Greetings of Peace & Light to All!

The Fall semester is in full swing here on The Hill, and many events are happening at Goddard Chapel. September 12th, 2003 will always be a very fondly remembered date. I had the profound honor to meet His Holiness, The Dalai Lama. His Holiness was in Boston for a conference at M.I.T., but he also came to Medford. He came to bless the new Buddhist Kurukulla Center, in Medford. I was one of three official greeters to welcome The Dalai Lama to Medford and to the Kurukulla Center. He is a very joy-filled man. The greetings were brief, but I did ask that he consider coming to Goddard Chapel and Tufts University in the future. Tufts University was founded on the idea of religious liberty and freedom for all, especially when that other university across the river was too conservative in 1852!

My fellow peers and friends in the Medford Inter-Faith Clergy Association gave me a huge surprise by voting me their President for 2003-2004. This is the first time the University Chaplain of Tufts has been the President of the Medford Inter-Faith Clergy Association. It is my hope to bring the University, Goddard Chapel, and the local communities of Medford and Somerville closer together.

Please know you are warmly invited to any and all of the upcoming events here at Goddard Chapel. Feel free to drop in any time to see this wonderful historic building in all its glory. Please read this issue of "Goddard Talk" and enjoy.

In this issue of Goddard Talk we are highlighting the associate chaplains and their ministries. I am humbled to call them colleagues and friends. The Office of University Chaplain and University Chaplaincy is strengthened by their dedicated service to the Tufts University family.

Pax et Lux,

Rev. David M. O'Leary
S.T.L., Ph.D.

MEETING THE CHAPLAINS & CHAPLAINCIES

Ann Penick, Associate Catholic Chaplain, The Catholic Center at Tufts, 58 Winthrop Street, one block from Tufts campus.

Ann Penick serves as the Director of the Catholic Center and as Associate Catholic Chaplain at Tufts University. Ann is in her second year at Tufts serving in this capacity. This is her seventh year in Campus Ministry. Previously, Ann was Campus Minister at the College of Charleston and the Medical University of South Carolina, then Pastoral Associate at St. Ann University Parish in Boston. She has a background in college teaching and pastoral care and counseling. For Catholic students at Tufts there is weekly Sunday Mass at 10:00 p.m. in Goddard Chapel. Two priests, Rev. David O'Leary and Rev. Joe Foster take turns celebrating 10:00 p.m. Mass. The student organization, The Catholic Community at Tufts (CCT) continues to serve our... Continued on Page 3
Upcoming Chapel Events

GODDARD CHAPEL FORUM ON RELIGION AND POLITICS
All lectures take place at 6:00 p.m.

November 19 —
Professor Malik Mufi, Department of Political Science; Professor Ayesha Jalal, Department of History, and Tufts University Chaplains — “Religion, Politics, and Extremism in the Islamic World”

December 2 —

January 28 —
The Reverend Fred Small, Religious Witness for the Earth — “Been in the Storm So Long: A Call to Earth Stewardship”

February 4 —
Zen Master Jane Dobisz, Guiding Teacher, Cambridge Zen Center — “Buddhism and Politics”

March 15 —
The Reverend J. Bryan Hehir, President, Catholic Charities USA, Distinguished Professor of Ethics and International Affairs, Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service, 2004 Russell Lecture — “War, Peace and Terror: Defining the Relationships”

REFLECTIONS
12:00 — 1:00 P.M.

11/18 Dean Paul Stanton, Interim Dean of Academic Services and Student Affairs, “Living Your Faith in a University Setting”

12/2 Ms. Ann Penick, Associate Catholic Chaplain, “Reflections on Sacred Dance as Prayer and Worship”

CHAPLAIN’S TABLE—RELIGION, HEALTH, AND SELF-ESTEEM
5 — 7 P. M., MacPhie Conference Room

11/20 Dr. Howard Spivak, Director, Prof. of Pediatrics and Community Health, Tufts University Center for Children, “Youth Violence”

12/4 Dr. Bonnie Chakravorty, Faculty, Community Health, “Disease, Disability, and Self-Esteem”

NOON HOUR CONCERT SERIES
12:30 — 1:00 P.M. Goddard Chapel

11/20 John Ferrillo, Principal Oboe, BSO Carmen Peralta, Piano

Christmas Concert, Wednesday, 12/3/03, 4:00 p.m.

Jingle Bell Tour to Benefit Medford Alzheimer’s Unit and Medford Visiting Nurses’ Association — Saturday, 12/6/03, 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, 12/7/03, 1:00 p.m. Contact Linda Karpowich for further information (617) 627-3427.

Archbishop Celestino Migliore, Apostolic Nuncio, Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations — “Pacem in Terris: Are We There Yet?”
young church here at Tufts University. Through the Catholic Center, CCT, has a place where students can gather. At the Center students have monthly dinners, scripture study and prayer groups, social justice and service meetings, events for freshmen, study space, lounge and laundry facilities. RCIA and Confirmation preparation are also held at the Center, as well as many other gatherings. Two retreats are offered each year—one during fall semester for those who have never been on a college retreat and one during spring semester open to all students. Service opportunities are offered with the Boston Food Bank, The Giving Tree project in the Christmas season, The New England Home for Little Wanderers, Read-By-The-River, and The Giving Camp for local citizens with physical and mental challenges.

Rabbi Jeffrey Summit, Associate Jewish Chaplain, The Granoff Family Hillel Center

Rabbi Jeffrey Summit is the Executive Director of the Hillel Foundation at Tufts University. He is also Tufts’ Jewish Chaplain and teaches in the Judaic Studies Program and the Department of Music. He holds a Ph.D. in ethnomusicology and has recently been conducting research with the Abayudaya, the Jewish people of Uganda. Smithsonian Folkways recently produced a CD of his field recordings of their music. Rabbi Summit has a particular interest in the application of Jewish values to our everyday lives. His High Holidays sermons this year focused on Jewish attitudes towards food, love, and money. They are available at the Hillel web site: http://www.tufshillel.org. Rabbi Summit does a lot of informal teaching on campus and is available for counseling by appointment.

Noureddine Hawat, Associate Muslim Chaplain, The ICT, Islamic Center at Tufts, 176 Curtis Street

The ICT, Islamic Center at Tufts, is committed to serving the needs of Tufts community and neighboring areas. It enables Muslims on campus to pray five times a day, attend Fridays’ prayers that are held all year round, and engage in other Islamic activities such as Ramadan, dinners, Taraweeh’s prayers, etc. ICT also provides guidance and counseling in religious and personal affairs. Furthermore, it serves as an inclusive educational and knowledge resource that will encourage the interaction between Muslims and non-Muslims to promote awareness and tolerance. In addition, ICT endorses respect of all cultures, races, and religions. The Qur’an, the Muslims’ Holy book, declares, “We have made you a plurality of races and tribes for you to know each other.” Therefore, ICT sees the human family as a great tree and it is worth knowing every branch of it. Our ambition is to inform, especially in a time when enmity and hatred are being exploited for personal and collective agendas. In our days, we do feel that nothing is more important than eliminating the ground of hatred, and ignorance has always been the most fertile soil for the seeds of hatred.

Rev. Laurie Rofinot, Associate Protestant Chaplain, Curtis Hall Loft

Greetings and blessings! I have been at Tufts now for almost two months and am starting to get my bearings in this fine institution, with the chaplaincy, the students, and our Sunday evening worship service.

A little background: I’m an Episcopalian, originally from the Seattle area with roots in the Midwest, as well. I did my undergraduate work in Psychology at the University of Minnesota in the 1970’s, received an M.Div. from the Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge and was ordained in 1986. Somerville is home for my husband Pat, our 10-year-old daughter Marian, two fuzzy cats, and me; we have an old two-family house close to Davis Square that demands constant upkeep!

As the Associate Chaplain for Protestant Ministries my responsibilities include: officiating for a weekly ecumenical worship service in Goddard Chapel; advising the Protestant Student Fellowship (PSF), a terrific undergraduate group which organizes Bible studies; and meeting regularly with my fellow Jewish, Muslim, Catholic, and University Chaplains; coordinating a group of Protestant Affiliate pastors with congregations in the Tufts neighborhood; and being available and accessible to the larger Tufts student, faculty, and staff community as a spiritual counselor and companion. I welcome calls and visits to my office in Curtis Hall, most ideally situated in the loft above the Brown and Brew Café. Stop by for a chat on most any Thursday.

Peace!

“Goddard Chapel has been a landmark on the Medford Campus of Tufts University for over 120 years. Approaching the main quad, from any direction, one can see the 100 ft. tower. The Chapel bells can be heard marking the five o’clock hour and every major University occasion. Catholic and Protestant worship take place several times a week. Rites of Passage are marked within its walls. Students pack the main area to capacity for concerts and other special events.” — from “A Window on History: 150 Years of Religion at Tufts University,” edited by Patricia Budd Kepler.
Friends of Goddard Chapel Society

The Friends of Goddard Chapel Society has a very special mission—to support the work of the Office of University Chaplain, its programming, and to continue the beautification of Goddard Chapel proper.

For $250.00 one becomes a member of the Friends of Goddard Chapel Society. Each member will receive “Goddard Talk” newsletter twice a year, individual invitation to special Fall and Spring Lectures at Goddard Chapel, and a yearly concert in Goddard Chapel. There are also many "naming" opportunities available. The Fall Lecture is looking for a benefactor and would be the "Name" Lectureship.

The entire Chapel space is in need of new pew/benches. Each new pew/bench with cushion would have a plaque placed in the center of the pew/bench. There are thirty pew/benches on the main level and four in the choir loft.

The entire Chapel area is in need of air conditioning for Spring and Summer weddings and events. A special "name plaque" would be placed in the foyer of Goddard Chapel by the Quad door indicating the donor of the new air conditioning system.

Finally, there would be the opportunity to endow the Office of University Chaplain with a "Name" Professor of Religion & Society Chair.

We're on the Web!
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