

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA PARISH PARROQUIA SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA

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

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES
JORNADA MUNDIAL DEL MIGRANTE Y DEL REFUGIADO

October 5th, 2025



MIGRANTS - MISSIONARIES OF HOPE

MIGRANTES - MISIONEROS DE ESPERANZA

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Habakkuk 1:2–3; 2:2–4 •

2 Timothy 1:6–8, 13–14 • Luke 17:5–10

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4pm

Sunday:

9am Children's Mass | 10:30am | 12:30pm Español | 5pm

Weekday (followed by the Rosary):

5:30pm Monday–Friday (Lannon Chapel)

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

Confession

Saturday: before Mass, 3–3:45pm

Please keep in your prayers:

Sunday, October 5

10:30am Dr. Youssef Habib Georgy

5pm Janet Farrington

Tuesday, October 7

5:30pm John B. McNamara

Thursday, October 9

5:30pm Thomas Coary

If you have an intention at a weekend Mass and would like to process with the gifts, please speak with a Greeter when you arrive.

10/11 & 10/18: Simple 4pm Mass

Due to the Boston College home football game, we will be offering only Confessions and a simple 4pm Mass with only the priest (no music or ministers) on Saturdays October 11 and 18. Because of gameday traffic, **you will not be able to drive to or park at St. Ignatius**—only those who walk or take the T will be able to make it to the church.

Monday, 10/13: Parish Office Closed

Indigenous Peoples' Day

On Monday, October 13, the Parish Office will be closed in recognition of Indigenous Peoples' Day.

There WILL be a daily 5:30pm Mass.

Reflection on the Readings

Respect Life Sunday

Faith gives us the ability to hope. The example of the apostles in the Gospel encourages us to ask God Himself to “increase our faith.” If we struggle to find the courage to speak boldly about human life, we shouldn't be ashamed. The apostles—who themselves lived, ate, and prayed with Christ—needed God's grace to carry out Christ's saving mission. We needn't be afraid to ask God to increase our faith. For if we have but “faith the size of a mustard seed,” Christ can give us the power to do incredible things in service of the Gospel.

Amid the increasing attacks on the value of human life, we know that “we are firmly anchored in the hope born of grace, which enables us to live in Christ and to overcome sin, fear, and death.” As we recommit ourselves to upholding the teachings of the Church on the inviolability of human life, we recall that the gift of life that God has granted to us is indeed a sign of hope.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Good Lord and Heavenly Father, You love each one of your children regardless of the lands they come from.

We thank you for helping us to recognize each other as members of the same human family and as your beloved people.

We thank you because you enlighten us, encourage us, and feed us with your Word.

We pray for those that suffer due to hunger, injustice, climate change, and poverty—so that together we may find solutions to change their lives.

We pray for our countries, so that we may find viable paths for international collaboration and authentic human development.

We pray for our Church, so that we may learn to be all brothers and sisters. Thus, we ask for a humble heart that is willing to welcome, protect, promote, and integrate those who knock at our doors.

We pray this in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who is present in our brothers and sisters, who lives and reigns forever and ever.

Amen.

Carta del Párroco

Queridos amigos en el Señor:

No, no es un engaño, el cambio climático es real. Si alguno de ustedes siguió las sesiones de la Asamblea General de la ONU la semana pasada, es posible que haya escuchado a alguien tratando de convencernos de que el cambio climático es “la mayor estafa jamás perpetrada contra el mundo”. Por mi parte, estoy profundamente agradecido por los esfuerzos de nuestro Equipo Verde de la parroquia para educarnos sobre esta crisis para que no caigamos en las ideas de aquellos que quieren seguir explotando la creación de Dios para su propio beneficio personal y político. A través de su perseverancia y su ejemplo de oración, nuestro Equipo Verde parroquial nos ha inspirado a todos a estudiar y abrazar las enseñanzas de la Iglesia sobre esta crisis, que es social y medioambiental. El papa Francisco dijo muchas veces que nuestro objetivo debe ser restablecer el equilibrio entre ricos y pobres, entre la humanidad y el mundo natural.

Me parece muy apropiado que el Tiempo de la Creación sea el preámbulo del Mes del Respeto a la Vida. En un excelente artículo sobre la encíclica del Papa sobre el cuidado de la casa común, publicado por Anthony Annett en 2015, el autor Anthony Annett dice: “*Laudato Si'* vincula el aborto con un conjunto más amplio de preocupaciones relacionadas con la dignidad humana y la protección de la tierra. Según lo entiende la Iglesia, el desarrollo sostenible es provida: se basa en la dignidad de cada persona humana y busca crear las condiciones previas para el florecimiento humano» (*Revista Commonweal*, 7 de julio de 2015). Este fin de semana, en cada una de las misas programadas, escucharemos reflexiones preparadas y presentadas por miembros de nuestro Equipo Verde parroquial. Espero que su pasión por la dignidad y la protección de toda vida nos inspire a todos a asumir este gran desafío de nuestro tiempo.

Por último, este domingo también es la Jornada Mundial del Migrante y del Refugiado. Nuestro comité parroquial de inmigración ha preparado una presentación con testimonios de inmigrantes y personas que trabajan con ellos. No dejen de acompañarnos en el sótano de la parroquia el 5 de octubre a las 11:30 a. m. Demos gracias a Dios por el don de la vida, la belleza de la creación y nuestra llamada bautismal a defender y proteger la dignidad de toda vida.

Bendiciones,
P. John

Letter from the Pastor

Dear Friends in the Lord,

It's not a hoax. Climate change is real. But if you were following the general assembly meetings at the United Nations last week, you might have heard someone trying to convince us that climate change is “the biggest con-job ever perpetrated upon the world.” I'm deeply grateful for the efforts of our parish Green Team to educate us about this serious issue so that we don't fall prey to those who want to continue exploiting God's gift of creation for their own personal profit and political gain. Through their persistence and prayerful example, our parish Green Team has inspired all of us to study and embrace the teaching of our Church on this complex crisis that is both social and environmental. Pope Francis said repeatedly that our goal should be to restore balance—between the rich and the poor, between humanity and the natural world.

I think it's appropriate that the Season of Creation leads into Respect Life Month. In his excellent 2015 article analyzing Pope Francis' recently promulgated encyclical, Anthony Annett says, “*Laudato Si'* links abortion to a broader set of concerns related to human dignity and protection of the earth. As understood by the church, sustainable development is pro-life: it is predicated on the dignity of every human person and seeks to create the preconditions for human flourishing” (*Commonweal*, July 7, 2015). This weekend, at each of the scheduled Masses, we will hear reflections prepared and presented by members of our parish Green Team. I hope their passion for the dignity and protection of all life will inspire all of us to take up this great challenge of our time.

This Sunday also happens to be the Vatican's World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Our parish Immigration Committee has prepared a presentation of testimonials from immigrants and people who work with immigrants. Be sure to join us in the Friary Room on October 5 at 11:30am to hear their stories. Let's all be grateful to God for the gift of life, the beauty of creation, and our baptismal call to uphold and defend the dignity of all life.

Blessings,
Fr. John

Second Collection *Holy Father and Apostolic Works*

October 4–5

This week's second collection will support the Holy Father's "Peter's Pence" collection that provides funds for emergency and disaster relief. This collection provides support to the Catholic University of America that educates priests and lay people for ministry and supports the Inner-City Parishes of the Archdiocese of Boston. Your generosity and prayers will assist the Holy Father and the various Apostolic works at home and abroad.

You can give to this Second Collection online by selecting "Holy Father and Missionary Efforts" from the drop-down menu on our eGiving portal. Please note that this fund will close on Thursday, October 9.

Learn more about these Collections!

Peter's Pence: <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html>

Inner-City Parishes: <https://www.bostoncatholic.org/>

Catholic University: <https://www.catholic.edu/>

LGBTQ+ Committee

Movie Night

Friday, October 10 | 6pm Pizza, 6:30pm Movie

*Saint Cecilia Parish Hall
18 Belvidere Street, Boston, MA*

Join the Saint Cecilia Rainbow Ministry for a showing of *1946*:



THE MISTRANSlation THAT SHIFTED CULTURE

The Mistranslation that Shifted Culture, a feature documentary

What if the word *Homosexual* was never meant to be in the Bible?

that follows the story of tireless researchers who trace the origins of the anti-gay movement among Christians to a grave mistranslation of the Bible in 1946.

It chronicles the discovery of never-before-seen archives at Yale University which unveil astonishing new revelations, and casts significant doubt on any biblical basis for LGBTQIA+ prejudice. Featuring commentary from prominent scholars as well as opposing pastors, including the personal stories of the film's creators, *1946* is at once challenging, enlightening, and inspiring.

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Support St. Ignatius

Giving online is the easiest way to financially support St. Ignatius Parish!

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Sign up for Flocknotes!

Flocknotes are the primary way St. Ignatius communicates with parishioners. You can sign up for Flocknote using the QR code above.

St. Francis House Clothing Drive

October 11–12



Our Fall and Winter Clothing Drive for the men Guests at St. Francis House is coming up! SFH welcomes **new and gently used** clothing:

- jeans
- hoodies
- sweatpants
- flannels
- coats

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They are also accepting underwear, t-shirts, thermals, and socks that are new and in the original packaging.

On October 11 and 12, place your bagged donations in the large box you'll find at any church entrance. Thank you! Please note that SFH is undergoing major renovations and storage space is limited—at this time, they are accepting **men's items only**. Women's clothing can be dropped off in 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.

Pregnancy Help Drive

October 25–26

Our annual diaper bag drive to benefit the women assisted by Pregnancy Help Boston will be at the end of October. More details to come.

Catholic Social Teaching



What does our faith in Jesus Christ have to do with peace, justice, and reconciliation? We know that the Kingdom of God is already among us and that its final fulfillment will come about through God. Our work to embody the Kingdom is a cooperation with the God who is Love and who continues to draw us into abundant life.

One way that the Catholic Church has conceptualized our cooperation with God is Catholic Social Teaching (CST), the collection of official teachings on matters of public life, politics, society, and economics. Through CST, the Church seeks to enact the justice and peace of the Kingdom of God which we have through faith in Christ. CST proclaims good news: that God, working through us and in us as the Eucharistic Body of Christ, will protect the vulnerable, feed the hungry, and lift up the oppressed!

CST is often analyzed and explained in the seven basic themes or principles above, but this rich teaching is more than a set of bullet points or policy recommendations. At its best, CST offers a vision of human happiness and flourishing. Catholic Social Teaching is a way of proceeding that reveals the image of God shining through human community.

CST sees humans as rational, spiritual, and social. It sees our fulfillment in God and with other people. For that reason, justice and peace are not reducible to economic or political progress, but instead pursue the *cura personalis*, the full and authentic development of the full human person and the full human community. CST invites us to follow Jesus' example in the service of his people.

adapting and quoting from "Catholic 101: Catholic Social Teaching" by Bill McCormick, SJ, in the Jesuit Post

Feast of St. Francis

October 4



Canticle of the Creatures, Sr. Jane Mary Sorosiak, OSF

"All things counter, original, spare, strange;
Whatever is fickle, freckled (who knows how?)
With swift, slow; sweet, sour; adazzle, dim;
He fathers-forth whose beauty is past change:
Praise Him."

from "Pied Beauty," Gerard Manley Hopkins

Spend your Saturday Giving Back to our Neighbors in Need!

One Saturday each month from 8:30am–12pm, Catholic Charities of Boston will host St. Ignatius volunteers at the Yawkey Center Food Pantry in Dorchester. Together, we will work on both indoor and outdoor tasks, such as packing bags, restocking shelves, and organizing food deliveries.

Fifteen volunteer spots will be available each month, and you can sign up at the **QR code below**. You will also need to bring a **printed and completed Catholic Charities CORI form** (from the QR code) and a **photo ID** to your shift. For more information, please contact Liz Turnwald at the Parish Office.

<https://bit.ly/m/IgnatiusVolunteers>



Volunteer Dates:

- October 18
- November 15
- December 20
- January 17
- February 21
- March 21
- April 18
- May 16



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Welcome!

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

Sacraments

St. Ignatius Parish Team

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, 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 Liz Turnwald.

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

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.

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

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Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Team

Liz Turnwald | Kathy Maher
Helena Alfonzo | Trudy Good

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Rev. Matt Cassidy, SJ, Parochial Vicar

Victor Yanez, SJ, Deacon

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Chase Hockema, Print and Digital Media Coordinator

Following Archdiocesan online security guidelines, we have removed email addresses from our parish bulletin to avoid the danger of potential phishing scams. If you need a staff member's email address or contact information for a parish group or ministry, please contact the Parish Office and we will be happy to share the appropriate information!

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

Peace, Justice, & Reconciliation Commission

Green Team
Racial Justice Committee
Immigration Committee
LGBTQ+ Committee

These groups meet regularly and are always eager to welcome new members!

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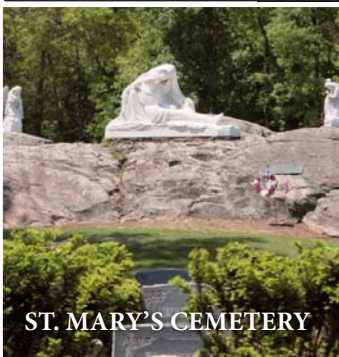
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