You are my beloved Son,
with you I am well pleased.

He aquí a mi hijo muy amado,
en quien tengo mis complacencias.
Dear Parishioners,

In response to reports of cold and flu throughout the region and in the interest of public health, the Archdiocese of Boston has directed all parishes to distribute the Eucharist only under the form of the Consecrated Bread, that is, the Host. Also, to decrease the spread of germs and to ensure the health and well-being of our Eucharistic Ministers, we will not be offering the option of receiving the Eucharist on the tongue until its reception under both forms, that is, the Consecrated Bread and Wine, is reinstated by the Archdiocese. We would ask all parishioners, therefore, to adopt the earliest practice of the Church which was to receive Holy Communion in the hand.

As you may know, it was only in the Middle Ages that the practice of Communion on the tongue became common. That form of reception, as Fr. Gregory Boyle, S.J., points out in his book, Barking at the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship, is often associated with a communicant’s sense of unworthiness. He writes: “That is why I generally don’t give communion on the tongue, as other priests might. Jesus handed the disciples the bread and they received it in the hand. And if he didn’t give communion on the tongue, why should I? The underlying mentality and spirituality is wanting. (Besides, it’s gross). Once a very elegant woman attended a wedding at Dolores Mission. At communion, she stuck out her tongue expectantly. “It’s better in the hand.” But this woman, dressed to the nines, is often associated with the Word in early December. He pointed out that the altar represents Christ. For that reason, it is revered and kissed at the beginning of Mass. It is therefore fitting to have the Book of the Gospels placed on the altar until the Alleluia. After the Gospel is proclaimed, he further told us, the Word now is in us. We better symbolize that by neither returning the Book to the stand nor processing out with it.

In addition to these temporary changes in our liturgical practice, I would like to point out what will be a more permanent change that you may have noticed beginning with our Christmas Masses. While we still process in with our gold Book of the Gospels, we now place it on the altar instead of a stand in front of the ambo. We also no longer return it to a stand after proclaiming the Gospel. The reason for this comes from symbolism that Fr. Joe Weiss, S.J., described during his workshop on the Liturgy of the Word in early December. He pointed out that the altar represents Christ. For that reason, it is revered and kissed at the beginning of Mass. It is therefore fitting to have the Book of the Gospels placed on the altar until the Alleluia. After the Gospel is proclaimed, he further told us, the Word now is in us. We better symbolize that by neither returning the Book to the stand nor processing out with it.

I hope we can always be open to continue to improve our Eucharistic celebrations and further explore its rich symbolism.

In Christ’s Peace,
Fr. Joe

Note: While we sincerely hope all will receive Holy Communion in the hand, if you would still prefer to receive on the tongue, please receive after all Communicants have received for obvious health reasons.

En la Paz de Cristo:

P. Joe

From the Desk of the Pastor

Estimados feligreses:

En respuesta a los reportes de resfriados y gripe en toda la región y como asunto de salud pública, la Arquidiócesis de Boston le ha pedido a todas las parroquias de distribuir la Eucaristía sólo bajo la forma de pan consagrado, es decir, en hostia. También, para disminuir la transmisión de gérmenes y asegurar la salud de nuestros Ministros de la Eucaristía, no ofreceremos la opción de recibir la Eucaristía en la boca hasta que la Arquidiócesis restablezca la posibilidad de recepción de las dos formas. Le pedimos a todos nuestros feligreses que reciban la Eucaristía en la mano, tal como se hacía en la Iglesia primitiva.

Además de esos cambios temporales en nuestra práctica litúrgica, me gustaría señalar lo que será un cambio un cambio más permanente que ya habrán notado que empezamos en las misas de Navidad. Seguimos en procesión con el Evangelio Dorado, ahora lo colocamos en el altar, en vez de colocarlo en el porta-libro frente al ambón. Tampoco lo regresaremos al porta-libro después de proclamar el Evangelio. La razón viene de la simbología que el P. Joe Weiss S.J. describió durante su taller sobre Liturgia de la Palabra a principios de diciembre. Él señaló que el altar representa a Cristo. Por esa razón, es reverenciado y besado al principio de la Misa. Es, por lo tanto, adecuado tener el Evangelio colocado en el altar hasta el Aleluya. Después de proclamarse el mismo, nos dijo adicionalmente, que la Palabra está ahora con nosotros. Simbolizamos mejor eso al no retornar el libro al porta-libro y no salir en procesión con él.

Espero que siempre estemos abiertos a continuar mejorando nuestras celebraciones Eucarísticas y explorar aún más su riqueza simbólica.
Update to the New Online Offeratory Program
Last year the Parish began using a new online offertory website with more options and added security. Over the summer, you should have received a letter and email detailing the change. We hope to shift all parishioners to the new site. If you haven’t already done so, please contact Karen O’Reilly at 617-552-6117 or karen.oreilly@bc.edu for assistance. The direct link to the new online giving site is www.stignatiuschestnuthill.org. Under the Donate tab click Online Giving. Thank you to all our parishioners for your support; your weekly/monthly commitment greatly assists us in planning for the entire year.

Our parishioner and pastoral council member, Brenda Sheridan, has shared an inspiring Epiphany reflection that can be found on our website. Please visit the link on our homepage: https://stignatiuschestnuthill.org

Start off the New Year right! Ensure your contact information is correct in the Parish database. For assistance or to update your information, contact the Parish Office: 617-552-6102 or email ignatius@bc.edu

Contact the Parish Office with questions: 617-552-6102 or email ignatius@bc.edu

RSVP:
Pastoral Council
As we begin the New Year, we would like to thank all those who participated in the seven Listening Sessions we sponsored last month. We are currently compiling what we heard, praying about it, and will be discussing it at our full-day meeting this weekend. If you have any thoughts or concerns, we encourage you to speak with us personally or email us at pastoralcouncil@bc.edu. After our meeting, we will update the parish on the direction of our discernment and any decisions that we’ve made by consensus with our pastor. Know that your support and prayers are greatly appreciated as we discern how best to continue our growth as a parishioner driven parish.

Outreach Ministries
Shattuck Fourth Tuesday
We’ll be serving supper to the Shattuck Shelter Guests on Tuesday, January 22nd. As always, we’ll need desserts to bring to complement the meal. If you are able to provide a dessert, please plan to bring it to the Parish Office by 3:30 p.m. on the 22nd. Thank you!

January Senior Luncheon
Wednesday, January 30th
Following the 12:15 Mass
Friary Room
If you are a Senior who would like to be a part of the gathering, it is essential that you RSVP to Sr. Diane no later than Friday, January 25th: 617-552-6107.

Now that Christmas is Over:
Our ministry partners are in great need year-long. Plan to take a few minutes to visit their websites. You may find that you’d like to continue supporting them, with donations and/or volunteering your time and talents.

Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program:
https://www.bhchp.org
The Family Van: www.familyvan.org
Hearth for Homeless Elders: www.hearth-home.org
Julie’s Family Learning Program: www.juliesfamily.org
Lemuel Shattuck Hospital:
www.mass.gov/shattuckhospital
Nativity Preparatory School: www.nativityboston.org
Nazareth House: www.ccab.org
Pine Street Inn (Shattuck Shelter): www.pinestreetinn.org

Men’s Spiritual Growth
The next meeting will be on January 16th.

Week of Christian Unity
January 18th - 25th
Theme: "Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue."
This year’s theme is inspired by Deuteronomy 16:18-20.

Faith Formation
St. Ignatius Youth Group
St. Ignatius has launched a new Youth Group and is holding its second meeting on January 13th at 4 p.m. We will head over to the 5:30 Mass together afterwards for all who would like to go! All high school-aged students are welcome; come on out and bring a friend! Please RSVP to Adam Dirnberger at dirnberg@bc.edu.

A huge thank you to everyone who was involved in our parish’s Christmas Pageant, from the children who performed and proclaimed the readings to the numerous parent volunteers. It was a beautiful celebration enjoyed by all!

Music Ministries
Our music ministry involves nearly 100 professional and volunteer vocalists, instrumentalists, and conductors. And there’s room for more! To musicians of all backgrounds, ages, and ability levels: we need you! Whether you are a parishioner, a Boston College or STM student; whether you are new to the parish or have been around for years: we need you! For more information, speak to any of our ensemble leaders, cantors, or keyboardists after Mass or contact Matthew Anderson, andersyw@bc.edu. Come join us!

Book Discussion
January 20th at 11:15 a.m.
Choir Media Room
The discussion of On the Brink of Everything by Parker Palmer, originally scheduled for December, has been re-scheduled for January 20th. All are welcome.

Visit our website for photos of our Christmas Eve Children’s Pageant.
**Save the Dates**

**Movie Night at MFA, January 16th | 8:00pm**
Fr. Joe, some members of the Pastoral Council and of our parish Movie Film Group are planning to attend a screening of the 1966 classic with Rosalind Russell and Haley Mills, “The Trouble with Angels.” Consider joining us for this wonderful movie. You may purchase tickets at: https://www.mfa.org/programs/film/the-trouble-with-angels-0.

**Where the Guns Go:**
**U.S. Policy and Human Rights in Mexico**
January 20th | 7 - 9 p.m.
Choir/Media Room
Join Maria Termini, a parishioner on the Peace, Justice & Reconciliation Commission, to view this short film on uncontrolled arms and corruption. A discussion will follow. For more information, contact: mariatermini2013@gmail.com.

**Develop an Ecological Rule of Life for 2019**
January 25th, February 1st, 8th & 15th
7 p.m. | Boston College - Simboli Hall
Over five weeks, we will explore spiritual practices to support ecological conversion and engage in concrete actions (personal and communal) to support climate justice. We will use the Laudato Si Pledge to frame our commitment to pray, live simply, and advocate for creation. At the end, participants will have developed an ecological rule of life to take into the New Year along with a fortified commitment to more sustainably living.
To Register: jennifer@catholicclimatemovement.global

**Peace, Justice & Reconciliation**

January 27th | 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Choir/Media Room
Anne Berwick, Co-Director of Sustainability of the City of Newton, will talk to us about Newton’s decision to contract for 60% renewable energy for electricity (46% above the state-mandated 14% for 2019), effective March, 2019. Come join us and learn how you can help to reduce our carbon footprint.
For more information, contact: ignatius@bc.edu

**Green Team Prayer**
God who delights in the land, who brings joy with gifts of water and ground, who bathes us in holy wisdom: help us to give proper care to this planet. Teach us how to assist those who tend her soil, to conserve and to protect your beloved earth.
**Action: Consider a plant based diet**
According to the Environmental Working Group, if everyone in the US chose a vegetarian diet, it would be the equivalent of taking 46 million cars off the road. At least 20% of our personal carbon footprint comes from the food we eat. Beef, pork, lamb and cheese have high carbon footprints.

**Please pray for:**
**Saturday, January 12th**
9 a.m. - Helen D. Shannahan
4 p.m. - Sarita Bhalotra
**Sunday, January 13th**
8 a.m. - Catherine Mannix, Francis Mannix, & Mary Mannix Slaughter
10 a.m. - Francesca Ferreira Da Silveira
12 p.m. - Francis Soo
5:30 p.m. - Ernest Dimattia
**Tuesday, January 15th**
12:15 p.m. - Douglas G. Krein
**Wednesday, January 16th**
12:15 p.m. - Gennaro Di Iacovo

**Women’s Retreat**
March 8th - 10th
Connors Retreat Center - Dover, MA
Treat yourself to a weekend of prayer, quiet reflection and conversation with other women of the Parish, led by spiritual director and parishioner Clare Walsh, MHSH. Registration will be open soon!
Contact: Mary Dailey - marysuppledaiy@gmail.com, 617-332-6987
Martha Sullivan - marthasull@verizon.net, 508-668-7268
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**Spiritual Life**

**Thursday, January 17th**
12:15 p.m. - Robert Celic, Sr.
**Friday, January 18th**
12:15 p.m. - Ralph Biagiotti
**Saturday, January 19th**
4 p.m. - Donald P. Murphy
**Sunday, January 20th**
8 a.m. - Anne E. Sullivan
10 a.m. - Michael McCormack
10 a.m. (Family) - James J. Kennedy
12 p.m. - Mary MacLellan
5:30 p.m. - Mary Dafarra
**The Baptism of the Lord**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

**Sunday**  
Upper Church  
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, 5:30 p.m.  
Lower Church  
10:00 a.m., Family Liturgy  
12:00 p.m., Misa En Español En La Capilla Lannon

**Weekday**  
Lower Church  
12:15 p.m. & 5:30 p.m [Friday Adoration-- 12:45 p.m.]

**Saturday**  
Lower Church  
9:00 a.m.  
Upper Church  
4:00 p.m. (Vigil)

**Reconciliation**—Saturdays, 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. in the Upper Church or by appointment.

**Baptism**—Adults are baptized at the Easter Vigil as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Infant and child Baptisms are by arrangement.

**First Eucharist**—Preparation begins in grade one and includes classes, retreats, and home instruction. Children receive First Eucharist in grade two.

**Confirmation**—Our Confirmation program begins in 9th grade; students are confirmed in the spring of 10th grade. For young adults who have been baptized but are not yet confirmed, contact the parish office.

**Matrimony**—Parishioners, BC Grad and non-parishioners are welcome to be married at St. Ignatius. Contact the parish office for available dates and details.

**Anointing of the Sick**—By arrangement. Contact the parish office.

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Newcomers to St. Ignatius are invited and encouraged to formally register as members of the parish so that we can stay in touch with you via email with Faith Formation news, notice of special events, volunteer opportunities and more. Registration forms are available at the back of the church in the gathering space or on the website.

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 or sponsor letters.
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