WALKING WITH THE EXCLUDED
CAMINAR CON LOS EXCLUIDOS
Dear Parishioners,

This week's theme of “Walking with the Excluded” lends itself to many interpretations. But for me, it speaks loudly to one of the (unfortunately many) divisive issues of our time: immigration. I have worked with immigrants for more than a decade, and have had the opportunity to see first hand the incredible faith and resilience of those who have sought to make a better life for themselves and their children. Massachusetts is home to more than 1 million immigrants. One fifth of all workers in the state are foreign born. Nearly half of the foreign born in Massachusetts have become U.S. citizens. Yet others, including nearly 6,000 “Dreamers” – young undocumented people who came to the U.S. as children – have no current legal pathway to do so. They find themselves facing uncertainty, fear of family separation, and – increasingly – hateful rhetoric. Rhetoric that does not only do damage to immigrants, but to society as a whole. The issues are large and complex and seemingly intractable. But the image of “walking with” is one of accompaniment, a strong Jesuit tradition.

To me, accompaniment means meeting those in need where they are and providing support and hope. I believe that we are all called to this work – to stand alongside those who have been marginalized in the world and to accompany them. But accompaniment also means countering the hateful rhetoric that attempts to divide – to create an “us” and a “them.” So during this week, I invite us to “walk with the excluded” and to take action in our faith by standing unwaveringly for respect for human dignity.

Peace,

Jessica Chico, Immigration Committee

1All statistics from: https://www.americanimmigrationcouncil.org/sites/default/files/research/immigrants_in_massachusetts.pdf
Thank you for your support of the 2019 Catholic Appeal. As a result of your generosity we have already reached 69% of our goal. For those of you who have not yet donated, please help us reach our goal by making a pledge to the Appeal’s life-changing work. Donation forms are available at the entrances of the Church or visit our website to make a donation online.

Pastoral Council

We are currently beginning the process of replacing two members whose terms will expire in May. If you would like to recommend yourself or someone whom you believe has the gifts and desire to join us in this essential work for our parish, please email that name or names to pastoralcouncil@bc.edu.

In the gathering place at the entrance to the Upper Church is a poster identifying current Pastoral Council Members. Any Pastoral Council member would be glad to speak with you on issues that impact us as we journey together at St. Ignatius. You may also arrange to speak with any one of us through our email address.

Easter Vigil Reception Help Needed!

Volunteers are needed to provide refreshments and for clean-up at the reception to welcome the newly baptized members of our parish after our Easter Vigil. If you can donate a food item and/or help with clean-up, please let us know by emailing ignatius@bc.edu or calling 617-552-6102.

All are welcome to the Vigil reception!

Peace, Justice & Reconciliation

Prayer

Oh Lord, may we sow beauty and not pollution and destruction
Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain
At the expense of the poor and the earth.

Live More Simply - Eat Simply for Lent

Consider moving to a more plant-based diet.

Focusing our diets on plant-based meals and enjoying meat as an occasional treat is a sustainable way of living in our common home. Cattle ranching is the leading cause of deforestation in Brazil’s Amazon and across Latin America – in Brazil, it is responsible for approximately 80% of all deforestation. This land is often taken illegally from indigenous people.
Outreach Ministries

CRS Rice Bowl 2019 | Third Week of Lent - Encounter Christyan

Christyan Dhath Croos is from Sri Lanka, but spent half of his life in India after his family fled there during Sri Lanka’s civil war. When he returned to his homeland his family’s farm was in shambles. CRS is helping Christyan and others like him rebuild their lives and revitalize their farms, so Christyan can give his family things he never had, like an education. With the profits from the family’s farm, Christyan can send his 4-year-old son, Godwin, to a private Catholic preschool so Godwin can achieve his dream of becoming a scientist. Christyan is teaching his family that they can achieve their dreams with the help of a good education and he’s also making sure they understand the importance of helping others. “When we had nothing, CRS came and helped us and now we have what we need. We should help others too.”

CRS Rice Bowls are on the Outreach table and in the Lannon Chapel.

Our Socks and Flip-Flops Drive for Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program continues until March 31st – just two more weekends! Help us collect new white socks and new shower flip-flops for women and men living in shelters and on the streets. Look for the collection box by the Outreach table and outside the church kitchen. Let’s see if we can surpass last year’s collection of just over 500 pairs of socks!

Pine Street Inn Shattuck Shelter Springtime Meal

Our annual Meal will be on Saturday, April 6th. Sign-up materials, to donate food and your time and energy (kitchen prep and serving) are on the Outreach table.

Faith Formation

St. Ignatius’ High School Youth Group

Sunday, March 24th | 4 - 5:30 p.m.
Parish Office Garden Level

Youth Group Service Opportunities

March 30th - Pine Street Inn 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
8-10 volunteers needed (age 15+) to help with meal prep.

April 13th - Marian Manor 1:45 - 4 p.m.
10 volunteers needed (any age) to help with resident transfers and Bingo!
Contact Adam at dirnberg@bc.edu.

"Abide" this Holy Week

High school teens are invited to Abide, a 25-hour event, starting on Good Friday at 5PM and ending on Holy Saturday, that invites high school teenagers to partake in a 24-hour fast, in observance of Holy Week, and spend most of the day Holy Saturday serving others.
For more information: http://abideboston.com/
If you are interested, contact Adam: dirnberg@bc.edu.

Project Bread’s Major Fundraiser is just 49 days away!

How will you be involved this year - walking, running, volunteering, sponsoring? TEAM IGNATIUS did an awesome job last year. Let’s do even better this time around! REGISTRATION IS OPEN! You can register as an individual or as a member of TEAM IGNATIUS.
Go to www.projectbread.org and click on Walk for Hunger.

Shattuck Fourth Tuesday is this week!

Desserts are always needed, so if you could provide one, please bring it to the Parish Office by 3:30 p.m. Thank you!

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Eric Haydel, Director of Art & Environment, leading the Lenten program We Are One Body: Prayer in Art and Architecture on Monday, March 18th. Thank you to all of the speakers and musicians who participated in this prayerful experience.
Lenten Taizé Prayer
Mondays: March 25th & April 8th
8 - 8:30 p.m. | Upper Church
Join BC Campus Ministry for a memorable time of quiet candlelit meditation, simple music, uplifting readings and peaceful silence.

Ignatian Volunteer Corps
Tuesday, March 26th | 6 p.m.
Somerville Brewing Company
Fr. Don MacMillan, S.J., will be the guest speaker on the theme of Spirituality and Service in the Second Half of Life. Friend-raisers are a chance to meet IVC New England volunteers, spiritual reflectors, and regional council members and learn more about the work of the Ignatian Volunteer Corps in New England.

A Discussion on Sacraments
Thursday, March 28th | 6:30 p.m.
Choir/Media Room

Sr. Bernie Barrett, SHSP
March 30th & 31st - all Masses
Sr. Bernie has served Lake Providence, LA, a black community where 40% of the residents live below the poverty line, for ten years. She is known as a bridge between cultures. Come witness, hear her commitment to justice, and support her efforts at all of our Sunday Masses and the 4 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass. All are welcome!

Please pray for:
Saturday, March 23rd
4 p.m. - Shamintha Xavier
Sunday, March 24th
8 a.m. - Edward F. Doyle
10 a.m. - Therese Hayes
10 a.m. (Family) - Dave Amberg
12 p.m. - Pauline & Eugene Sullivan
5:30 p.m. - Rosemary Campbell
Monday, March 25th
12:15 p.m. - Frank Savage
5:30 p.m. - Costantino Sabatini
Tuesday, March 26th
12:15 p.m. - Robert J. Duquette
Wednesday, March 27th
12:15 p.m. - Maximo Calabretti
Thursday, March 28th
12:15 p.m. - Lillian Spinelli
5:30 p.m. - Anne Regolino
Friday, March 29th
12:15 p.m. - Mary White
5:30 p.m. - James C. Bowdring
Saturday, March 30th
9 a.m. - Sr. Mary Janice Bartolo, SNDdeN
4 p.m. - Cec Hargraves
Sunday, March 31st
8 a.m. - Charlie O’Reilly
10 a.m. - James Joseph Kennedy
10 a.m. (Family) - John F. Smith
12 p.m. - Rosemary Campbell
5:30 p.m. - Joyce Haydel

Kindness and Civility in Society:
A Call to Common Purpose
Wednesday, March 27th | 6:15 p.m.
Courtyard Marriott Downtown Boston
It is not just what you say, but how you say it that matters. Today, that is especially true in our polarized political setting. In a time when disagreement too often leads to hatred and disrespect, join A Faith That Does Justice for a conversation about civility and kindness in society.

Via Crucis Bilingüe con Música
Bilingual Stations of the Cross with Music
Todos los viernes de Cuaresma comenzando las 6:00 p.m. en la iglesia de arriba. Every Friday during Lent, at 6 p.m. in the upstairs church.

Mount Alvernia Academy
Open House
Wednesday, March 27th
8:30 - 10:00 a.m.
MAA is a Catholic, Franciscan elementary school (Preschool-Grade 6) committed to educating the whole child, spiritually, emotionally, and intellectually. For more information, email admissions@maa.school.
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Closed 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.)

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)

Other Sacraments

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 Grads 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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