

# Green Theology: Energy Efficiency and Historic Sacred Sites

Thursday, October 22, 2009  
Church of St. Matthew and St. Timothy

- 8:45—9:00 Welcoming Remarks**  
The Reverend Carla E. Roland Guzmán, Priest-In-Charge / Sacerdote-A-Cargo  
Peg Breen, President, The New York Landmarks Conservancy
- 9:00—9:30 The Challenges Involved in Making Sacred Sites Energy Efficient**  
The Reverend Carla E. Roland Guzmán, Priest-In-Charge / Sacerdote-A-Cargo  
Michael P. Rebic, Property Support Director, Episcopal Diocese of New York
- 9:30—10:15 Green Theology** — Sister Catherine Grace, Community of the Holy Spirit
- 10:15—10:30 Break**
- 10:30—11:15 Whole Building Systems Approach — Making the Most of What you Have**  
Page Ayres Cowley, FAIA, LEED AP, Page Ayres Cowley Architects  
Understanding Buildings as Interrelated Components  
Building Envelope and Systems  
Management Ethic meets Reality
- 11:15—11:30 Break**
- 11:30—12:00 Greening in the Real World**  
The Reverend Lezlie Austin-Kennedy, Cadman Memorial Congregational Church, Clinton Hill, Brooklyn
- 12:00-1:30 Lunchtime Seminar: Heating and Cooling Religious Institutions**  
Andrew Rudin, Project Coordinator, Interfaith Coalition on Energy  
Changing Habits and Education  
Client Comfort and Cooling Sanctuaries  
Boiler/Burner Modulation Controls  
Thermostats and Radiator Valves  
Energy Management Systems (EMS)
- 1:30—1:40 Break**
- 1:40—2:40 Energy Audits: St. Matthew and St. Timothy — A Case Study**  
Andrew Rudin, Project Coordinator, Interfaith Coalition on Energy  
The Reverend Carla E. Roland Guzmán, Priest-In-Charge / Sacerdote-A-Cargo
- 2:40—3:00 Prioritizing Energy Needs and Closing Remarks**  
Nicola Coddington, Executive Director, New York Interfaith Power & Light  
Ann-Isabel Friedman, Director, Sacred Sites Program, New York Landmarks Conservancy  
Evan Mason, Special Projects Coordinator, LANDMARK WEST!  
Michael P. Rebic, Property Support Director, Episcopal Diocese of New York



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## Biographies

### **The Reverend Lezlie Austin-Kennedy, Cadman Memorial Congregational Church, Clinton Hill, Brooklyn**

The Reverend Lezlie Austin-Kennedy is currently the pastor of Cadman Memorial Congregational Church in Brooklyn, New York, where she engages in life coaching, counseling and education of the congregants and others — all a part of the many facets of pastoral care in an urban setting. The Reverend is an Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church and has served as Director of Development for ten years at the Greater Allen A.M.E. Cathedral of New York, Jamaica, New York. Her leadership abilities were honed in 17 years with the Xerox Corporation where she climbed the corporate ladder and became a confidential level manager.

### **Nicola Coddington, Executive Director, New York Interfaith Power & Light**

Nicola Coddington is Executive Director of New York Interfaith Power & Light ([www.nyipl.org](http://www.nyipl.org)), a statewide nonprofit organization whose mission is to support congregations of all faiths in their actions to curb global warming and protect the sacredness of the Earth. She also serves on the Environmental Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of New York. Previously, she served on Governor Paterson's Renewable Energy Task Force, as well as on the Westchester County Global Warming Task Force.

### **Page Ayres Cowley, FAIA, LEED AP, Page Ayres Cowley Architects, LLC**

Page Cowley is the founder and a principal of Page Ayres Cowley Architects, LLC established in 1992. The architectural practice focuses on building conservation, adaptive re-use and new construction in historic landscape settings. Recently, her firm worked on the exterior masonry and spire restoration at Ephesus Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Harlem, New York, funded in part by the New York Landmarks Conservancy's Upper Manhattan Historic Preservation Fund and Sacred Sites programs. She is presently supervising principal for The Corbin Building, part of the Fulton Street TransitCenter, and the rehabilitation and addition to a commercial building on Madison Avenue for Friedland Properties.

### **Sister Catherine Grace, Community of the Holy Spirit**

Sr. Catherine Grace has been a member of the Community since 1990. Before joining the convent she worked as an electrical consultant. In 2001 she was selected to be a member of the Community Council, and shortly thereafter moved to the Community's Melrose Convent in Brewster. There she helped found the Bluestone Farm and Living Arts Center, where the sisters focus their lives and worship to model and celebrate sustainable living, social justice, spiritual fulfillment, resilience and local community. Sr. Catherine Grace speaks to groups about the sacredness of Creation; passionate about environmental and ecological issues, she feels strongly that conservation and preservation are first and foremost spiritual concerns.

### **The Reverend Carla E. Roland Guzmán, Priest-In-Charge / Sacerdote-A-Cargo**

The Reverend Carla E. Roland Guzmán has been at the Church of Saint Matthew and Saint Timothy since 2004, as Priest-in-Charge since February 2007. In addition to being Priest-in-Charge, she is President of the Board of the Saint Matthew and Saint Timothy's Housing Corporation, and a Board member of the St. Matthew and Saint Timothy's Neighborhood Center. On occasion she serves as an adjunct faculty member at the General Theological Seminary, where she teaches courses in Church History. The Rev. has an undergraduate degree in Operations Research and Industrial Engineering from Cornell University. She received her M.Div. from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific and an M.A. in Church History from the Graduate Theological Union.

### **Andrew Rudin, Project Coordinator, Interfaith Coalition on Energy**

Since 1976, Andrew Rudin has studied changes in energy use in more than 3,000 buildings belonging to congregations in Philadelphia, New York, Phoenix, Chicago, Boston, Cleveland, Houston and other cities. He has also worked extensively with other non-profit community service agencies, such as YMCAs and day care centers, to reduce their energy costs. For the past twenty-seven years, Rudin has been the project coordinator for the Interfaith Coalition on Energy (ICE) in Philadelphia whose mission is to inspire congregations to reduce the costs of operating their facilities. He has presented more than 300 energy management workshops and has written over 140 articles about energy for national periodicals. He has also published one hundred and three newsletters, called *Comfort and Light*, for the Interfaith Coalition on Energy.