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"Building a Community of Disciples"

June 7, 2009

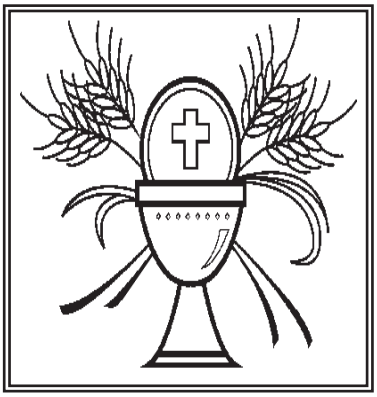
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

"Liturgical Music and the Eucharist"

As we approach the Feast of Corpus Christi on June 14, I would like to share a reflection on the role of music in the Eucharistic celebration. One of the joys of my ministry here has been to work with the clear set of standards and ideals which the Roman Church has relating to the celebration of the Eucharist. These serve as overarching guidelines which, when followed, foster in every setting the dignity, reverence, joy and beauty of the heavenly banquet.

Among church musicians, the relatively recent *General Instruction of the Roman Missal 2000* (GIRM) has stirred great interest. This publication "consistently highlights the importance of music in the Eucharistic celebration, offers guidelines for its proper employment, and exhorts both liturgical ministers and the assembly as a whole to manifest full, conscious, and active participation in the liturgy by means of sung prayer at appropriate times." [1]

Here at St. Ignatius we take these ideals seriously. There are no "four hymn Masses" here because we believe that the first priority of music in worship is to support the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, namely in singing most of the Mass Ordinary (Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus, and Agnus) and, more importantly, the central acclamations surrounding the reading of the Word of God and the consecration of the Eucharist. Indeed, we sing hymns too, but these are to accompany liturgical processions at the beginning of Mass, at the offering of the gifts, at the reception of Communion and at the end of the liturgy. In fact, at those times there is a great variety of options available to liturgical musicians. These include that "The song may be sung alternately between the congregation and choir (or cantor), or by all together, or by choir alone."[2]



The GIRM goes so far as to suggest that at the end of Mass, "If a closing song for the assembly does not serve as a truly communal act of praise, it may be best to choose another musical form. When music is used for the sending forth, it should express joyful praise of God as members of the assembly go out to take up the mission of Christ in the world."[3]

But back to the Eucharist, "the center and summit of the entire celebration."[4] Here we have three very key musical elements: the Sanctus (Holy, holy, holy), the Memorial Acclamation and the "Great" Amen ("great" meaning the "most important" amen of the entire Mass). When possible, the Presider intones the preface to the Sanctus, the invitation to the Memorial Acclamation and the concluding doxology, and unity is fostered through the musical responses of the community. It is in this part of the celebration that we should be most keenly focused! For the Sanctus expresses our unity with the host of heaven in praise of God's sacrifice; the Memorial Acclamation engages the entire assembly in responding to the narrative of Christ's sacrifice, and the Amen is our ratification of the entire Eucharistic Prayer.

After this we sing the Lord's Prayer and also its concluding doxology – a practice recommended but not followed in most parishes! We sing the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) at the Fraction Rite, and during the distribution of Communion we follow two general norms which are also recommended. The song at Communion may be sung "either by the choir alone or by the choir or cantor with the people."[5] Frequently we engage in singing hymns of joy and praise which involve not just the liturgical musicians but also the congregation. At other times, and particularly at the Solemn Mass, the choir may sing during the distribution with the congregation joining after in a Communion meditation; "If desired, a psalm or other canticle of praise or a hymn may also be sung by the entire congregation."[6] This is the preferred mode for "communities where the Communion chant is sung by the choir alone."[7]

Several years ago, His Holiness John Paul II declared 2005 to be the "Year of the Eucharist." It struck me then how significantly we here at St. Ignatius honor this principle day in and day out. Everything we do and everything we are as a Parish radiates from our coming together as community to celebrate the Eucharist. As your Music Director, I must tell you how moving it is to experience the sincerity of heart and openness which you bring to Mass. These attributes have been a continuous source of inspiration to me and to all the Music Ministers here. For our part, we will continue to encourage you to raise your voice joyfully, be you an opera singer or contrarily, perhaps someone told as a child that you had no musical gifts. Keep this in mind: it doesn't matter how well you sing. What does matter is that we all engage fully in that unique and special moment we have when we celebrate the Eucharist.

Kent Tritle
Director of Music Ministries

1 Jan Michael Joncas in "*The Way We Worship,*" Pastoral Reflections on the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, NPM Publications

2 GIRM, no. 74
3 GIRM, no. 90
4 GIRM, no. 78
5 GIRM, no. 87
6 GIRM, no. 88
7 Music in Catholic Worship, no. 72

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday, June 8th
(10th in Ordinary Time)
2 Corinthians 1:1-7
Psalm 34
Matthew 5:1-12

Tuesday, June 9th
(Feast of St. Ephram)
2 Corinthians 1:18-22
Psalm 119
Matthew 5:13-16

Wednesday, June 10th
(10th in Ordinary Time)
2 Corinthians 3:4-11
Psalm 99
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday, June 11th
(Feast of St. Barnabas)
Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3
Psalm 98
Matthew 5:20-26

Friday, June 12th
(10th in Ordinary Time)
2 Corinthians 4:7-15
Psalm 116
Matthew 5:27-32

Saturday, June 13th
(Feast of St. Anthony of Padua)
2 Corinthians 5:14-21
Psalm 103
Matthew 5:33-37

Sunday, June 14th
(Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ)
Exodus 24:3-8
Psalm 116
Hebrews 9:11-15
Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

Announced Masses for the Week

Monday, June 8th
8:30 MEM Kay Carolyn Calcagnini
12:10 MEM Charles Franzetti
5:30 MEM Elizabeth Köhler

Tuesday, June 9th
8:30 MEM Don Foley
12:10 MEM Vincent McDonnell
5:30 MEM Catherine Scanlon

Wednesday, June 10th
8:30 MEM Susana Domingo
12:10 MEM Valentino Mazzia
5:30 MEM Antonio Mauricio Luzia

Thursday, June 11th
8:30 MEM Angelina Filak
12:10 MEM Mimi F. Meehan
5:30 MEM Seton Fell Holt

Friday, June 12th
8:30 MEM Robin Foxx
12:10 MEM James Gallacher
5:30 MEM Hannah Clancy

Saturday, June 13th
8:30 MEM Judge Crisanto Concepcion

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

Registrations for 2009-2010 can be made by calling the Parish House at 212-288-3588.
Registration forms can also be found on our website, www.stignatiusloyola.org

Thank You! Throughout Lent we accepted donations of "coins and cash" for the Mercy Center in the South Bronx. Mercy Center is a community center and a place of hope for women and their families. Because of the generosity of our Parish Community, $700.00 has been sent to the Mercy Center. Thanks to all who so generously contributed!

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

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

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, June 7, 6:00 PM, Parish Lounge
Ignatian Young Adult Bible Study
Please see details at right.

Tuesday, June 9, 6:30-8:30 PM Wallace Hall - New Parishioners' Reception. New parishioners are most cordially invited to a reception in 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

Wednesday, June 10, 7:00 PM - St. Vincent de Paul Meeting. All are welcome.

Thursday, June 11, 1:00 PM, Parish Lounge - Ignatian Volunteer Corps Information Session. IVC provides men and women, age 50 and over, the opportunity to serve the needs of people who are economically poor, to work for a more just society, and to grow spiritually by reflecting and praying in the Ignatian tradition. To confirm your attendance, please contact IVC Regional Director Liz McMahon at 201-618-6924 or emcmahon@ivcusa.org

Saturday, June 13, 11:00 AM Boomers and Beyond, 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. For further information, please email:

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

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
Sunday 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. On June 7th we will consider the relevance and applicability of the book of Ecclesiastes to our contemporary circumstances.

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

LATER IN JUNE

Mission Appeal

Each year the Office of the Propagation of the Faith assigns us a particular Mission. This year our Parish has been assigned the New York Province of the Society of Jesus. Our own Father Ugo will be the homilist at all Masses next weekend, June 13-14, and at the the Wallace Hall Family Mass later in June.

Thank you, as always, for your generosity.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL NEWS:
Thursday, June 11, 8:45 AM
Graduation Liturgy, Grades 1-8

Friday, June 12, 5:30 PM
Grammar School Graduation

DAY NURSERY NEWS:
Friday, June 19, 11:00 AM
Day Nursery Graduation Ceremony

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

A Birthday Celebration!

Boomers & Beyond (Single Catholics 50+) will celebrate the completion of its first year with an Interparish Liturgy here at St. Ignatius Loyola on Monday, June 22 at 7:00 PM. A reception will follow. *RSVP by June 18:* BoomersandBeyond.eastside@gmail.com (preferred) or call 646-241-1332 or 212-288-3588

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BULLETIN BOARD

Be a Mentor! The Little Sisters of the Assumption Family Health Service in East Harlem needs caring, responsible women who can give four hours a month in our Girl's Mentoring Program. Mentors will be paired one-on-one with at-risk East Harlem girls in grades 7, 8 or 9. The program begins in September. Commitment is for 10 months. To inquire about becoming a mentor, please contact the Volunteer Director at tgough@lsafhs.org or call (646) 672-0434. For more information about LSA, please visit the website www.littlesistersfamily.org

Catholic Charities Junior Board Gala: Young professionals are invited to the *First Annual Catholic Charities Junior Board Gala* in the Archdiocese of New York on Thursday, June 25, 8:00 PM until midnight at the Union Square Ballroom. The event features a "Casino Night" theme with generous prizes and will benefit the Catholic Charities *St. Nicholas Adopt-A-Family* program. Tickets are $90.00. For information, contact Kathleen McGowan at 646-794-2439 or email kathleen.mcgowan @archny.org

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

St. Ignatius Retreat House, 251 Searingtown Road, Manhasset, NY. **Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola: 30 Day Retreat** (June 25 – July 31). Limited enrollment. For details/application, please call Karen Doyle, SSJ, 516-621-8300, x25. **Directed Retreats** (silent): July 5-12, 15-22, 24-31. Register for a week or any part of the days listed. Call for details: 516-621-8300, x15.

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

PARISH STAFF

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Kathryn King, F.S.P.

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

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Rev. Stephen Katsouros, S.J.
Rev. James Martin, S.J.

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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. Replogle
Sunday:	8:00AM	Fr. Ugo
	9:30AM	Fr. Van Dyke
Wallace Hall	11:00AM	Fr. Replogle
Solemn	11:00AM	Fr. Ugo
	7:30PM	Fr. Ugo

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

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.