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Carnevale with Lidia

A Dinner Hosted by Lidia Bastianich In Support of Jesuit Refugee Service



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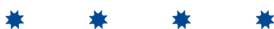
243 East 58th St, Between 2nd and 3rd Avenues
New York, NY 10022



Please join Jesuit Refugee Service/USA and Lidia Bastianich - Emmy award-winning television host, best-selling cookbook author, and restaurateur - in celebrating Carnevale and supporting refugees around the world.



Suggested Minimum Donation:
Individual Guest \$2,000
Sponsor Lidia's Table \$25,000



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Lidia Bastianich

Lidia Bastianich is an Emmy award-winning television host, best-selling cookbook author, and restaurateur.

Lidia is also a former refugee herself. At the age of ten, her life changed when her homeland (Pula, Istria) was handed over to communist Yugoslavia. No longer allowed to speak Italian or practice their Catholic religion under communism, Lidia's family escaped to Italy where they found themselves as political refugees living in desolate barracks that used to be a German concentration camp during World War II. After two years in the refugee camp, the family boarded a plane to New York in 1958, sponsored by Catholic Charities.

Lidia is committed to giving back in any way she can; she currently supports several Jesuit and refugee-related causes, including Arrupe College, a higher education program founded by the Loyola University of Chicago for underprivileged students, as well as the United Nations Association of the United States of America's Adopt-A-Future program, in support of refugee education.



Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) is an international Catholic organization serving refugees and other forcibly displaced people. Founded as a work of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in 1980, in direct response to the humanitarian crisis of the Vietnamese boat people, JRS today works in 51 countries worldwide to meet the educational, health, and social needs of more than 750,000 refugees.



JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE

JRS takes a personalized approach to our work, recognizing the dignity in every person we serve. Through this individual interaction and cooperation with refugees, JRS provides protection and creates opportunities for those forced to flee from war, conflict, and disaster.



The Italian celebration of Carnevale is the festivity before the restrictions of Lent begin on Ash Wednesday. Carnevale is celebrated in a number of ways throughout Italy, from the Battle of the Oranges in Piemonte and masquerade balls in Venezia, to all-night street parties and parades in northern Tuscany and spectacular street celebrations in Sicilia.

