

Get to know . . .
Fr. Peter Nguyen, SJ



Peter's Parents: Peter Nguyen and Van Tran

Born: January 1, 1974, in Saigon, Vietnam

Siblings: Mary Cecelia Nguyen, Elizabeth Ann Nguyen, Margaret Plunkett Nguyen

City raised in: Chicago

Grade school: St. Angela and St. Priscilla, Chicago

High school: Loyola Academy, Wilmette, IL

University: The University of Chicago

Major/minor: Religious studies

Activities and interests: Jiu-jitsu, Judo, boxing, and running

Work history: Growing up, family members had many odd jobs to help make ends meet, including distributing fliers for Amato's pizzeria. In college, served for a year with Jesuit Volunteer Corps in Des Moines, IA, working for the homeless and for affordable housing.

Date of entry to Society of Jesus: August 23, 1997

JESUIT FORMATION

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Theology	8/05–5/08	Weston Jesuit School of Theology, Cambridge, MA
Ordination	June 7, 2008	Holy Family Church, Chicago

Ministry and Service Experience: Damien Social Welfare Center (Leper Colony) in Bihar, India; catechist for second graders at St. Paul Parish in Cambridge, MA; deacon for St. Ignatius Parish in Chestnut Hill, MA

Advanced Degrees: MA in social philosophy from Loyola University Chicago; MDiv from Weston Jesuit School of Theology

Assignment following ordination: Returning to Weston Jesuit School of Theology to finish licentiate in sacred theology (STL) on Christian Martyrdom



Peter and Van Tran Nguyen celebrate the First Communion of their middle daughter, Elizabeth, who stands with her siblings in front of their Chicago home in 1986. From left, Margaret, Mary, and Peter (age 12).

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT
Fr. Peter Nguyen, SJ



My friendship with Peter began years ago when he joined the faculty of St. Ignatius College Prep in Chicago. Right away, I knew I would enjoy his company and that his students would profit by his unwavering commitment to the life of the mind. Our day usually began with sharing our lesson plans and quickly moved to a discussion about key philosophical or theological points that we hoped to convey to our students. We challenged each other with the daily refrain, "Why do your students need to know that?" Recalling as many of his answers as I can, I think they all meant one basic idea, "So they can fully participate in the life of Christ." The Church will be lucky to have Peter as a priest.

—Steven Lord





Fr. Peter Nguyen with his parents, his sisters Mary and Elizabeth, as well as his aunts, uncles, and cousins.

“As Peter, Glen, Charlie, and Bill begin their priestly ministry, I am filled with hope and gratitude. Their desire to serve is matched only by the generosity of so many who have made their ministry possible. My prayer is one of thanks—to these newly ordained Jesuits, and their families, friends, and supporters.”

—Fr. Provincial Edward Schmidt, SJ

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT

Fr. Peter Nguyen, SJ



I first met Peter—or shall I say “Mr. Nguyen”—my junior year of high school in 2002 at St. Ignatius College Prep in Chicago. He was in his first year of teaching and I was lucky enough to have him as my theology teacher. Our class did not make his job easy. Whether it was challenging him on the deeply important theological issue of whether or not dogs go to heaven or the fact that we had class second period and were oftentimes still asleep, we made sure never to let his job become boring! When a fellow classmate tragically passed away, Peter was there for us and helped to strengthen our faith in difficult times. He developed relationships with the students on a personal level; and I now know him not as Mr. Nguyen, but as my good friend Peter. I would like to congratulate Peter on his ordination and wish him the best of luck. Peter truly represents the motto of a “man for others” and I know that he will carry his strong faith and leadership skills into his life as a Jesuit priest.

—David Applegate

Get to know . . .
Fr. Charles Rodrigues, SJ



Charlie's parents: Ivan and Marie Rodrigues
Born: November 4, 1966, in Bombay, India
Siblings: Sunil, Antonino, Pravin
City raised in: Mumbai (Bombay), India

Grade school: St. Andrew's, Bandra, Mumbai, India
High school: St. Andrew's, Bandra, Mumbai, India
University: St. Xavier's College/Bombay University, Mumbai
Major/minor: Economics and commerce
Activities and interests: Classical and jam band music, camping and trekking, philosophy, history, international affairs
Work history: Sales and marketing coordinator, Leela Kempinski Hotel, Mumbai; flight attendant, Pan-Am and Delta Airlines; frontwork coordinator, ORBIS International
Date of entry to Society of Jesus: August 23, 1997

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Theology	8/05–5/08	Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley, CA
Ordination	June 7, 2008	Holy Family Church, Chicago

Ministry and Service Experience: Volunteer at an inner city hospice, Detroit; resident member, L'Arche Community, Tacoma, WA; volunteer at Order of the Fisherman Head Start program, Detroit; campus ministry, St. Ignatius High School, Cleveland; ESL teacher at Poder Center, Chicago; teacher of religious studies, St. Xavier High School, Cincinnati; youth retreats and vocation promotion, Mumbai, India; pastoral ministry, St. Peter's Parish, Mumbai; teaching assistant (Philosophy), St. Pius Seminary, Mumbai; diaconate ministry, St. Mary Magdalene Parish, Berkeley, CA.

Advanced Degrees: MA in sociology from Bombay University; MA in diplomacy and international commerce from University of Kentucky; MDiv from Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

Assignment following ordination: Pursuing a licentiate in sacred theology (STL) at Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley.



The four Rodrigues brothers with their mother Marie at "Sun-An-Vin," their home in Bandra, Mumbai. From left, Nino, Pravin, Charlie and Sunil.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT

Fr. Charles Rodrigues, SJ

As a child, Charlie was very clever, organized, neat and tidy, but he just could not fly a kite and never made more than 15 runs in a cricket game. He was good at piano, elocution, and singing. He also was very attuned to providing service. On weekends when the other children played cricket, Charlie would go with our neighbor to visit the orphans or to help the poor.

Am I surprised that Charlie decided to become a priest? No and Yes. No because he always wanted to serve people. Yes because he always had so many pretty girls after him. Charlie's intelligence and ability to speak well, his persistence, ability to achieve his goals, and great desire to serve will make him successful in his ministry.

What the Church needs today are priests who understand people, forgive them for their sins and short-falls, and change the world by helping people to be their best. This is Charlie's current quest and he will achieve it. Previously, Charlie was on a quest to gain knowledge. In addition to being in the top three of his class up to year 10, he went on to earn two master's degrees and, if that weren't enough, studied with the Jesuits for another 11 years. So he has the gift of knowledge. But I realized recently when I was with Charlie that his most recent quest is for understanding. —Pravin J. Rodrigues





Before attending a celebratory reception in honor of the newly ordained at St. Ignatius College Prep, Charles Rodrigues is congratulated by his family who gathered in support of his entrance into priestly ministry. Charlie is pictured here with numerous family members, including his brother, parents, uncles and cousins.

I met Charlie in 1995 through ORBIS International, a non-profit organization that uses a converted DC 10 aircraft as a mobile ophthalmology hospital and classroom to serve the needs of underprivileged people around the world. A retired United Airlines pilot, I volunteer to fly missions for ORBIS, which teaches doctors, nurses, and technicians all over the world to help save the sight of people in their countries who otherwise do not have access to such healthcare. From 1995

to 1997, Charlie played an important part in making ORBIS successful. He was responsible for working with government leaders and doctors to set up programs that would allow ORBIS to come in and perform eye surgeries on those in need and teaching sessions for local medical personnel. Charlie often worked a year in advance of the arrival of the ORBIS aircraft. He always did such a thorough job that each mission was always completed with minimal problems.

Charlie's exceptional leadership and personal communication abilities are part of what make him such an asset to the



Fr. Charles Rodrigues steals a moment with long time supporters of St. Xavier High School and the Chicago Province, Nancy and Bob Stautberg.

Catholic Church as a teacher and priest. My wife Angelina and I have developed a close personal relationship with Charlie and feel so privileged to call him our friend. Charlie enriches the lives of those who know him. —Captain Jack Davis

Get to know . . .
Fr. William Murphy, SJ



Bill's parents: Alphonsus and Ann Murphy
Born: June 23, 1970, in Cumberland County, PA
Siblings: Ellen Murphy Calcagno, Margaret Murphy Zavarelli, Ann Murphy Reichenbach, Kate Murphy

Cities raised in: Harrisburg, PA; Moline, IL; East Lansing, MI
Grade schools: Jane Addams Elementary in Moline IL, kindergarten through first grade; Pinecrest Elementary, East Lansing, MI, through fifth grade; Hannah Middle School, East Lansing MI, sixth through eighth grade
High school: East Lansing High School; Phillips Exeter Academy, postgraduate year
University: DePauw University, Greencastle, IN
Major/minor: Economics and management with a minor in mathematics
Activities and interests: Golf, home improvement, reading
Work history: Financial services, Archdiocese of Indianapolis; business manager, Cathedral of the Assumption, Louisville, Kentucky
Date of entry to Society of Jesus: August 23, 1997

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Ministry and Service Experience: Assisted in a hospice, Detroit; answered crisis calls for Templum House, a battered women's shelter, Cleveland; taught first grade religious education at Gesu Elementary School, Detroit; built affordable housing of concrete for Gesu Housing, Omaha, NE; worked as a victims' advocate for the Cook County State's Attorney, Chicago; instructed former offenders in the humanities for Grace House, Chicago; during regency at St. Xavier High School, led retreats, guided a mission trip, served as project assistant for communications and development and assistant to the vice-president of operations, Cincinnati.

Advanced Degrees: MDiv from Weston Jesuit School of Theology
Assignment following ordination: Special assistant to the president, St. Xavier High School, Cincinnati



"The best family vacations took place at Camp Michigania on Lake Walloon in northern Michigan," says Peg Murphy, who is flanked by her husband Al and son Bill (age 12) in the row behind the Murphy sisters: Ann, Ellen, Katherine, and Margaret.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT
Fr. Bill Murphy, SJ



As head football coach for St. Xavier High School, I had the privilege of meeting Bill Murphy in the spring of 2003 when he was a regent. We met at the St. Xavier faculty league golf outing, and much to his chagrin he was stuck with me as his partner. I was immediately struck by Bill's patience with a not-so-talented golfer as his partner, but more so with the "happy go lucky" demeanor to which both students and teachers gravitated. Since then I have had the privilege of working with Bill to develop a spiritual focus for our football program that has had a powerful impact on the young men at St. Xavier High School. His "others centered" focus came to life as our young men learned the importance of gratitude by writing letters of thanks to their parents as well as the importance of love as they dedicated games to important people in their lives. An incredibly caring and humble man, Bill is a gift. His compassion runs deep and his dedication to seeing others reach their potential is tremendous. Our players developed spiritually under Bill's guidance and found that football is indeed much more than just a game. We are truly blessed with Bill's pending return to St. Xavier, but I'm quite sure he will be praying for a new partner in the faculty golf league.

—Stephen R. Specht



Fr. Bill Murphy gathers with his parents Peg and Al Murphy (seated), John Zavarelli, Margaret Zavarelli, Stuart Riechenbach, Ann Reichenbach, Kate Murphy, Keith Calcagno, Ellen Calcagno (back row), and his nieces and nephew Katherine, Mark, and Madeleine Calcagno.



Perhaps the most influential experience of his formation, Bill taught algebra at St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati. In honor of his ordination weekend, former students gathered at the reception to congratulate their teacher. Among these students were Michael Delaney, Chris Eagan, Chet Jechura, Bradley Rentz, and Chris Ziegler. Fr. Murphy is eager to return to St. Xavier following ordination, where he will begin his assignment as special assistant to the president.

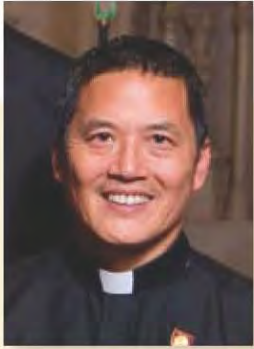
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Fr. Bill Murphy, SJ

Bill and I began working as internal auditors together at the Archdiocese of Indianapolis in 1993. It was Bill's first professional job after college and he overcame the challenge of lacking an accounting degree with a great aptitude for identifying opportunities for operational improvements. We enjoyed roles as friends and co-workers for three years until Bill left to explore his vocation. Bill's personality relates well to people's challenges and their particular place in life—his sense of justice has grown from his Jesuit assignments and experiences serving the poor and abused women and children. Bill loves construction projects and never fails to work this into his ministry assignments. Bill is the godfather for our first child. He couldn't be prouder of his godson and loves to see him and hear about all of his adventures as he goes through his first year. One activity that Bill and I enjoy together each year is attending the Indianapolis 500. Over the last decade plus, we've only failed to make one or two races, and it is an event that is likely permanently cemented into our friendship. No matter what changes occur in our lives, we know that we'll always have that annual Memorial Day weekend opportunity to renew our friendship for race weekend. That same dedication and commitment to others will make Bill an excellent priest.



—Jeff Stumpf

Get to know . . .
Fr. Glen J. Chun, SJ



Glen's parents: Margaret and the late Edward Chun
Born: March 22, 1957, in Tokyo, Japan
Siblings: Alan Chun and Paul Chun
Cities raised in: Tokyo, Japan; Honolulu, Hawaii; Kadena (A.F.B), Okinawa

Grade school: Moanalua Elementary, Honolulu
High school: Moanalua High School, Honolulu
University: Bentley College, Waltham, MA
Major/minor: Accounting
Work history: Worked with Bendix Corporation for 17 years, since acquired by Honeywell. Progressed through various levels of responsibility, to middle-level management, in auditing, finance, accounting, and field operations, and at various operational locations.

Date of entry to Society of Jesus: August 22, 1998

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Theology	8/05–5/08	Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley, CA
Ordination	June 7, 2008	Holy Family Church, Chicago

Ministry and Service Experience: RCIA and CCD programs, minister to the sick and homebound, graveside chaplain, St. Francis Borgia Parish, Chicago; administrative aide, Cristo Rey Jesuit High School, Chicago; medical assistant, Mercy Hospital, Detroit; Bethany House Shelter, Cincinnati; Mary Magdalen House, Cincinnati; tutor, assistant, Jesuit Middle School of Omaha, NE; chaplain; Cook County Jail, Chicago; pastoral chaplain, translator, Solidarity Bridge Medical Mission, Cochabamba, Bolivia; trustee, St. Ignatius College Prep, Chicago; chaperone/coordinator, service-immersion trips for Xavier University and St. Xavier High School to El Salvador, Mexico/Texas, and Dominican Republic

Advanced Degrees: MBA, University of Notre Dame; applied philosophy, Loyola University Chicago; MA and MDiv, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

Assignment following ordination: Associate pastor, St. Francis Xavier Parish, Cincinnati



Margaret and Edward (back right) Chun enjoy a moment with their children in 1965—Alan, Paul, and Glen (age 8).

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT
Fr. Glen Chun, SJ



I first met Glen in the novitiate. From the beginning I could tell that Glen was generous and caring. He goes out of his way to make people feel welcomed and accepted. In serving the people of God, Glen freely shares his joy for life, a joy that inspires others to recognize their own goodness and the goodness around them. Glen does this best through his self-giving and his hospitality.

He has remained a loving friend, but always as someone who wants the best for his friends and those he comes to know. His compassion for others evidences itself in his warm smile and hearty laugh as well as expressions of consolation in times of need.

Glen brings years of experience and many treasured relationships into his priesthood. His well-honed insights served him well in his formation, and they will aid in future discernment and service to the people of God.

—Mr. Mark W. Luedtke, SJ



At the reception, ordinands had the opportunity to visit with friends and benefactors that contributed to their formation experience. Photographed here with Fr. Glen Chun are friends and parishioners from St. Benedict's Parish in Chicago: Bob and Jeannette Heiner, Tom Wierath, Mary Sajdak, Ben Mazzone, Judy Pyke, Kim Allen, and Ellen Roberts.



In the Hawaiian tradition, the family of Fr. Glen Chun brought leis for Glen and his fellow ordinands. **1st Row:** Reggie Luke, Dorothy Aila, Margaret Chun (Glen's mother), Ethel, Ryan Kakalia. **2nd Row:** Jeri Resor, NaiChia Luke, Paula Ho'opai, Henry Ho'opai, Laura Chun, brothers Alan and Paul (Glen's brothers), Brian Brown, Margaret Brown, Arlene Crawford, and Heather Kakalia.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT
Fr. Glen Chun, SJ



Glen and I are first cousins on my mother's side. Although he was raised in Hawaii and I was raised in California, Glen visited often because he came to visit with my grandmother, Apo, who was Glen's nanny. Although Glen and I are 8 years apart, we are very close. As I reflect on Glen's journey, I feel it is truly a "love story." Glen was very successful in his previous path, made a lot of money, and traveled the world. My husband Ross and I sensed, however, that something was missing in his life. Once he joined the Jesuits, each year we visited him, we saw a transformation that I envied. Each year he became a person of deeper and deeper conviction. He learned how to draw from his accomplishments and huge circle of friends to become the person he is today—caring, generous, self-sacrificing, curious, adventurous, and devoted to the "love" of his life, God. Glen is traveling his path with his "heart on fire." He is an intelligent, inspiring, and honest person who is an asset to the Jesuits. We feel honored to have him in our life and send our love and best wishes on his ongoing journey.

—Arlene Crawford