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## Jesuit Retreat House

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Honoring

**Richard Jerdonek and Joan Nuth, PhD**

May 13, 2011

## Event Program

Welcome/remarks	Mary Ann Flannery, S.C.
Opening Prayer	Susie Brooks Murphy Robert Welsh, S.J.
Award Presentation	Mary Ann Flannery, S.C.
Reflection	Howard Gray, S.J.
Closing Remarks	Mary Ann Flannery, S.C.
Closing Prayer	Robert A. Hager

**Our Mission:** *Inspired by the gospel of Jesus Christ, rooted in the spirituality of St. Ignatius, Jesuit Retreat House provide a sacred setting for retreats and programs of growth and development for people in the contemporary Church and society.*



## *Richard Jerdonek*

A graduate of the Ignatian Spirituality Institute (ISI) at John Carroll University, Rich leads Busy Student Retreats, and 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Annotation Retreats, provides spiritual direction on an ongoing basis, and owns a consulting business in Brecksville. Rich has a distinguished record of volunteer activity, including service on the ISI Advisory Board and chairmanship of the JRH Board of Directors and the Spirituality Program for Adults Advisory Committee at St. Ignatius High School. Rich and his wife Julie received the Dorothy Day Award in 2003 for outstanding service at the West Side Catholic Center. They have three sons and four grandchildren and are members of St. Basil Parish in Brecksville.



## *Joan Nuth, PhD*

Joan has served as director of the Ignatian Spirituality Institute (ISI) of John Carroll University for over seven years, taught in the university's Religious Studies department for 24 years, and served on the board of the Diocesan Pastoral Ministry office for 23 years. A native of Baltimore, Maryland, Joan earned a doctorate in theology from Boston College and a master's in divinity from the Weston Jesuit School of Theology, where she studied the Spiritual Exercises with Howard Gray, S.J. Joan sponsors ISI retreats and assists in John Carroll retreats annually at Jesuit Retreat House.

## *The Ignatian Spirituality Award*

The Ignatian Spirituality Award acknowledges a person who has personally lived the Spiritual Exercises and has devoted him or herself to the promotion of the Exercises and to the core mission of the theology, spirituality, and charism of St. Ignatius Loyola in daily life and in the direction of others.

### *Past Honorees*

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| <b>2010</b> - Daniel B. Cotter and Jack White, S.J. | <b>2005</b> - Carol and Charles A. Rini, Sr. |
| <b>2009</b> - Betty Skerl and Robert Welsh, S.J.    | <b>2004</b> - Louisa Celebrezze              |
| <b>2007</b> - Rita Carfagna and Howard Gray, S.J.   | <b>2003</b> - Tom Gedeon, S.J.               |
| <b>2006</b> - Detroit Province and Jim Lewis, S.J.  |  |



### **About the Speaker:**

## *Rev. Howard Gray, S.J.*

Howard Gray, S.J. serves as Assistant to the President for Special Projects at Georgetown University. He earned a bachelor's degree in English and classics, a licentiate in philosophy and a licentiate in sacred theology from Loyola University of Chicago, and a doctorate in English from the University of Wisconsin. Fr. Gray has lectured and written extensively on Ignatian spirituality, ministry and the apostolic mission of Jesuit high school and universities. He is a well-known director of Ignatian retreats in the USA, East Africa and East Asia. Fr. Gray has received five honorary degrees, the Georgetown Bicentennial Medal, the Jesuit Volunteer Corps Award and Xavier University's Leadership Medallion.