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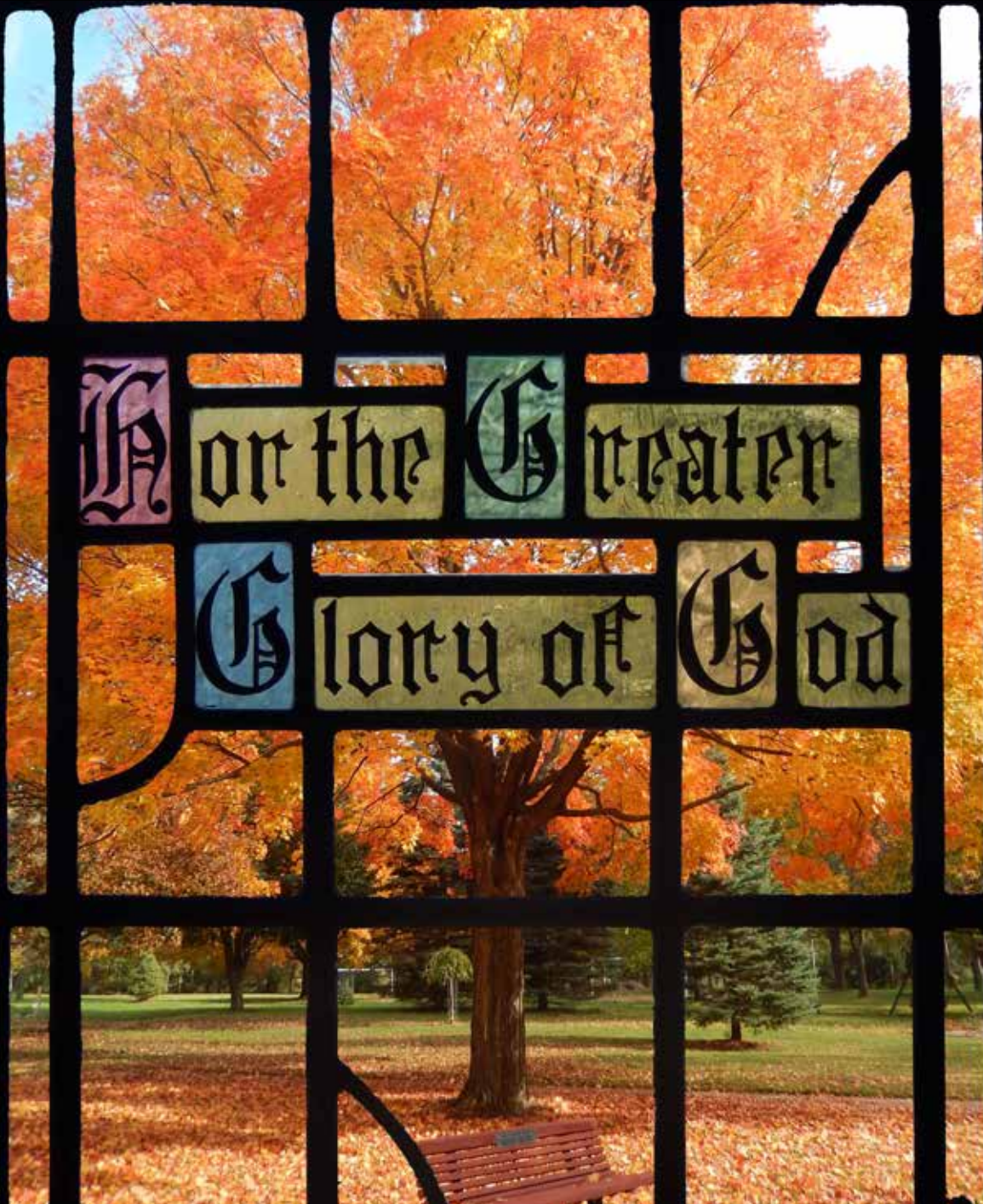
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From the Editor

The chapel is my favorite place at Manresa with its striking “AMDG” [*Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*] stained glass window behind the altar. Down the hall is another window reflecting the English translation: “For the greater glory of God.” The latter, depicted on the front cover, serves as the theme for this issue of *Manresa Matters*. On the next page **Fr. Daly** talks about the importance of these words in his own life, while on page 5 he explains what they meant for **St. Ignatius** and his followers.

Giving greater glory to God results from placing ourselves in His service. You will meet several servants of Christ in the articles that follow. These are men and women who glorify God by humbly serving others at Manresa. Read on to learn about people like these:

- **Ron Steinmayer**, who created something beautiful for the Montserrat chapel (page 4);
- **Pat Seibold**, who shared her love of music in an article about the Psalms (page 6);
- **Isaac Hanna**, who helped to provide a sacred space for prayer and reflection on the grounds (page 7);
- **Jesuits**, who shared their knowledge by teaching about Ignatian spirituality (page 8);
- Donors like **Richard Jobbagy** and others who financially support Manresa’s Mission (pages 10-11);



Publications Team, left to right are (back) Paul Seibold, Steve Raymond, George Seroka, Hugh Buchanan, and (front) Anne Smith, Fr. Peter Fennessy, SJ and Grace Seroka.

- Staffers like **Ruth Ann Stevens**, who have served guests by the work they do (page 13);
- Leaders like **Fr. Florek** (page 14) and **Fr. Wright**, (page 15) who, with their teams, have helped develop the spirituality and leadership of others;
- Interns like **Alex Barrera**, who have provided spiritual companionship and retreats to fellow Hispanics (page 16);
- Publication team members like **George Seroka**, who created the front cover by adding fall foliage from the house’s north side behind the window on its south side. George also created the “then” and “now” collages (page 9); and he and his wife and fellow team member, **Grace**, shared highlights from their pilgrimage (page 17).



AMDG window in the main chapel

AMDG,



Anne Smith

P.S. Don’t miss out on the “bonus material” in our E-supplement for those articles marked with a star!

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From Our Executive Director

Life changes but continues. With this fall we conclude the celebration of our 90th anniversary. Throughout our celebration we were blessed by the kindness and generosity of our benefactors as well as a number of wonderful events. We look forward to continuing our Ignatian Mission at Manresa with gratitude and zeal.



Francis J. Daly, SJ

Our theme for this issue of *Manresa Matters* is “For the Greater Glory of God.” When I began high school at St. Ignatius, Chicago, I was taught to place AMDG [*Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*] in the upper left hand corner of every paper I wrote. My Jesuit teachers made sure I knew the reason God created me; all my thoughts, words and actions were to give praise and reverence to God and serve all my brothers and sisters. As a young Jesuit, I learned that from the beginning of the Society of Jesus our mission was to announce the Good News of Jesus’ life and love, traveling throughout the world ever intent on seeking the greater glory of God, our Lord, and the salvation of souls. [*Jesuit Constitutions*, 605]

Manresa Jesuit Retreat House continues to share in that same Jesuit mission today, by welcoming men and women to deepen their relationship with God and to respond to God’s loving mercy by serving others. **Dave Fleming, SJ** in his little book, *What Is Ignatian Spirituality?*, reminds us:

“God is ever at work in people’s lives, inviting, directing, guiding, proposing, suggesting and the practices associated with Ignatian spirituality are designed to help us be more attentive to this active God in our busy lives.”

An Ignatian retreat offers us some quiet time to become aware of our active God and helps us to become men and women for others.

In the following articles you will meet some of our staff, board members, volunteers and spiritual companions who are true servants of Christ, intent on seeking the greater glory of God and serving others. They labor with Christ to keep Manresa a sacred place where retreatants may come to rest for a while and abide with Christ. On retreat, Christ renews our strength and enables us, in turn, to renew our spirit of service for others. Please remember a weekend retreat or a day of reflection is a great way to give honor and glory to our merciful God.

The Jubilee Year of Mercy also is coming to an end. I hope this year we have grown in appreciation of the many ways God has bestowed His mercy on us and that we are becoming instruments of God’s mercy for our brothers and sisters in need. May we dedicate ourselves this fall to give greater glory and service to our God.

Take Time to Disconnect ~ In Order to Reconnect!

Why? So that God can do what God desires in you.

How? With an attitude of . . .

Openness
Generosity
Courage

When? Pick any date that fits your schedule. (You don’t have to be part of any particular group.)



All Manresa retreats are based on Ignatian spirituality: noticing God in your everyday life, learning more about God’s unconditional love for you . . .

I woke up this morning much more relaxed and at peace with myself than I was Friday morning. ~ Walt Meiers

I feel I’m making better choices in my daily life because of this new relationship with Jesus. ~ Charlene Rogier

Especially as a woman, taking the time to feed your soul . . . so important so you can nourish your family. ~ Cheryl Wojcicky

The experience has impelled me to continue my re-connection with Christ ever more solidly. ~ James Knaus

The whole experience made me feel closer to God and what he wants of me. ~ Jacqueline Johann

Editor’s note: [Click here for more information about “Retreats” at Manresa.](#)

Behind the Scenes



Ron Steinmayer created the stained glass windows in the Montserrat chapel between 1995 and 1997.

Did you know that the windows in the Montserrat chapel were designed and created by retreatant **Ronald F. Steinmayer** almost 20 years ago? It was only recently, however, that Ron was recognized with a plaque for his beautiful contribution to Manresa.

Ron began his stained glass hobby in 1976. After designing increasingly more intricate boxes, lamps and windows, he gave up working with glass to pursue other endeavors. However, when good friend **Fr. Jim Serrick, SJ** (executive director at the time) asked if he would make stained glass windows for the new Montserrat chapel, Ron returned to his abandoned hobby with zeal!

Asked not to cover the windows completely, Ron made four separate designs, each with a special significance that he shares here, in the order in which they were created:

Lower Left: This window symbolizes “The Triumph of the Cross.” The cross is made from beveled glass, kept free of color for the sun to highlight. The red tinted glass symbolizes the blood that Christ shed for us.

Upper Right: This window honors Mary, the Mother of Christ. The center “MR” (Maria Regina) symbol was taken from Mary’s altar in the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery mausoleum where Ron’s parents are buried. The crown honors Mary as Queen of heaven and earth.

Upper Left: This window honors the Jesuits. The pattern for the “IHS” (Greek abbreviation for the name of Jesus) was found in an old book of religious glass patterns.

Lower Right: This window honors the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove descending in pinkish clouds from heaven upon Jesus, Who is represented by the cross in the circle held in the dove’s beak. The golden rays symbolize the graces that God showers upon the earth.

It took two years to complete all four windows, after which Ron gave away his equipment and supplies, ensuring that these were the last pieces of glass he would ever make.

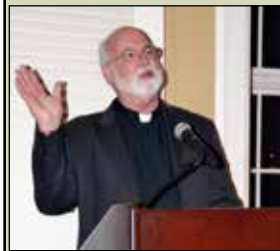
~ by Anne Smith

Leadership Banquet

Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Hills was the setting for the April 23 Leadership Banquet, where nearly 200 guests enjoyed elegant dining in a room overlooking the fairway.



Archbishop Allen Vigneron, guest of honor, received a plaque from Executive Director **Fr. Fran Daly, SJ** (center) memorializing a tree planted on the grounds in thanks for the Diocese’s continuing welcome to Manresa. Associate Director **Steve Raymond** is on the left.



The talk by keynote speaker **Fr. Greg Boyle, SJ**, executive director of Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles and author of *Tattoos on the Heart*, focused on the need for outreach and compassion.

Fr. Greg Hyde, SJ, former executive director, presented a Lifetime Achievement Award to **Hugh Buchanan**, former associate director, who expressed his sincere thanks to family, friends, Jesuits, staff and especially **Mary Ellen**, his “bride” of 44 years.



From Hugh’s Acceptance Speech: “Walking on Manresa’s grounds can give a spiritual connection to the 90 years of prayerful people who walked and prayed where we walk and pray today. It rises in the dust and fills the air we breathe. . . [I]t is because it is a place where many people have been able to encounter Christ and for that reason, it is holy ground.”

“The Mission of helping people in their spiritual growth could not happen without the generations of people like you, the true heroes and lifetime achievers who build our lives and sustain the treasure Manresa is to the Archdiocese and the world. I am forever grateful God placed me for a time where you could love me into His grace.”

Manresa is very grateful to our sponsors for this event. Please turn to page 18 to see a list of their names and help us thank them by your patronage.

~ by Paul Seibold and Anne Smith

Servants of Christ

In November 1537, **Ignatius of Loyola** and two of his first companions, **Peter Faber** and **James Lainez**, were on their way to place themselves at the service of the Pope. Outside of Rome Ignatius stopped to pray at a small roadside chapel. It was here that Ignatius experienced his “Vision at La Storta,” in which he saw Jesus carrying His cross and God the Father saying to Jesus, “I want You to take this man as your servant.” And Jesus then said to Ignatius, “I want you to serve Us.”

Since his conversion in 1521, Ignatius frequently prayed to Mary to place him with her Son. This vision certainly confirmed for Ignatius and his friends that they were called to be companions of Jesus and to serve under the banner of the cross. The Jesus Ignatius encountered in his vision at La Storta is the same Jesus he heard in the “Kingdom Meditation” of the *Spiritual Exercises* Who said to His disciples:

“It is My will to serve the whole world, conquering all evils through love, and thus to enter the glory of God. Therefore, whoever wishes to come with Me must be willing to labor with Me that by following Me in suffering, you may follow Me in glory.”

Throughout the *Spiritual Exercises*, Ignatius presents Jesus taking the initiative, inviting retreatants to be His disciples and journey with Him in sharing the Good News and in freeing people from their demons and fears. Ignatius desired to form faithful and generous servants like Jesus’ first disciples, who would strive to keep the mission of Jesus alive.

Ignatius wanted these servants of Christ to be free and available to go anywhere in the world so that everyone

could have life in Jesus’ name. He intended the *Spiritual Exercises* to assist a person to develop this kind of freedom by acquiring greater self-knowledge and the capacity to relate to Jesus more intimately. Ignatius reasoned that if a person begins to know and love Jesus as a companion and friend, he discovers the way to follow Him and be zealous in his own life of service.



“The Vision at La Storta”, artist unknown, Rome, before 1611, oil on canvas, 182.5 × 132cm., Munich, Bavarian State Art Collection.

The mysticism of St. Ignatius was not a flight from the world. Rather, it always led to greater awareness of and engagement with the world. His mysticism is still a mysticism of service.

In his letters, Ignatius frequently employed the phrase “service and praise of God” and wrote in his Constitutions of the Jesuits, “the service of God” or “for the greater glory of God” more than 140 times.

Service and the “care of souls” is a definitive and characteristic orientation of the spiritual life of Ignatius.

Some years ago, **Fr. Pedro Arrupe, SJ**, Superior General of the Jesuits, referring to the mystical experience at LaStorta, said: “What was for Ignatius the culmination and summing up of so many graces received since his conversion, was for the Society [of Jesus] a pledge that it would share in the graces of the Founder in the measure in which it remained faithful to the inspiration that gave it birth.” Today, this is the challenge for all of us who embrace Ignatian spirituality. May we be faithful and generous in our response to Jesus, Who invites us to promote justice and care for those who are oppressed and forgotten by our world.

Pope Francis reminds us we are a sign of Jesus’ love and mercy for all peoples. Jesus persists in saying to us as He did to Ignatius at La Storta, “I want you to serve Us.” May our loving service give greater glory to God.

~ by Francis J. Daly, SJ

PRAYING WITH MUSIC

Psalm 50: Crying for God's Boundless Mercy

From the ritual beating of drums to the most sophisticated classical Mass, humankind has tried to reach out to God through music. In particular, the 150 poems called Psalms evince the best and worst of humans face-to-face with their Creator.

Scholars debate the authorship of the Psalms, but they attribute Psalm 50 with certainty to **David**, son of Jesse, slayer of Goliath, king and sinner. Psalm 50, *Miserere Mei* (Have mercy on me), bears examining in this, the Year of Mercy. King David stands spiritually naked before the Lord. He confesses his sin of seducing Bathsheba and admits his role in the slaying of her husband, Uriah. He begs for mercy:

*“O purify me, then
I shall be clean. /*

*O wash me, I shall be whiter than
snow.” (Ps 50:9)*

The *Miserere* is one of the seven Penitential Psalms traditionally sung during the Lenten Tenebrae (darkening) as the candles were extinguished, one by one, on the Wednesday and Friday of Holy Week.

In 1638, **Gregorio Allegri** (1582-1652) wrote a *Miserere* at the behest of **Pope Urban VIII** for the choir of the Sistine Chapel. The pope declared that no copy of the *Miserere* be removed from the chapel under pain of excommunication. Then in 1770 **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart**, age 13, arrived in Rome on a tour of Italy with his father, **Leopold**. They visited St. Peter's during Holy Week and heard the *Miserere*, possibly twice. Later, at their lodging, the young Mozart copied the score from memory. This anecdote is documented by Leopold in an April 14 letter to his wife. The Mozarts set out for Naples but were summoned back to Rome by the reigning **Pope Clement XIV**. Rumors of Mozart's purloined *Miserere* had spread. Far from excommunicating Mozart, the pope praised him for his genius.

Allegri's *Miserere* is simple: a quartet and a larger choir alternately sing the verses, which are introduced in five repetitions by a phrase of chant.



King David, Eastern France, Troyes, ca. 1280

Though built around a solid harmonic foundation, often the vocal lines clash with dissonance. This reflects the anguish of the sinful David begging to be forgiven.

When the quartet sings alone, a soprano soars upward to a celestial high C. Under the form then prevailing, improvisations might vary from singer to singer. In addition, the acoustics of the designated space, the Sistine Chapel, enhanced the sound.

In 1953, **Joseph Gelineau, SJ** (1920-2008) published a new

version of the Psalms, enabling modern languages to achieve a more authentic setting of the rhythmic structure of the original Hebrew. Gelineau writes: “[The Psalms] force us to that meeting with the God without Whom we cannot live. . . . The Psalms compel us to belief and hope.”

~ by Patricia Seibold

Patricia Seibold graduated with a BMus from Marymount College, Tarrytown, NY in 1965 and added an MEd from Drury College, Springfield, MO in 1980. She taught elementary-level music for 40 years, the last 20

at Academy of the Sacred Heart. At Holy Name parish she has sung with the adult choir and is starting her sixth year directing the Children's Choir. She's interested in Gregorian chant and participates in the weekly Tridentine Masses at the Academy. An accomplished pianist and organist, Patricia coordinates Manresa's concert series (see page 16) and helps with the music for our annual Gala.



His Road to Manresa

Manresa friend and donor **Isaac Hanna** was born in Baghdad, Iraq in 1964, the third oldest child, with three sisters and two brothers. Thanks to his entrepreneur father's success, they enjoyed a privileged life, attended Catholic schools and were protected from the volatile environment. When Isaac was 13, his 48-year-old father made the loving decision to leave their comfortable life and migrate to America for the safety of the children.



Isaac sits on his father's lap watching his mother hold his younger brother; his two older sisters are standing.

anyone," he prayed. "Let it be on me." So Isaac attended summer school, becoming the first in his family to receive a high school diploma. Turning down a soccer scholarship, Isaac took over his dad's store (Pete's Market in Harrison Township) with two siblings so that the other three could attend college. He learned how to be successful "through the grace of God" and from people who offered their expertise. His dad helped, too, by visiting him in his dreams. Isaac and his two siblings ran Pete's from 1980 until 1991; then he purchased Country Lake Food Center in Highland from a soccer teammate whom he had helped the prior year. The family store was sold five years ago.

In the late 80s Isaac was asked to help a Jewish man, **Joe Davidorf**, to liquidate his supermarket. When Isaac refused \$500 payment for his help, Joe befriended him. In the mid-90s, while Isaac was helping him with his gas station franchise, Joe died. His wife **Frieda** insisted on gifting the franchise to Isaac. "I learned from this Jewish couple what it means to forget money and give your time, efforts and

They lived in Detroit for ten years before moving to Troy. Attending school without speaking English was his first challenge, but the greatest challenge, as well as loss, came for Isaac when he was 16. Just three years after moving to the US, his father died from a brain aneurysm. For six months prior Isaac heard a voice saying, "I will take him, but don't be afraid; I am here."

His first response to his father's death was a determination to care for his family. "Don't let my mom and siblings need



Isaac at age six with sisters Rita (left) and Nadia; Isaac was upset that his younger brother Ray was in trouble and not allowed to be in the photo.



Christian, Balsaam, Isaac and Julian Hanna.

deeds," Isaac reflected. "I still pray for Joe and Frieda to this day." This financial turning point allowed Isaac to ensure that his siblings and mother were well cared for. He married **Balsaam** on August 6, 1995, and they were blessed with two sons: **Julian**, 20, a junior at Wayne State, and **Christian**, 18, a sophomore at Oakland University. Isaac is currently CEO and president of Wireless Giant and serves on Manresa's Board of Directors.

Spiritually, Isaac credits his parents for setting the example of attending Mass and praying, and a friend for teaching him and encouraging him to read the Bible. Although he was angry and refused any relationship with God after his father's death, he later realized it was God who had been talking with him all along. "I pray I don't ever lose my relationship with Him anymore. It is very empty without



You are invited to sit in the Emmaus garden and ponder the empty tomb in the distance.

God." In 2004 a physician friend invited him to a retreat at Manresa, and he fell in love with the place that reminded him of the nuns' convent where he learned prayers as a child. "These

are holy grounds, where I come for peace and space with my good friend God. I want everything I do to have depth, and *it's not easy to have depth with God if you don't give time to God.*"

Isaac wanted to pay tribute to his father but also to help Manresa fulfill its Mission. His idea was inspired by the empty tomb portrayed at Lourdes; and after hearing the post-Easter Gospel from Luke 24:13-35, he, **Fr. Greg Hyde, SJ** and **Hugh Buchanan** expanded his idea to capture the journey depicted in the Road to Emmaus as a 15th station of the cross. "I hope all who walk the grounds are able to detach themselves from earthly things and feel the presence of the Lord. Here's the path with Jesus. Do you want to walk with Him?"

~ by Grace Seroka and Anne Smith

Jesuit Speaker Series

Our Jesuits offered lectures to the public in the Wernert lounge on five Tuesday evenings in honor of Manresa's 90th anniversary celebration.

Jan. 26 ~ Fr. Fran Daly, SJ gave a captivating overview of St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, by describing the three phases of his life: soldier-courtier, pilgrim-student and priest-founder.



Feb. 23 ~ Fr. Steve Hurd, SJ told the story of the Jesuit "reductions" that housed and sheltered Native Americans in South America in the 18th century using maps, photos and clips from the 1986 film

The Mission starring Jeremy Irons and Robert De Niro.

Mar. 15 ~ Fr. Bob Ytsen, SJ spoke about the Jesuit mission to English Catholics during the reigns of Elizabeth I and James I, where Jesuits caught bringing the sacraments were condemned as traitors, including 11 canonized and 18 beatified martyrs.



May 3 ~ Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ related his experiences training at Sadhana Institute with Fr. Anthony de Mello, SJ, who challenged his students to let go of their intellectualized doctrines

and romanticized images and experience God by living among His people.

May 31 ~ Fr. Peter Fennessy, SJ conveyed his impressions of "What is so Jesuit about Pope Francis?" by depicting him as the "quintessential Jesuit in all ways: life and spirituality" and by highlighting the connection between Francis' spirituality and the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises, which the pope has made over 60 times.



~ by Paul Seibold and Anne Smith

IGNATIANISMS:

Our Way of Proceeding

In the earliest days of the Society of Jesus **Fr. Jerome Nadal, SJ** was sent by **Ignatius of Loyola** to Jesuits throughout the world to communicate and engender Ignatian ideals and practices. Nadal constantly used the phrase—which he ascribed to St. Ignatius—"nuestro modo de proceder" (our way of proceeding), meaning a certain Jesuit ethos, certain attitudes, values, and patterns of leadership and ministry. These characteristics, he said, originated in the life of St. Ignatius and were shared by his first companions. Nadal wrote,

"God set [Ignatius] up as a living example of our way of proceeding."

After Vatican II, as Jesuits clarified their original charism, **Fr. Pedro Arrupe, SJ**, then Superior General of the Society of Jesus, often used the phrase. He wrote, "This way of proceeding is the reason why every son of the Society will always act and react in a consistently Jesuit and Ignatian way, even in the most unforeseen circumstances."

The exact content of this way has been variously described. In 1995 the Jesuits' 34th General Congregation listed eight characteristics appropriate for our times:

1. a deep personal love of Christ,
2. contemplation in action,
3. being an apostolic body within the Church,
4. solidarity with those most in need,
5. partnership with others,
6. a learned ministry,
7. being on mission and ever available for new missions and
8. ever seeking the *Magis*, the greater glory of God.

This list is directed primarily to Jesuits themselves. But the Ignatian ethos it describes has been embraced by Jesuit works and apostolates, and by those who work in partnership with Jesuits or share their spirituality. And these organizations and people may legitimately adapt this list of characteristics to their own situations and can then, together with their Jesuit colleagues, refer appropriately to "our way of proceeding."

~ by Peter Fennessy, SJ

CELEBRATING 90 YEARS

Continuing Our Ignatian Mission with Gratitude and Zeal

Manresa "Then" Composite by George Seroka



Then . . .

Members of the Laymen's Retreat League made their first retreat at Manresa the weekend of September 22-24, 1926. Mass was celebrated outdoors by the grotto on the feast of Corpus Christi. After a fire destroyed the house, new construction was completed in 1935. Originally only 20 men could be accommodated during a given retreat. The original chapel was completed in 1936.



90th festivities concluded at the 13th annual Gala on September 24, 2016. Rick Benedict (left) was the keynote speaker. Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ (right) was honored for completing his 50th year of priesthood.



Now . . .

Manresa now accommodates up to 70 men and women retreatants. Since 1935, six additions have expanded the building. Outdoor Masses are celebrated before the family picnic held each summer. Updates to the grounds include nature trails, The Labyrinth at Manresa and enhanced stations of the cross. The 15th station is nearly completed, and a Jesuit garden is now being initiated.



Manresa "Now" Composite by George Seroka



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Donor Spotlight



Dick Jobbagy

Richard (Dick) Jobbagy, who has made 38 retreats since 1981, recently informed us of his bequest to Manresa: his art collection. As one of the original

members of the St. Ignatius Legacy Society, Dick wanted to share how he decided to include us in his will.

One of the things that really makes me appreciate a Manresa retreat is that the mission of the Jesuits is worldwide. This global aspect provides priests with such a healthy variety of experiences with traditions, cultures and religious experiences from different areas with many different people. I find having a retreat director from any one of the global Jesuit locations fulfilling and very rich with stimulation for thought and prayer. I appreciate those aspects.

With something as important as estate planning, you're looking at your total picture, weighing all the aspects of your own life as well as how others have been influential in your life: how you respect them, how they respect you. Manresa has been a very integral part of my life both spiritually and personally. It's a place where I feel very comfortable whether it be on a retreat or just passing by for a visit; there's always a welcome feeling there. I felt that was something I needed to consider very personally and that it should be rewarded in a very personal way.

~ by Richard Jobbagy

Any questions???

If you have questions regarding a planned gift, visit our website www.manresasj.plannedgiving.org/ for answers and ideas. You will learn about various available options, many of which include financial and tax benefits for you such as:

- immediate income tax deduction
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- reduction of federal and state estate taxes
- elimination or reduction of capital gains tax if appreciated assets are donated.

NOTE TO ST. IGNATIUS LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBERS:

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 5:30 PM.

Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ will celebrate a liturgy in honor of his jubilee year for the St. Ignatius Legacy Society members. Dinner will follow.

What is the St. Ignatius Legacy Society?



The St. Ignatius Legacy Society was established to recognize and honor members of the Manresa community who have included Manresa in their will, trust or with a planned gift. These individuals demonstrate their commitment to Manresa's Mission through gifts that will preserve this sacred place for future generations.

Your membership involves no dues, obligations or solicitations, but it does allow us to thank you for the plans you have made and it may inspire generosity in others. St. Ignatius Legacy Society members are invited to Manresa's annual Mass and Appreciation Dinner and to society-specific events. Their names will also be listed on a special plaque within the new Jesuit Garden (see page 12).

How do you become a member? Just let us know of your plans by checking the box on the enclosed envelope and returning it to the attention of Rita Tinetti. You may contact Rita directly via email at rtinetti@manresa-sj.org or phone 248.644.4933 Ext. *815.

Your Gift To Our Annual Appeal Helps Others

At Manresa, we aspire to be a “Fire that kindles other fires” by providing a spiritual oasis in which to gain the peace, strength and comfort necessary to go forth and serve as we are called. Every day we hear stories of how these fires are spread in ordinary life:

When we come to Manresa, we are invited to share in God’s love. The Spirit fills us; we leave here with something that we can carry with us all day long. It is a spirit of gentleness, giving and patience with other people. Sometimes, in our charity work, we forget exactly why we are there helping the poor or helping the sick. Manresa gives us something that we can share with others, this love of God.

~ Lee

These fires burn brightly in our retreatants as they volunteer at hospice, visit prisoners, survive their addictions, comfort the bereaved, renew their vows, teach the young about Christ. Through their dedication, your gift serves countless others in more ways than ever can be imagined.

Your gift to the Annual Appeal—specifically the Adopt-a-Retreatant fund—helps those who would be unable to afford a retreat without your gift, people like Doug.

Doug had a choice to make: lose his family, his house and all he worked for or give up gambling. His 17-year-old son encouraged him to go when a friend invited him to an AA retreat at Manresa. However, because of his compulsive gambling, Doug could not afford to pay for a retreat. Your gift allowed him to come. During his retreat he encountered God in a way he never had before.

I’m unbelievably grateful for the opportunity to come here. It is set up in such a way that someone who is in unfortunate circumstances can still come here and find themselves. For myself, it’s the only way I could have been here, and it saved my life.

Please return your gift in the enclosed envelope. If you prefer, you can [click here to donate online](#). You may pay with check, Visa, MasterCard or American Express. You can also make a pledge and pay according to the schedule you specify.

Manresa is sustained due to the generosity of people such as you. As one retreatant put it, you are helping to “preserve this foretaste of paradise.”

~ by Rita Tinetti

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCES MATCHING GIFT CHALLENGE

A Message from Manresa’s Board Chair

Dear Manresa Family,

Manresa’s end of the year appeal is crucial in filling the gap between what is donated at retreats and Manresa’s bottom line. The Board wants to encourage a big response for this year’s appeal. Therefore, I am pleased to announce the Board’s decision to offer a matching gift for your donation.



We will match all gifts to our Annual Appeal over \$300 dollar for dollar up to \$12,000. Now your gift will go twice as far because we will double your gift!

Manresa’s tradition has always been to ask for a goodwill offering for our retreats, not a set charge. So many people have benefited from this policy—more than we’ll ever know. Manresa’s survival depends on those who are willing and able to give more for their fellow retreatants and help at the end of the year. I encourage you to take advantage of this match and give generously.

~ by Peter Kreher, Board Chair

You can now make a tax-free gift from your IRA! Congress makes the IRA Charitable Rollover permanent.

The IRA Charitable Rollover provides you with an excellent opportunity to make a gift during your lifetime from an asset that would be subject to multiple levels of taxation if it remained in your taxable estate.

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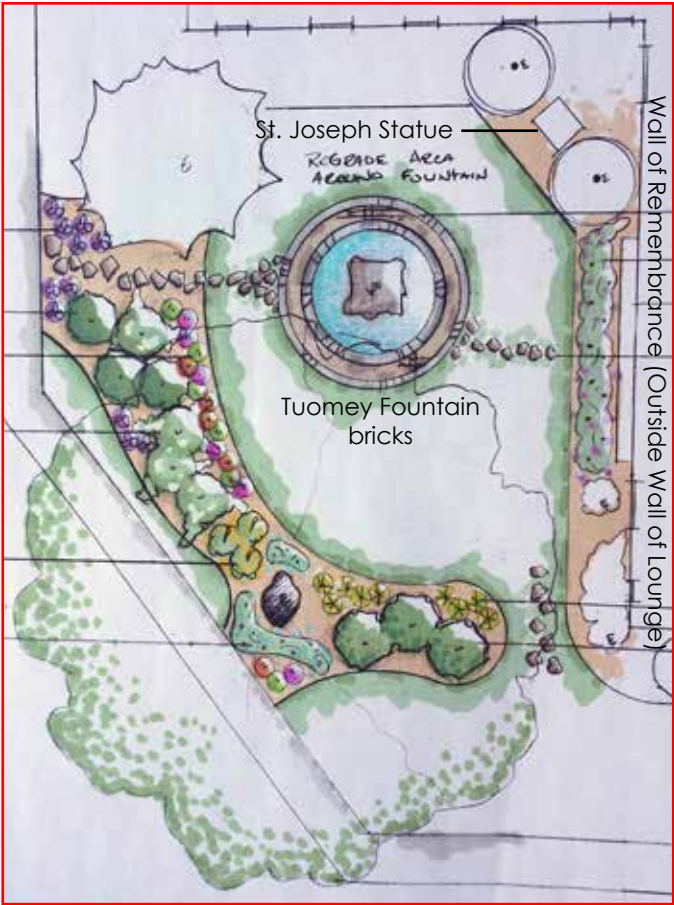
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We will contact you within two weeks of receiving this form regarding the engraving.

*The purchase of the plaques and bricks will underwrite the cost of creating the garden.
The garden will be installed when we have all the funds required to cover its cost.*

Staff Spotlight: Ruth Ann Stevens

Just out of sight, in the office behind receptionist **Jenny Chapman** and data specialist **Sharon Tomkowiak**, presides Manresa's business manager **Ruth Ann Stevens**. The three form the team that



Ruth Ann (right) at age four with Mary, one of her four sisters

Ruth Ann was born in the old Saratoga Hospital in Detroit as the fourth of five daughters. They moved to a 150+ acre farm in Armada when she was three months old, where life was "idyllic." Leaving the farm to attend Central Michigan University, she obtained a BA in Communications. This launched her into a radio career of over 20 years, first at a small radio station in Kalkaska, then at a number of Detroit stations, including WWJ, 950 AM and WVMV Smooth Jazz, 98.7 FM.

Leaving radio to care for her newborn son, she returned to work at an ad agency when **Charles** was two. She later answered an ad in *The Michigan Catholic* for what she thought was a parish job. An initial interview at Birmingham's Community House by Manresa comptroller **Tom Hurley** and consultant **Frank Cancro** was followed by a second interview at Manresa. Ruth Ann recalled driving onto the grounds for the first time: "I can scarcely describe the feeling I had: immensely warm and peaceful—almost like a high or buzz might be." She was hired as Manresa's first full-time receptionist, but after working with then associate director **Hugh Buchanan** to bring order to the retreat booking process, she found herself in a newly created position as the business manager.



Ruth Ann petting the family beagle at their farmhouse with sister Mary

first connects with the public, fielding questions and concerns of every kind. "We're three peas in a pod and we laugh a lot," notes Ruth Ann. "I can't teach a work ethic or a joy-filled attitude; Jenny and Sharon brought these with them. The retreatant evaluations constantly refer to the cheerfulness of the front office—a huge source of pride for me."

In addition to supervising the front office, Ruth Ann prepares weekly schedules for the staff and orders goods and services based on existing contracts.

She oversees housekeeping and works with dining services to arrange retreatant meals. Scheduling takes up the bulk of her day, and she's already booking into 2018. Student retreats are her favorite: "so joyful!"

"I love working here," says Ruth Ann. "Other than motherhood, it's the best job I've ever had."



Passionate about Manresa

Her Son Charles

Charles is 14, in the eighth grade at Four Corners Montessori in Madison Heights. Manresa staff and regular visitors well recognize the close and loving bond between mother and son. "In truth," Ruth Ann admits, "Charles is being raised by the 'village' of Manresa. How blessed I am!" Former Executive Director **Fr. Gregory Hyde, SJ** once remarked, "I've never seen anyone pray the stations of the cross on a bicycle before!" Charles and Ruth Ann joke that someday he'll write a book entitled *I Was Raised by the Jesuits*, which he promises will be complimentary.



Motherhood: the greatest job on earth

Charles reveals in his own words the effect Manresa has had on him: "I get to live in a beautiful place with God; no one else has that! God is here and He knows what I'm doing. I see God at the grotto, at the empty tomb and along the stations, which expose Him to me in a special way. I know more about God than my mom thinks I know because she's in the office but I can go see God. I don't pray with hands joined but I'll think, as in 'Thanks for calming me down.' I learn about God by thinking about Him. I try to keep God in my mind; I think about God every day."

~ by Paul Seibold

Annual Hispanic Retreat: “The Year of Mercy”

Last June 55 men and women in parishes from Metro Detroit to Ann Arbor and as far away as Holland, MI participated in a retreat we called “The Year of Mercy.” Ignatian spirituality guided the core team’s planning process, particularly in searching for God’s love beyond personal obstacles and in acts of justice for others. We listened carefully to the voices of the Hispanic experience, the voice of our Church today and Scripture to discern this year’s generative theme.

“The Year of Mercy” focus came to light during a five-month journey of prayer and sensitive listening to each other. The articulation of the theme was constructed by following the movements of the Spiritual Exercises, from the “Principle and Foundation” to the “Contemplation to Obtain Love.” And despite our diversity, we were amazed at how each of our perspectives on the topic of mercy came together in what could only be an act of the Holy Spirit.

In addition to the dedicated team of five core planners (**Marcela Solis, Alejandra Medina, Rocio Barajas, Juan Rivera** and **Fr. Tom Florek, SJ**), a significant contribution



For 12 years Manresa has welcomed Hispanic Ignatian retreats, as in this article, providing a holy, silent venue for an encounter with the Lord.

for the overall success of the retreat was made by our Hispanic leadership group referred to as *El Rincón Ignaciano*. Their valuable contribution of time and talent helped promote the retreat through their local networks; and the collaboration of everyone enabled smooth registration, careful accounting, a warm welcome and spiritual direction for each of the 55 retreatants.

El Rincón Ignaciano maintains a strong commitment to serve the Hispanic Catholic community. Our common mission is to provide Ignatian spirituality through retreats for adults and youth, workshops and special events. An Ignatian retreat was held at Manresa in late August for the 20-plus Hispanic leaders of *El Rincón*. Guided by **Fr. Phil Cooke, SJ**, a recent arrival to U-D Mercy and a Spanish speaker, the main objective was to reset our compass and our collaborative commitment, as evidenced by the retreat’s title: “Our Mission Today.” More about that in a future article!

~ by Fr. Tom Florek, SJ

Editor’s note: This article was translated into Spanish by Sergio Pagés as appears below.

Retiro Anual Hispana: “El Año de la Misericordia”

El pasado junio 55 hombres y mujeres de las parroquias de Metro Detroit, Ann Arbor y lugares tan lejanos como Holland, Michigan participaron en un retiro llamado “El año de la misericordia”. La Espiritualidad Ignaciana fue lo que dirigió el proceso de planificación del equipo, particularmente en buscar el amor de Dios más allá de los obstáculos personales y en actos de justicia hacia otros. El equipo escuchó atentamente las voces de la experiencia hispana, la voz de nuestra iglesia de hoy y las escrituras para discernir el tema generativo de este año.

El enfoque de “El año de la misericordia” salió a la luz durante un periodo de oración por cinco meses y escuchándonos atentamente el uno al otro. La articulación del tema fue construida siguiendo los movimientos de los ejercicios espirituales, desde el “Principio y Fundación” a la “contemplación para atener el amor.” Y a pesar de nuestra diversidad, estábamos asombrados de cómo cada uno de nuestros puntos de vista sobre el tema de la misericordia se unieron en lo que podría ser sólo un acto del Espíritu Santo

Además el equipo de cinco planificadores (**Marcela Solis, Alejandra Medina, Rocio Barajas, Juan Rivera** y el

padre **Tom Florek, SJ**), una contribución importante para el éxito del retiro fue hecha por nuestro grupo de líderes hispanos conocido como *El Rincón Ignaciano*. Su valioso aporte de tiempo y talento ayudó a promover el retiro a través de sus redes locales; y la colaboración entre todos habilitó el proceso de registro, la contabilidad, la dirección espiritual y la calurosa recepción para cada uno de los 55 participantes.

El Rincón Ignaciano mantiene un fuerte compromiso para servir a la comunidad hispana católica. Nuestra misión común es proporcionar la espiritualidad ignaciana a través de retiros para adultos y jóvenes, talleres y eventos especiales. Un retiro ignaciano se celebró en Manresa a finales de agosto para los más de 20 líderes hispanos de *El Rincón*. Guiados por el padre **Phil Cooke, SJ**, quien recientemente llegó a la Universidad de Detroit Mercy e hispano hablante, el objetivo principal de este retiro era restablecer nuestro compas y compromiso de colaboración, según lo evidenciado por el título del retiro: “Nuestra misión hoy.” ¡Más noticias sobre los logros de este retiro en un próximo artículo!

~ traducido por Sergio Pagés

Contemplative Leaders in Action



The Detroit CLA program is offered through a young adult initiative called "Faith in the D."

I am happy to introduce the Manresa family to an exciting new approach for bringing Ignatian spirituality to a new generation.

Contemplative Leaders in Action (CLA) is a two-year program for young professionals that integrates leadership development with the spirituality of St. Ignatius and the Jesuits. While the program nurtures personal growth, it also develops a community of peers who will bring the dynamics of faith and service to their workplaces, families and communities.

CLA was inspired by well-known Ignatian author **Chris Lowney** (*Heroic Leadership* and *Pope Francis: Why He Leads the Way He Leads*); his writings challenge people, as St. Ignatius did through his Spiritual Exercises, to live lives of service to others that transform the world. CLA was developed by the Jesuit Collaborative, a retreat ministry of the eastern US Jesuits, and has spread to eight major US cities. The local Detroit program is offered through "Faith in the D," the young adult initiative of Ss. Peter & Paul Jesuit Church, where I am pastor—but it

has Manresa's fingerprints all over it: it was planned in collaboration with **Ann Dillon** of the Manresa staff and **Carrie Czajka**, a graduate of Manresa's Internship and now the Program Director for CLA Detroit.

We are delighted to welcome 17 emerging leaders, ages 24-34, into our first cohort this fall. Many of them were nominated by senior business leaders, including some Manresa retreatants and Board members. While each monthly session focuses on some leadership skill or topic, the sessions broadly follow the dynamics of the Spiritual Exercises, leading participants through greater self-knowledge into the freedom to serve others in the pattern of Christ's self-giving love.

As **Fr. Daly** writes in his article "Servants of Christ" in this issue, the spirituality of St. Ignatius is "a mysticism of service" that always leads "to greater awareness of and engagement with the world." We are proud that in adapting CLA to Detroit, we have added a stronger emphasis on service to those with unmet needs and a focus on the particular challenges of being young leaders in the revival of the city of Detroit today.

*~ by Fr. Gary Wright, SJ
Manresa Board of Directors
Pastor, Ss. Peter & Paul Jesuit Church*

Men's Programs

For men this fall at Manresa there are two exciting offerings. The first is a book discussion group focusing on *Bonhoeffer, Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy* by Eric Metaxas. This riveting biography reveals Dietrich Bonhoeffer as a deeply convicted Christian who gave his all in confronting the evils of Nazism from a foundation of faith in God and His Word. This book is hard to put down once opened. It is sure to lead to lively exchanges. The four monthly discussions began on September 20.

Another offering for men is "Crossroads: Life's Journey," an interactive examination of the transitions in life, some occurring naturally, others unexpectedly. In a small group we will examine the aspects of change and their effects on individuals, leading to a better relationship with self, with others and ultimately with God. Join us for six weekly sessions starting October 13 at 7:00 PM.

~ by Joe Olesnavage



Joe Olesnavage Steve Raymond Hugh Buchanan

The book group is led by Joe Olesnavage and Steve Raymond. Joe and Hugh Buchanan facilitate "Crossroads."

Women's Programs Continue to Flourish



Anne Smith

Rosemary Insley

With many thanks to pioneers such as **Margaret Wheeler, Marian Love, Mary McKeon, Diane Neville** and **Denise Anderson**, retreats and other offerings for women are well in place at Manresa.

Building on this firm foundation, Manresa staffer **Anne Smith** will continue the Women to Women prayer sessions, and associate **Rosemary Insley** will facilitate the women's book group. Guest presenters will offer women's workshops and presentations as announced in *Manresa Memos* and online.

We are greatly blessed by a God Who continues to raise up those who are willing to serve the many women coming to pray and meet our Lord on these holy grounds.


~ by Steve Raymond

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March 5, 2017
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Featuring: **Danny, Danny
& Jimmy**
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Internship: Before & After

When I was seven years old, I almost died from rheumatic fever. After hearing the doctor ask me questions and give me the correct medicine, I dreamed of becoming a doctor to help others find solutions to their problems. Unfortunately, I made poor choices during my youth such as quitting school, bad friends, alcohol, drugs and becoming a gang member. By the grace of God, one day I was led to make a retreat. It was then that I recovered my true self.

At first I volunteered with various groups; but after my friend died from a drug overdose, I realized that I wanted to help others with drug problems and family dysfunctions and to teach youth the value of life. In November 2012 my wife, **Mary Barrera**, completed Manresa's Internship in Spiritual Companionship. I decided to become a spiritual companion like her to be a better help in the kingdom of God.

I am especially proud of the influence we have had on our children. My 13-year-old son, **Mateo**, who attends a youth group at Holy Redeemer, told me that he wants to help others as a spiritual companion like his parents. On the day I graduated, **Paula Dow** [who helped with the Internship] showed the retreat house to my daughters, **Tianna**, eight, and **Ariana**, four. They told her when they grow up they want to study in the same rooms that we did!

Silence. Prayer. Discernment. Love & Service. To me, these words are the principles, essence and foundation of Ignatian spirituality, the graces and fruits of the Holy Spirit every day of my life.

I am very grateful to Manresa and everyone who participated in our classes, the supervisors, teachers and wonderful spiritual directors. Since the internship my spiritual life has changed immensely, and I feel more confident in being a spiritual companion to others. Today, along with my wife, I help give retreats to the Hispanic community, provide spiritual companionship and facilitate the Spiritual Exercises. Last December we began a new group at Manresa for young adults, ages 20 to 40, and we guide youth leaders in Ignatian retreats. [Call 313.768.4821 for information.]



Alejandro on graduation day (April 17, 2016) with his family (from left): Ariana, Mary, Tianna, Alejandro and Mateo.

Ultimately, I became a spiritual companion. I won at life.

~ by Alejandro Barrera

If you are interested in the internship, contact Ann Dillon at 248.644.4933 Ext. *813 or email adillon@manresa-sj.org.



Pilgrimage 2016: Italy



Manresa pilgrims pose at Piazzale Michelangelo (Michelangelo's Plaza). Florence is in the background.

We were a group with little in common except that we were going to be living in the same close quarters of a bus for over a week. Or so we thought! We came to learn that we held much more in common than what separated us.

39 pilgrims, 11 days: chapels, churches, cathedrals, basilicas, St. Peter's, the catacombs; palaces, mosaics, Renaissance art of Bernini, Botticelli, Michelangelo, Caravaggio, Trevi Fountain, the Sistine Chapel; single, dating, married, widowed, Catholic, Protestant, Christian: One body, one Church, One Lord of all. "Come, be my Light!" (Don Rennie)

Daily morning prayer and Mass transformed our trip into a spiritual experience that fed our souls.

One of my favorite parts of the pilgrimage was daily Mass. It was a time to slow down, a time of coming home into my own familiar space with the Lord. It was wonderful and my spirit was very full. (Angela Mazur)

To see the beautiful churches and have Mass with the group was a very peaceful experience. I felt an inner peace with God. It seemed so easy to talk to Him at these Most Holy Places. The trip was very humbling for me. (John Conners)

After weaving our way through the charming canals of Venice, we moved from one city to the next, admiring the intricate mosaics in Ravenna and marveling at the incredible works of art in Florence and the beautiful countryside of Assisi.



Daniel Hubal carried the cross and led our procession through the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica.

Beneath the touristy structure was a calm, steady spiritual undercurrent that touched and nourished our souls daily. We experienced the journey on a deeply personal level. (Eli Ghith)

The meaning of the pilgrimage deepened after we entered Rome. Seeing the Forum and other ruins within the Eternal City, imagining them in their glory and opulence, made us realize how transitory and ephemeral even the most powerful civilization and its "indestructible" monuments really are: we gained a deeper appreciation for the permanence of the Kingdom of God!

At the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls five couples renewed their vows.

It has been 50 years for us; love and trust in God and each other have been our guide through the rough times, the sad times and the many, many happy times.

Processing through the Holy Doors gave us the opportunity to not only renew our vows but to reopen our lives and renew ourselves. (Bob and Marge Bryer)



The audience with the Pope was a once-in-a-lifetime event that we will always treasure.

This pilgrimage changed 39 diverse travelers into a group who shared the most intimate of spiritual bonds, unified in belief and Spirit, in a most profound and meaningful manner. It mirrored our personal faith journeys, reminding us that we are all in this together when our hearts are connected through the Spirit!

The audience and blessings of our Holy Father were beyond imagination. I will always remember the blessed feelings on this day. ... I was taken to another place in our lives, not only physically but mentally and spiritually as well. (Nancy Somervell)

One of our pilgrims captured the spirit of the experience by reflecting on the song "Jerusalem, My Destiny":

Coming home, I think we may begin to understand that the journey hasn't really ended. Our ongoing pilgrimage means we will continue to share with and care for all those we meet. Pope Francis calls on us to be the mercy of God for our brothers and sisters, to extend the compassion of Christ to all, so that no one will ever have to walk alone. (Patricia Rennie)

"Let no one walk alone. The journey makes us one."

~ By George and Grace Seroka



PREACHED RETREAT SCHEDULE

Choose any gender-specific retreat date that best fits your schedule—these are not restricted to the groups named. [To register click here](#) or call 248.644.4933 Ext. 10.

Conference Retreats for Men

DATES	NAME OF RETREATS & GROUPS	DIRECTORS
11/4-11/6, 2016	THE ST. RUPERT MAYER WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN – ASCENSION; HOLY NAME, Birmingham; IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, Ira Township; ST. BONIFACE, Oak Harbor, OH (Toledo Diocese); ST. CLEMENT - CENTER LINE	Fr. Fran Daly, SJ and Sr. Kathie Budesky, IHM
12/2-12/4, 2016	THE ST. FRANCIS XAVIER WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN – BAYER - TOLEDO - DEFIANCE	Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ
1/3-1/5, 2017	MIDWEEK FR. JOHN LaFARGE RETREAT for PROFESSIONAL MEN (Theme: "Last Lectures: If this were the last retreat Fr. Peter would ever give, what spiritual insights would he most want to pass on to you?")	Fr. Peter Fennessy, SJ
1/6-1/8, 2017	THE FR. JOHN COURTNEY MURRAY WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN—BISHOP GALLAGHER K of C; FATIMA - ST. JAMES; OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake; ST. PERPETUA, Waterford; ST. THOMAS (Chaldean) (Theme: "A Call to Mercy")	Fr. Fran Daly, SJ and Sr. Kathie Budesky, IHM
1/13-1/15, 2017	THE FR. JACQUES MARQUETTE WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN — ALHAMBRA; CHARLES L. PALMS, JR.; HENGSTEBECK GROUP; ST. JOAN OF ARC	Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ
1/20-1/22, 2017	THE ST. ISAAC JOGUES WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN — THE BUDD COMPANY; DIVINE CHILD, Dearborn; IRMEN GROUP; KASSAB; OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS, Beverly Hills; ST. THOMAS MORE, Troy (Theme: "Last Lectures: If this were the last retreat Fr. Peter would ever give, what spiritual insights would he most want to pass on to you?")	Fr. Peter Fennessy, SJ
2/3-2/5, 2017	THE FR. JOHN C. FORD WEEKEND RETREAT for AA MEN (Requires \$40 deposit)	Joe Shoots
3/3-3/5, 2017	THE ST. ROBERT SOUTHWELL WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN – FR. WERNERT GROUP; NOTRE DAME; YPSILANTI GROUP (Theme: "A Call to Mercy")	Fr. Fran Daly, SJ and Sr. Kathie Budesky, IHM
3/10-3/12, 2017	THE ST. NICHOLAS OWEN WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN – JOHN A. REUTER - ST. ANASTASIA - ST. ALAN	Fr. Bob Ytsen, SJ
3/31-4/2, 2017	THE BLESSED FRANCIS PAGE WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN – GRAND RAPIDS – METAMORA; ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA; WYANDOTTE - DOWNRIVER	Fr. Tim Babcock
4/7-4/9, 2016	THE ST. GABRIEL LALLEMANT PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN – PALM SUNDAY; TRAVERSE CITY	Fr. Bob Ytsen, SJ
4/13-4/15, 2017	THE FR. PIERRE TEILHARD DE CHARDIN HOLY WEEK RETREAT for MEN – HOLY WEEK - ST. REGIS - ST. OWEN	Fr. Steve Hurd, SJ
4/21-4/23, 2017	THE ST. ANDREW BOBOLA WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN – MOTHER OF GOD; ST. ANDREW BOBOLA MEN; ST. IRENAEUS, Rochester; U of D HIGH ALUMNI	Fr. Peter Fennessy, SJ
4/28-4/30, 2017	THE ST. PETER CANISIUS WEEKEND RETREAT for MEN – FRANCES CABRINI K of C; ST. HUGO; ST. PETER CANISIUS MEN (Theme: "A Call to Mercy")	Fr. Fran Daly, SJ and Sr. Kathie Budesky, IHM

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PREACHED RETREAT SCHEDULE - continued

Conference Retreats for Women

DATES	NAME OF RETREATS & GROUPS	DIRECTORS
11/11-11/13, 2016	THE BLESSED MIGUEL PRO WEEKEND RETREAT for WOMEN IX	Fr. Bob Ytsen, SJ
11/25-11/27, 2016	THE EDWARD DOWLING WEEKEND RETREAT FOR AA WOMEN II (Requires \$40 deposit)	Fr. Peter Fennessy, SJ
1/10-1/12, 2017	THE ARCHDUCHESS JOAN OF AUSTRIA RETREAT for WOMEN I MIDWEEK	Fr. Bob Ytsen, SJ
1/27-1/29, 2017	THE FR. JAMES CULLEN WEEKEND RETREAT for AL-ANON WOMEN	Fr. Steve Hurd, SJ
2/24-2/26, 2017	THE ST. JOHN DE BRITO WEEKEND RETREAT for WOMEN II (Theme: "Last Lectures: If this were the last retreat Fr. Peter would ever give, what spiritual insights would he most want to pass on to you?")	Fr. Peter Fennessy, SJ
4/9-4/10, 2017	WOMEN OF THE PASSION - PALM SUNDAY OVERNIGHT RETREAT FOR WOMEN (Cost is \$85 payable upon registration)	TBA

Conference Retreats for Both Men and Women

DATES	NAME OF RETREATS & GROUPS	DIRECTORS
1/27-1/29, 2017	THE ST. JOHN BERCHMANS RETREAT for MEN & WOMEN CAREGIVERS	Sr. Sally Smolen, RSM
3/17-3/19, 2017	CHRISTIAN MEDITATION RETREAT (Cost is \$225 which includes \$50.00 required deposit)	Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ
3/24-3/26, 2017	INNER HEALING RETREAT (Requires \$40 deposit)	Fr. John Esper and Ms. Debbie Tourville

Retreatant Awards (January – July 2016)

Manresa Pin (presented on the 15 th Retreat)			Manresa Crest (25 th Retreat)		
Mark Anderson	Scott Hoppert	Jim Manna	Charles Vigneau	Mary Brooks	Marguerite Lentz
Robert Bolya	George Jagitsch	John McKay	Robert Von Berge	Thomas Brown	George Merritt
Derek Desouza	Heather Kahn	Joseph Panozzo	Ralph Walkley	Pat French	Patrick Pollard
Patrick Doman	John Kearns	James Priore	Mark Wilke	Joann Glabb	
Edgar Donatelli	Jim Keller	Donald Sheer	Bonnie Woolfolk	Manresa Blazer (50 th Retreat)	
Thomas Downey	Kenneth Layman	Michael Stuart		Wally Neimann	Roger O'Donnell

Born into the Resurrection (January – July 2016)

Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. [Mt. 25:34]

Name	Retreat Group	#	Name	Retreat Group	#
John Allison (Apr. 2014)	Notre Dame	2	Jay Hoffman	Weisenburger	6
Paul Braunlich	Professional Men	16	Anthony Merritt		2
Richard H. Buchholz	Weisenburger	12	Betty O.	AA Women	16
Robert Bucholtz	Mt. Pleasant	7	George Patrick	St. Mary Magdalen	37
Frank V. Cliff	John Reuter	32	Basil Pio	Palm Sunday	1
John Dodson		30	Shawn Schriedel (Oct. 2015)	Notre Dame	20
Marion Downer	Men of Manresa	28	Ernest Serocki	Traverse City	19
William Forrester	St. Hubert	11	Philip Stenger	Notre Dame	24
Harold Gass	Leonard Stumm	20	Thomas Tiernan	Holy Week	30

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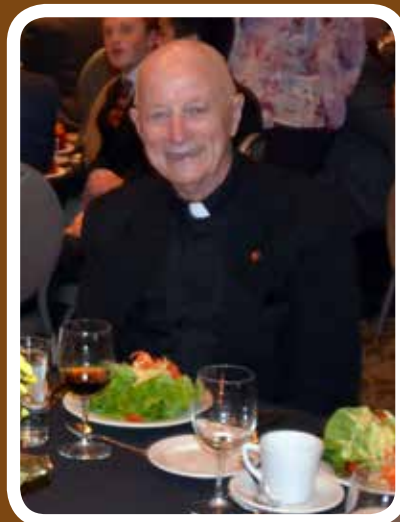


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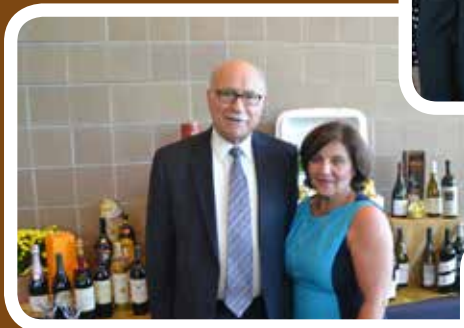


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~ The following article was translated into Spanish by Sergio Pagés and Claudia Diaz



Durante la ceremonia de graduación en Manresa

Cuando tenía siete años, casi morí de fiebre reumática. Después de escuchar las preguntas del doctor y al darme la medicina correcta, yo soñaba con ser un médico para ayudar a otros y encontrar las soluciones a sus problemas. Lamentablemente, hice malas decisiones durante mi juventud, como dejar la escuela, andar con malas compañías, alcohol, drogas y ser miembro de una pandilla. Por la gracia de Dios, un día fui invitado a un retiro. Fue entonces que recuperé mi verdadero ser.

Al principio fui voluntario con diferentes grupos; pero después de la muerte de un amigo por sobredosis de droga, me di cuenta de que quería ayudar a otros con problemas de drogas y con problemas de familia disfuncional para enseñarles a los jóvenes el valor de la vida. En noviembre del 2012 mi esposa, **Mary Barrera**, cursó el "Internship" en Manresa como directora espiritual. Yo decidí al igual que ella ser un director espiritual para la mayor gloria del Reino de Dios.

Estoy especialmente orgulloso de la influencia que hemos tenido en nuestros hijos. Mi hijo de 13 años de edad, **Mateo**, quien asiste a un grupo de jóvenes en el Santísimo Redentor, me dijo que quiere ayudar a los demás como director espiritual al igual que sus padres. El día que me gradué, **Paula Dow** [quien me ayudado durante el "Internship" en Manresa] le mostró la casa de retiro a mis hijas, **Tianna** (ocho años) y **Ariana** (cuatro años), le dijeron a Paula, que cuando crezcan quieren estudiar en las mismas habitaciones donde sus padres estudiaron!

Silencio. Oración. Discernimiento. Amor y servicio. Para mí, estas palabras son los principios, esencia y fundamento de la espiritualidad ignaciana, las gracias y los frutos del Espíritu Santo cada día de mi vida.

Estoy muy agradecido a Manresa y a todos los que participaron en nuestras clases, los supervisores, maestros y maravillosos directores espirituales. Desde que termine mi "internship" mi vida espiritual ha cambiado enormemente, y me siento muy confiado al ser un compañero espiritual de otros. Hoy, junto con mi esposa, ayudamos a dar retiros en la comunidad hispana, ofreciendo dirección espiritual e impartiendo los ejercicios espirituales. El diciembre pasado comenzamos un nuevo grupo en Manresa para jóvenes adultos de 20 a 40 años de edad, y guía de jóvenes líderes en retiros ignacianos. [Llame al (313)768-4821 para más información.]

En última instancia, llegué a ser un compañero espiritual. Gané en la vida!

~ por Alejandro Barrera



Alejandro Barrera

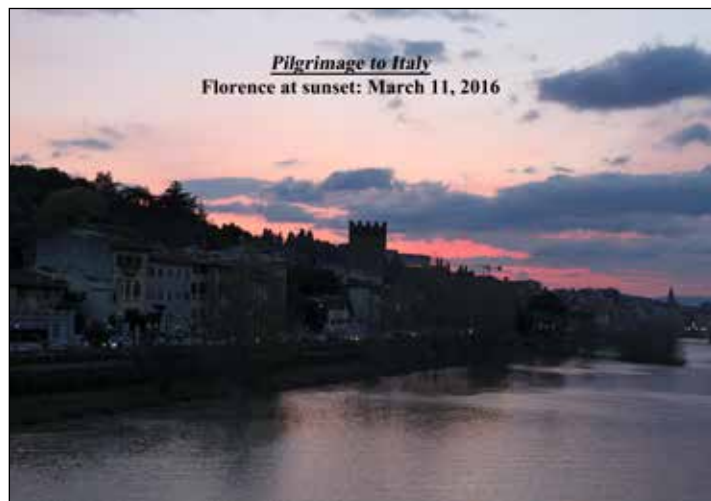
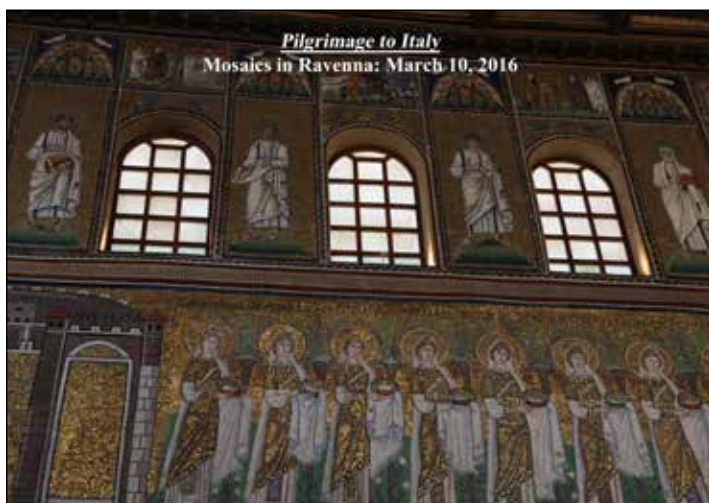
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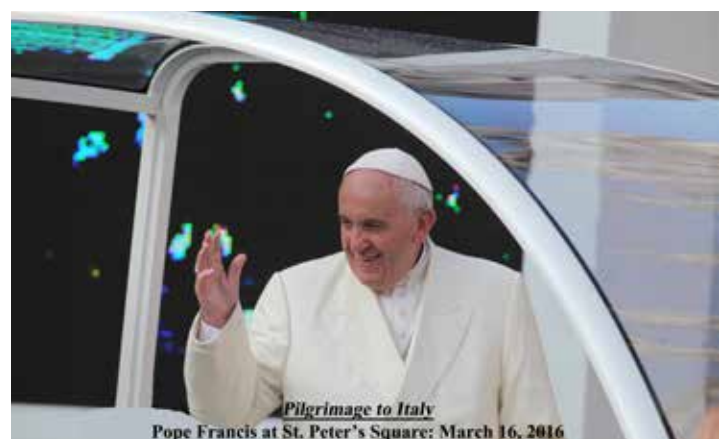
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