



PROVINCE UPDATE

A NEWSLETTER FOR JESUITS OF THE DETROIT PROVINCE February, 2005



Provincial Lenten Greetings

If we keep the festivals, the festivals will keep us—a variation on an ancient maxim. If we keep the season of Lent—refocusing our prayer, our fasting, and our almsgiving as we follow the Lord on his way to Jerusalem—the season will most certainly keep us. Keep us even closer to the Lord and to his people. I ask you this Lent to remember Father Kolvenbach and his intentions and to remember all those engaged in our Year of Prayer.

Provincial's Calendar

February 2005

- 1 Loyola High School: Visitation
- 6-8 U of D Jesuit High School and Academy: Visitation
- 10 Assistants' Meeting
- 11-17 Jesuit Conference Board Meeting, Las Vegas
- 18-23 Florida fundraising
- 25-26 Consultors' Meeting
- 27 Gesu Parish, Detroit: Visitation

Dates to Keep in Mind

Province Days 2005

at JCU - June 9-12, 2005

JCU President Resigns

In Mid-December, **Fr. Ed Glynn** (MAR) announced his plan to resign as president of John Carroll University. Ed has been president of JCU for 7 years. He gave two reasons for his resignation: 1) JCU needs to begin a major fund raising campaign and the person who starts the campaign should see it through to the end and 2) a presidential search now would not interfere with searches at other Jesuit colleges and universities (since currently there are no other searches on-going).

To read more about Ed's resignation, please go to:
<http://www.jcu.edu/glynnres.htm>

Tsunami Relief

On December 29, Fr. Bob Scullin wired \$10,000 to Fr. General for urgent tsunami relief in Sri Lanka or wherever Fr. General deemed the need to be greatest. The Jesuit Refugee Services

has the best overall understanding of the needs for the entire region. JRS will be there for the long term - after many relief agencies go home - and in fact has already been there for years working in the war torn communities in Sri Lanka and in Aceh (Indonesia). Checks, payable to *Jesuit Refugee Service/USA* and earmarked for *Tsunami Aid* may be sent to:

Jesuit Refugee Service/USA
1616 P St., N.W., Suite 300
Washington, DC 20036

Credit card contributions can be made on the JRS/USA website at www.jrsusa.org.

Jesuit Identity at UDJHS&A

John Mark, S.J., and **Amy Murphy** have created a new webpage for the University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy (UDJHS&A) website. This webpage is an explanation of what Jesuit Education is, a detailed look at the document "The Graduate at Graduation", and a rewrite of UDJHS&A's school history and mission. In addition to all of this, the Society of Jesus is also presented.

To view this webpage, please go to:
<http://www.uofdjesuit.org/> and click on "Jesuit Identity" (which is in the upper left corner of the page).

John is a first year regent at UDJHS. He is UDJHS&A's mission coordinator and also teaches math to 7th graders. Amy Murphy is a part-time web developer at UDJHS&A.

Back in Print

A New Introduction to the 'Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius', Fr. John E. Dister, ed. and contributor, with contributions from Fr. Walter Farrell, Fr. Howard Gray, Fr. Jules Toner, *et al.*, first published by Liturgical Press 1993 but out of print in recent years, has been reissued by Wipf and Stock, Eugene, OR. List: \$16; five or more: 40% discount. It can also be obtained from Terri LaRoque at the Bookstore at Colombiere Center in Clarkston, MI.

Attention all Authors

Authors who published in 2004 are asked to let Jim Riley <jrileyjs@aol.com> know how many forms (one type for books, another for articles) they will need for reporting their publications for listing on index cards in the Roman Curia of the Society.



Society News

Letter from Father General

Fr. General recently wrote a letter (mailed January 6, 2005) which dealt with the celebration of the forthcoming jubilee year commemorating 450 years since the death of St. Ignatius and 500 years since the birth of St. Francis Xavier and Blessed Peter Favre. The main traits of their spirituality, Father General writes, continue to challenge the apostolic body of the Society of Jesus today. For Saint Ignatius, Father General has chosen key words of the foundational document: to fight for God. Although the military nuance of this expression changed later into God's greater service, praise and glory, the passion to serve God alone, writes Father General, did not change in the least. The intense missionary activity of Xavier is reflected in the words chosen from a letter of Xavier dated January 1541: to bring the light of Christ our Lord. Finally, a note from his Memorial reveals an important aspect of Blessed Favre in his apostolate of spiritual accompaniment, confessions and conversations: to beseech the Holy Spirit to be so kind as to control all the spirits who inhabit us. At the end of the letter Father General expresses his desire to receive information from the Provinces regarding plans to celebrate the jubilee. He has appointed a commission at the Curia to receive the information and, eventually, to pass it on to all the other Provinces. The communication should be directed to Fr. Wendelin Köster, the Assistant for Central Europe, who is the chairman of the commission:

jubileo2006@sjcuria.org.

Read Father General's letter at:

http://www.sjweb.info/documents/phk/200501-01jubilee_eng.swf

New California Provincial

Peter J. Togni, 53, professor of theology and associate dean of arts and science at the University of San Francisco, has been appointed Provincial of California. He succeeds Father Thomas H. Smolich.

Walter Burghardt, S.J.

Walter Burghardt was recently interviewed by Gerry McCarthy, editor of the online social justice magazine *The Social Edge*. They discuss Fr. Burghardt's book *Justice: A Global Adventure* at www.thesocialedge.com/archives/gerrymccarthy/2articles-nov2004.htm

Jesuits Studying in Rome

According to the Catalogue of the Delegation for International Roman Houses 2005, there are 122 Jesuit students from various Provinces in the Roman Houses. The majority of them are engaged in Master's (45) or Doctoral (48) courses. By Assistancies, East Europe is on top with 34 students followed by South Europe with 19, and Africa with 16. Regarding the Provinces of origin, 13 are from Italy, 12 from South Poland and 9 from Central Africa. Some of the students are already ordained.

Tsunami

According to the news received from the Jesuit Provinces affected by the tsunami (especially from Sri Lanka and Indonesia) there are no personal casualties among the Jesuits. Their main concern is to offer help to the thousands in need of refuge, food, and comfort.

In Sri Lanka, four Jesuit communities (Galle, Trincomalee, Batticaloa, and Colombo) have opened their churches and residences to accommodate the persons in need of help. In the Jesuit residence of Batticaloa, more than 3,000 have sought refuge.

In India (Province of Madurai), Jesuit scholastics have joined the relief effort. The provincial has appointed a three-Jesuit committee in charge of coordinating the help in cooperation with CARITAS and the Red Cross. As a gesture of solidarity, Father General has assigned 10,000 euros to each of the Provinces of Sri Lanka and Madurai, which for the moment seem the most affected by the earthquake and the tidal wave. Jesuit Refugee Service Australia is updating their home page with news from Jesuits: [news:http://www.jrs.org.au/index.php](http://www.jrs.org.au/index.php)

Letters from the Indonesian, Sri Lanka, and India Jesuits Provincial's Offices can be found here:

<http://www.jrs.org.au/news.php?item=110>

An archive of the site's articles on the tsunami can be found here:

http://www.jrs.org.au/news_pub.php

For pictures taken after the tsunami, go to: <http://www.companymagazine.org/sjusa/05-01-20.htm>

[source: JesuitUSA News]

Jesuit Astronomer Explores Questions About God

Does God control every atom? Or does he observe but not intervene? In light of the Asian earthquake, **Guy Consolmagno, S.J. (MAR)** examines these issues in the article "The Kind of World This Is" in *The Tablet*, at <http://www.thetablet.co.uk/cgi-bin/register.cgi/tablet-00968>

[source: JesuitUSA News]

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Kudos

Jesuit Treasures

Eddie Siebert and his film company, *Loyola Productions*, were featured on Jescom's website. Jescom is a group which focuses on Jesuits and friends working in the Arts and Communication.

The article is about *Loyola Productions'* new endeavor – A network tv show pilot "Hidden Treasures of the Jesuits." The tv show will focus on the history of various "treasures" the Jesuits have.

To read the article, go to:

http://www.sjweb.info/jescom/gallery/LoyolaProductions/lpi_intro.cfm

Mackinac Island

Jim Boynton and **Karl Kiser** are featured in an online article on Catholic Online. The article talks about the annual work that Jim and Karl do at St. Anne's Parish on Mackinac Island.

To read the article, go to:

http://www.catholic.org/cathcom/national_story.php?id=12006

Art Exhibit

Jerome Pryor was asked to exhibit his altarpiece, "Our Lady of the Rosary" at Rockhurst University's "Pied Beauty: Contemporary Jesuit Art", an exhibit which runs from January 21 through February 12, 2005, at the University's Greenlease Gallery.

Ministry Award

The Catholic Campus Ministry Association (CCMA) gave its highest honor, the Reverend Charles Forsyth Award, to **John Scarano**, director of campus ministry at John Carroll University, in January. The CCMA bestows the award each year on a campus minister who demonstrated outstanding leadership in campus ministry at the local, regional, and national levels.

[source: JesuitUSA News]

Summer Supply

A summer supply position is available in Los Angeles, CA. The pastor of St. Jerome Parish in Los Angeles (near LMU) is seeking summer help for two or three months beginning in July, 2005. There are two priests working in the parish, including a Jesuit from the British Province. Usually one of them would be present during your stay.

More information is available from David Watson, SJ, at watsondsj@aol.com or directly from the pastor of St. Jerome at pastorstjerome@aol.com, Fr. Norman Priebe.

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St. Mary's Ann Arbor

The installation of **Thomas McClain** as the eleventh pastor of St. Mary's Student Parish took place on January 6, 2005. Rev. Terrence Dumas, the vicar of the region, officiated at the installation.

The Jesuit Community in Ann Arbor (Ellacuria House) has three members on the parish staff: **Dennis Glasgow**, **Tom McClain**, and **Dan Reim**, the superior. The community also has one special student: **Uwem Akpan** (NIG). Uwem is an African who is studying creative writing at the University of Michigan.

Note: There is one guest room for anyone wishing to visit Ann Arbor!

Gesu Detroit

February 9, 2005 is not only the beginning of Lent, but it is also the transition of pastors at Gesu Parish, Detroit. After almost 8 years of being pastor at Gesu, **Norm Dickson** will hand the keys of the building over to **Dave Watson**, who will be the Administrator of Gesu. Thank you, Norm, for all of your wonderful years of service!

New faces at Colombiere

Three Chicago Jesuits will take up residence at Colombiere soon. The new faces in the health care facility will be: **Bob Dressman**, **Paul Huber**, and **Carl Moell**. Welcome to Colombiere and to the winter wonderland which is Michigan!

Out and About

The 2nd year novices started their long experiment at the beginning of January. Each of the men are using their talents and abilities to help others and *For the Greater Glory of God!*

Patrick Gilday is partaking in a CPE program at the Loyola Medical Center and living at the Oak Park Jesuit Community.

Jim McLenahan is teaching Latin at St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati.

Trevor Meyer is working at the Sts. Peter and Paul Warming Center and living in the community located at UDJHS.

John Shea is teaching biology and doing research at Loyola University in Chicago and living in the Jesuit Residence.

Jayme Stayer is teaching English at Walsh Jesuit High School in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

Eric Sundrup (CHG) is teaching biology at Loyola Academy in Wilmette.

The second year novices will return to the Novitiate at the beginning of May.



Apostleship of Prayer

February Intentions

General: That the sick, especially the poorest, may receive the care and medical treatment worthy of human beings.

Mission: That all missionaries may recognize it is only through a fervent love of Christ that the Gospel can be effectively transmitted.



Please Pray for Those Who Have Died

Eloise Nieto, sister of Thomas L. Kenealy, S.J. (CHG), December 16.

Thomas “Clarke” Madden, brother of the late Bill Madden, S.J. (CHG), December 20.

Marie Campbell, sister of Earl Weis, S.J., January 3.

Joseph Zagone, father of Fred Zagone, S.J. (CHG), January 9.

Alfonsina VandeVelde, mother of Richard VandeVelde, S.J. (CHG), January 21.

Joan Schmidt, sister of James Gschwend, S.J. (CHG), January 24

And Pray for

Jack Beckman, S.J. (CHG), who is undergoing treatment for back pain.

Richard Conroy, S.J., who is at Colombiere recovering from back surgery.

PJ Rice, S.J., who is at Colombiere recovering from pneumonia.

Stan Wisniewski, S.J. (CHG), who has been in the ICU for over a week recovering from pneumonia.

Paul Woelfl, S.J., who is at Colombiere recovering from a broken arm.

Our men at **Colombiere**.

The lay initiative at **St. Martin de Porres High School** in Cleveland.

Peaceful settlement of differences between nations.



From the Vault

by *Walt Farrell, S.J.*

The Wall Street Journal reported in early January that “University and foundation endowments generated their strongest investment returns in four years.” Endowments on average realized a +14.7% return on investment. I found this encouraging since the Province realized a 14.5% return and FY 2004 was also our best year of the past four. Interestingly, the respondents to the Commonfund sur-

vey do not see double digit returns continuing; they think that returns in calendar year 2005 will be somewhere between 7.9% for smaller endowments and 8.6% for the larger (over \$1 billion) ones. I say this is “interesting” since we are half way through our fiscal year (it began July 1, 2004) and as of December 31, 2004 our return stood at 6.7%, which when annualized would give us a 13.4% return at the end of June, 2005.

Members of the Province Finance Committee have exercised due diligence by interviewing six evaluation companies and narrowing the field to two that will appear before the full committee on February 18.

Kudos goes to Dick Huelsman, Dick McCormick, and Jules Toner who through their royalties continue to serve the Province as part of the Society Triumphant. – Anyone remember that terminology?

Lastly, any hope that the picture of President McKinley (that graced the walls of Weavers) might have some value was, as we reported earlier, dashed when we found that we had only half of the original. However, recently there came into the Vault a Russian icon sent to us by none other than our Province Representative at the Gadsden Purchase, F. Murdoch Henley. A full report on this *objet d’art* will come when Father Socius ascertains its value from the experts.



Development News

from *Rachel Brennan*

As this is the first Update in 2005, I would like to take the opportunity to wish each of you a New Year filled with grace and blessing for you and those dear to you.

Each November, as part of the benefits of the *Companions’* program, we ar-

range to have a novena offered in Rome for our Companions intentions. Kevin Flannery, Dean of Philosophy at the Pontifical Gregorian in Rome, has been most kind in arranging the novena the last several years. The response from our donors for the novena has always been strong and we deeply appreciate Kevin’s cooperation and kindness.

In spite of the wickedly cold weather and deep snow, about 45 people showed up for the Companion’s event at UD Jesuit. In fact, the first four to arrive were four 70+ women, one with a cane. When I congratulated them on coming, they commented that if you have lived in Michigan all your life, this was no big deal, you just adjust. Rich Clark, President of St. Martin de Porres, drove in from Cleveland Sunday morning to give a presentation about the school that was well received. Rich’s enthusiasm for his Mission is wonderful to experience.

Early returns on the emergency appeal for Tsunami victims that was sent to some 39,000 people has been good. It takes up to three weeks for some of the mail to be delivered so returns have just begun to come in. Thus far, over \$14,000 has been sent with an average gift of \$218. I have been asked numerous times what percentage will reach the victims. It’s good to tell donors that 100% of their contribution will be sent to JRS.

Jo Rahaim, Director of Planned Giving for the University of Michigan for fifteen years, will be working with Province staff to help us help our friends. Jo has worked with individuals with both very large and medium to small estates to help them make good decisions about their retirement assets. She has extensive experience with the various legal vehicles available and how they may affect a person’s tax situation. If you have a relative or friend who would appreciate good advice at no obligation or cost to them, please let me know.