

Ignatian Guild Meeting: April 13, 2021 6:30 pm.

Held via Zoom

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This Ignatian Guild meeting was held via Zoom. There were about 68 attendees.

As moms signed into the Zoom meeting, we played a [video of Yo-Yo Ma](#) playing Bach's Cello Suite No. 1, with images that evoked the sentiment expressed by one YouTube viewer: "No matter our race, religion, skin color, beliefs, gender, nationality, we will always have one thing in common: Music brings us all together and forever will."

Welcome by Sheila McCarthy, Ignatian Guild President. Sheila warmly welcomed all moms and expressed her and the Ignatian Guild's support for all Asian families in light of the recent anti-Asian violence and attacks. Sheila encouraged shopping and dining at Asian owned businesses. Sheila also expressed dismay at the recent killing of Daunte Wright by a police officer in Minnesota.

Opening Prayer: By Megan Pryor Lorentz, Director of Adult Spirituality

Adult spirituality: Megan Pryor Lorentz, Director of Adult Spirituality, described the discussion she, AALPA co-president Christina Solomon and SI's Maricel Hernandez had with **Anna Malaika Tubbs**, author of the acclaimed new book *The Three Mothers: How The Mothers of Martin Luther King, Jr., Malcolm X and James Baldwin Shaped A Nation* on March 22. A recording of the talk is available [here](#).

SIPAC, the SI Parents Asian Club. **SIPAC president Michelle Mendoza** announced that the club is looking for nominations for the SIPAC board for the 2021-2022 school year. The link with more info and for nominations is [here](#). For questions, please contact SIPAC's Ignatian Guild liaison, Venetia Hui Gatus at venetia_hui@yahoo.com

Fashion Show! The SI Fashion show is one year and four months in the making, per the update from Ignatian Guild President Sheila McCarthy. On April 23 two screenings of the show—featuring SI seniors --- will be held at Fort Mason. The 8pm show is sold out; as of April 12 there were still some tickets for the 5pm show. Food will be available from food trucks! For more info email ignatianguild@siprep.org

Mom's Night Out is back on! The event, originally scheduled for the fall, will now be held on **Wednesday May 5 from 6 pm to 9pm** at Spark Social in Mission Bay. If you bought a ticket for the fall event, it's valid for May 5. There are a few tickets still available. If you are interested, please email ignatianguild@siprep.org. Thank you to co-chairs **Terry Lynn Marks** and **Marti Maes** for organizing this event!

Mother Student Mass. Save the date: **Sunday May 9 (Mother's Day!) at 9:30 am** – and it will be virtual. Co-chairs **Karen Powell** and **Julie Erskine** invite all of the SI community to attend this mass via Zoom. There will be a special tribute slide show of SI seniors—the organizers received more than 160 photos! A Zoom link will be sent via email prior to the mass.

International Food Share! Reminder: the event normally known as the International Food Faire will be a virtual Food Share event on **Friday May 14, 6-7 pm**. **SAVE THE DATE!** It will include cooking demonstrations and more. Co-chair **Margaret Garrou** is creating a cookbook with some

90 recipes from 50 SI families that will be on sale in May. Please keep an eye out for the order form.

Prep Shop. Co-chair **Jo McKay** announced that the Prep Shop is still open for business for students only from 11 am to 1pm Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. One student is allowed in the store at a time. For parents: please keep shopping online at **siprepshop.com**. The store has recently restocked tote bags, crewneck sweatshirts, new hats and stickers for water bottles. Hoodies are temporarily sold out.

Birthdays! Corresponding Secretary **Kelly Scandalios** wished everyone with a birthday in April a happy birthday.

Guest Speakers on the topic: “Nurturing Healthy Teen Sexuality”

SI Wellness Teacher Donna Murphy

SI Director of Adult Spirituality and Religion teach Megan Pryor Lorentz

Aimee Rozen, a Marriage and Family Therapist (and an SI mom)

Donna Murphy started off the discussion by sharing a bit about herself –she’s been at S.I. for 33 years in various roles, including as a personal and academic counselor and now as a Wellness teacher for the freshmen. (She’s also the mom of three S.I. grads) Sexual health is the final unit of the semester-long wellness course, which is designed to make teenagers think critically. The unit stresses the importance of communication and addresses issues of consent, healthy & unhealthy relationships and more.

Megan Pryor Lorentz, who’s in her sixth year at S.I. (and also the mother of two elementary school age children), discussed how she teaches Religious Studies 460, a course for seniors that looks at sexuality in the context of religion. The course encourages students to consider the biological, psychological, social, moral, and cultural implications of sexuality, evaluating questions through the lenses of science, society, and the teachings of the Catholic Church. Emphasis is placed on a holistic appreciation of sexuality and the values of self-respect, love, and integrity. It complements what students learn in Junior Ethics and reflects Catholic Social Teaching’s principles of human dignity, solidarity and care for those who are vulnerable or marginalized.

Aimee Rozen, the mother of an S.I. sophomore, is an MFT with a focus on sexuality and teens. She stressed how important the role of the parent is in talking to your teen about sex and sexuality. Rather than one big conversation, Aimee suggest many little conversations, making observations. If teens push back on talking about this important topic, she suggests saying “I’m the one person who’s responsible for talking to you about this.” Many adults in our teens’ lives can talk to them about this topic: pediatricians, counselors, teachers. Her advice: Be sex positive instead of sex shaming in your discussions. Have a book or magazine that addresses the topic to help spark a discussion.

FINAL IGNATIAN GUILD MEETING of the year: Sheila McCarthy asked everyone to save the date for **Tuesday, May 4 at 6:30 pm** (a slight variation from the usual second Tuesday of the month). All moms welcome, particularly graduating moms.

Closing Prayer: Sheila McCarthy led the closing prayer.