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“ B u i l d i n g a C o m m u n i t y o f D i s c i p l e s ”

January 27, 2008

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIGHT THE WAY

Each year, in anticipation of the week that celebrates Catholic Schools across the nation, we are given a concept that reflects who and what we are. We are encouraged to contemplate, evaluate and ultimately, share our thoughts on how our common philosophy and purpose serves our community. This year the concept is “*Catholic Schools Light The Way.*”



We all know the words of Jesus, “I am the way, the truth, the light.” Each day, by living life by His example, by communicating to our students His teachings through academic, sport and spiritual endeavors, we seek to instill in each child a growing light that empowers him/her to experience a life of Christian values and purpose. It’s a tall order, lighting the way for others. In this non-stop, intricately layered, frequently hectic and many times, exigent life each of us lives, there are moments when the opportunity to decline, defer, or ignore challenges is attractive; yet, time and again, I am reminded of how, when you put the above components together, the energy ignites our atmosphere in such a spiritual way, enabling the Gospel stories to come to life during an ordinary day at school in a breathtakingly ordinary way. Two examples that recently took place in our school come to mind, the first observed by a visiting guest:

Just as the bell rang, a child hurried into his classroom, arms filled with notebooks, textbooks and pencil case, needing to get settled and begin lessons. Before this fine young man could sit down, his pencil case fell to the floor and all of the belongings rolled out and scattered about. Flustered, he was still trying to get settled when a classmate calmly got on his knees and quickly gathered the stray materials back into the case. A few seconds in time, but a lingering life lesson: it is comforting to know in our busy world that someone will stop and help you out.

My observation took place when I was on the elevator. As I conversed with several adults, the doors opened and two children entered the elevator with a teacher. One student had his belongings in one hand while balancing in the other a valuable birthday cupcake, deliciously iced just waiting to be devoured once outside. The other student also had his belongings, but was empty handed, just looking at the cupcake. He said, “Boy that looks so delicious.” Much to my surprise and extreme delight the young person with the cupcake saw the longing look in the other student’s eyes and quickly responded, “Here, you can have it!” It isn’t every day or everywhere that you can experience such pure, simple generosity as that!

Each day, we challenge our students to ‘light the way’ by not only how they respect themselves, but how they respect and respond to those around them. These are not ‘random acts of kindness’ or forced lessons for timely display, but genuine moments of grace that give testimony to all we seek to accomplish.

Sincerely,

Grace Cavallo, *Principal, Saint Ignatius Loyola Grammar School*

RE M I N D E R !

**ALL PARISHIONERS IN MINISTRY
PLEASE JOIN US FOR
OUR WINTER MINISTRY NIGHT
Wednesday, January 30, at 7PM
in Wallace Hall**

We will continue our discussion on the Ministry Formation Program. Dessert and coffee will be served. Look for details and reply form on our website, or on emails or handouts sent to your ministries. Please RSVP by Monday, January 28. Call: 212.288-3588 or email: church@stignatiusloyola.org.



ASH WEDNESDAY

February 6, 2008
Masses at: 8:30AM
12:10PM (School Mass), 5:30PM
7:30PM with Parish Community Choir and
Professional Choir of St. Ignatius
Ashes are distributed during Mass, just after the homily.

**IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS
SAVE THESE DATES!
Lenten Retreat**

February 22-24 at Jagues Retreat House, Cornwall, NY
Space is very limited. First come, first served basis.
More information will follow!

Lenten Series

Sunday evenings during Lent, beginning February 10 through March 16. More information about the book and the format of the series will follow.

Please reply via email to Patrick Nolan at:
nolanpc@gmail.com if you are interested in
attending either of these programs.

CONTEMPLATION WEST AND EAST

Tuesdays: February 12, 19, 26, March 4, 7-8:30 PM
Loyola High School Chapel. Led by Sr. Kathryn King, FSP - One of the invitations of Lent is to grow in intimacy with Jesus. This four week prayer program explores both Western and Eastern approaches to prayer and contemplation. Each session will consist of a short presentation on a method of prayer; time for contemplative prayer; brief sharing (optional) on the experience and / or questions; and material for personal prayer for the week.

Are you on our email list? If you have not been receiving our email blasts, we either do not have your email address or the address we have is incorrect. If you would like to be added to our email list for notices about upcoming activities, please contact Robin Zeamer, Director of Communications, at: 212.288.3588 or e-mail: zeamerr@stignatiusloyola.org. You do not have to be a registered parishioner to be on this email list.



We Pray for the Faithful Departed
EILEEN TOBIN
May She Rest in the Peace
of the Risen Lord



**HANDCRAFTING
JUSTICE**
Give the gift of hope

**SALE
FEB
2
FEB
3**

**St. Ignatius Loyola
Fair Trade Handcraft Sale**

Handmade pottery, linens, jewelry, bags, leather,
indigenous art and more!

February 2-3

After Masses, in Wallace Hall

This Fair Trade economic justice project of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd will be selling Fair Trade handcrafts made by women in 20 countries throughout the developing world. Your support of our partners makes a tremendous difference in their lives, supporting their efforts to live a dignified life and provide food, education and shelter for their families. Please join us in Wallace Hall following all weekend Masses to celebrate Fair Trade at this annual sale. To learn more, and to shop online, please visit www.handcraftingjustice.org.

The Art of Movement Classes

Fitness for Over 50's Do you have old injuries, arthritis, special movement difficulties or trouble sleeping? This class is especially designed for you. Stimulating activities expand the range of movement and help with balance, coordination and the alleviation of pain.

Every Wednesday 9 AM – 10 AM in Wallace Hall
\$10 per session, but enjoy your first session for FREE.

NOTE: A complete calendar listing of current and future events is posted on our website calendar which is frequently updated. Stay up-to-date and plan ahead. Be "ignatius-savvy" and visit our website at: www.stignatiusloyola.org

**"NYUMBANI"– IN THE HOUSE
OUR AFRICAN VILLAGE IN NEW YORK**

Invites your participation in:

A BOX OF BOOKS AND A VISION
The Kitengesa Community Library in Uganda
with

Dr. Kate Parry, Professor of Linguistics
Hunter College of the City of New York

The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola
Tuesday, February 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Parish House: 980 Park Avenue (bet. 83rd-84th Street)
New York, NY 10028 Phone: 212 288-3588

Room location: Parish Lounge - Refreshments begin at 6:30
\$10 suggested contribution to support the Kitengesa Community Library.

Starting with a box of books and 13 students, the Kitengesa Community Library has evolved into an innovative learning center serving 250



students and their extended families. It is not only a gathering place for knowledge enrichment for the local community, but also serves as a

window to the world via Internet technologies. Reading readiness and reading skills are offered as supplemental to primary and secondary schools as well as literacy programs for adults.

The people who use the library most are students and teachers in Kitengesa Secondary Comprehensive School, but some local residents use it regularly too. The library serves uneducated members of the community as well.



Dr. Kate Parry has developed and expanded the concept of the community library in rural Uganda. And she has plans to extend the vision throughout Uganda by developing networks among educators interested in literacy promotion and education.



Since the late 1980s Uganda has rebounded from the abyss of civil war and economic catastrophe to become relatively peaceful, stable and prosperous.* The people of Kitengesa will contribute to Uganda's future, and Africa's imprint on the rest of the world.

* BBC News website, Country Profiles, December 18, 2007.

In Kiswahili, **NYUMBANI** literally means 'In the house.' **NYUMBANI** is an encompassing word for many aspects of African life, both symbolic and literal: home and family; one's land and country; language, customs, food, dress, life habits, politics. **NYUMBANI** is when people meet - from different areas, communities, ethnic-language groups, and countries. **NYUMBANI** provides a sense of security, mutual help, respect and recognition of the person belonging to the community.

In New York, **NYUMBANI** is a community of ideas and conversation on Africa. The hope is to emphasize the people and not the circumstances and to be a community of study, discussion and action based on fellowship. We invite those who share our common humanity - Christians, Hindus, Jews, Muslims, and people of all faiths, (or none), who believe in the dignity of the human person. Please join us as dreamers, builders of villages, and as changers for shared humanity, as we walk with our **FAITH IN AFRICA**.

RSVP to: Sr. Kathryn King, kingk@saintignatiusloyola.org or
Claudia McGeary, claudia.mcgeary@gmail.com

Let's Hear More!

Monday, February 11th at 7:30 PM

Musicologist and Music Critic **Maya Pritsker** speaks about **Schnittke's *Concerto for Choir*** and Christian liturgical traditions.

Free in St. Ignatius Loyola's Wallace Hall.

Maya Pritsker is the cultural editor and critic for the New York based American-Russian daily The Novoye Russkoye Slovo and is host of a talk-show on arts and culture on the Russian Television Network of America.

Our 19th Season at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

SACRED MUSIC in a SACRED SPACE

For tickets and information to these and other SACRED MUSIC in a SACRED SPACE events, call 212-288-2520 or visit our new website www.smssconcerts.org.

Wednesday,
February 13th
at 8:00 PM

Kent Tritle and the
Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola
present

Alfred Schnittke's CONCERTO for CHOIR

with Alberto Ginastera's
THE LAMENTATIONS OF JEREMIAH
and Alessandro Striggio's
ECCE BEATAM LUCEM

Inspired by the great Russian masters and their use of the stunning *bassi profondi*, Schnittke's monumental *Concerto for Choir* is hailed as one of the great masterpieces of 20th Century choral writing.

7:00 PM Pre-Concert Choral Recital

Russian Sacred Choral Concerti of Rachmaninov, Tchaikovsky & Anonymous Composers
Russian Chamber Chorus of New York • Nikolai Kachanov, director

Tickets: Preferred seating = \$45 / General seating = \$35 or \$25 for students and seniors

Call 212-288-2520 or visit www.smssconcerts.org to order.

CD ANNOUNCEMENT - Live Recording of Schnittke's *Concerto for Choir*!

The Schnittke Concerto will be recorded live at the February 13th concert and will be available on MSR Classics in Summer 2008. Pre-order your copy of this magnificent choral masterwork at the concert or by phone at 212-288-2520.

After volunteering many years as the coordinator of the ministers of hospitality, Sr. Grace Strauber, S.F.P. will be retiring from this position on February 3rd.

Sr. Grace has made a terrific contribution to the Parish over the years, and we are deeply grateful for all she has accomplished.

In her honor, we will have a special coffee hour after the 11 a.m. Masses on February 3rd in Wallace Hall.

Please join us in congratulating and thanking Sr. Grace.

*Members of the Ministry of Hospitality
Church of St. Ignatius Loyola*

Dear Friends,

In the Old Testament, there is a part that speaks of God's Wisdom. Who has prepared "an appointed time for everything..." - a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to uproot the plant"...a time to begin and a time to end; a time to come and a time to go! (my addition!)

As I complete my 80th birthday year and my ten years as coordinator of our Ministry of Hospitality, I believe it is time for me to go - to make room for new life.

All of you are so dear to me, so it is not so easy to make this move, but it must be. Thank you so much for all your love, for your wonderful service in this ministry. Thank you for being present when needed and graciously helping out "in a pinch." My life has been enriched by all of you. I am so grateful for God for the privilege of knowing you, loving you and being loved by you. Please keep our ministry alive and filled with your gentle love. You shall always be in my heart and prayer. May God continue to bless you and your families.

Love always in our Gracious Lord,



Sr. Grace Frances Strauber, S.P.F.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OUR MEN'S SHELTER - Our St. Vincent de Paul Society has been host to twelve homeless men in Wallace Hall, every other weekend during the winter months for many years. The season started in November, and it's going very well. Our guests have been well fed each evening and morning. They have been given a warm, clean bed to sleep in each night. They appreciate the friendship and hospitality we offer.

We are currently looking for volunteers to serve in our shelter. Volunteers are needed for both the "set up" and "stay over" shifts.

This is a wonderful opportunity to serve our Parish Community in a deeply rewarding way. Please join us! Call the Parish House, at 212-288-3588, or stop by and leave your name and contact information for the shelter coordinators.

OF INTEREST TO OUR PARISHIONERS

**Peace from Africa: The Mozambique Story
Friday, February 8, 2008**

In celebration of its 40th anniversary the Community of Sant'Egidio is presenting the Peace Africa series to promote awareness of the possibility of peace for Africa. This New York event *Peace from Africa: The Mozambique Story* features an address by Archbishop Jaime Pedro Gonçalves, who took up the call to help bring peace to his country. Archbishop Gonçalves became one of four mediators to successfully broker peace in Mozambique. Please join us February 8, for the prayer of the Community of Sant'Egidio at 6:30 PM and the address by Archbishop Jaime Pedro Gonçalves at 7:00 PM. Location: The University Parish of St. Joseph in Greenwich Village, 371 Avenue of the Americas (6th Avenue between Washington and Waverly), New York, NY 10014.

SIX MINUTE REFLECTONS FOR LENT

A small booklet of prayers and reflections for the Lenten season is available at the Parish House for one dollar. Based on the writings of the late Bishop Kenneth Untener of Saginaw, Michigan, these booklets have been well received in past years. The goal is to find six minutes of quiet time each day in the Lenten season and walk through this booklet one page at a time.



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BULLETIN BOARD

Just What is Deep Prayer?

Speaker Rev. Thomas Dubay, S.M
Saturday, February 2, 10AM-1PM
Center for Spiritual Development
White Plains, NY. To register call,
914-946-5729.



Bethany Spirituality Center, Highland Mills, NY, is offering the following programs: Day of Reflection, with Maureen Lundy and Sr. Pat Reid, OSF, January 29; "Valentine's Day Dinner Retreat for Married Couples", with Margaret and Richard Green, February 14; Lenten Retreat Day "From Guilt to Grace," with Rev. Michael Holleran and Dr. Edward J. Poliandro, February 16. For information and registration form, please visit www.bethanyspiritualitycenter.org or call (845)460-3061.



Jazz on a Winter Afternoon

Sponsored by Pax Christi Metro New York, Sunday, February 3, at 2PM
St. Joseph's Greenwich Village Church
Sixth Avenue and Washington Place
Tickets \$25 Call 212.420.0250



Franciscan Sisters of Allegany, NY
Discernment Day for women considering religious life and are between the ages of 19 and 45. Saturday, February 16 at St. Anthony Convent, 190 Prince Street, NYC. Call to register 212.925.0888 or fsavoc@aol.com. Visit website: www.AlleganyFranciscans.org



Interested in a new spiritual experience this Lent? Lenten Home Retreat based on daily readings from the writings of Henri Nouwen. Eight weekly meetings on Monday evenings begin Feb. 4th, 7PM - 8:30PM at St. Francis Xavier Church, enter through 55 West 15th Street. Weekly meeting includes reflections on the week's readings and a presentation/exercise led by a retreat team facilitator. Suggested donation: \$20. Please register by Friday, Feb.1. For further information contact Marie Bannister at 917-301-2426 or bannisterm@aol.com

PARISH STAFF

Pastor

Rev. Gerald Blaszczyk, S.J.

Pastoral Associates

Joanne Cunneen, M.A., M.S.

Kathryn King, F.S.P.

Mary Naughton, M.A.

Rev. George M. Witt, S.J.

Senior Priest Associates

Rev. William Bergen, S.J.

Rev. John F. Replogle, S.J.

Assisting Priests (Sunday)

Rev. Stephen Katsouros, S.J.

Rev. James Martin, S.J.

Music Ministries

Kent Tritle, *Director*

Nancianne Parrella

Renée Anne Louprette

Robert Reuter

Mary Huff

Philip Anderson

Erin Acheson, *Administrator*

Staff information: on the website at music/music-staff

Pastor's Assistants

Diane M. Boyle, M.L.S.

Patricia Schneider, M.A.

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Kathy Robinson, M.B.A.

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Sr. Grace F. Strauber

Weekday Masses (includes Saturday)

8:30AM, 12:10PM and 5:30PM

Masses for Next Weekend:

Saturday: 5:30PM Fr. Bergen

Sunday: 8:00AM Fr. Bergen

9:30AM Fr. Blaszczyk

Wallace Hall Mass 11:00AM Fr. Katsouros

Solemn Mass: 11:00AM Fr. Blaszczyk

7:30PM Fr. Witt

Religious Education for Children

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Children's Liturgy of the Word:

Sundays at the 9:30AM Mass and the 11AM Mass in Wallace Hall.

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays at 9AM and First Saturdays at 9AM (Lady Chapel)

Centering Prayer: Mondays and Thursdays at 6:30PM.

Confessions: 5PM Saturday or by appointment. Communal Penance Services are celebrated during Advent and Lent.

Baptisms: Please call the Parish House to arrange for a Baptism and the preparation given prior to Baptism.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: Contact Maureen Fullam, M.A., Director, at the Parish House.

Marriages: The Bride or Groom is to call the Parish House to begin preparation for Marriage, normally one year in advance.

Visits to the Sick: Please contact the Parish House between 9AM-9PM.

Music Information: (212) 288-2520 E-mail: music@stignatiusloyola.org