Habitat for Humanity

And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.”

- Matthew 8:20

I can imagine that most of us will read today’s essay this afternoon or evening from the comfort of our homes. In a city as large, diverse, and complex as ours, the idea of “home” can be quite varied. Some own their apartments. Many rent their apartments. Others seek temporary shelter, often provided by a city agency or a faith-based organization – such as our women’s shelter here at St. Ignatius. The idea of a home in our city is too often complicated. It should not be. A home is fundamental for the diverse citizens of our city to thrive and for individuals and families to grow. Most importantly, home is a place for our city’s children to feel safe and comfortable in order to achieve their God-given potential.

“Everyone who is sleepy at night should have a simple, decent place to lay their heads, on terms they can afford to pay.”

These are the words of the late Millard Fuller, who along with his wife Linda, founded Habitat for Humanity International in 1976. Think about that. It sounds so simple, yet it is an idea that we often take for granted. Fuller, in part, developed the concept of “partnership housing.” This idea centered on those in need of adequate shelter working side by side with volunteers to build simple, decent houses. Fuller vividly describes this in his book, Love in the Mortar Joints, and proved that the vision of a housing ministry was workable. Faith, hard work, and direction set Habitat for Humanity International on its successful course.

In New York City, there are government agencies and many admirable non-profit organizations who work relentlessly to navigate their way through the economic and social challenges of our city’s housing needs. One organization that stands in the forefront of making homeownership a reality for working families in New York is Habitat-NYC. On a global scale, Habitat for Humanity, through its affiliates, has built over 500,000 homes around the world. Through Habitat-NYC, hundreds of homes have been built throughout our city. Many of us have lifted a hammer or a paint brush and volunteered alongside trade professionals and the family partners who ultimately become responsible and proud homeowners.

Through our social justice ministry here at St. Ignatius (ISJ), we have developed a long-term relationship with Habitat-NYC. Many parishioners have participated in a ground breaking, a weekend build, or a ribbon cutting. I have been fortunate to participate in all of these phases, but there is nothing like the joy of witnessing a mother and her children at a house blessing prior to their taking ownership and occupancy. This is especially true when you have worked alongside that mother who, while raising her family and working a full-time job, completed the more than 200 hours of “sweat-equity” that Habitat requires.

The story of Habitat-NYC does not end here. In the past five years, Habitat-NYC has developed an advocacy program called BUILD LOUDER! Through this campaign, it has used its experience, voice, and network of volunteers to promote affordable housing opportunities and financial stability for all. While New York City has made significant strides in building and preserving affordable housing, the recent recession has resulted in high unemployment and surging homelessness. It also threatens the supply of affordable housing units, which presents a formidable challenge.

In addition to building and renovating affordable homes, Habitat-NYC is advocating that affordable home-ownership remains an essential and central policy issue. It will also call for the 2013 Mayoral Candidates to produce comprehensive affordable housing plans that address the full housing continuum.

On the weekend of February 4th and 5th, after all Masses, the parishioners of St. Ignatius will again have the opportunity to participate in the BUILD LOUDER campaign. This involves signing a Habitat-NYC “Paper House” Postcard. It calls on New York State to increase investment capital for affordable housing, and to restore funding for the Foreclosure Prevention Services Program. This program has been vital in aiding working New York City families who are struggling to hang on to their homes. As important as lifting a hammer is having your voice heard. Please join us as a faith-partner on February 4th and 5th. Sign a postcard and learn more about Habitat-NYC’s 2012 Housing Covenant.

Peter W. Wood
Parishioner of St. Ignatius Loyola
Habitat Volunteer and Member of Ignatian Social Justice
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22nd**
Organ Recital: Christopher Houlihan. 4:00 PM. Church. Details on page 5.

Sunday Social. 8:30 PM. Wallace Hall. Hosted by the Ignatian Young Adults (follows the 7:30 PM Mass). All young adults (ages 21-39) are welcome.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 23rd**
Ranger Rosary Ministry. 7:00 PM. Meeting Room. Supplies and instructions are provided. New members are welcome!

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25th**
Ignatian Social Justice. Topic: Habitat for Humanity. 7:00 PM. Parish Lounge. Details on page 5.
IYA Knitting/Crocheting Group. 7:00 PM. Conference Room. Details on page 3.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 26th**
Scripture Reflections Group. 7:00 PM. Conference Room. Led by Fr. Robert O’Brien, S.J., of the Murray-Weigel Jesuit Community in the Bronx. All are welcome.

**FRIDAY – SUNDAY, JANUARY 27th – 29th**
Shelter Weekend. Shelter Volunteers Urgently Needed! We are in great need of volunteers to stay overnight with our shelter guests. The shelter runs every other weekend (Friday-Saturday-Sunday) from November through April. We serve 12 women each evening.

For more details, and to volunteer, please contact Chris Halem at chrishalem@yahoo.com or 917-494-7301.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th**
Lay Ministers’ Enrichment Day. Living Our Vocations: God’s Will, Our Desires. 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM. Wallace Hall. Details on page 5.

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22nd**
SVdP Blood Drive 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM McKinnon Hall
Every two seconds someone in the United States needs blood. The New York Blood Center requires 2,000 donations daily to meet the transfusion needs of our community. Please be a part of our SVdP Blood Drive. No pre-registration is needed.

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**THE 2011 ANNUAL COLLECTION**
Thank you to those who have contributed to this appeal. The Annual Collection is very important to the financial well-being of our Parish.
If you have not yet made a donation, there are several ways to do so:
- by check
- through ParishPay (accessible via www.stignatiusloyola.org)
- by credit card (please contact Mary Reed, Director of Development, at 646-981-2632)

Thank you!

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**Dinner For All**
The Community of St. Ignatius Loyola invites all to a family dinner this Sunday, January 22nd. Please join us at 5:00 PM for dinner followed by the SVdP Blood Drive. For more details, call 917-494-7301.

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**Catholic Schools Week:**
January 29th – February 5th, 2012
*Catholic Schools Week* is an annual national celebration of Catholic elementary and secondary schools and the important role they play in providing a values-added education for America’s young people.

**Grammar School Tour:**
Sunday, January 29th
In recognition of *Catholic Schools Week*, parishioners are invited to take a tour of our Grammar School immediately following the 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 AM Masses on Sunday, January 29th. The Grammar School is located at 48 East 84th Street.

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**Now Available:**  *Roman Missal CDs*
Recorded by the Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola, this CD is designed to assist in learning the new sung responses in conjunction with the *Revised Roman Missal.* Available at the Parish House at no cost. 1 per family, please.

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**Faith. Academics. Service.**
*Catholic Schools* is a non-profit educational organization. Please support our efforts by making a tax-deductible contribution.

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**EMMAUS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

Tuesdays, January 31st to March 27th
7:00 – 8:30 PM in the Parish Lounge

A six session bereavement support group for men and women who have suffered the loss of a loved one three months or more prior to the beginning of the group. Led by trained facilitators, the group will explore the experience of loss, as well as some of the issues related to grief.

To register, contact Sr. Kathryn King at the Parish House (212-288-3588) or kingk@stignatiusloyola.org

**IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS**

**SUNDAY SOCIALS SCHEDULE**

The IYA hosts socials for young adults (ages 21-39) in Wallace Hall from September through June following the Sunday evening 7:30 PM Mass.

**Meeting Christ in Prayer**

Wednesdays, February 29th to April 25th
Morning Session: 9:30 – 11:00 AM
Evening Session: 7:00 – 8:30 PM
Parish Lounge

“Meeting Christ in Prayer” is an eight-week program of spiritual renewal based on the *Spiritual Exercises* of St. Ignatius. It is a fresh opportunity to encounter Jesus Christ, to grow in knowledge and understanding of Him, to imitate His love, and to renew one’s participation in His risen life. Each weekly gathering includes a guided meditation, faith-sharing, and orientation for the prayer of the following week. Open to both beginners in the spiritual journey and those committed to a prayer life for years, the commitment of participants is daily personal prayer of 30 minutes and an “examen,” or review of the day, in the evening.

Suggested scale for offering: $30 – $50 to cover materials.

To register, contact Sr. Kathryn King at the Parish House (212-288-3588) or kingk@stignatiusloyola.org

**LENTEN RETREAT**

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**New Parishioners**

We welcome new parishioners and invite you to fill out a Parishioner Registration Card located in the pew racks, at the Parish House, and online at:

www.stignatiusloyola.org

Registration is our only means of certifying membership in the Parish.

**New! IYA Knitting & Crocheting Group**

Wednesday, January 25th
7:00 – 9:00 PM
in the Conference Room

All IYAs are welcome to join us as we craft for charity. Meetings are held on Wednesdays once or twice each month. All skill levels are welcome. If you have questions or would like to be placed on the mailing list, contact Molly at molly.nora@gmail.com

**RETREAT FOR IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS:**

**Living from the Inside Out**

led by Sr. Vivienne Joyce and Fr. Anthony P. SooHoo, S.J.

February 24th – 26th, 2012
Jogues Retreat House, Cornwall, NY
Cost: $150

The theme for this year’s IYA Retreat is “Living from the Inside Out.” It is an opportunity for young adults in their 20’s and 30’s to reconnect with God as we explore what it means to be Catholic in today’s world. If you are new to Ignatian spirituality or you wish to deepen your own spiritual life, come and join us for this weekend of prayer, reflection, and sharing.

The retreat will begin on Friday evening and conclude with Mass on Sunday morning.

For more information or to RSVP, please email Fr. SooHoo at soohooa@stignatiusloyola.org by Monday, February 13th.

**SUNDAY SOCIAL DATES:**

Jan. 22 Mar. 4
Feb. 19 Mar. 18

To receive updates on IYA events and other opportunities, please sign up for our email list at http://tinyurl.com/IgnatianYoungAdults and follow us on Facebook at “Ignatian Young Adults (NYC)”

**PRAYER SUGGESTION... Sacred Space**

We invite you to make a “Sacred Space” in your day and spend ten minutes in prayer, as you sit at your computer, with the help of on-screen guidance and scripture chosen specially every day.

Visit www.sacredspace.ie
We pray for the faithful departed
Christine Baillifard
May she rest in the peace of the Risen Lord

February 2nd—5th: Men’s Retreat at St. Ignatius Retreat House, Manhasset, NY
directed by Rev. Ugo Nacciarone, S.J.
A 3-day retreat for men focusing on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.
The Scriptures tell us we are made in the image of God. But what does this mean? How do I recognize this image in myself, and how do I project it to others?
Cost: $390 (incl. private room and all meals)
St. Ignatius Retreat House is accessible by the Long Island Railroad.
For information and reservations, call Terri at 516-621-8300 x15 or visit www.inisfada.net

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY
Sunday, February 12, 2012
Longest Married Couple Search
The search begins for the longest married couple in the Archdiocese of New York!
To enter, couples must be sacramentally married for a minimum of 65 years and reside in the Archdiocese of New York. The longest married couple(s) will be honored on Sunday, February 12th at St. Patrick’s Cathedral at the 10:15 AM Mass celebrated by Archbishop Dolan. Reception to follow.
For further information or reservations, please contact Izabella Nagle at 646-794-3190 or izabella.nagle@archny.org

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE
Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious, or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P., at 212-371-1000 x2949, or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at victimassistance@archny.org
Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org
In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, January 23rd
(St. Vincent)
2 Samuel 5:5-7, 10 Psalm 89 Mark 3:22-30
8:30 MEM Leo Bernard Holland
12:10 MEM Elizabeth Troilo
5:30 MEM Eileen Clarke

Tuesday, January 24th
(St. Francis de Sales)
8:30 MEM John B., John A., & Elizabeth A. Rooney
12:10 MEM William O’Leary
5:30 MEM Francis M. Cryan

Wednesday, January 25th
(Conversion of St. Paul)
Acts 22:3-16 Psalm 117 Mark 16:15-18
8:30 MEM Francis Michael Hunter
12:10 MEM Dolores Serino
5:30 MEM Lolita Pueblas Festo

Thursday, January 26th
(St. Timothy & St. Titus)
2 Timothy 1:1-8 Psalm 96 Mark 4:21-25
8:30 MEM Dr. Emil Wittek
12:10 MEM Alain Concher
5:30 MEM Living & Deceased Members of the Wallace Family

Friday, January 27th
(St. Angela Merici)
2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 Psalm 51 Mark 4:26-34
8:30 MEM Rose Bernabei
12:10 MEM Maureen Walsh
5:30 MEM Robert Rommelsbacher

Saturday, January 28th
(St. Thomas Aquinas)
2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17 Psalm 51 Mark 4:35-41
8:30 MEM Angelina Filak

Sunday, January 29th
(4th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalm 95
1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-28

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 for another person, please contact Sr. Kathryn King at 212-288-3588 or kingk@stignatiusloyola.org

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Feeding Our Neighbors:
A Catholic Response
Archdiocesan-Wide Food Campaign

The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola will be participating in the Archdiocesan-Wide Food Drive scheduled from Sunday, January 22nd through Sunday, January 29th.

Please bring donations of non-perishable foods to the Parish House from Monday – Friday or to the Narthex before Masses next weekend, January 28th-29th. All donations are greatly appreciated, but especially needed are rice, canned vegetables, pasta, tomato sauce, and canned tuna.

All donations will go to the Community Pantry at the Church of St. Gregory the Great on West 90th Street. Every item counts!

During the four weeks of Advent, our St. Vincent de Paul food drive for St. Gregory’s was so successful that the Pantry was able to open an extra day each week!

Hunger Has No Season.
Turn No Hungry Neighbor Away.

IGNATIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE

Habitat for Humanity’s Role in NYC
Speaker: Rev. Andrew Wilkes
Faith and Community Relations Associate for Habitat for Humanity-NYC
Wednesday, January 25th at 7:00 PM
Parish Lounge

Join us as we learn more about Habitat-NYC’s 2012 Housing Covenant, Habitat’s advocacy role, and some of its “build” success stories.

Contact ignatiansocialjustice@gmail.com for additional information.

LAY MINISTERS’ ENRICHMENT

Living Our Vocations: God’s Will, Our Desires
Saturday, January 28th
9:30 AM – 3:00 PM in Wallace Hall

Speaker: Rev. James Hederman, S.J.
Vocation Promoter for the New England, New York, and Maryland Jesuit Provinces

All Lay Ministers at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola are invited to attend this program.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. The program will conclude with Mass.

Registration is limited (first-come, first-served) and closes on Monday, January 23rd.

Please register online at http://jan2012enrichment.eventbrite.com

Fr. Ugo can be reached at nacciaroneu@stignatiusloyola.org or 212-288-3588 with questions.

MUSIC

Mander Organ Recital Series:
International Concert Artist
CHRISTOPHER HOULIHAN
Sunday, January 22nd at 4:00 PM

Program:
JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH:
Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor, BWV 582

MAURICE RAVEL:
Vocalise in the Form of a Habanera (arr. Christopher Houlihan)

FRANZ LISZT:
Fantasy and Fugue on “Ad Nos, Ad Salutarem Undam”
Additional works by Saint-Saëns and Vierne

Tickets are $20, or $15 for students and seniors, and are available in the Parish House, online at www.smssconcerts.org or by calling 212-288-2520.

Calling All Singers!
The volunteer choirs – Parish Community Choir, Canticum Sacrum, and Wallace Hall Music Group – are looking for new members. Details and schedule information can be found in the Volunteer Choirs brochure in the Narthex, Wallace Hall literature rack, Parish House reception area, and online at www.stignatiusloyola.org

Be a part of the wonderful music you hear each Sunday!

For more information, or to schedule an audition, contact the Music Office at 212-288-3588 x612 or email music@stignatiusloyola.org

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**Law and the Gospel of Life**
an evening with
Cardinal-designate Timothy M. Dolan, Archbishop of New York
Tuesday, January 24th at 6:00 PM
James McNally Amphitheater
Fordham University School of Law
140 West 62nd Street
Archbishop Dolan will explore the tensions and challenges of applying Gospel values to contested areas of bioethics and social policy.
Admission is free for the general public.
For additional information, contact Ana Renata Dias at 212-636-7328 or LawReligion@law.fordham.edu

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**Weekday Masses Monday–Friday**
8:30 AM, 12:10 PM and 5:30 PM
Saturday: 8:30 AM

**Masses for Next Weekend:**
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM Fr. Dugan
Sunday: 8:00 AM Fr. Ugo
9:30 AM Fr. Bergen
Wallace Hall 11:00 AM Fr. Ugo
Solemn 11:00 AM Fr. Judge
7:30 PM Fr. Dugan

**Music Information:** (212) 288-2520
Email: music@stignatiusloyola.org

**Religious Education for Children**
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**St. Ignatius Loyola Grammar School**
Ms. Mary Larkin, M.S. Ed.
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Ms. Theodora Crist, M.S.
Executive Director
240 East 84th Street
New York, NY 10028
(212) 734-6427 Fax: (212) 734-6972

**What Rules America: Money, Morals, or Myth? A Three-Way Debate.**
Wednesday, February 1st, 6:00 – 8:00 PM. Panelists include Robert Kuttner, longtime columnist for *Business Week*, Robert A. George, editorial writer for the *New York Post*, and author Susan Jacoby. Presented by the Fordham Center on Religion and Culture. Pope Auditorium, Fordham University, 113 West 60th Street.
Free and open to the public.
RSVP: 212-636-7347 or CRCevent@fordham.edu
For more information, visit www.fordham.edu/ReligCulture

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word:**
Sundays at the 9:30 AM Mass and the 11:00 AM Mass in Wallace Hall.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** First Saturdays at 9:00 AM in the Lady Chapel.

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

**Confessions:** 5:00 PM 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 9:00 AM-9:00 PM.