



The PRIDE of LOYOLA



Service of God and Others

The lion or lioness is the school's mascot, and pride (a group of lions/lionesses) refers to the students of Loyola Jesuit College.

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A Newsletter for Parents

14 March 2010

REGIS REIGNS SUPREME

The parents, staff and students of Regis House, were indeed in the spo(r)t light at this year's Inter-House Sports on the 20th of February. Many parents experienced the joy of seeing their children win medals, and the staff also took delight in the various victories of their Houses. **Loyola** House produced the best senior male athlete for the 100 metres. **Xavier** House gave the best performance in the High Jump for Senior Girls. A **Connelly** House gem ensured the House was the best at the end of the heats. However, only one House was built with gemstone: **Regis** House emerged as the overall winner (for the first time in the History of Inter-House Sports at LJC). This is how the four Houses stood at the end, in alphabetical order: *Connelly* bagged 558 points; *Loyola* 534 points; *Regis* 567 and *Xavier* bowed out with 514 points.



REGIS REJOICES!

The next time you meet a student or parent of Regis House, please show them the courtesy and respect that they deserve as the reigning champions! On the other hand, as Pierre de Coubertin (founder of modern Olympics) put it, "The joy is in participation, not in winning medals." Let those without medals take consolation in his statement, while hoping for a better outing in subsequent editions of the Loyola Jesuit College Annual Inter-House Sports Competition.

This edition was a great success because of the superb organization of the various **Committees**; thanks to all the members—too numerous to mention on one page. We must mention Mr. **Paul Uke**, the LJC Director of Sports, for adhering strictly to the IAAF rules, in line with our quest for excellence. Our special gratitude goes to our donors and the chairman, Dr. **E. U. Azodoh**, whose warmth and wit provided the right atmosphere. Finally, lots of love and gratitude to the **Parents** of the **Pride** who came to cheer their wards and Houses. Your presence indeed graced the occasion.



Announcements

LJC WINS NAFDAC NATIONAL COMPETITION: The finals of the Consumer Safety Club competition was held at the NAFDAC Headquarters in Abuja on the 10th of March 2010. At the award ceremony on the 11th of March inside the Nicon Luxury Hotels, Abuja , Loyola Jesuit College emerged first at the zonal level in the senior category and first and second in the junior category. The LJC student you all saw on TV granting an interview on the 11th of March is **Princess-Jewel Essien**, who took the overall first position at the national level. The winners received various awards, including five computer monitors, two CPUs and a printer. The LJC participants (Princess-Jewel, Ugochukwu Amadi and Vanessa Emodi) took home personal prizes of a laptop worth N180,000, certificates, school bags and N25,000 each. Congratulations to the Pride! We thank Mrs. Christy Njoku and Mr. Wilfred Waya for preparing and accompanying our students towards a most successful outing at this year's Consumer Safety Club competition.

SS-2 PSAT RESULT: The result has been released for our 88 (eighty-eight) SS-2 students who took the PSAT examination on the 17th of October 2009. The performance is excellent, with the vast majority of our students scoring very high in the Selection Index Percentile. **Olaoluwamide Akinwuntan** has the highest Selection Index Percentile [98], while **Mogbo Ojuba** and **Shakirat Oniyangi** came second with 97. **Chidum Okoye** came third with a Selection Index Percentile of 96. The individual result slips of the students have been made available . We encourage the parents of our SS-2 students to plan towards the SAT examination of their children.

FAREWELL: We thank the following (our two Schoenstatts) for their contribution to Loyola Jesuit College:

Br. Joseph Anyanwu

Br. Stanley Ekwugha

We wish them well in their alternative endeavors.



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S. A. T. RESULTS FOR LJC STUDENTS: The results of the November and December 2009 SAT examinations have been released. Eighteen LJC students, out of the seventy that wrote SAT-1, scored 2000 and above, while only one student scored below 1500/2400. **Aniekeme Umoh** has the highest score of 2220/2400. **Ndem Eyo** came second with a score of 2150/2400, and **Chuka Alinta** came third with a score of 2130/2400.

In SAT-2, **Emeka Arene** came first with a near-perfect score of 2330/2400. **Uyiosa Oriakhi** came second with an equally excellent score of 2320/2400, and **Patrick Orji** came third with a highly impressive score of 2200/2400. The results of the January 2010 SAT-1 & SAT-2 are still being awaited. Hearty congratulations to the Pride of Loyola!

NEW EXECUTIVES FOR THE LJC BENIN PTA: We congratulate all parents of the Benin branch of the LJC Parent-Teacher-Association. The following are the new officers recently elected to run the affairs of the branch:

Chairperson:	Mrs. Gloria Akhiwu
Secretary:	Dr. Mrs. Rita Momoh
Treasurer:	Mrs. Prisca Abua
Social/Welfare Secretary:	TBA

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE: It is with sadness that we received news of the death of the following members of the LJC community: a Loyola parent, Mr. Idowu Emilandu, the father of Ganiyu (one of our visually impaired students) in JS-1C and a member of Xavier House; the father of Binkam Amos, of the LJC Bakery, who was killed during the recent Jos crisis; Mr. Amos Bawa, of the LJC Maintenance Department, who died in an auto accident along the Karu-Karshi Road on the 21st of January 2010. May their souls rest in perfect peace. Please, also remember their families in your prayers.



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YES, THE PARENT PORTAL IS UP AND RUNNING!!!: To log-on to certain parts of our website as a parent, particularly the Parent Portal, the system will require your username and password. Please, be reminded that your username is your ward's surname and admission number combined as a unit. Needless to say, you alone (should) know your password.

GRATITUDE TO AN INSPIRING PARENT: We thank our erudite parent, Professor Pat Utomi, who graciously donated to us two autographed copies of his own publication. Professor Utomi's *Business Angel as a Missionary* as well as his authorized biography *Keeping Faith, the Making of an Icon*, are excellent works that will provide inspiration for our students. Thank you very much for who you are, Professor, a man who can "associate with the good, the bad and the ugly without being tainted by the inconsistencies of those lives."

CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATION [C.I.E.]MAY/JUNE 2010 REGISTRATION: Thirty-two of our SS-3 students have been registered for the May/June 2010 Cambridge International Examination. The registration fee is N5000.00 per candidate and N9300.00 per subject, including an administrative fee of N5200.00. Please, credit your ward's account accordingly.

J. A. M. E REGISTRATION/EXAMINATION: The registration of all our SS-3 students for this examination has been concluded. The examination is scheduled for Saturday, April 17, 2010. Our students are to write this examination in sixteen different centers in Abuja. The fee for this examination, including scratch card and administrative charge, is N8000.00 [eight thousand Naira only]. Parents of all SS-3 students who have not paid for this examination should pay this amount [N8000.00] into their wards' accounts.

TOEFL REGISTRATION/TEST: The last batch of our SS-3 students wrote this test on January 30, 2010. A total of Seventy-nine SS-3 students wrote the TOEFL test. NOTE: The fee for this examination is \$220.00. Parents who have not paid this fee for their children should do so soonest.

IN SOLIDARITY WITH A PARENT OF THREE ANGELS : We received the very sad news that Dr. Andy Ilabor lost his two sisters in a tragic car crash in Lagos on the 6th of March. Dr. Ilabor and his wife are former Loyola parents who lost all three of their children in the Sosoliso plane crash of December 10th 2005. Dr. Ilabor's older sister, Ngozi Esehah will have the wake and burial on the 18th and 19th of March in Illah, about 20 minutes outside of Asaba. His younger sister, Nonye Bello, will have services on the 18th and 19th of March in Maryland, Lagos. Let us remember all of their families at this time of distress both in our Masses and other prayers. Dr. Ilabor's email address is summitclinic@yahoo.com. May the souls of Ngozi and Nonye rest in perfect peace. Amen.

CATCHING UP ON KECHI OKWUCHI: We continue to thank God for Kechi Okwuchi, the only LJC student that survived the Sosoliso plane crash of 10th December 2005. The 2005 airplane crash left her with burns over 65 percent of her body. Recently, we were afraid that the hospital overseeing her recovery, Shriners Burns Hospital for Children in Galveston, would not survive in the aftermath of Hurricane Ike. Fortunately, the hospital reopened recently. If the hospital doors had remained shut, as the Shriners national leadership had planned, our dear Kechi could have missed vital surgeries to help her live a normal life again. "It was really amazing," said Kechi, now 20, about the world-renowned burn center's reopening. "I was the first patient treated after it opened." Shriners center primarily serves burn victims from Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Mexico, but accepts patients from all over the world.

GRATITUDE TO OUR GENEROUS PARENT: We thank the Aliyuda family for donating dozens of very useful high school books to the LJC library. We also thank Mrs. Chinwe Anyigbo who donated to us a copy of a PSE (Personal and Social Education) book titled *Health for Life*. We are grateful and pray God almighty to bless and reward your generosity!

LJC CLUB EXHIBITION 2010: The annual Club Exhibition of the college will take place on the last two visiting days of the term (March 14th and 21st 2010). Parents are expected to enjoy their visits to the stands of the various clubs we have at LJC. The club excos (students) and their



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JSS-3 2010-2011 Subject Choice Sheet: The parents of our present JSS-3 students are to begin now to conclude discussions with their children on their career and choice of subjects for the senior secondary school (SSS). This is because the JSS-3 students may not meet their parents after the JSCE (Junior Secondary Certificate Examination) before filling their "SS1 Choice of Subjects form". Parents should therefore endeavor to conclude this discussion with their children during the one-week Easter break before they return to the school for their Extension Classes/Third term. In the SS1- class, students are expected to register a minimum of eleven (11) subjects and a maximum of twelve subjects chosen from the prescribed groups. The core subjects offered by Loyola Jesuit College (in conformity with the National Policy on Education, WAEC and NECO Statutory Prescriptions for SSCE), the possible Option Groups and the Elective Groups, are as follows:

Core Subjects:

1. English Language
2. General Mathematics
3. Hausa
4. Biology
5. French
6. Economics
7. Christian Religious Knowledge (CRK)

Option Groups:

8. Literature-in-English or Geography or History
9. Agricultural Science or Technical Drawing or Foods & Nutrition

Elective Groups:

10. Further Mathematics or Fine Art
11. Physics or Government
12. Chemistry or History

NOTE: Every Christian student must register the seven (7) Core subjects, while Muslim students may skip the 7th Core Subject (CRK). Only one subject may be selected from a given Option Group (8 and 9) and Elective Group (10, 11 and 12) above. Students who have persistently got low grades in General Mathematics and Integrated Science may not be allowed to do the Sciences. This is because they have shown from their result an inadequate foundation and preparation for the Science subjects. However, if such students insist on taking the Sciences in spite of their poor grades, they may be given the opportunity to repeat JSS-3 to get a second chance to prove their ability in those subjects.

SSS-3 2010-2011 Subject Selection Form: We would also wish to inform the parents of our present SS-2 students that their children will be coming home for the Easter holiday with their "SS-3 Subject Selection form". Students going to the SS-3 class are expected to offer a maximum of nine (9) subjects out of the eleven (11) subjects that they had registered in their SS-1. Parents are advised to fill these forms with their children and return it on resumption day (Saturday 17th April 2010) to the Vice Principal Academics, Sr. Ebele Onochie, SHCJ, or the Head Counsellor, Mr. Gabriel Egudu. All the present SS-1 students are to continue with the subjects that they are presently offering. No changes are allowed. It should be noted that no changes will be entertained after the submission of the endorsed Subjects Selection forms of all the classes.



Recent Events

REGIS RULES OVER ALL





Reminders



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EQUIPMENT NEEDED IN THE NEW LJC CLINIC

1.	Modern theatre Table	
2.	Respiratory Monitor	
3.	Artery Forceps and kockers	
4.	Theatre Shoes	(3)
5.	Theatre Lamps	
6.	Theatre Gowns and caps face masks	(6)
7.	Lotions -hibiscrub spirit	
8.	Oxygen Flow	(3 points)
9.	Mucus extractor and suctioning machine	
10.	Hospital bed with elevators	(32)
11.	Piped Oxygen	(3 wards)
12.	Dripstand	(8)
13.	Locker bed table	(32)
14.	Observation tray/ trolley	(4)
15.	Office swivel chairs	(6)
16.	Refrigerator	(6)
17.	Computer Tables & chairs	(3)
18.	Sphygmanometer	(2)
19.	Thermometer	(3)
20.	Strecher	(3)
21.	Cardiac Respiratory bed	
22.	Mackintoshes	(50)
23.	Relaxation Chair	(6)
24.	Water Dispenser	(12)
25.	Conference table and chairs	
26.	Standing interactive whiteboard	
27.	Washing Machine	
28.	Dryer	
29.	Ironing boards	
30.	Telephone Intercom system	
31.	Bath mats	
32.	Autoclave	
33.	Hematology Analyzer	
34.	Binocular Microscope Olympus	
35.	Electrophoresis Machine	
36.	Digital Timer	(8)
37.	Table Centrifuge	(6 buckets)
38.	Automatic Pipette	
39.	ESR western Bridge	
40.	Incubator	
41.	Bunsen burner	2
42.	A Set of Slides	
43.	A Set of Small Test tubes	
44.	A Set of Large Test tubes	
45.	Heamaglobinometer	
46.	Micro heamatronite Centrifuge	
47.	Glucometer	
48.	Plastic plasterpipettes	
49.	Lab coats	5
50.	Hot air ovens	
51.	Gas cylinder	
52.	Test Tube Racks	
53.	Lancets	
54.	Sampler Mixer (roller)	
55.	Wash bottles	
56.	Petri dishes	2
57.	Counting chamber (Improved Neubauer)	
58.	Wire Loop	
59.	Hot Air Oven	

60.	Tri- Station Computer Network	
61.	Venetian Blinds	20
62.	Emergency Lighting	6
63.	Door signs	40
64.	Shelving Units	3
65.	Reception Desk Suite	
66.	Syringe Destroyer	
67.	Shower curtains and rails	17
68.	Sets of sofas	4
69.	A Cold Room	
70.	An Ambulance Bus	

(For the prices of each of the above items, please contact the accounts department: bursar@loyolajesuit.org)

LOSS OF BREAD WINNER INSURANCE: This is to inform our parents of the Increase in the 2009/2010 Premium from N9,500.00 to N14,986.00 as paid to Fin insurance company for the purpose of "Loss of Bread Winner Insurance" coverage for all our students. The increment has necessitated our debiting the current accounts of all the students insured with the differential. Please, you are by this notice informed of the subsequent debit on your ward's account with us.

ADVERT RATE FOR THE LJC YEAR BOOK 2010:
Please note that adverts, felicitations and congratulatory messages in our forthcoming yearbook will cost N70, 000 for a full page; N50, 000 for half page, and N35, 000 for a quarter page. Pay to the account's office with your advert details on or before the 21st of March 2010. No payment nor message will be accepted after this date. The photos of the Graduating Class (present SS-3 students) will be taken during the SS-3 extension Classes. They are to dress formally in either traditional or in suit/tie. Please, come with those attires when resuming for Extension Classes.

JSS-3 AND SS-3 EXTENSION CLASSES: At resumption, all JS-3 and SS-3 students are to report to the Admin Office with proof of payment of their extension fee of N40, 000 (forty thousand Naira only). This is the same amount the examination classes paid last year, no increment! Best wishes to the Pride preparing for their JSSCE and WASSCE.



CALENDAR UPDATES

Academic Year 2009–2010
Please verify with each edition of the
Newsletter, as some dates will change

2nd TERM: JANUARY 9 – March 27, 2010

Inter-House Sports Day	February 20 (All LJC Parents invited)
A & C Classes Visiting Day	February 21
List of Successful Entrance Exam Candidates published on-line	March 1
Second Continuous Assessment	March 3-5
Mock SSCE begins	March 10-19
Three Angels Memorial	March 14
A & C Classes Visiting Day	March 14
SS-3 Leave for Home Vacation	March 20 or 21st
B, D & E Classes Visiting Day	March 21
End of Term Examinations	March 18-24
End of Term Activities	March 25-26
Second Term Ends: Students leave for vacation	March 27
Kairos Retreat	March 27-30

3rd TERM: March 28 – JULY 19, 2010

SS-3 Resume (Extension Classes)	March 28
WAEC Examination Begins	March 29
Publication of Final Entrance list into LJC	April 1
Easter Sunday	April 4
JS-3 Resume (Extension Classes)	April 5
JS-1, JS-2, SS-1 and SS-2 Resume	April 17
Mock JSCE	April 19
Workers' Day	May 1 (No Classes)
First Continuous Assessment	May 5-7
A & C Classes Visiting Day	May 16
B, D & E Classes Visiting Day	May 23
WAEC Examination Ends	May 24
Children's Day	May 27
JSS-3 Leave for Vacation	Pending NECO timetable
Second Continuous Assessment	June 2-4
Cultural Day	June 12
A & C Classes Visiting Day	June 13
B, D & E Classes Visiting Day	June 20
End of Term Examinations	July 7-13
Graduation	July 11
End of Term Activities	July 14-16
Third Term Ends: Students leave	July 17
SS-1 Leadership Program in Jos	July 17
Service Program for SS-2 Students	July 19-August 9



CALENDAR UPDATES

Please verify with subsequent editions of the Newsletter, as some dates will change.

1ST TERM: SEPTEMBER 11 - DECEMBER 11, 2010

Entrance Exam Forms Activated On-line	September 1	
Workshop for Non-Academic Staff	September 6-7	
Retreat and Faculty Meetings for Academic Staff	September 8-10	
JS-1 and Prefects Resume	September 11	
Orientation for JS-1	September 12-17	
JS-3 and SS-3 Resume	September 17	
JS-2, SS-1 and SS-2 Resume	September 18	
Mass of Welcome	September 19	
Classes Begin	September 20	
Independence Day and Memorial of Soala Ben-Kalio	October 1	
Mass of the Holy Spirit, Annual Academic Awards, Agape Lunch	October 3	(All Loyola Parents Invited)
Career and University Presentations (I)	October 9	
First Continuous Assessment	October 13-15	
Career and University Presentations (II)	October 23	
A & C Classes Visiting Day	October 24	
B, D & E Classes Visiting Day	October 31	
All Saints Day (All-House Feast Day)	November 1	(No Classes)
Second Continuous Assessment	November 10-12	
End of Term Examinations	December 1-7	
Annual Loyola Jesuit College Drama (In memory of our 60 Angels)	December 5	(All Loyola Parents Invited)
End of Term Activities	December 8-10	
Memorial Mass and Procession for the Sixty Angels	December 10	
First Term Ends: Students leave for vacation	December 11	
Kairos Retreat	December 11-15	
Deadline for Registration of Entrance Exam Forms	December 31	

2nd TERM: JANUARY 8– April 9, 2011

Faculty Workshop	January 6-7	
JS-1, JS-3 and SS-3 Resume	January 8	
JS-2, SS-1 and SS-2 Resume	January 9	
First Continuous Assessment	February 2-4	
Entrance Examination	February 5	
A & C Classes Visiting Day	February 13	
Inter-House Sports Day	February 19	(All LJC Parents invited)
B, D & E Classes Visiting Day	February 20	
List of Successful Entrance Exam Candidates published on-line	March 1	
Second Continuous Assessment	March 2-4	
Mock SSCE begins	March 9-18	
A & C Classes Visiting Day	March 13	
Three Angels Memorial	March 14	
SS-3 Leave for Home Vacation	March 19 or 20	
B, D & E Classes Visiting Day	March 20	
SS-3 Resume (Extension Classes)	March 27	(Tentative: Pending WAEC Time Table)
End of Term Examinations	March 30-April 5	
End of Term Activities	April 6-8	
Second Term Ends: Students leave	April 9	
Kairos Retreat	April 9-13	

3rd TERM: April 30 – JULY 23, 2011

Publication of Final Entrance list into LJC	April 1	
JS-3 Resume (Extension Classes)	April 17	
Easter Day	April 24	
JS-1, JS-2, SS-1 and SS-2 Resume	April 30	
Workers Day	May 1	(No Classes)
Mock JSCE	May 2-9	
First Continuous Assessment	May 24-26	
Children's Day	May 27	
A & C Classes Visiting Day	June 5	
B, D & E Classes Visiting Day	June 12	(LJC Cultural Day)
JSS-3 Leave for Vacation	Pending NECO timetable	
Second Continuous Assessment	June 22-24	
A & C Classes Visiting Day	July 3	
B, D & E Classes Visiting Day	July 10	
End of Term Examinations	July 13-19	
Graduation	July 17	(Tentative: Pending NECO Time Table)
End of Term Activities	July 20-22	
Third Term Ends: Students leave	July 23	
SS-1 Leadership Program in Jos	July 23	
Service Program for SS-2 Students	July 25-August 15	



A PROCESS OF PROGRESS

For the sake of some of our new parents, who have been inquiring about the nature of our Assessment Report, here is a brief update on our grading system. Each term, our students write five Class Exercises (CE), which account for 20% of their grades. They also do two Continuous Assessments (CA), which account for 20%; three Written Assignments (10%); one Project (10%), and one End-of – Term Examination that accounts for the remainder 40%.

On the blue or first page of your End of Term Report, you will notice that the main frame has seven columns. After the SUBJECT column with rows of subjects are the two CA columns: The CA-1 column is a combination of two Class Exercises, one Assignment and the actual CA-1 Test Score. The CA-2 column is a combination of two Class Exercises, one Assignment and the actual CA-2 Test Score. The Exam column is a combination of one Class Exercise, one Assignment, the Project and the actual Exam Score. The overall CA columns account for 60%, while the next column (EXAM) accounts for 40%. The score you see on your ward's examination scripts for any of the subjects must first be converted to 40% for the score in the Exam column to make sense to you. The fifth column (TOTAL) is the sum of the three previous columns, sometimes approximated to the nearest whole number. The Course Rank column shows your child's ranking in each subject; while the preceding column (L/H Scores, meaning lowest and highest scores) gives you the opportunity to compare your ward's performance to that of the best student and the worst student in each of the subjects. The difference between the students with the highest score and the lowest score is the ability to engage in private study.

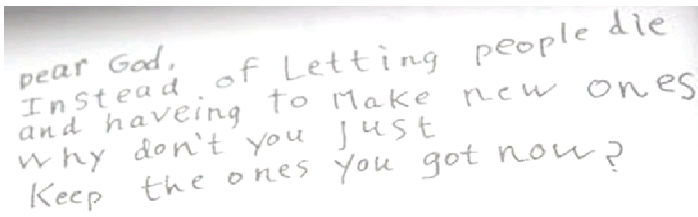
What is clear is that any student who waits until exam or CA time to get focused will definitely end up in the lower end of the ranking. Hence a continuous monitoring of your ward's performance, academic and non-academic, remains an inestimable help. We therefore encourage you to make regular use of our Parent Portal which grants you a pass-word access (from anywhere in the world) to view your child's academic, health, disciplinary and accounts information.

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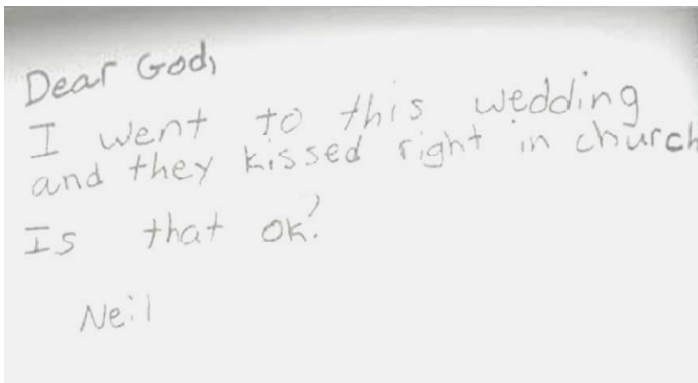
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KIDS' MEMO TO GOD

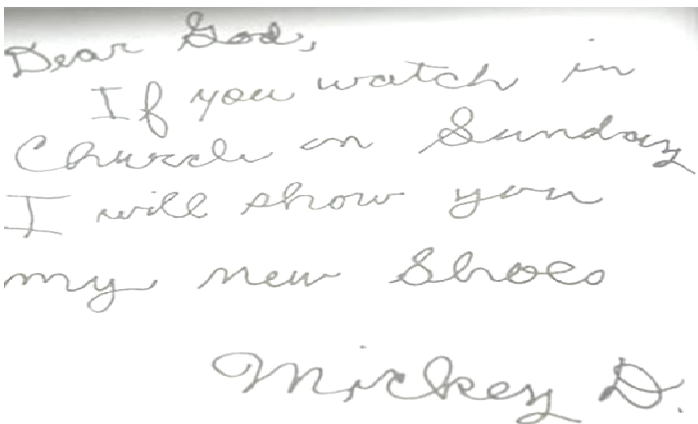


Dear God,
Instead of Letting people die
and haveing to make new ones
why don't you just
Keep the ones you got now?

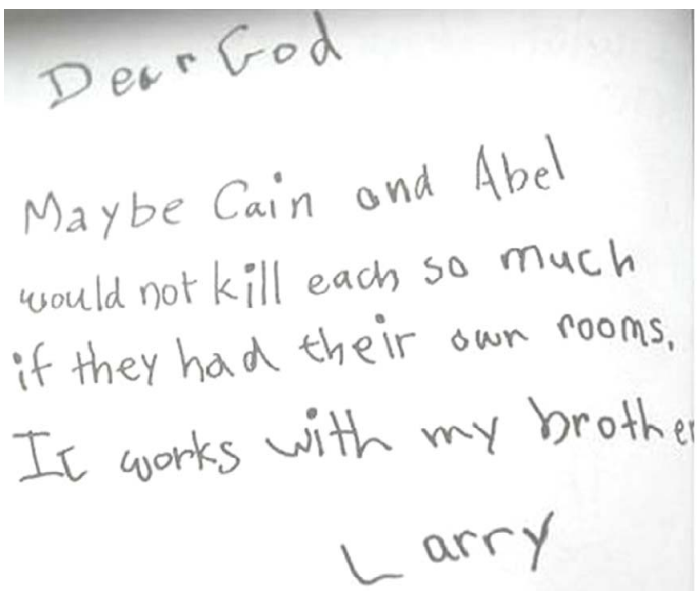
Jane



Dear God,
I went to this wedding
and they kissed right in church
Is that ok?
Neil



Dear God,
If you watch in
Church on Sunday
I will show you
my new shoes
Mickey D.



Dear God
Maybe Cain and Abel
would not kill each so much
if they had their own rooms.
It works with my brother
Larry

REMEMBERING

Always remember to forget the things that made you sad.
But never forget to remember the things that made you glad.
Always remember to forget the friend that proved untrue.
But don't forget to remember those who stuck by you.
Always remember to forget the troubles that passed away.
But never forget to remember the blessings that come each day.
—Nicole Njoku and Princess-Jewel (JS-3A, Connelly House)

LIFE

Pain floods through me every time I move.
Each movement causes unrestrained pain.
The sand is eating away at my skin. It burns through any flesh.
I want to stop and just let go, but I cant.
My friend died to save me. I cannot let his life go to waste.
I have to survive. A vulture lands nearby. It does not believe
I will survive. It waits for my death. But I will not die.
I will continue to live. I focus on the events that left me crawling
Through the desert alone in an effort to reduce the pain.
I try to remember the last thing my friend told me.
I concentrate hard.
But my memory fails me.
I try to recall how happy my life was. I fail. Fear envelops me.
I continue to try, but I keep forgetting. I cannot forget my friend.
I must remember, I will remember.
Thus I will not die.
Hence I will continue to live.
By Aghabekhai Martins (SS-1D, Connelly House)

Please, feel free to share your own insights and reflections
with other members of the Loyola Community. Contact the
Principal via e-mail:

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