

HEARTBEAT

News Notes and Inspiration For the People of Sacred Heart Parish Volume 1 – No. 22 July 29/30 2017

17th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Music for The FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION – August 5/6

(We will recite the Gloria, the Creed and the Our Father)

ENTRANCE HYMN

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory of the Coming of the Lord ALLELUIA (Gaelic)

OFFERTORY

Blest Are You Lord God of All Creation HOLY – ACCLAMATION – AMEN (Let all that is within me...) AGNUS DEI (Latin) **COMMUNION** One Bread, One Body RECESSIONAL

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Monday, 31 July, is St. Ignatius Day

The Jesuits of Jordan invite colleagues, parish members, and friends to view a new film about the founder of the Jesuits, Ignatius of Loyola. There will be two screens available -- one with Arabic subtitles and one with English subtitles. Light refreshments will be offered by the refugee community. The film will be screened at the Jesuit Center, 43 Al-Razi Street, Jabal Hussein, on the first floor. Film begins at 7 PM. Directions: http://shp.jordanjesuits.org/jesuit-centre/.

The film is: IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA: SOLDIER, SINNER, SAINT (2016, Philippines and Spain. Arabic subtitles and English subtitles, 118 minutes).

This film is a modern and very human take on the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, often called 'The Saint of Second Chances.' The film is concerned with the "conversion" of "Inigo" before he founded the Jesuits, as he discovered a life of prayer and mysticism.

As a brash, hot-headed soldier in a time of political upheaval in Spain, the young Iñigo went from living a life of brutal violence and debauchery, to becoming one of the greatest saints in the history of the Church. This film chronicles Iñigo's torturous struggle to turn from darkness to light—a struggle that nearly destroyed him, but also gave him the key to a spiritual weapon that continues to save lives to this very day.

Trailer: Ignatius of Loyola (http://www.ignatiusmovie.com/)

PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR JULY

Lapsed Christians - That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

CONTINUING PRAYER REQUESTS

St. Ignatius always said that God listens to our prayers, and when something important was coming up, he would encourage the early Jesuits to "storm heaven with can be included here and all of our parish will join in praying with you.

For Ray who has moved into hospice

For the safety of all who are traveling

For Ward, recovering from lung surgery

For a young woman, Kaitlyn, fighting cancer For Paul undergoing cancer rehab therapy

For family members who have died

For Caijul who is fighting cancer

For a woman concerned about her daughter and her grandchildren

For Colleen, who is in great pain unable to find relief

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

July 31 – Solemnity of St. Ignatius Loyola, Founder of the Jesuits Special free film at the Jesuit Center, 7 PM

August 1 – Birthday of Fr. Peter Schineller

August 2 – Fr. Peter Schineller leaves for a visit to the U.S.

August 4 – First Friday – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:30 Mass Memorial – St. John Vianney, patron saint of priests

August 6 – Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord (takes precedence over the Sunday Mass)

August 10 - Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and martyr

August 15 – Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation – Mass at 8:30 AM and 6 PM at the Jesuit Center

August 22 – Memorial of the Queenship of Mary

August 24 - Feast of St. Bartholomew, Apostle

August 29 – Passion of St. John the Baptist

PLEASE REGISTER!!!

There are usually registration slips at the back of the Church. There are four ways to register:

- 1) Fill out the slip of paper and give it to me.
- 2) Go onto the website and there is a space where you can register online.
- 3) Send me an email with the basic information.
- 4) If you are on Facebook, go to Parish Group and leave me a message. I will admit you to the group and you can leave your details in a private message there as well.

ENGLISH MASS SCHEDULE

 $Monday\ to\ Saturday-8:30\ AM-Jesuit\ Center,\ 43\ Al\ Razi\ Street,\ Jabal\ Hussein$

Every Saturday at 5 PM- Sweifieh, St. Mary of Nazareth

Every Sunday – 6 PM - Jabal Hussein, St. Jean Baptiste de LaSalle

Most weekend Masses have confession for 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the Mass. Fr. John or other Jesuit priests are available to hear confessions by appointment as well.

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Ministry Assignments for The Feast of the Transfiguration, August 5/6

| Ministry | Mary of Nazareth | Jean Baptiste | Notes or Special |
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| | | de LaSalle | Events |
| Coordinator | Donna Naber | | |
| Hospitality 1 ¹ | | | |
| Hospitality 2 | | | |
| Leader of Song | | | |
| Lector 1 ² | George Vanderhoof | | |
| Lector 2 | Eunice Dadsom | | |
| Lector 3 | Donna Naber | | |
| Offertory Gifts | Darby Family | | |
| Collection 1 | | | |
| Collection 2 | | | |
| Eucharistic Min. | | | |
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| Altar Server | Filonia | | |
| Altar Server | Alexie | | |

PRAYER OF ST. IGNATIUS

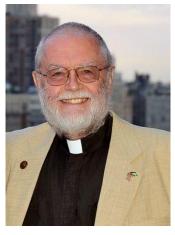
Take, Lord, receive
all my liberty
My mind, my memory,
my entire will
all that I have and possess.



You have given it all to me, now I return it to you.

All is yours – dispose of it wholly according to your will.

Give me only your love and your grace, for this is enough for me.



RAMBLINGS

FROM THE REVEREND REDACTOR

I wrote this recently as a homily for a weekday Mass at the Jesuit Center, and since many people don't come to those Masses, I thought I would share it here.

When I was Executive Director for the Xavier Society for the Blind, I spent two weeks training at a blind institute. I wore sleep shades every day and lived as a blind person. One of the courses was using a white cane for travel. Here are some of the things I learned just in that one class.

First - Keep centered – my instructor was always after me to keep my cane centered in the middle of my body. Centering your cane helps you to walk in a straight line. Your cane sweeps in an arc, with the same reach on each side. If you keep your spiritual life centered, you'll be less apt to stray off the center to the right or the left, and you will be better able to walk in a straight line.

Another teaching in cane travel is Focus – pay attention to your surroundings. Don't just use one source – in addition to your cane, use your ears, use what your feet are feeling, smell what there is to be smelled, feel the wind or the sun, and above all, use your brain! Focus on what you're doing, pay attention to what direction you're going in. Same thing in spiritual daily life – focus, pay attention. Use all the resources you have – Scripture, Mass and all the sacraments, readings, lives of saints, religious CD's and media programs, retreats and daily prayer. Above all – use your brain. God gave it to you, and it is a tremendous resource as you try and follow God in your everyday living.

Every blind person, no matter how skilled at cane travel, will run into an unexpected obstacle every now and then. First thing you do when this happens is stop. Too often people try to keep in motion and go around the obstacle, and often they lose their orientation and end up getting more confused. We are taught to stop, make sure we have our orientation clearly in mind, then identify clearly what the obstacle is and how best to go around it. Seems like pretty good advice for spiritual life as well. When you run into an obstacle in your life, STOP. Figure out your orientation – what does this obstacle really mean in your life? How does it figure in the larger meaning of your life? When that is clear, and you understand what the obstacle really is and what it means – and then you can take steps to go around it.

Finally – and that's only because of space, there is a LOT more I learned in cane travel – trust your cane. Your cane gives you an arc of safety for walking, but it can also tell you if you are on sidewalk or on a roadway, if you are approaching a stairway (up or down) and it can tell you how deep and how high stair treads are. Sometimes you can imagine things that aren't there, and you cane helps keep you grounded and in touch with reality. Trust – for walking it's your cane, and in your spiritual life, it's prayer. Keeps you grounded, gives you information, provides a check on temptations and imaginations. Trust your prayer.

Finally – and this is the final finally – I learned that a blind person can do almost anything a sighted person can, with the proper training and equipment. And a Christian can do anything AS A CHRISTIAN that anyone else can as long as they remember their spiritual training and use the resources they have available. We do not have to abandon our faith or our beliefs in order to be successful or powerful or influential. A blind person doesn't have a choice about being blind. We do have a choice about being Christian. Use your faith as your guide as you travel in the world.

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Website: Jordanjesuits.org and there is a separate section for the Sacred Heart Parish

Facebook: If you are on Facebook, go to Parish Group and on your first visit you will request to

be admitted. After that the system will recognize you so you can post.