

IGNATIUS NIGHT AT THE MOVIES PRESENTS JOHN XXIII

Ignatius Press is pleased to offer this incredible opportunity for you and your parish, shrine, university, school or conference center to partner with Ignatius Press in the North American special **Ignatius Night at the Movies** program featuring the DVD version of the epic film, *JOHN XXIII*.

This is an inspiring feature film on Blessed Pope John XXIII starring Edward Asner in an acclaimed performance as the beloved pontiff who came from common stock and was known for his simplicity, goodness, courage and love for humanity.

Ignatius Press, one of the world's leading Catholic publishers, is pleased to offer the DVD version of this incredibly inspirational and powerful dramatic film as part of this exclusive **Movie Night** package and as an excellent means of **whole-community catechesis and entertainment** as well as a superb **fundraising tool**.

This package is part of the highly successful **Ignatius Night at the Movies** program that hundreds of parishes, shrines, schools and universities across the United States and Canada have already participated in.

You can once again, or for the first time, be a part of this unique opportunity to reach out to and spiritually inspire parishioners, students, and the surrounding community by teaching the truths of the Catholic faith, and educating about the life and events surrounding this extraordinary saintly man and beloved pope. You will be able to present this amazing film on the "Big Screen"—right in your own church or school.

Shot on location in Rome and Italy, and produced by the Italian film company Lux Vide, makers of *Pope John Paul II* and *Saint Rita*, this movie tells the whole life story of Pope John XXIII, soon to be canonized a saint, from his youth thru his young priesthood, Bishop, Cardinal and Pope.

Elected supposedly as an "interim Pope" who would just keep the status quo and listen to the advisers around him, John XXIII proved to be his own man when he surprised the Church and world by calling for the Second Vatican Council. This film also underscores his wonderful sense of humor and great charity towards others, especially the poor, downtrodden, and the outcast.

Shot in widescreen, and beautiful cinematography, the film also stars Claude Rich, Sydne Rome, Massimo Ghini and Franco Interlenghi.

This DVD is 200 minutes in length and contains the following language tracks: English and Italian language, Spanish & English subtitles. You may simply select which options you prefer for your Movie Night presentation from the DVD's on-screen menu.

Please take a few moments to check out our special **Ignatius Night at the Movies** website, <u>www.ipmovienights.com</u>, to learn more about this outstanding film, and to see why we are so thrilled about this incredible **Movie Night** package and your opportunity to spread the news! A clip of this movie is also available for viewing on the website.

We sincerely hope you will be joining us for Ignatius Night at the Movies as we present JOHN XXIII.

LENGTH: 200 minutes; LANGUAGE: English and Italian; SUBTITLES: Spanish and English AUDIENCE: Suitable for most audiences. This movie is not rated, but not recommended for young children.

Special Features: Includes a 16 page booklet with study questions, biography of Blessed John XXIII, and resource list. Special documentary film with renowned Catholic historian James Hitchcock and Fr. Mitch Pacwa, S.J., on Blessed John XXIII and Vatican II.

For specific details about the Ignatius Night at the Movies program, please see Event Overview.

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See you at the movies!