season poster, but for now:

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## Protecting God's Children: *Education and Training*

An in-person course is required of all employees and volunteers in the Archdiocese of Boston who serve in ministries where children are present (liturgy, catechesis, etc.). The training provides education on recognizing indicators of possible abuse or grooming, creating safe environments for youth, and reporting your concerns.

- **Sunday, October 20, 2–5pm**  
St. Ignatius, Media Room in Lower Church

You must register for a session. You can sign up for a new account or log in at [virtusonline.org/virtus/](http://virtusonline.org/virtus/)

Contact Paula Gomez with any questions ([gomezvic@bc.edu](mailto:gomezvic@bc.edu)).



## Spirituality of Communion #2

**WHO:** St. Ignatius Parishioners and Boston College students & staff

**WHEN:** October 13 (6:00 refreshments/dinner; 6:45–7:45 meeting)

**WHERE:** Friary Room

The spirituality of the Focolare Movement has been called a “Spirituality of Communion.” Focolare is an ecclesial movement approved by the Catholic Church in 1962. Its members are committed to the realization of Jesus’ prayer: “That all may be one” (John 17:21)

**We invite you to join us on a journey through the 12 points of this spirituality!**

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|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1: God is Love            | 7: Unity            |
| 2: <b>The Will of God</b> | 8: Jesus Forsaken   |
| 3: The Word of Life       | 9: Mary             |
| 4: Love of Neighbor       | 10: The Church      |
| 5: Love One Another       | 11: The Holy Spirit |
| 6: The Eucharist          | 12: Jesus Among Us  |



View the resources, request more info, and/or register using the QR code.

*Hosted by parishioners who are members of the Focolare Movement:*

- **Michael James**, PhD, Boston College: Lynch School of Education & Human Development; Resident Minister
- **Julie James**, in residence @ Gabelli Hall, Boston College; Math Teacher, Brookline High School

For more information, please contact the Parish Office

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## October Outreach Ministries

### Halloween Costume Drive

**October 1 through October 15:** We’ll be collecting new and gently used Halloween costumes to support families at St. Patrick’s Parish/Lawrence Catholic Academy. Costumes should be for children from 3 to 11 years of age and you’re asked to bring them in on a hanger(s). They should be dropped off at the Parish Office.



### St. Francis House Men’s Clothing Drive

**NEXT WEEKEND, October 12/13:** Our Fall/Winter men’s clothing drive for St. Francis House Day Shelter, Boston. SFH would welcome



gently used clothing, as well as new clothing. The list of what’s needed for men only (NO out-of-season clothing, please) is:

- new or used jeans, hoodies, sweatpants, flannels, and coats
- underwear, T-shirts, thermals, and socks that are new and in the packaging

**This drive is for men’s items only. Bagged donations will go into the large box you’ll find at any church entrance.**

Women’s clothing could be dropped off in the St. Vincent de Paul drop boxes behind Sacred Heart Church’s MacKenzie Center in Newton Centre or behind St. Lawrence Church on Route 9 in Brookline.

**Thank you!**

### Baby Items Drive

**October 26/27:** As we commemorate *Respect Life Month*, we’ll conduct our annual baby items drive for Pregnancy Help. Look for wall posters and bulletin pieces for a list of what we’re being asked to donate this year.



## Bilingual Coffee Corner

## El Café de la Esquina Bilingüe

Do you speak a little bit of Spanish?  
Would you like to practice speaking it more?

¿Habla el inglés un poquito?  
¿Le gustaría practicar hablarlo más?

We invite you to  
**The Bilingual Coffee Corner**

Les invitamos  
**El Café de la Esquina Bilingüe**

First Meeting:  
**Sunday, October 13 from 11:30am–12:30pm in the  
Friary Room**

Primera Reunión:  
**Domingo 13 de octubre a las 11:30am-12:30pm en el  
Salón del Café**

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## Matrimonio y Algo Más

Gracias a todos los participantes del Retiro para Familias la semana pasada en Fátima Shrine. Los esperamos para seguir reflexionando este sábado a las 6:15 pm. Después de la charla cenaremos juntos. ¡Traigan algo rico para compartir!



## Meeting God and Walking with Him Alongside Migrants and Refugees

**Sunday, October 20 in the Media Room  
after the 10:30am and 5pm Masses**

The Immigration Committee invites you to join  
Fr. Eric Joel A. Goeh-Akue, SJ (Global Mission and Identity Coordinator at the Jesuit Refugee Service) as he talks about our responsibility to accompany migrants and refugees.

## Bereavement Group



**For anyone who has experienced the death of  
someone significant in the past 3- 12 months**

Join us as we support each other and explore our thoughts and experiences about grief in a safe and encouraging environment.

This 6-week group program is meant to provide information about the grief process and to alleviate the feeling of isolation. **Meetings will be held in person at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Brighton on Monday afternoons at 3pm beginning in late October and running into early December.** Each session will be 90 minutes long.

For more information, or to reserve a spot, please call 617-789-3045 or email [jesse.keane@bmc.org](mailto:jesse.keane@bmc.org) no later than October 20.



# Welcome!

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Contact the Parish Office for more information  
about anything in today's bulletin.

### Sacramental Forms/Letters

Please note that you must be registered for at least six months before we can issue any verification of your status as a parishioner for godparent/sponsor letters, or permission for marriage, baptism, or confirmation in another parish.

### Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 3-3:45pm in the Upper Church/Lower Church or by appointment.

**Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA):**  
For adults seeking Baptism, and/or Confirmation, contact the Parish Office.

**Baptism:** For infant and young child Baptisms, contact Sr. Diane Vallerio.

**First Communion:** Preparation begins in grade 1 and includes classes, retreats, and home instruction. Children receive First Communion in grade 2. For further information, contact Paula Gomez.

**Confirmation:** Preparation begins in 9th grade; students are confirmed in the spring of 10th grade. For further information, contact Paula Gomez.

**Matrimony/Wedding:** Parishioners, BC Alumni, and non-parishioners are welcome to be married at St. Ignatius. Contact our Office Manager, Carol Russo, for available dates and details.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the parish office.

### Child Abuse Prevention Team (CAP)

Kathy Maher  
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