



BALANCING **FAITH & WORK** PROGRAM
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TO: IBC AND MICAH PARTICIPANTS

SUBJECT: PRESENT DISCERNMENT FOR THE FUTURE OF JESUIT EDUCATION

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Welcome and Self Introductions

Ignatian Business Chapters Mission Statement

The Mission of the Ignatian Business Chapters is to establish and lead a national and international network of business executives to explore their respective religious traditions in order to help the individual executives

- integrate faith, family, and professional life,
- develop a corporate culture that is reflective of their religious faith and values
- exercise a beneficial influence upon society at large.

The chapters, grounded in the Roman Catholic tradition, welcome believers who are open to and respectful of one another's religious tradition. They are committed to the conviction that ethics and values grow out of one's religious heritage.

Scripture Reading: Colossians 3:1-11

From the Mass on the Feast of St. Ignatius July 31, 2022

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory. Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Because of these the wrath of God is coming [upon the disobedient]. By these you too once conducted yourselves, when you lived in that way. But now you must put them all away: anger, fury, malice, slander, and obscene language out of your

mouths. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all.

Quiet Reflection: Five minutes followed by sharing insights...

Article: [“Discerning the Present to Prepare the Future of the University Education of the Society of Jesus.”](#) (Click “skip verification” if a pop-up appears at this link)

Be Attentive: This presentation is both a call and a way of seeing and providing opportunities for conversation and direction for our Jesuit Universities and their mission. What are your thoughts as readers?

Be Intelligent: As the general aligns the mission of the Society of Jesus with its mission with universities, what are your thoughts on this phrase: “threatened by three strains of virus with highly contagious variants: fragmentation, superficiality, and instrumentality”?

Be Reasonable: What are your thoughts on the strategy of “intergenerationality and interculturality,” and “politics, global citizenship, reconciliation, and peace?”

Be Responsible:

- A. The 32nd General Congregation and Pedro Arrupe S.J. in the 1970’s challenged Jesuit education with the admonition “to be women and men for and with others!” Have you caught this motto as an extension from Jesuit identity to become part of your identity?
- B. What were key insights that surfaced in today’s discussion? Any food for further contemplation? Any action steps? What are the implications for you at work, in your community and at home? Leverage the conversation for good!

Closing Prayer:

Our Father who are in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall, be world without end. Amen.