

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA PARISH PARROQUIA SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA

Twentieth and Twenty-First Sundays in Ordinary Time

Vigésimo y Vigésimo Primer Domingos del Tiempo Ordinario

August 16 and 23, 2026



Lord, your love is eternal;
do not forsake the work of your hands.

Señor, tu amore es eterno;
no abandones la obra de tus manos.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16, 2026

Is 56:1, 6-7 • Rm 11:13-15, 29-32 • Mt 15:21-28

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2026

Is 22:19-23 • Rm 11:33-36 • Mt 16:13-20

Mass Schedule

4pm Saturday

9am Sunday Children's

10:30am Sunday

12:30pm Sunday Español

5pm Sunday

5:30pm Monday-Friday, Lannon Chapel
followed by the Rosary

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

Confession

3-3:45pm **Saturday**, before 4pm Mass

Please Keep In Your Prayers

Saturday, August 15

4pm Catherine and Nicholas Devereaux and Family
The Powers Family

Monday, August 17

5:30pm James MacKey

Tuesday, August 18

5:30pm Les Brooks

Thursday, August 20

5:30pm Jack Costa

Friday, August 21

5:30pm Donald MacLean

Saturday, August 22

4pm Sandra G. Montrone

Sunday, August 23

5pm Robert DiCamillo

If you have a Weekend Mass Intention and would like to process the gifts, please speak with a Greeter when you arrive.

"And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:7

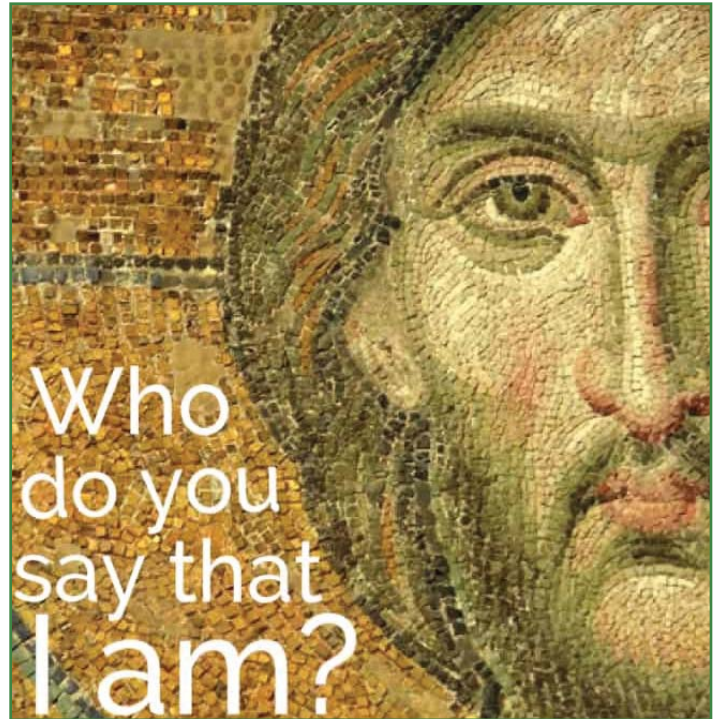
Reflection on the Readings

August 16 Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus heals the Canaanite woman's daughter because of her great faith. Even when spurned by Jesus, the faith of the Canaanite woman makes her bold enough to argue and ask again for what she needs. Her persistence and great confidence that Jesus could heal her daughter reminds us of the confidence with which our children bring to us their own needs. In their faith and trust we can find modern examples of how we might approach God in prayer.

August 23 Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Today's Gospel reminds us that the Church is built on the foundation of faith in Jesus Christ. Peter announces the core of our faith, that Jesus is God's only Son. The family, as the domestic church, has this same faith as its foundation.



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Carta del Párroco

Queridos amigos en el Señor:

Tras la fiesta de San Ignacio de Loyola, el 31 de julio, el mes de agosto suele ser un momento de transición en el liderazgo de los apostolados jesuitas. Este agosto, incluyamos en nuestras oraciones a cuatro jesuitas que son importantes para la vida de nuestra parroquia: **el P. Joseph O'Keefe** (provincial saliente de los jesuitas del Este de EE. UU.), **el P. Robert Reiser** (nuevo provincial de los jesuitas del Este de EE. UU.), **el P. William Leahy** (presidente saliente de Boston College) y **el P. Jack Butler** (nuevo presidente de Boston College). Oremos con gratitud por el arduo trabajo y la dedicación del P. O'Keefe y del P. Leahy, al tiempo que pedimos bendiciones para el P. Reiser y el P. Butler, que asumen los grandes retos que les esperan.

El P. Robert Reiser ingresó en la Compañía de Jesús en 1986 tras graduarse en el Canisius College. Obtuvo títulos superiores en filosofía por la Universidad de Fordham, en teología por la Escuela Jesuita de Teología de Weston y en teología por la Escuela de Teología de Harvard. También tiene un máster en liderazgo educativo por la Universidad de Rochester. El P. Reiser fue ordenado sacerdote en 1997. Ejerció como director de vocaciones de las provincias de Nueva York y Maryland, acompañando a los hombres que discernían su llamada a la Compañía de Jesús. También fue presidente de dos institutos jesuitas: el St. Peter's Preparatory School de Jersey City, Nueva Jersey, y el McQuaid Jesuit de Rochester, Nueva York. En 2021, el P. Reiser fue nombrado director ejecutivo de la Red de Colegios Jesuitas de Norteamérica (JSN) y secretario de educación pre-secundaria y secundaria de la Conferencia Jesuita de Canadá y Estados Unidos (JCCU). En estos cargos, prestó apoyo a los colegios jesuitas de toda Norteamérica para impulsar su misión de formar a los alumnos en la fe, la excelencia intelectual y el servicio a los demás.

El P. Jack Butler ocupó hasta hace poco el cargo de vice presidente de Misión y Pastoral Universitaria de Boston College. Ha prestado apoyo a estudiantes de grado y posgrado, ofreciéndoles asesoramiento y orientación sobre cuestiones personales y objetivos profesionales, y ha colaborado con los estudiantes deportistas como capellán del programa de fútbol americano de BC. Antes de ser nombrado vicepresidente de Boston College, el P. Butler fue director de vocaciones de la antigua Provincia de Nueva Inglaterra de los jesuitas y como consejero de personas reclusas dentro del sistema penitenciario. Es nacido en Atlanta y estudio en la Universidad de St. Thomas en Miami, Florida, donde se licenció en Estudios Religiosos. El P. Butler obtuvo un máster en Teología por el Providence College antes de ingresar en la Compañía de Jesús en 1991. Obtuvo tanto un máster como un doctorado en asesoramiento pastoral por la Universidad Loyola de Maryland y posee una licenciatura en Teología Sagrada por la Escuela Jesuita de Teología de Weston. Ordenado sacerdote en 2000, pronunció sus votos perpetuos como jesuita en 2015.

Mantengamos a estos maravillosos jesuitas en nuestras oraciones en los próximos días, ahora que comienzan sus nuevas misiones.

Bendiciones,
P. John

Letter from the Pastor

Dear Friends in the Lord,

Following the Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola on July 31, the month of August is often a time of leadership transition at Jesuit apostolates. This August, let us include in our prayers four Jesuits who are significant to the life of our parish:

Fr. Joseph O'Keefe (outgoing provincial of the USA East Jesuits), **Fr. Robert Reiser** (new provincial of the USA East Jesuits), **Fr. William Leahy** (outgoing president of Boston College) and **Fr. Jack Butler** (new president of Boston College). Let us pray in gratitude for the hard work and dedication of Fr. O'Keefe and Fr. Leahy, while praying for blessings upon Fr. Reiser and Fr. Butler as they take on the immense challenges to come.

Fr. Robert Reiser entered the Society of Jesus in 1986 after graduating from Canisius College. He earned advanced degrees in philosophy from Fordham University, divinity from Weston Jesuit School of Theology, and theology from Harvard Divinity School. He also holds a master's degree in educational leadership from the University of Rochester. Fr. Reiser was ordained a priest in 1997. He served as director of vocations for the New York and Maryland Provinces, accompanying men discerning a call to the Society. He was also president of two Jesuit secondary schools: St. Peter's Preparatory School in Jersey City, New Jersey, and McQuaid Jesuit in Rochester, New York. In 2021, Fr. Reiser was named executive director of the Jesuit Schools Network of North America (JSN) and secretary for pre-secondary and secondary education for the Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States (JCCU). In these roles, he supported Jesuit schools throughout North America in advancing their mission of forming students in faith, intellectual excellence, and service to others.

Fr. Jack Butler most recently served as Boston College's Haub Vice President for University Mission and Ministry. He has assisted undergraduate and graduate students, providing counseling and guidance on personal issues and career goals, and engaged with student athletes as chaplain to the BC football program. Prior to being named vice president at Boston College, Fr. Butler served as director of vocations for the former New England Province of Jesuits and as a counselor of incarcerated individuals within the prison system. An Atlanta native and 1987 graduate of St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida, where he earned a degree in religious studies, Fr. Butler received a master's degree in theology from Providence College before entering the Society of Jesus in 1991. He received both a master's degree and a doctorate in pastoral counseling from Loyola University Maryland and holds a Licentiate in Sacred Theology from Weston Jesuit School of Theology. Ordained to the priesthood in 2000, he took final vows as a Jesuit in 2015.

Let us keep these wonderful Jesuits in our prayers in the days ahead as they begin their new missions.

Blessings,
Fr. John

Outreach Ministries

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BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE

AUGUST 22-23

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For families of Julie's Family Learning Program, South Boston, and families served by Boston Health Care for the Homeless Family Program

Return In Person Donations the Weekend of August 22 and 23 Only

Return donated items to the Parish Office Lower Level (driveway side door) before all Masses.

or **Order Items Online at:** <https://a.co/00y1fcUE>
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Shattuck Fourth Tuesday

Drop Off: Tuesday, August 25 by 2:30pm

Donations of cookies, brownies (no nuts or alcohol), or mandarin oranges needed to support the Pine St Inn Shelter. Drop off bins will be by the front door and driveway side door of the parish office building. Thanks!

Join Us for Coffee!

After the 10:30am Mass every other Sunday!

Upcoming Coffe Dates: August 16 and August 30

4 20th and 21st Sunday Ordinary Time

Ignatian Prayer Opportunities

Via: The Ignatian Way

October 2026 through May 2027

A cohort based journey through the wisdom of Ignatian spirituality designed for adults seeking a deeper relationship with God. Twice monthly meetings on Wednesdays, 6-8pm

Foundations: Beginning to Pray in the Ignatian Way

October 14 through November 18

A six session program held Wednesdays, Noon-1pm.

For more information about these programs, please contact **Kathy Maher**, Ignatian Programs Coordinator

Liturgical Ministry Dates

Evening for Current and New Liturgical Ministers

Thursday, September 10 7pm

Lannon Chapel and Friary Room

Information Table for Liturgical Ministers

After All Weekend Masses on September 12- 13
Gathering Area

Liturgical Ministers Training

Lectors: Tuesday, September 15 7pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Thursday, September 18 7pm

Acolytes: offered at both sessions.

Protecting God's Children

Saturday, September 12 from 10am-1pm
Media Room, Lower Church

Protecting God's Children (PGC) program, a child abuse prevention and awareness program is required by the Archdiocese of Boston for all parish volunteers/ministers to complete. If you have already completed PGC once, you do not have to do it again.

Pre-registration is required:

1. Visit <https://www.virtusonline.org/>
 2. Click on the "First-Time Registrant" tab at left
 3. Click "Begin the registration process"
 4. Select **Boston, MA Archdiocese** from the dropdown
 5. Proceed to create a username and password
 6. When asked if you have already attended a session, select "no" and choose the training you will attend.
- If you cannot attend the session at the parish, there are other options in the area.

All Volunteers must complete PGC by October 1, 2026.

Summer Read | Lectura de Verano

The Gospels and Our Parish Summer Read

August 16, 20th Sunday Ordinary Time

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Return to Sender: Breaking boundaries is a central theme in the novel, with both Tyler and Mari feeling like outsiders in their own worlds. How do Tyler and Mari each get past being an outsider?

Question: How do you break the boundary of belonging for yourself and others? How did Jesus break the barriers that separated the Jewish people from the world of the Canaanite woman?

August 23, 19th Sunday Ordinary Time

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-21

Return to Sender: Just as Peter speaks his truth about Jesus's identity under Roman rule, Mari uses her Immigration Court testimony to speak the truth about her family to a powerful government impacting how the court responded.

Question: Have you ever spoken your truth for another? Why can it be so impactful, as it was for Mari?

Interested in Becoming Catholic? OCIA begins Tuesday, September 8

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the primary process for adults to become full members of the Catholic Church. All serious inquirers at all levels of knowledge, faith, and intent are welcomed. OCIA could be for you if you are an adult who has never been baptized, if you were baptized in another Christian denomination, or if you are exploring a relationship with God through the Catholic faith for the first time. The process culminates in the reception of one or more of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist. If you are interested in learning more, visit this link: <https://bit.ly/IgnatiusOCIA2026> or scan the QR code



Evangelios y Lectura de Verano de la Parroquia

16 de agosto, 20.º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Evangelio: Mateo 15:21-28

Devolver al Remitente: Romper las barreras que nos separan es un tema central de la novela. Tanto Tyler como Mari se sienten como extraños en sus propios mundos. ¿Cómo logra cada uno superar ese sentimiento de no pertenecer y encontrar un lugar donde es acogido?

Pregunta: ¿Cómo puedes ayudar a derribar las barreras que impiden que tú y otras personas se sientan acogidas y parte de la comunidad? ¿Cómo rompió Jesús las barreras que separaban al pueblo judío del mundo de la mujer cananea?

23 de agosto, 21.º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Evangelio: Mateo 16:13-21

Devolver al Remitente: Así como Pedro proclama la verdad sobre la identidad de Jesús en medio del dominio romano, Mari da testimonio ante la Corte de Inmigración y habla con valentía sobre la realidad de su familia frente a un gobierno con poder sobre su futuro. Su testimonio sincero influye profundamente en la manera en que el tribunal responde a su caso.

Pregunta: ¿Alguna vez has alzado tu voz para decir la verdad en favor de otra persona? ¿Por qué un testimonio valiente puede tener un impacto tan profundo, como ocurrió con Mari?

Upcoming Centennial Events

Centennial Series: Parish Pastoral Council

Sunday, September 27 3pm

Centennial Tree Planting Ceremonies after all Masses
After Weekend Masses on October 3 and October 4

Fundraising Gala Saturday, October 24 6:30-9pm
Gasson Hall, Boston College
Tickets on sale mid-September.

Centennial Bilingual Mass and Parish Celebration

Sunday, November 8 10:30am
St. Ignatius Parish

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday: 10am - 1pm, 2pm - 4pm; Closed Saturdays and Sundays

Sacraments

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

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA):
For adults seeking Baptism, and/or Confirmation, visit this link, <https://bit.ly/IgnatiusOCIA2026>

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 Liz Turnwald.

Confirmation: Preparation begins in 7th grade; students are confirmed after their second year of Confirmation prep. For further information, contact Liz Turnwald.

Weddings: 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.

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.

Creating a Safe Environment at St. Ignatius
stignatiuschestnuthill.org/creating-a-safe-environment

Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Team

Liz Turnwald
Helena Alfonzo
Kathy Maher
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Get Involved!

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Visit our website for more information,
stignatiuschestnuthill.org

Peace, Justice, and Reconciliation Commission

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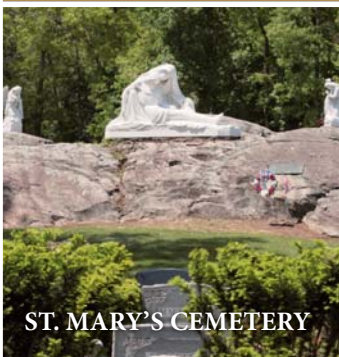
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