

# **Journey into Joy**

## ***The Ignatian Way Days 2026***

The Ignatian Way theme for 2026 is: **Journey into Joy**

The sub-themes are:

**Day 1:** I open to discovering the will of God on each step of my life journey

**Day 2:** I learn to embrace the will of God – I embody my Yes to God

**Day 3:** With each Yes to God, I participate in the divine economy of life, I enter Joy

An **Ignatian Way Day** offers a chance to '*catch one's spiritual breath*' in today's hectic world, a pause to *open to silence*, with time for personal reflection on one's life in the light of scripture, and group sharing on related questions.

Where? Close to Geneva at **The Ecumenical Institute - Chateau de Bossey**, 1298 Céligny.

Up-coming Dates (Saturday, 9.00-17.00): **February 28, June 13 and October 3, 2026**

Cost per day: CHF 55 (includes lunch and a mid-morning coffee/tea with croissant).

Registration: **Contact Patricia Laurie on [vervel10@gmail.com](mailto:vervel10@gmail.com)** or Tel. +33 6 85 39 15 66.

**Background Information:** The Ignatian Way Day was initiated by Louis Christiaens S.J. in 1996. Louis (1935–2024) was a Catholic priest of the Society of Jesus, a religious order founded by Saint Ignatius of Loyola, also known as the Jesuits. In 2018 Fr. Louis asked Stephen Claffey to take responsibility for facilitating the Ignatian Way Day, which is held three times a year and is open to people from all walks of life. Stephen, a deeply engaged pilgrim on the holy journey of life since his teens, draws on a good knowledge of Christian spirituality and psychology (PhD). He first met Fr. Louis in 1999 and benefitted from Fr. Louis's guidance over many years. Stephen and close collaborators from diverse churches prepare each retreat day with the desire that all who come may experience God's personal love and inner peace amid a welcoming community.