The Search for the Director of Music Ministries

The news of K. Scott Warren’s appointment as Director of Music Ministries has been very well received. I have been delighted by the number of emails and phone calls in support of his appointment and equally delighted by the spontaneous applause at several of the Masses last weekend when the announcement was made.

The outpouring of support comes as no surprise since Scott has done such a wonderful job as Interim Director. But the appointment was not a fait accompli. Given the prominence of our Music Program, and the importance of selecting the best candidate to carry forward the mission of the Parish, it was clear from the beginning that we needed to conduct a search that was open, professional, and done with the highest possible degree of integrity. Under the direction of Marissa Blackett, a longtime parishioner and member of the Parish’s Finance Committee, we did just that.

The process started last fall, unfolded in four phases, and included a wide spectrum of interested parties, both internal and external to the Parish.

In phase one, a search committee was formed and the position was advertised in a leading musical journal. The committee consisted of seven respected members of the Parish community, each highly qualified to offer valuable input. Included was a parent from among our youth choirs and a member of each of our adult choirs: the professional choir, the Parish Community Choir, Canticum Sacrum, and the 11 AM Wallace Hall Music Group.

In order to ensure a fair and effective search, Marissa consulted with headhunting and human resource professionals as well as many highly respected music personalities, including leaders of music schools and organ studies, and leading names in the New York music world. Over eighty resumes were received and carefully reviewed by the search committee. This phase led to the selection of four highly qualified candidates.

In phase two, the four semi-finalists were carefully vetted in four phases, and included a wide spectrum of interested parties, both internal and external to the Parish.

Additionally, each candidate was asked to perform various organ selections. Phase two, therefore, included not only in-depth interviews, but also allowed for screening across a broad spectrum of attributes: choral conducting, organ playing, breadth and depth of repertoire, and personality fit with the Parish. This phase led to the selection of two finalists.

In phase three, each of the finalists was interviewed once again by the search committee, who focused specifically on depth of understanding Catholic liturgy as well as on vision for our music program, including our outreach program, the Sacred Music in a Sacred Space concert series. Additionally, on separate Sundays, each conducted the professional choir and played the organ for the 11 AM Solemn Mass, and, later that same day, conducted members of Canticum Sacrum and members of the Wallace Hall Music Group at the 7:30 PM Mass. This enabled the committee to gather the input of the two choirs and to see the candidates at work in a “live” setting.

Based on all of the data that was gathered, the committee met to deliberate and make its final recommendations. I was deeply impressed with the level of integrity and seriousness with which the search committee carried out its mission. They highlighted for me the relative strengths and weaknesses of each candidate, and rendered a very balanced perspective.

A fourth and final phase consisted in my aggregating all of the feedback, with special emphasis on how each candidate would further the mission of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish. It was my task to make the final decision. In order to accomplish this, I moved off site for several days of deliberation and prayer.

Scott’s appointment is the result of this extensive process. While all of the semi-finalists were truly excellent, and would have taken us in new directions, Scott’s long and broad experience in choral conducting, his proven ability to deeply unite the Parish through greater integration of our various choirs, and his outstanding leadership qualities make him the right choice. And the emails, phone calls, and spontaneous applause confirm it! We are blessed to have him as our Music Director, and we look forward to many wonderful years ahead.

Rev. George M. Witt, S.J.
Pastor
SUNDAY, MAY 20th
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.

SUNDAY, MAY 20th
First Communion Sunday: May 20th
11:00 AM
Wallace Hall Family Mass
All of the boys and girls who made their First Holy Communion this spring have been encouraged to wear their Communion suits and dresses to this Mass.

WEDNESDAY, May 23rd
Meeting Christ in Prayer: Reunion Gathering. 7:00 PM.
Wallace Hall.
Details at right.
Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting. 7:00 PM.
Conference Room.
All are welcome.

ST. IGNATIUS DAY NURSERY
Parishioner Admissions Information Meeting
Hosted by Ms. Theodora Crist, Executive Director
Wednesday, June 6th
6:30 – 7:30 PM in Wallace Hall
Parishioners are welcome to attend for a general overview of the Day Nursery’s admission process.
RSVP to valentinm@ignatiusdn.org

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR GENEROSITY NOW
PLEASE REMEMBER US LATER!
Remember St. Ignatius in Your Estate Plan.
Leave a legacy to the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola by including a bequest in your will.
Please contact Mary Reed, Director of Development, at 212-288-3588 x632 or reedm@stignatiusloyola.org

Meeting Christ in Prayer: Reunion Gathering
Wednesday, May 23rd
7:00 – 8:30 PM in Wallace Hall
This gathering is open to all those who have participated at any time in the Meeting Christ in Prayer Retreat.
It will be an opportunity to renew and deepen your desire to continue “meeting Christ in prayer.”
RSVP to Sr. Kathryn King at kingk@saintignatiusloyola.org

Just published!
Accidental African Blessings: A Memoir
Associate Pastor Fr. Ugo Nacciarone, S.J., was missioned to Nigeria in 1967 and spent the next 40 years working in Africa. He returned to the United States in 2007. This book is a reflection of Fr. Ugo’s years in Africa.
To order a copy of Accidental African Blessings, visit www.amazon.com or www.bn.com
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.

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)”

IYA Knitting & Crocheting Group

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, June 13th
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

EATS & SWEETS

The IYA Cookbook
Not your average church cookbook, EATS & SWEETS is a professionally-bound collection of appetizer and dessert recipes. It’s a great resource for party planning, and supports our Parish too! Cost: $20
Available in the Parish House.

The 2012 Archdiocesan Stewardship Appeal is Underway

The Stewardship Appeal supports many important ministries and programs. Your gifts are allocated towards religious education programs, youth ministries, local charities, the education of seminarians, retired clergy, and all of the services provided by the Archdiocese.

If you have not yet made your commitment to the Appeal, please prayerfully consider making a pledge or a one-time gift. Envelopes are available in the pews and in the Narthex. Thank you for your generosity.

Gifts can also be made online at www.stewardshipappeal.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 for another person, please contact Sr. Kathryn King at: 212-288-3588 or kingk@saintignatiusloyola.org

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

Sacred Space is a work of the Irish Province of the Society of Jesus.

You've notified your friends, you've notified your credit cards, you've notified your magazines. Please don't forget to notify your church.

This information helps us to keep our database current, and cuts down on the cost of additional postage. Thanks!

IGNATIAN YOUNG ADULTS

SUNDAY SOCIALS SCHEDULE

Sunday Social:
May 20th

EATS & SWEETS

The IYA Cookbook
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Announced Masses and Scripture Readings for the Week

**Monday, May 21st**
*(St. Christopher Magallanes & Comps.)*
8:30 MEM  Alice and Winthrop Rutherfurd
12:10 MEM  Martha Pedrini
5:30 ANN  Nathan Davidson

**Tuesday, May 22nd**
*(St. Rita of Cascia)*
8:30 MEM  Alfred Ziccardi
12:10 MEM  James Gallacher
5:30 ANN  Richard Nolan

**Wednesday, May 23rd**
*(7th Wednesday of Easter)*
8:30 MEM  John Figge
12:10 MEM  Sose & Mark Prekelezaj
5:30 MEM  Arthur Crumlish

**Thursday, May 24th**
*(Our Lady of the Way)*
8:30 MEM  John B., John A., & Elizabeth A. Rooney
12:10 MEM  John Leahy
5:30 MEM  James Waters

**Friday, May 25th**
*(St. Bede the Venerable, St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de’Pazzi)*
8:30 MEM  Charlie Glowacki
12:10 MEM  Mrs. Sassouni
5:30 MEM  John E. Weiss, Sr.

**Saturday, May 26th**
*(St. Philip Neri)*
8:30 MEM  Dr. Emil Wittek

**Sunday, May 27th**
*(Solemnity of Pentecost)*
Acts 2:1-11  Psalm 104
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13  John 20:19-23

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**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 which 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

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**Finding God in Unsettled Times:**
*A Conference on Ignatian Spirituality*

**Friday, June 29th – Sunday, July 1st**
*Loyola University Maryland*

Can we find God in unsettled times? And if so, how?

Ignatius lived in unsettled times. The world around him was experiencing wars, religious and ethnic persecutions, slavery, and plague. And Ignatius himself experienced the loss of loved ones, career upheaval, near-death illness, and the profound unsettledness that comes when one faces one’s own sinfulness. Centuries later we find ourselves in unsettled times that are different and yet much the same.

The Jesuit Collaborative invites you to learn about Ignatius’s *Spiritual Exercises*, a time-tested way of finding God, and to journey with them as they seek to find God in unsettled times, in these times, at all times, always.

The Conference will offer a variety of workshops and keynote presentations.

Additional information can be found by visiting www.jesuit-collaborative.org

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Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

EMERGENCY HEATING AND COOLING CAMPAIGN

Because of your generosity our thermometer is climbing!

The heating and cooling systems which have served our church for over 50 and 35 years respectively are in desperate need of replacement. In order to address this urgent need, we must raise $2,400,000. A small group of generous parishioners pledged just under one million dollars to get the campaign underway. Several weeks ago the entire Parish was informed about the project. Our total currently stands at $1,450,980!

Thank you to all those who have pledged. If you have not yet done so, our Parish needs your help. This is an urgent matter, and we cannot meet our goal without your assistance. A letter has been sent to all registered parishioners explaining the details of the project. Please take time to fill out the pledge card that accompanied the letter and return it to the church as soon as possible. Additional pledge cards are available at the Parish House.

The letter and pledge card can also be accessed by visiting our website, www.stignatiusloyola.org and clicking on the Emergency Heating and Cooling Campaign tab at upper right.

For additional details, please contact
Mary Reed, Director of Development,
at 212-288-3588 x632 or reedm@stignatiusloyola.org

The Parish Ministry Council cordially invites St. Ignatius Parishioners active in Ministry to the Ministers’ Night Annual Supper Social Tuesday, June 5th at 7:00 PM Wallace Hall We look forward to sharing a meal together! additional details to follow....

Mander Organ Recital Series presents

KENT TRITLE
Director of Music,
St. John the Divine
Organist, New York Philharmonic and American Symphony Orchestra

Wednesday, June 6th at 7:30 PM

J. S. BACH Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C major
An Wasserflüssen Babylon
Fantasy and Fugue in G minor

NICOLAS DE GRIGNY Récit de tierce en taille

DANIEL PINKHAM The Prophet

CÉSAR FRANCK Chorale No. 3 in A minor

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.
2012 Peacemaker Awards Reception.  
Sponsored by Pax Christi Metro NY.  
Sunday, June 3rd, 3:00 – 6:00 PM.  
Casserly Hall, below St. Joseph’s  
Greenwich Village Church,  
Washington Place off Sixth Avenue.  
Advance registration is required.  
Recommended donation to be announced. For additional details, contact PCMNY at nypaxchristi@igc.org, or 212-420-0250  
or visit www.nypaxchristi.org

Topics of Concern in Today’s World:  
The Converted Atheist  
Thursday, May 24th  7:30 – 9:00 PM  
Presenter: Rev. Leo O’Donovan, S.J.  
St. Ignatius Jesuit Retreat House  
251 Searingtown Road, Manhasset.  
Free will offering.  
For details, call 516-621-8300 x10  
or visit www.inisfada.net

Saturday, June 16th, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM.  
New York Catholic Center,  
350 East 56 Street  
(between First and Second Avenues).  
Keynote Address:  
Peter Cardinal Turkson, President,  
Sponsored by the Archdiocesan Catechetical Office and American Bible Society.  
Registration Fee: $40, which includes admission to two workshops,  
the keynote address, and a box lunch.  
For more information on speakers, topics, and registration, visit www.nyfaithformation.org

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

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Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.  
Rev. James L. Dugan, S.J.  
Rev. Ugo R. Nacciarone, S.J.

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Rev. Philip G. Judge, S.J.  
Rev. James Martin, S.J.  
Rev. Anthony P. SooHoo, S.J.

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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. Judge  
9:30 AM  Fr. Dugan  
Wallace Hall  11:00 AM  Fr. Witt  
Solemn 11:00 AM  Fr. Judge  
7:30 PM  Fr. Witt

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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.

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.