



**Father Myles N. Sheehan, SJ, is appointed next Provincial of the
New England Province of Jesuits**



On Thursday, February 19, 2009, Reverend Adolfo Nicolás, SJ, Father General of the Society of Jesus, appointed Father Myles N. Sheehan, SJ, the next Provincial of the New England Province of Jesuits. Father Sheehan will succeed Father Thomas J. Regan, SJ, whose six-year term will end on July 30, 2009.

Father Sheehan was born on April 18, 1956 in Marshfield, Massachusetts. He graduated from Thayer Academy, Braintree, Massachusetts in 1974. Prior to entering the Society of Jesus, he completed his undergraduate degree at Dartmouth College and doctorate in medicine at Dartmouth College.

Father Sheehan joined the New England Province on August 25, 1985 and made his novitiate at St. Andrew House in Boston, MA. After completing his philosophy studies at Loyola University in Chicago, he did two years of post-doctoral studies in Gerontology at Harvard Medical School. He earned his M.Div. from the Weston School of Theology in Cambridge and was ordained to the priesthood on June 18, 1994. On April 22, 2005, he professed solemn vows. Since 1995, Myles has served as a Professor of Medicine at Loyola University's Stritch School of Medicine. In 2000, he added the administrative duties of Senior Associate Dean to his teaching and research responsibilities.

Father Regan says, "I am confident that the considerable experience that he has gained through these important roles will bode well for his leadership of our province. I commend Father Sheehan to your prayers and thank him for his generosity in making himself available to serve the Society of Jesus in this important capacity."

It is expected that Father Sheehan will take office on the Feast of Saint Ignatius, July 31, 2009.