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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 ”

May 31, 2009

Solemnity of Pentecost

“Mary, Protector of the Traumatized”

Recently, I met a young Filipina (whom I will call Lupe) who had a story to tell. Lupe came to the United States approximately ten years ago. Although born and raised in the Philippines, Lupe’s father was an American citizen. As a newly minted university graduate with a degree in nursing, Lupe was recruited by an agency that supplied nurses to major U.S. hospitals experiencing acute nursing shortages.

Since her mother was deceased, and Lupe had completed her education, her father decided to return with the family to the U.S. Lupe declined her father’s offer to add her name to the family application for entrance into the U.S. because the agency took care of this. The bright, young, and independent woman obtained her work visa for a position at a prestigious metropolitan hospital. The recruiting agency promised that they would then begin the process of securing her permanent residency through their legal offices.

Lupe continued her studies as she advanced in her profession and eventually became respected in her field. She planned to obtain her Ph.D. in nursing, and bought a home. She visited her lawyer regularly, paid his fees, and was assured that her application was “on track.”

After seven years of payments, and noticing that all the other nurses who had come to the U.S. with her had received their “green cards,” Lupe took herself to Immigration and Customs Enforcement. When her turn came, there was a great deal of questioning and discussion. She was told that her work visa had recently expired and that her lawyer had not renewed it. She was instructed to go to another office. When she arrived, she was handcuffed and shackled and taken to the Elizabeth (NJ) Detention Center to await the decision of an immigration judge.

Lupe was taken to a converted warehouse in an industrial section of Elizabeth where as many as 320 immigrant detainees are housed. She was dressed in a prison uniform and renamed with a letter/number combination determined by her dorm name and bed number. The windowless dorm was a combination bedroom, dining room and shower/bathroom. She was stripped of her belongings and forced to shower naked in view of everyone. Utterly unable to notify her employer or family, Lupe slowly realized that she was the victim of

both an unscrupulous lawyer, and a blind application of the 1996 law requiring mandatory detention of non-criminal asylum seekers.

Lupe remained in the detention center almost seven months. Female detainees are obliged to silence for long periods of time each day. It was to her Catholic faith and spirituality, the source of her healing gifts, that she turned. She prayed especially to Mary. She meditated on the trauma and suffering that Mary had experienced and how she was sustained by the promises of the Holy Spirit. She prayed the rosary constantly.



Virgin of Quito Statue on
Panecillo Hill overlooking
Quito, Ecuador
photographic print by Jim Zuckerman

After some weeks, Lupe suddenly found herself insisting that she be called by her name instead of by a number! She began to speak for the needs of uneducated women. She began to teach some of the women to read and write using their Bibles. All the while Mary kept guiding her.

Eventually, her petition was denied. She was to be deported! Handcuffed and shackled once again, she was taken to Newark Airport for the return trip to the Philippines. She kept praying the rosary! Fifteen minutes before boarding the plane, she was called from the line of passengers. An officer informed her that an appeals judge had reviewed her case and that her deportation had been reversed.

Lupe’s story has a similar ring to the story of Immaculée Ilibagiza, who attributed to Mary and to the prayer of the rosary her survival of the Rwandan genocide.

For each woman, the rosary was a form of embodied prayer that kept her grounded and centered in the midst of trauma. For each woman, it was the experience of being an oppressed victim that occasioned the gifts of freedom and liberation by the Holy Spirit. Both women have been compelled to share their stories to call attention to the conditions of oppression in their “developed” and “developing” countries. Both testify to the power of prayer – especially the use of the rosary in traumatic situations.

Is Mary revealing herself anew as “Woman, Protector of the Traumatized?”

Kathryn King, FSP

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday, June 1st

(Feast of St. Justin)

Tobit 1:3; 2:1a-8
Psalm 112
Mark 12:1-12

Tuesday, June 2nd

(Feast of Sts. Marcellinus and Peter)

Tobit 2:9-14
Psalm 112
Mark 12:13-17

Wednesday, June 3rd

(Feast of St. Charles Lwanga and Companions)

Tobit 3:1-11a, 16-17a
Psalm 25
Mark 12: 18-27

Sunday, June 7th

(Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40
Psalm 33
Romans 8:14-17
Matthew 28:16-20

Thursday, June 4th

(9th in Ordinary Time)

Tobit 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17;
8:4-9a
Psalm 128
Mark 12:28-34

Friday, June 5th

(Feast of St. Boniface)

Tobit 11:5-17
Psalm 146
Mark 12:35-37

Saturday, June 6th

(Feast of St. Norbert)

Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20
Tobit 13
Mark 12:38-44

Announced Masses for the Week

Monday, June 1st

8:30 MEM Daniel Novoa
12:10 MEM John A. Rooney
5:30 MEM Luke La Valle III

Tuesday, June 2nd

8:30 MEM Alfred Ziccardi
12:10 LVG Tom and Bridie Smyth
5:30 MEM Guy Meeker

Wednesday, June 3rd

8:30 MEM Giro Zullo
12:10 MEM Luke La Valle
5:30 MEM John Lakotta

Thursday, June 4th

8:30 MEM Mae Corrigan
12:10 MEM James A. Cullen
5:30 MEM George Caruso

Friday, June 5th

8:30 MEM Bernard and Helen Harrington
12:10 MEM Seton Fell Holt
5:30 MEM Laurent Boulard

Saturday, June 6th

8:30 MEM William M. Meehan



This weekend we celebrate Pentecost, "a feast of the universal Church which commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, fifty days after the Resurrection of Christ, on the ancient Jewish festival called the 'feast of weeks,' or Pentecost.

Pentecost is Greek for 'the fiftieth' (day after Easter)."

- Catholic Encyclopedia

Pastoral Visits Available for Homebound and Ill Parishioners

Parishioners have been trained for the ministry of pastoral visiting to the homebound and chronically ill in our Parish.

If you are interested in having a visit arranged for yourself or another person, please contact Sr. Kathryn King.

She can be reached at 212.288.3588 or kingk@stignatiusloyola.org

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

We have the privilege at St. Ignatius of welcoming many visitors and new parishioners. We especially welcome those who may be thinking of becoming Catholic.

If you feel attracted to the Catholic faith, we want you to know about a program at the Parish that will begin in September. A group will meet here during the year to inquire into the Catholic faith, to come to know Jesus through the Gospels, and to pray and to prepare for the Easter Sacraments. This process is also open to those Catholic adults who have not received the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation.

For more information about this process, which is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), contact Maureen Fullam at 212-288-3588 or email church@stignatiusloyola.org

Instrument Drive for Cristo Rey High School

Do you have a trumpet or guitar you are no longer using?

From June 1-14, the Music Department will be collecting donated instruments for use by the music students of the Jesuit-run Cristo Rey High School on East 106th Street.

Instruments or music recording equipment in good working condition may be dropped off at the Parish House (ATTN: Music Office).

Any type of instrument -- except pianos -- will be accepted.

Please contact the Music Office with questions: 212-288-3588 ext. 612



THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 31, 6:00 PM, Parish Lounge - Ignatian Young Adult Bible Study. Please see details at right.

Sunday, May 31, 8:30 PM, Wallace Hall - Sunday Social hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults (follows the 7:30 PM Mass). All are welcome!

Monday, June 1, 7:00 PM, Parish Lounge. Voice of the Faithful Monthly Meeting. Dan Bartley, President of VOTF, will speak about the new strategic directions underway across VOTF. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM. All are welcome.

Tuesday, June 2, 7:00 PM, Lady Chapel – Ignatian Young Adults Community Prayer. An ongoing community prayer experience to deepen our relationship with God. In our next meeting, we will pray the rosary in Italian, French, Spanish and English. For more information, please contact Ricardo Gonzalez (ricardo7g@yahoo.com) or Alex Beech (mabeech@gmail.com)



Information Session

Thursday, June 4, 6:30PM Parish House

If you are looking to encounter your faith in a way that challenges you and how you are to live as a Christian in today's world, then *JustFaith* may be the program for you. For thirty weeks you will journey with other seekers using books, videos, conversation, and encounters with those who live at the margins of society. The program runs from mid-September to mid-May. For more information about this life-changing program, please attend the upcoming information session. **RSVP to the Parish House:**

212-288-3588 or church@stignatiusloyola.org



Saint Ignatius Loyola Grammar School warmly welcomes our Parish Community to attend the

**International Street Fair
Friday, June 5 from 5:00 - 8:00 PM**

84th Street will come alive with children's rides, games and activities, tasty treats, the popular "Granny's Attic" area, a used book table and other boutique offerings. There is no charge for admission. This event (which will be held rain or shine) is open to the public.

Advance tickets to enjoy the food and rides can be reserved by calling the Grammar School at 212-861-3820, ext. 135. Tickets will also be available at the event.

Announcing the 2009-2010 SACRED MUSIC IN A SACRED SPACE Concert Season!

From premieres by John Tavener and Valentin Silvestrov to classics by Mozart and Handel, the 21st season of *Sacred Music in a Sacred Space* features something for everyone.

Subscribe by July 31st for pre-season rates up to 20% off. Order forms may be found in the narthex and Parish House and online at www.smssconcerts.org
For questions, or to order by phone, call 212-288-2520

FOR IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS

Ignatian Young Adult Bible Study

**Sundays: May 31 and June 7
6:00 PM Parish Lounge**



What would the sages of ancient Israel have to say about the modern world's worship of work and wealth? The Book of Ecclesiastes offers an antidote to these postures through its truthful and timeless observations on life.

Please join us as we explore how the author of Ecclesiastes arrives at these conclusions and discuss the book's implications for modern spirituality. This series will offer a brief introduction to Israel's wisdom literature, an overview of the structure of the Book of Ecclesiastes and a study of selected passages. We will conclude with a discussion of the relevance and applicability of the book to our contemporary circumstances.

The sessions will be led by Brian B. Pinter, parishioner and Director of Campus Ministry at Regis High School.

LATER IN JUNE

In a spirit of fellowship,
the New Parishioners Committee
and the Staff of St. Ignatius Loyola Church
cordially invite you to join us for a

**New Parishioners' Reception
Tuesday, June 9th 6:30 - 8:30 PM Wallace Hall**

Please come and enjoy refreshments while meeting the Parish Staff and other parishioners, both old and new.

RSVP to 212-288-3588 or church@stignatiusloyola.org

A Day at the Races!

Boomers & Beyond are off to the races with a bus trip to Belmont Park on Saturday, June 13, leaving at 11:00 AM, returning at 7:30 PM. Advance payment required (\$45 by June 3) which includes bus and admission. Please make checks payable to *Church of St. Ignatius Loyola*. Write "Boomers & Beyond" in the memo section, 980 Park Ave, NY, NY 10028. For further information, please email:



**BoomersandBeyond.eastside@gmail.com
(preferred)
or call 646-241-1332**

St. Ignatius Spiritual Community Reading Group Tuesday, June 16 at 7:30 PM

We will continue our discussion of *With Head and Heart: The Autobiography of Howard Thurman*. We welcome new members. For additional information, please contact Jane Campbell at 212-536-7746 or jtcjane@aol.com



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Summer Courses at Fordham University: The Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education is offering courses for credit or audit in theology, scripture, and spirituality. Summer Session I: June 22 – July 9. Summer Session II: July 13 – July 30. Please call the office at 718-817-4800 or visit the website: www.fordham.edu/gre

Bethany Spirituality Center, Highland Mills, NY, will offer a **Weekend Retreat for Women** entitled “*Where in the World is My God?*” July 24-26, 2009. Sr. Janice Farnham, RJM, and Sr. Rosemary Mangan, RJM, retreat directors, will explore for women the meaning of “finding God in all things.” Arrive for 5:30 PM dinner on Friday and depart after 12:00 PM lunch on Sunday. Suggested offering: \$120. Please call 845-460-3061 or visit the website:

www.bethanyspiritualitycenter.org

Franciscan Spirit Tours: Upcoming pilgrimages to holy sites around the world include: *Heart of the Holy Land* (July 11-21), *Holy Land: Jesus Our Savior* (September 29 – October 5) and *Franciscan Italy* (in Assisi for St. Francis Feast Day) (October 2-9).

For information, please contact Franciscan Spirit Tours at 646-736-7964 or 646-861-3634 or visit the website:

www.FranciscanSpiritTours.com

Catholic Cruise to the Western Caribbean: Grand Turks, Half Moon Cay and Nassau, Bahamas aboard the Carnival *Miracle*, leaving from the Port of NY. October 7 - 14, 2009. Daily Mass and rosary offered. Prices begin at \$1374 for 2 passengers. For further information or to register, contact Doug or Elieen at 860-399-1785 or dpyttc@aol.com

Now available on DVD: *My Life with the Saints*. Don't just read about the saints... meet them! Let best-selling author Fr. James Martin, S.J., introduce you to some of his favorite saints in a new DVD that combines insightful commentary with dramatic photos and historical artwork that bring their stories to life. Perfect for individuals, parish groups and educators. To order, call 310-815-8542 or visit the website:

www.loyolaproductions.com

PARISH STAFF

Parish Administrator

Rev. George M. Witt, S.J.

Pastoral Associates

Joanne Cunneen
Rev. Peter W. Gyves, S.J.
Kathryn King, F.S.P.

Senior Priest Associates

Rev. William Bergen, S.J.
Rev. John F. Replogle, S.J.
Rev. Ugo R. Nacciarone, S.J.

Assisting Priests (Sunday)

Rev. Philip G. Judge, S.J.
Rev. Stephen Katsouros, S.J.
Rev. James Martin, S.J.

Music Ministries

Kent Tritle, *Director*
Nancianne Parrella
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Philip Anderson
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Staff information: on the website at music/music staff

Assistant to the Parish Administrator

Diane M. Boyle

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Patricia Schneider

Director of Facilities

Sona M. Olson

Events Coordinator

Emily Holtz

Treasurer

Fernando Castro

Weekday Masses Monday-Friday

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

Saturday: 8:30 AM

Masses for Next Weekend:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30PM Fr. Bergen

Sunday: 8:00AM Fr. Ugo
9:30AM Fr. Bergen

Wallace Hall 11:00AM Fr. Witt
Solemn 11:00AM Fr. Katsouros
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 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 Joanne Cunneen at 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 should call Joanne Cunneen at 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