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Archdiocese to establish house of formation at Marian College

By Sean Gallagher

An important event in the history of priestly formation in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis took place last week.

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein announced that the archdiocese is establishing the Bishop Bruté House of Formation at Marian College in Indianapolis on the main floor of the school's St. Francis Hall.

The college seminarians will take classes with other Marian College students and will participate in the school's Catholic studies program, run by its philosophy-theology department.

Named after the first bishop of Vincennes, Simon Guillaume Gabriel Bruté de Rémur, the house of formation will become the primary place for formation of archdiocesan college seminarians. Saint Meinrad School of Theology will remain the principal place of theological formation of seminarians, which takes place at the graduate level.

Led by the house's director, Father Robert Robeson, the residents will live the daily life of seminarians that will contribute to their vocational discernment and priestly formation. Father Robeson is currently associate pastor of St. Monica Parish in Indianapolis and archdiocesan director of youth and

young adult ministry. He will be leaving his assignment at St. Monica Parish, but will continue as director of youth and young adult ministry.

Father Joseph Moriarty, vocations director for the archdiocese, noted that prayer will be fundamental to this formation. The seminarians as a community will pray Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer together as well as attend daily Mass.

Additionally, Father Moriarty noted that the seminarians regularly will participate in a number of service and apostolic activities. These could include the work of the archdiocese's Office of Pro-Life Activities or

the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

It is also expected that the seminarians will have a regular presence in the parishes in and around Indianapolis, assisting in such activities as catechesis, liturgies and service outreach.

In the past, when college seminarians studied at either Saint Meinrad College in St. Meinrad or at St. John Vianney College in Minneapolis, such a regular presence was impossible for most of the archdiocese.

Father Moriarty said he hopes that the activity of the seminarians in the archdiocese's parishes will cultivate a "culture of

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World travels helped lead Larry Borders home to Catholicism and priesthood

By Sean Gallagher
Third in a series

(Editor's note: In the weeks leading up to his death on March 27, Father Larry Borders expressed his desire to share the lessons of his life and his dying, and his journey to becoming Catholic and eventually a priest. Father Borders was pastor of St. Maurice Parish in Napoleon and sacramental minister of Immaculate Conception Parish in Millhousen and St. Denis Parish in Jennings County.)

NAPOLEON—A young Larry Borders, only two years out of graduate school and a master's degree in applied linguistics in hand, traveled far away from his southern Indiana home in 1977 to teach English as a second language in Saudi Arabia.

His trek halfway around the world reflected his desire to explore the diverse spiritual traditions of the world.

Not feeling bound to the Christian milieu in which he had lived during his youth, Borders began to nurture a deep interest in Islam. And so he found no better place to do this than in the place where that religion emerged, Saudi Arabia.

Over the course of the next three academic terms, Borders immersed himself in Islamic thought, learning more about the religion, speaking at length with those knowledgeable about it.

One of those conversations was with a professor of Islam as they drove together across the desert to the city



This photograph, taken at an unnamed location, shows a young Larry Borders in the midst of his travels around the world. Borders' travels throughout Western Europe and Asia paralleled his own spiritual journey away from and back to the Christian context in which he was raised.

Al-Khobar.

In commenting on the section "Mariam" (Mary) from the Quran, the professor said that he thought that Christians, in professing Jesus to be the Son of God, believed that God somehow physically impregnated Mary.

In the days leading up to his death on March 27, Father Borders described what happened next.

"At that moment, something just clicked. I stopped talking [and then said], 'No, you've got it wrong.'

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Conflicts over politics, religion simmer long before Election

WASHINGTON (CNS)—Six months before Election Day, the question of how the Church should handle relationships with politicians whose public actions conflict with Catholic teaching was being played out in forums from Camden, N.J., and South Bend, Ind., to Washington and the Vatican.

Among those weighing in were canon lawyers, bishops and cardinals and Catholic school administrators.

The combination of civil politics and religion already was a simmering issue in the United States, where the presumptive Democratic Party nominee for president, Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts, is a Catholic whose votes conflict with the Church's opposition to abortion and fetal stem-cell research.

One bishop's comment in January that he would give Kerry a blessing—but not the Eucharist—if he came up in line for Communion in his diocese had already led to a new campaign-trail phenomena: reporters trailing the candidate into church to watch whether he received Communion.

At the Vatican on April 23, Nigerian Cardinal Francis Arinze stirred the story when reporters at a press conference asked whether Kerry should be denied Communion.

Cardinal Arinze refused to answer that specific question, saying, "The norm of the Church is clear. The Church exists in the

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Saint Meinrad Archabbot Lambert Reilly announces resignation

By Sean Gallagher

Benedictine Archabbot Lambert

Reilly, the leader of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, announced his resignation April 30 as abbot of the monastic community. The resignation will be effective on Dec. 15.

The archabbot's successor will be elected by the monks of

Saint Meinrad on a date yet to be determined. However, it will be no later than three months from the effective date of the resignation.

Archabbot Lambert was elected the eighth abbot and fifth archabbot of Saint Meinrad Archabbey on June 2, 1995.

During his tenure as abbot, he has overseen the completion of the renovation of the archabbey Church, the continued growth and development of programs in the Saint Meinrad School of Theology and the establishment of a new enterprise for the community, Abbey Caskets.

Archabbot Lambert, 71, first came to Saint Meinrad as a seminarian for his home diocese of Pittsburgh. He later entered the monastic community and

made his first profession of vows as a Benedictine in 1956.

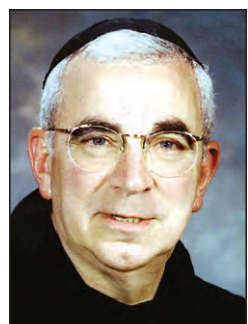
He was ordained to the priesthood in 1959. Following his ordination, Archabbot Lambert taught Latin in the seminary at Saint Meinrad and served in several parishes in southern Indiana.

For the past 40 years, he has also become known for leading retreats, parish missions and days of recollection throughout the United States and in various parts of the world.

His tenure is coming to an end during the yearlong celebration of the 150th anniversary of the founding of Saint Meinrad Archabbey.

And so as the monks of the community

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Archabbot Lambert Reilly

Awards dinner raises record amount for Catholic Social Services

By Brandon A. Evans

Catholic Social Services, along with other social service agencies, can do what the government never can: love the poor and walk with them.

This was the core of the keynote address given by James Towey at the archdiocese's annual Spirit of Service Awards Dinner on April 27 in Indianapolis.

Towey is a deputy assistant to President George W. Bush and director of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives.

The dinner not only featured a speech by Towey, but also honored five people and one corporation for their outstanding commitment to community service. The event is hosted by Catholic Social Services (CSS).

"This past year has been both challenging and invigorating for those of us working in Catholic Social Services," said David Bethuram, associate executive director in CSS in central Indiana. "It's been challenging because the needs of our community continue to grow, yet it's also been invigorating because we have remained focused on our mission."

Dennis Sponsel, the event chair, said that the past year has seen an increase in need, which has to be met with an increase of resources and money.

Sponsel said that last year, \$203,000 was raised at the dinner—a record—and that this year more than \$234,000 was raised.

About 500 low-income senior citizens received assistance last year, and more than 6,000 people received food assistance from crisis relief/shelter services. Also, 260 families who received emergency housing moved into permanent housing.

In all, more than 17,000 people were served through the various CSS programs last year, Bethuram said, and "more people than ever before are requesting our services."

The growing need is not just met by CSS, but also by many other faith-based organizations—and Americans can see their transforming work, Towey said.

He spoke of the trend in government to reduce the influence of religion, "to sanitize the public square" of faith and to restrict social service agencies who take federal funds from using religion.

His office is trying to reverse that trend.

"Who are the real losers in that scenario?" he said. "Of course, it was the poor that were often denied access to some of the most effective programs."

Towey stressed that while the government can provide some benefits for the needy, it cannot do any more.

Official Appointments

Rev. Jack Hartzler, pastor of St. Lawrence Parish in Lawrenceburg, granted permission to retire, effective July 7, 2004.

Rev. Joseph M. Feltz, associate pastor of the Richmond Catholic Community parishes of Holy Family, St. Andrew and St. Mary, to administrator of St. Lawrence Parish in Lawrenceburg, effective July 7, 2004.

Rev. Mr. Eric Augenstein, to be ordained to the priesthood on June 5, to associate pastor of the Richmond Catholic Community parishes of Holy Family, St. Andrew and St. Mary, effective July 7, 2004.

Rev. Mr. Brian Esarey, to be ordained to the priesthood on June 5, to associate pastor of Holy Spirit Parish in Indianapolis, effective July 7, 2004.

Rev. William G. Ripperger, from retirement to administrator of St. John the Baptist Parish in Starlight, effective July 7, 2004.

These appointments are from the office of the Most Rev. Daniel M. Buechlein, O.S.B., Archbishop of Indianapolis.



James Towey, center back row, deputy assistant to President George W. Bush and director of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, stands with Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein and the winners of the 2004 Spirit of Service Awards. Towey spoke at the annual dinner, which honors the award winners and benefits Catholic Social Services, on April 27 in downtown Indianapolis. The award winners are Amanda Strong, from left, front row, Olgen Williams, David Hittle and Mary Sullivan, and Joe Brougher, from left, back row, Jefferson Brougher and John Lechleiter.

"Government can't love," he said. "Government's incapable of loving."

The ability to love is the great secret of why CSS can be such a transforming force. The successes of social service groups like this strengthen the United States from within, Towey said.

CSS and other groups have "the freedom to embrace the poor and to welcome them," he said.

Oftentimes, people are in situations that are without much outward remedy—drug abusers, the homeless or the mentally ill.

"You cannot change those realities in their lives," he said. "What you can do is share their lives with them and to walk with them."

He spoke about traveling with President Bush to Los Angeles to see a Jewish program for drug addicts that was built around the Torah.

Several of the men met with Bush to talk about the program, and how by "reconnecting with their faith, they rediscovered their own human dignity and also had a reason not to put the needle in their arm anymore," Towey said.

As the legal counsel to Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Towey had the chance to know the late foundress of the Missionaries of Charity.

She said that the worst disease is loneliness—people that feel unloved, unwanted and unwelcome.

"And we realize this disease is pervasive in our country today, and that's something government cannot combat," he said.

When we look at the elderly, the disabled or orphans, he said, "we see many people thirsting and hungering for love and attention."

"In Calcutta," he said, "it's true [that] people hunger for bread [and] thirst for water, but in America it's often a little different. All of us are called, in some way, to respond."

"It's our privilege, really, to touch the lives of the poor and to respond in some way that might bring joy and consolation to those who are hurting," Towey said.

He said that there is a "great spirit of service that can animate and transform not only the lives of the people who are served but, of course, the individuals themselves [who offer service]."

Following Towey's presentation was a ceremony honoring several individuals and one corporation for embodying that spirit of service.

There was a video featuring each winner, as well as their own comments upon receiving their award.

David Hittle, a member of St. Mary Parish in Indianapolis and co-manager of the Family Preservation Program at Lutheran Child and Family Services, thanked, above all, his parents.

They "have always modeled and shown me the values and the perspectives that inspire somebody to want to do voluntary and meaningful things," Hittle said.

"It's just been a privilege to be of service to so many people," said Amanda Strong, a member of Holy Angels Parish in Indianapolis. "I come from a family of service and I believe in order to be a good steward, you have to provide leadership and service."

Mary Sullivan, a member of St. Monica Parish in Indianapolis, said that she was flattered to be nominated.

"I have a very strong feeling for Catholic education as do the people that I've worked with [at St. Monica School]," she said.

"I consider myself just a servant of the community," said Olgen Williams, a member and associate minister of Victory Tabernacle of the Apostolic Faith Church in Indianapolis and executive director of Christamore House Community Center. "It's just a blessing to be able to be honored in a magnificent way like this."

John Lechleiter, a member of St. Matthew Parish in Indianapolis and chairman of the board of trustees of Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School, said that he lives in a community "in which literally thousands are involved in service. And yet we know there's a great need that remains."

Jefferson Brougher, chairman of International Medical Group (IMG), which received the Corporate Leadership Award, thanked the archdiocese and its leadership in Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein.

His son, Joe Brougher, president of IMG, said that it is natural for him to give.

"We've always been taught in [our] family to give and to give back to the communities that we serve, and the importance of sharing in the grace that we've been given by God," he said. "And we've built our company with that philosophy in mind."

Before offering a final prayer, Archbishop Buechlein commended those present who contributed to the worthy cause of CSS.

"You've come through for us once again, helping us to meet an ever-increasing demand for our social service programs," he said. "I thank you in the name of all those people who are and will be touched because of your generosity and your support." †

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A Promise to Keep chastity program celebrates 10 years

By Mary Ann Wyand

Bishop Chatard High School senior Ryan Baker of St. Pius X Parish in Indianapolis has earned a number of local, state and national football awards for his exceptional performance as a defensive lineman for the Chatard Trojans.

Ryan also has served his Church, school and community as a chastity peer mentor for the archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education's A Promise to Keep: God's Gift of Human Sexuality program.

During Ryan's four years as a student athlete at the Indianapolis North Deanery interparochial high school, the Trojans won the Indiana High School Athletic Association Class 3A state football title three consecutive times.

His athletic accomplishments include the 2003 High School All-American grid-iron team, the Mental Attitude Award for the 2003 All-American Bowl and the 2003 Indiana Defensive Lineman of the Year Award.

He is grateful for these and other sports honors, and also is glad that he had the opportunity to serve as a chastity peer mentor for the A Promise to Keep program.

Ryan and more than 400 other high school students in central and southern Indiana promoted Church teachings about abstinence until marriage by speaking to early adolescents in parish grade schools and religious education programs during the 2003-04 school year.

"It means a lot," Ryan said of his volunteer service as a chastity peer mentor during a break in the archdiocese's 10th annual recognition luncheon for A Promise to Keep participants on April 22 at the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center in Indianapolis.

"A lot of little kids look up to you as a role model," he said. "They hear you talking about chastity. They see that you're working hard in school and on the [football] field or on the [basketball] court, and this [peer mentoring] shows that you're an all-around good person and you've got more good qualities than just being a good athlete."

Volunteer service as a chastity peer mentor "makes you feel good inside," Ryan said. "It's positive and it's what God wants [for young people]. It's a cool thing."

Ryan said when he was a middle school student at St. Pius X School, high school football players helped present the chastity programs.

"I was in awe of them," he remembered.

"I listened to every word they said, and I believed it and I followed through. When I got to high school, I wanted to be a good role model and pass on the [chastity] message."

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein joined the teen-age peer mentors for the 10th anniversary luncheon, and thanked them for serving their Church and communities.

Participation in the A Promise to Keep program has grown from 125 teen mentors the first year, the archbishop said, to more than 3,500 teen-age peer mentors, who have reached more than 35,000 middle school students.

"What a tremendous accomplishment," Archbishop Buechlein said. "I am especially pleased to say that Pope John Paul II offered his prayers and an apostolic blessing for our program. The Holy Father did this after I delivered a scrapbook about the program to him during a visit to Rome a year ago. It was a great joy to hear him give praise to your efforts and our efforts."

During the past decade, he said, "many of you who are peer mentors went through this valuable program as sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders. Clearly, it's having a positive impact on your lives. I know it's not easy in today's world for a teen-ager to stand up and [make this] 'promise to keep.' But you're doing just that, and more. You are holding yourselves accountable to that promise and choosing to share it with other youth. For that, I want to commend you."

Archbishop Buechlein told the teen-agers that he is proud of them for using their "God-given talents to bear witness to the importance of living a life of chaste abstinence until marriage. I admire you so much for what you are doing. Without you, this program would not be the success it is today."

Indianapolis Mayor Bart Peterson issued a city proclamation for the 10th anniversary of the archdiocesan chastity program, which was presented to Margaret Hendricks, assistant coordinator of adolescent growth programs for the archdiocese, by Corrie Conner, assistant director of Indianapolis charter schools.

The proclamation read, in part, "A Promise to Keep is a proactive approach to abstinence education, empowering and engaging hundreds of teen-agers every year who believe in saving sex for marriage so they can positively influence young peers and encourage their classmates by modeling this healthy lifestyle."

Annette "Mickey" Lentz, executive director of Catholic education and faith



Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein congratulates Bishop Chatard High School senior Ryan Baker of St. Pius X Parish in Indianapolis for his service to the Church and community as a peer mentor for the archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education's A Promise to Keep: God's Gift of Human Sexuality program during an April 22 recognition luncheon at the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center in Indianapolis.

formation for the archdiocese, said the chastity program's growth makes her feel "hope-filled about today's youth in today's world" and gives her "great faith in our students."

Lentz also thanked Hendricks, who coordinates the A Promise to Keep program, and her assistants for their leadership as well as St. Vincent Indianapolis Hospital for continuing support of the chastity peer mentor ministry during the past decade.

Peer mentors who spoke briefly during the luncheon represented Bishop Chatard High School, Cardinal Ritter Jr./Sr. High School, Father Thomas Scecina Memorial High School, Roncalli High School,

Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School and Cathedral High School, all in Indianapolis.

Luncheon speakers also included students from Oldenburg Academy in Oldenburg as well as Bloomington Deanery and Seymour Deanery parishes.

"Being a peer mentor has given me the confidence to keep my promise to be chaste," St. Agnes parishioner Stephanie Bube of Nashville told the gathering.

"After presenting this program with other peer mentors, I now realize what an influence I am in the classroom, at church and everywhere I go. It makes me feel good to know that ... I have made a positive impact on [young students] as a role model." †

Holy Trinity parishioners welcome soldiers at Masses

By Mary Ann Wyand

Holy Trinity parishioners in Edinburgh are accustomed to worshiping with soldiers that are training at nearby Camp Atterbury, but they were surprised when four busloads of Marines arrived at the church on April 11 to attend the 10 a.m. Easter Mass with them.

The church was already filled with parishioners and guests so Father Paul Shikany, the pastor, and parish staff members hustled to accommodate the men in the Holy Trinity Community Building.

While the Marines helped set up chairs in rows, Father Shikany and Jean Martin, Holy Trinity's pastoral associate, prepared a table to serve as an altar there.

Parish secretary Jackie Oyler said parishioners were really excited that so many Marines were joining them for Mass—in an adjacent building—on the holiest day of the Church year.

Oyler was outside with her mother when she saw the buses arrive shortly before the Mass. As quickly as possible, she went to find her pastor.

"We had no room in the church," Oyler said, "but I knew that Father Paul thinks

pretty fast on his feet and he would figure something out. When he told the parishioners that 150 soldiers had come for worship, the place erupted in applause. It became crystal clear to us that this is how we celebrate as a family of God. It was meant to be."

While Holy Trinity parishioners sang every verse of the hymns during the Liturgy of the Word in the church, Father Shikany celebrated the eucharistic liturgy for the Marines in the Community Building.

It was a perfect example of the Body of Christ, Oyler said. "We were with them in spirit during the Masses even though we weren't physically with them in the same building. It was marvelous."

Oyler said parish council president Cindy Workman welcomed people to the Easter liturgy in the church while Father Shikany greeted the Marines and began Mass next door.

By the time the parishioners were finished with the Prayers of the Faithful, Father Shikany had arrived to celebrate his second Liturgy of the Eucharist within minutes.

"We talk a lot about being the hands

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Editorial

This Sunday is Mother's Day and we thank God for all that mothers do for their families. The celebration of Mother's Day connects beautifully with our Catholic faith by helping us understand what Jesus meant when he gave us the "new commandment" to "Love one another as I have loved you."



CNS photo from Ohio

A mother's love

The celebration of Mother's Day connects beautifully with our Catholic faith.

First, it is good to give thanks to the Lord always and for everything. By honoring our mothers, we honor and thank God who gave them to us.

Mothers are often unsung heroes in the lives of their children, and they deserve every bit of the attention they get on this special day. We thank God for the way in which mothers today have the energy and strength to juggle multiple responsibilities and still keep a sense of humor. We thank God for all that mothers do for their families because the family is the building block of our civilization.

Second, mothers so often help us understand what Jesus meant when he gave us the "new commandment": "Love one another as I have loved you."

Jesus didn't just say "love one another." That could mean just about anything. Instead, he commanded us to follow his example, to love in a particular way—the way that he revealed through his supreme expression of love, his death on the cross.

On the cross, Jesus taught us everything we need to know about love. He taught us that love is much more than a feeling. Feelings, after all, come and go. Jesus taught us that love is a decision that requires fidelity, commitment and no small amount of sacrifice.

"Greater love has no one," Jesus said, "than to lay down his life for his friend." This is what Jesus did for us on the cross: He gave his life for us so that we might have life and have it in abundance.

So often, we learn about faithful, committed and sacrificial love through the love that mothers show their children.

Jesus on the cross showed his love not only for the righteous, but for sinners. A mother does not forget her children, nor does our loving God give up on us no matter how far from the path we may stray.

And even if we should get so far off track that we might despair of ever being forgiven by God, we will always have a mother who will love us as only

a mother can. We rightly ask for the prayers of Mary, the Mother of God and our mother: "Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death."

Maternal love helps us appreciate the meaning of the new commandment, and maternal love inspires us to keep it.

There is a third reason why Mother's Day connects with our Catholic faith: An ancient tradition gives to our Church the title "Holy Mother Church." The Church is given feminine pronouns for she is the Bride of Christ spoken of in the New Testament. The sacraments are spoken of in maternal language: We are born again in the waters of baptism, waters that are referred to as the womb of the Church, from which new life comes forth.

We are nourished by the Holy Eucharist, the Lord's Body and Blood, soul and divinity. Many early Christian writers used the beautiful image of a mother nursing her child to describe how Holy Mother Church nourishes her children with the food and drink of everlasting life.

The mother pelican, in fact, has long been an image of the Holy Eucharist. A legend says that if a mother pelican is unable to feed her young, she will thrust her long beak into her breast and nourish her babies with her own blood.

In the Eucharist, we receive the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus, a meal made possible only because of his faithful, committed, sacrificial love.

As we experience the blessings of the Eucharist, may we thank God for the many ways our mothers made us receptive to the Lord's unconditional love. And may we thank God for the Blessed Mother, who never stops leading us closer to the love of her son, Jesus Christ. †

— Rev. Daniel J. Mahan

(Father Daniel Mahan, pastor of St. Louis Parish in Batesville and dean of the Batesville Deanery, is a member of the editorial committee of the board of directors of Criterion Press Inc.) †

Letters to the Editor

Enjoyed 'The Mystery of Creation' series

I had to write to tell you that I thoroughly enjoyed the series of articles by Brandon A. Evans titled "The Mystery of Creation."

They were very well written and comprehensive, and a great help toward a beginning understanding of all these important and interesting topics in Catholic theology and science (creation, our first parents, life on other planets, etc.). I also appreciated the references so I

can do further reading if I want to.

Could these articles possibly be reprinted in a booklet format for use in parish religious education programs? I've been reading *The Criterion* for 20 years now and always look forward to receiving it, but this is the first time I was anxiously anticipating getting my copy each week. I wanted to read the articles and learn more!

I hope this format of very readable and in-depth articles on relevant and contemporary topics in the Church will continue. Thank you.

Mike Haigerty, Indianapolis

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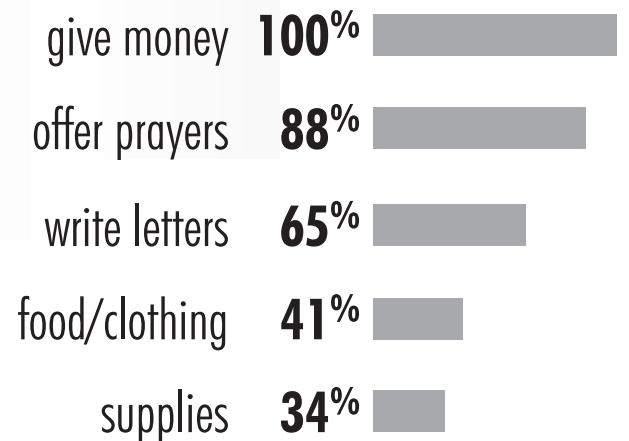
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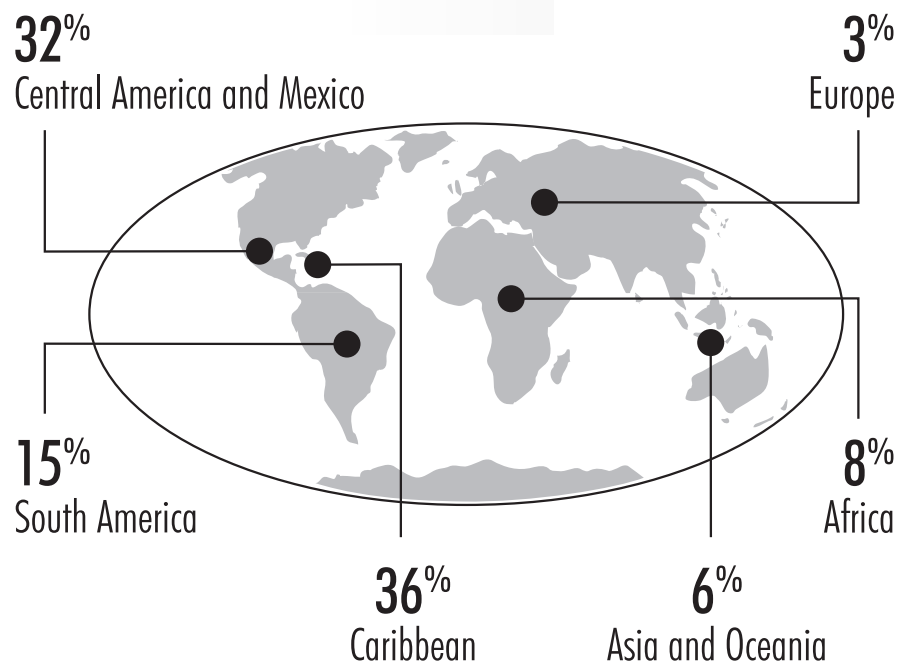
At least 1,350 parishes in the United States assist a needy parish here or abroad



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Location of foreign parishes receiving aid



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The message of God's merciful love needs to be lived year-round

One Easter, Pope John Paul II prayed that the Risen Christ would receive into his glorified wounds all the painful wounds of contemporary society. He meant those wounds we read and hear so much about in the media, and also those which silently weigh heavily on so many hearts. It is a rare Easter season that does not find strife in our contentious world—and painful wounds among us. This year, as always, we long for the hard-won peace of Christ. We pray for peace in our world, in our communities, in our homes and in our own hearts.

Easter peace is ours to receive from Christ. It is mediated through the Church, especially through the sacraments of penance, the Eucharist and the anointing of the sick—sacraments made possible by Holy Orders. And so yes, Easter peace is as near as your parish church.

Something new has been introduced to the Easter Season. Three years ago, Pope John Paul II designated the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday. Why? He took his cue from the testimony of recently canonized St. Faustina Kowalska. He said there is a need to proclaim Divine Mercy, perhaps because the 20th century, despite indisputable achievements in many areas, was marked in a particular way by the

“mystery of iniquity.”

The pope said, “The ‘mystery of iniquity’ continues to mark the reality of the world. In experiencing this mystery, man lives in fear of the future, of emptiness, of suffering, of annihilation. Perhaps for this reason, it is as if Christ, using the testimony of a humble sister, entered our time in order to indicate clearly the source of relief and hope found in the eternal mercy of God.

“The message of merciful love needs to resound forcefully anew. The world needs this love. The hour has come to bring Christ’s message to everyone: to rulers and the oppressed, to those whose humanity and dignity seem lost in the *mysterium iniquitatis*. The hour has come when the message of Divine Mercy is able to fill hearts with hope and to become the spark of a new civilization: the civilization of love.”

Of course, the message of Divine Mercy is not to be celebrated and proclaimed only once a year on the Octave Day of Easter. Daily, close to home, we are to touch our sick, the elderly, those who are lonely, and those who, perhaps, suffer from dementia. Are we there in the tough times? Are we with those who suffer from the weight of sin? Jesus, the revelation of Divine Mercy, banishes no one.

When we renewed our profession of faith last Easter, we *claimed* our faith in the redemption Christ won for us. We would be ungrateful indeed if we remained simply passive recipients of Christ’s gift of redemption and did not proclaim the Divine Mercy in our very lives. As members of the Church, ours is the joy and the responsibility to live our faith, to make a difference in our world, beginning in our homes and our own neighborhoods.

The Easter season continues as a celebration of hope. We sing with gusto, “The strife is over and the battle won.” Yet if much seems the same as before, then we would do well to turn our thoughts back to the suffering and death that God asked of his own son—*there* we find the key to make sense of human suffering, which is here today and will be here tomorrow.

Not long ago, I came across a shopping channel on TV where a stunning jeweled cross was being displayed. I was surprised. A salesperson said that the cross is “the number one fashion choice.”

The other salesperson said it could even be blessed. The first responded, “Why would you want to do that? It’s only jewelry.” We have a different view.

We sing alleluia, but our Church clings to the tradition of displaying the cross with the image of Jesus on it. The tradition does not deny the victory of Jesus over death, and it does not displace the centrality of the Resurrection in Christian life. We just want to be reminded that a real person stretched out his arms on the cross and suffered deeply because he loves us and he won for us the Divine Mercy. Our crucifixes embrace a Christian realism about life and death and resurrection and the Divine Mercy.

In this Easter season, we celebrate hope. Our crucifixes are badges of hope. Thank God for the gift of our Easter faith! Thank God for the gift of his son’s Easter victory!

The proof of our gratitude is whether or not we become intentional agents of Divine Mercy year-round. Thus will the “mystery of iniquity” be overcome. †

Archbishop Buechlein’s intention for vocations for May

Seminarians: that they will be faithful to prayer and study, and persevere in their desire to serve God and the Church as priests.

El mensaje del amor misericordioso de Dios debe transmitirse todo el año

Un Domingo de Pascua el Papa Juan Pablo II rezó para que el Cristo Resucitado recibiera en sus heridas glorificadas todas las dolorosas heridas de la sociedad contemporánea. Se refería a aquellas heridas de las que tanto leemos y escuchamos en los medios de comunicación, así como también a aquellas que pesan enormemente en muchos corazones. Es extraña la época de Pascua que no despierta conflictos en nuestro polémico mundo y abre heridas dolorosas entre nosotros. Como de costumbre, este año anhelamos la paz de Cristo arduamente conquistada. Rezamos por la paz en el mundo, en nuestras comunidades, en nuestros hogares y en nuestros corazones.

La paz pascual la recibimos de Cristo. La misma está mediada por la Iglesia, especialmente a través de los sacramentos de penitencia, Eucaristía y unción de los enfermos, sacramentos que se hicieron posibles gracias al Orden. Y en consecuencia, por supuesto, la paz pascual se encuentra muy cerca: en su iglesia parroquial.

Un elemento nuevo ha sido introducido en la temporada de la Pascua. Hace tres años el Papa Juan Pablo II designó el segundo domingo de Pascua como el Domingo de la Misericordia Divina. ¿Por qué? Siguió el ejemplo del testimonio de Santa Faustina Kowalska, recientemente canonizada. Expresó que existía la necesidad de proclamar la Misericordia Divina, tal vez porque el siglo XX, a pesar de sus indiscutibles logros en muchas áreas,

estuvo marcado de modo muy particular por el “misterio de la inequidad”.

El Papa dijo: “El ‘misterio de la inequidad’ perpetúa la marca de la realidad del mundo. A través de este misterio el hombre vive con temor del futuro, del vacío, del sufrimiento, de la extinción. Quizás por esta razón es que Cristo, usando el testimonio de una humilde hermana, se adentró en nuestros tiempos para señalarnos claramente la fuente de consuelo y esperanza que encontramos en el eterno y misericordioso amor de Dios.

“Este mensaje de amor misericordioso debe retumbar nuevamente con fuerza. El mundo necesita de este amor. Ha llegado el momento de transmitir a todos el mensaje del Cristo: a los tiranos y a los oprimidos, a aquellos que parecen haber perdido su humanidad y su dignidad ante el *mysterium iniquitatis*. Ha llegado la hora de que el mensaje de la Misericordia Divina llene los corazones con esperanza y se convierta en el destello de una civilización nueva: la civilización del amor.”

Por supuesto, el mensaje de la Misericordia Divina no debe proclamarse y celebrarse solamente una vez al año en el octavo día de la Pascua. A diario, en nuestros hogares, debemos llegar a los enfermos, a los ancianos, a aquellos que están solos y a aquellos que, tal vez, sufren de demencia. ¿Estamos allí durante los momentos difíciles? ¿Estamos con aquellos que sufren por el peso del pecado? Jesús, la revelación de la

Misericordia Divina, no destierra a nadie.

En la Pascua anterior, cuando renovamos nuestra profesión de fe, *reclamamos* nuestra fe en la redención que Cristo conquistó por nosotros. Seríamos verdaderamente desagradecidos si permaneciéramos como recipientes pasivos de la dádiva de redención de Cristo y no proclamáramos la Misericordia Divina a través de nuestras propias vidas. Como miembros de la Iglesia nos corresponde la responsabilidad de vivir nuestra fe, de marcar la diferencia en el mundo, comenzando por nuestros hogares y nuestras comunidades.

La época de la Pascua continua como una celebración de esperanza. Cantamos con entusiasmo “la lucha ha terminado y se ha ganado la batalla.” Sin embargo, si todo parece igual que antes, tal vez deberíamos volcar nuestros pensamientos en el sufrimiento y la muerte que Dios le pidió a su propio hijo: *allí* encontramos la clave para darle sentido al sufrimiento humano, que se encuentra presente hoy y se encontrará presente mañana.

No hace mucho me tropecé en la televisión con un canal de ventas donde mostraban una despampanante cruz con joyas. Quedé sorprendido. El vendedor decía que la cruz era “la selección de moda número uno”. El otro vendedor

decía que hasta podía hacérsela bendecir. El primero respondió: “¿para qué harías eso? Es solamente una joya.” Nosotros tenemos una opinión diferente.

Cantamos el aleluya pero nuestra Iglesia se aferra a la tradición de mostrar la cruz con la imagen de Jesús en ella. La tradición no niega la victoria de Jesús sobre la muerte y no desplaza a la Resurrección como hecho central de la vida cristiana. Simplemente queremos recordar que una persona real extendió sus brazos en la cruz y sufrió profundamente porque Él nos ama y conquistó por nosotros la Misericordia Divina. Nuestros crucifijos abarcan la realidad cristiana sobre la vida, la muerte, la resurrección y la Misericordia Divina.

En esta época de Pascua celebramos la esperanza. Nuestros crucifijos son placas de esperanza. ¡Gracias a Dios por el obsequio de nuestra fe pascual! ¡Gracias a Dios por la dádiva de la victoria pascual de su hijo!

La prueba de nuestra gratitud es si nos convertimos o no en agentes intencionales de la Misericordia Divina durante todo el año. De este modo, habremos vencido el “misterio de la inequidad”. †

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La intención de vocaciones del Arzobispo Buechlein para mayo

Seminaristas: ¡Que ellos sean fieles a la oración y estudien, y continúen en su deseo de servir a Dios y la Iglesia como sacerdotes!

Check It Out . . .

Registrations are being accepted for **Summer Camp at The Woods, Family Camp at The Woods and Camp Invention®** at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College.

Summer Camp at The Woods is an overnight, residential camp dedicated to providing young campers, ages 7-14, with a positive, supportive experience. The goal is to provide a fun, safe environment for learning and play. There are a variety of camps to choose from: adventure, explorer, art, photography, computer, filmmaking, theater, horseback riding and equine instruction, and orchestra. Camps will be held June 13-18, June 20-25 and June 27 to July 2. Family Camp at The Woods will take place from July 19-23 and is open to families with children from 6 to 16 years old. There will be many scheduled activities and participants will have the chance to camp on the park-like grounds of the college. Camp Invention® will be held July 12-16, and is a summer enrichment day camp that fosters creativity, teamwork, inventive thinking skills and science literacy for boys and girls entering grades 2-6. For more information about the camps, call 812-535-5148 or e-mail woodscamp@smwc.edu or visit www.smwc.edu/campus/camps.

Mary Bunner of the Tell City National Guard Armory's family assistance program will offer the **latest news about local troops** overseas and the special needs of the families at 7 p.m. on May 19 at the office of Tell City Catholic Charities, 802 9th St., in Tell City. For more information, call Stephen Lanterman, director of Tell City Catholic Charities, at 812-547-0903.

The **annual St. Agnes Academy Alumnae Brunch** will be held on June 6 at the Riviera Club, 5640 N. Illinois St., in Indianapolis. The brunch will begin at noon and be preceded by a 10:30 a.m. Mass at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St., in Indianapolis. The cost is \$16 per person, and reservations are required. For more information, call 317-257-8886 during the evening hours.

The archdiocese will host its next **Young Adult Mass** at 5 p.m. on May 9 at St. Mary Parish, 317 N. New Jersey St., in Indianapolis. A reception will follow. The Mass is designed for Catholics, single or married, in their 20s and 30s. It offers an opportunity to meet young Catholics and deepen each person's relationship with God. This month's

Mass will have a special focus on Mary, the mother of Jesus, and participants are invited to bring their mothers. For more information, e-mail indyyoungadultmass@yahoo.com.

There will be a **Schoenstatt International Pilgrimage** to Waukesha, Wis., on May 14-17. The trip will be led by Father Elmer Burwinkel and will include trips to daughter shrines in the area. For more information, call 812-689-3551.

The **Friday AM Networking Group** has chosen a new name, **Lumen Dei**, which means, "Light of God." The next meeting of the group will be at 6:30 a.m. on May 14 at Holy Rosary Parish, 520 Stevens St., in Indianapolis. The meeting will begin with a Mass and follow with breakfast. Dr. Scott Pottratz, medical director of the emergency department at St. Vincent-Frankfort Hospital in Frankfort, Ind., will speak about the Catholic perspective regarding end-of-life issues. The cost of the event is \$10 per person. Reservations must be placed by May 12. For more information, e-mail sschenher@comcast.net.

The Cardinal Ritter Birthplace Foundation is sponsoring the **Cardinal Ritter House Golf Scramble** on May 14 at the Covered Bridge Golf Club, 12510 Perry Crossing Road, in Sellersburg. The event will begin with an 8 a.m. shotgun start, and will benefit the rehabilitation of the childhood home of Cardinal Joseph Ritter at 1218 E. Oak St., in New Albany. Cardinal Ritter was the first archbishop of Indianapolis and was appointed archbishop of St. Louis. He is remembered as an advocate for civil rights. The registration fee for the golf scramble is \$95 per person, and includes 18 holes of golf, the use of a golf cart, a continental breakfast, lunch and prizes. The registration deadline is May 7. For more information, call David Hock at 502-291-3131. To sponsor a hole, log on to www.cardinalritterhouse.org.

The archdiocesan Office of Worship is sponsoring **Liturgy Basics**, a series of five sessions about the Catholic liturgy, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. every Wednesday from May 12 to June 9. The sessions are designed to help Catholics have a basic understanding of

VIPs . . .



Shannon, Theresa, Dan and Patrick Murphy. The couple has 14 grandchildren.

Donald and Kathleen (Sweeney) Murphy, members of Holy Rosary Parish in Indianapolis, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on May 8 with a Mass at their parish and a family celebration. The couple was married on that date in 1954 in Holy Trinity Church in Indianapolis. They have eight children: Peggy Murphy-Fletcher, Colleen Williamson, Kathleen Young, Maureen,

Vitus and Marie Kern, members of St. Jude Parish in Indianapolis, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on May 16 with a Mass at their parish. The couple was married on May 15, 1954, in St. Therese of the Infant Jesus (Little Flower) Church in Indianapolis. They have six children: Donna Ball, Susan Jansen, Bernadette Stamper, Loretta Wright, Rose Marie and Karl Kern. They have 16 grandchildren. †

liturgy and liturgical principals. Topics include liturgical renewal, preparing for liturgy, celebrating times and seasons, celebrating the Liturgy of the Word and celebrating the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Participants may register for the full program at a cost of \$50 per person or take individual sessions at a cost of \$15 per person, per session. For more information, contact the Office of Worship at 317-236-1483 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1483, or e-mail worship@archindy.org.

Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., in Indianapolis, is offering several retreats. There will be a reflection day titled **"A New Moment of Grace: A Reflection on Meeting the Counter-Cultural Challenge of the Call to Holiness in our Day"** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on May 10. Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein will be the presenter. The cost is \$30 per person and includes lunch. There will be an **"Annual Reflection Day on Prayer"** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 9. Father James Farrell, pastor of St. Barnabas Parish in Indianapolis, will present the day of reflection, which will be repeated on June 18. The focus will be on a renewal of the commitment to pray, as well as to deepen one's spiritual life. The cost is \$30 per person and includes lunch. There will be a weekend retreat for women titled **"The First Fire"** on June 11-13. Author Paula D'Arcy will present the retreat, which will focus on making women more aware of the Kingdom within and how to be guided more by its presence. There will be stories, directed times of reflection, video clips and times of silence. The cost of the retreat is \$165. For more information, call the retreat house at 317-545-7681. †

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Office for Film and Broadcasting movie ratings

Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius (Film Foundry)
Rated **A-II (Adults and Adolescents)** because of sporadic crude language.
Rated **PG (Parental Guidance Suggested)** by the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA).

Envy (Dreamworks)
Rated **A-III (Adults)** because of an instance of rough language and recurring crude sexual language and potty humor.
Rated **PG-13 (Parents are strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.)** by the MPAA.

Godsend (Lions Gate)
Rated **A-III (Adults)** because of a sexual encounter, a problematic theme of cloning, recurring profanity, sporadic crude language and some scary sequences.
Rated **PG-13 (Parents are strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.)** by the MPAA.

Laws of Attraction (New Line)
Rated **A-III (Adults)** because of implied sexual encounters following inebriation, impersonation of a cleric, a few crude expressions and an instance of profanity.
Rated **PG-13 (Parents are strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.)** by the MPAA. †



Butterfly lesson

A group of second-grade students from St. Lawrence School in Indianapolis prepare to release a butterfly in front of the parish rectory recently. The students watched the butterfly form from a caterpillar in the classroom and discussed how our life cycle relates to that of the butterfly. The students received First Communion on April 25.

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God called couple to Natural Family Planning through Scripture

By Mary Ann Wyand

The Word of God "hit" Patty Schneider right between the eyes two years ago after she began praying with the Daily Readings and asking "What does God want to say to me today?" each morning.

The music minister from St. Ferdinand Parish in St. Louis realized that God was calling her and her husband, Larry, to quit using artificial contraception and begin following Church teachings by practicing Natural Family Planning.

It was an emotional and painful decision, Schneider said, that evolved from being mad at God to trusting him completely and receiving amazing blessings in their marriage and family life with their three children.

During her often humorous keynote address, Schneider told participants at the "Treasuring Womanhood" Catholic women's conference on April 22 in Indianapolis that she was motivated to pray with the Daily Readings after attending a parish mission in January 2002 presented by the Sisters of the Apostles of the Interior Life.

But Schneider said when she opened her Bible each morning, she began to feel like God could see right through her rationalizations about using artificial contraception instead of following Church teachings about marriage and sexuality.

Schneider said she was born and raised in "a strong Catholic family" and thought she was "a good Catholic" until she really started paying attention to Scripture.

"Conversion was the farthest thing from my mind," she said, "and yet there is no better word to describe the incredible journey that God put me on. It was a journey I did not want to take. It was extremely painful and difficult, and I

came to realize God was working on me. He was coming after me. He was calling me to come closer to the Church, to listen to the Church, to be open to the words of the Church. And I thought I had never left the Church."

Schneider said the first three nights of the parish mission addressed "A Call to Holiness," "A Call to Prayer" and "A Call to Conversion."

The sisters asked St. Ferdinand parishioners to consider what Schneider thought were simple questions: Do I desire holiness? Do I search for holiness in my life? Do I ever struggle to find holiness in my life?

"I thought, 'No, I really haven't struggled for holiness in my life,'" Schneider said, but seeds of faith were planted that night.

Schneider said she learned that "holiness is being nothing more than what God intended me to be in my everyday life as a wife and a mom" and that "holiness begins right here, right now."

The parish mission talks that inspired her to begin reading Scripture every morning generated amazing results.

The first morning, when she opened her Bible to read that day's readings, she received a special surprise.

"It took my breath away," Schneider said, "because when I opened up the Bible the Scripture was highlighted and in the margin it said '7-22-88, wedding.' It was 1 John 4:11-18, the reading Larry and I had chosen for our wedding 13 years ago. I hadn't read it since. It was a beautiful passage about love."

Schneider began writing her thoughts in a prayer journal, and asked God for perseverance in her prayer life so it would truly be a life-changing experience.

"I had no idea of God's plans for me,"



St. Ferdinand parishioner Patty Schneider of St. Louis shares her personal story of conversion during the first annual archdiocesan Catholic women's conference on April 22 at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis. Schneider and her husband, Larry, began practicing Natural Family Planning two years ago after she started praying with the Daily Readings and asking "What does God want to say to me today?" each morning.

she recalled. "I was clueless about the journey that I was about to begin. All I knew was that I was going to try to search for some holiness in my life."

Day after day, she said, the Scripture readings continued to make it clear to her that she was supposed to obey all of God's commandments.

At the time, Schneider said, she thought that "to follow the Church's teachings on sex and marriage were not only a burden, but a huge burden. I knew I had touched on a hot topic, not just for me but for every single person I knew from my generation."

She wrote several questions in her

journal: Do I consider contraception a sin? Do I consider the Church's teachings to be God's commands? Do I love God by following these commands? Or are the teachings of the Church just a bunch of man-made laws that I could ignore and still be a good Catholic?

Within 30 days, she and her husband had read *Good News about Sex and Marriage: Answers to Your Honest Questions about Catholic Teaching* by Christopher West.

Now they practice Natural Family Planning, she said, smiling, and "it isn't a burden at all" because they have a more Christ-centered and loving marriage. †

First archdiocesan Catholic women's conference focuses on faith

By Mary Ann Wyand

As the first disciple, Mary played a pivotal role in God's plan and is a key figure in salvation history, Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general, told about 400 women attending "Treasuring Womanhood," the first annual archdiocesan Catholic women's conference held on April 22 at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis.

"The role that the Blessed Virgin played is indispensable," Msgr. Schaedel said in his homily during the conference Mass. "The story of the Savior cannot be told without the humble Virgin of Nazareth."

Many people who have seen the film *The Passion of the Christ* say the movie is as much about Mary, he said, as it is about her Divine Son.

"Mary appears throughout the film, and the obvious interaction between Jesus and his mother is fascinating," the vicar general said. "The first time we see Mary

in the film is the night that Jesus was arrested and put into chains. She wakes up startled, and she says, 'Why is this night different from any other?' Little did people know that on this night the work of our salvation would begin and would be accomplished. Little did they know that this woman, Mary, played a pivotal role in God's plan."

Critics say Catholics pay too much attention to Mary, he said, and offer too much reverence to her as the Mother of God even though she has a crucial role in the story of salvation.

"But lately, even our secular world appears fascinated with Mary," Msgr. Schaedel said. "In recent years, the mother of Jesus appeared on the cover of both *Newsweek* and *Time* magazines. Alleged sightings of the Virgin Mary are more common today than UFOs, and not only Catholics, but also lots of other people, seem fascinated by her. Our Protestant friends, who have so embraced [the film] *The Passion of the Christ*, seem

to have no trouble embracing Mary as well."

Mary has another claim to fame, he said, even though being the mother of Jesus is more than enough to assure her prominent place in history.

"She is the first disciple," he said. "The mother of Jesus believed before any of the Twelve. Mary was the original believer, the first one to acknowledge Jesus. Even before he was born, she accepted this child as God's son, the long-awaited Messiah, at the Annunciation. She was faithful to the end, when they laid Jesus in the tomb, and Mary rejoiced with the others when they saw the Lord risen from the dead."

Mary did perfectly what we are all called to do as Christians, Msgr. Schaedel said. Christians are called to be disciples, to be believers, to remain faithful and to lead others to God.

"She is the model for all women," he said. "In fact, she is the model for all

Christians, men or women, but especially so for women, who share her feminine gifts."

Mary is popular among so many believers because they love her and identify with her, he said. She is human, and epitomizes the care and tenderness that only a mother can give to others because she is so approachable and understanding.

"Mary is not only a heroine," Msgr. Schaedel said, "she is the model for what we should be—people filled with the love of God, full of grace, followers of Jesus, who approach others in a caring, loving and understanding way, ready to lead them to Jesus, our Savior. Mary is first among the saints, first among the disciples."

Discipleship means accepting Jesus, he said. "To be a disciple means not only that we follow him, it means that we accept Jesus as God. He is the one that we turn our entire lives over to."

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Women kneel in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament during "Treasuring Womanhood," the first annual archdiocesan Catholic women's conference held on April 22 at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis. About 400 women participated in the conference.

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vocations" in which other young people will be more likely to consider God's call in their lives, and where parents and other adults will be more likely to encourage such discernment.

Father Robeson similarly sees the establishment of the house of formation as a haven for many young adults in the archdiocese.

"To create a focal point in the archdiocese where youth are serious about their faith," said Father Robeson, "are committed to enriching their life of faith—it could be contagious. It can be leaven for the whole area."

The establishment of the

house of formation is, according to Daniel Elsener, the president of Marian College, the result of Marian College's community striving to live out its Catholic and Franciscan identity.

"We've been in an intentional process of living out our Catholic roots," said Elsener. "I've found in general that the faith of the students have been the leaven [in this]. The seminarians even more dramatically will be leaven for this."

Elsener also noted that Marian's role in helping to form the future priests of the archdiocese is simply a continuation of its participation in the preparation of leaders in the archdiocese that has been going on for decades.

"For the history of Marian College, it's a natural fit," said Elsener. "Many leaders in the archdiocese went to Marian. We've been a chief collaborator in building the Church in central and southern Indiana. It's a natural growth of our long-term commitment to building up the Church in central and southern Indiana, the people of the Church."

Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general of the archdiocese, is one of those archdiocesan leaders to whom Elsener referred. An alumnus of Marian College and a member of its board of trustees, Msgr. Schaedel said that the seminarians and the broader Marian community will be a blessing for each



Photo by Sean Gallagher

Archdiocesan college seminarians R. Zachary Karanovich, left, and Eric Hodde, right, stand in front of St. Francis Hall on the campus of Marian College in Indianapolis. Karanovich, a freshman at Marian, and Hodde, a junior at the school, will be among the first residents of the Bishop Bruté House of Formation that is being established in the hall.

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United States. There are bishops there, let them interpret it."

However, when asked more generally if a priest should refuse Communion to a politician who supports abortion, Cardinal Arinze said, "Yes."

Washington Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, in Rome with several other U.S. bishops for their *ad limina* visits required of heads of dioceses every five years, told Catholic News Service a few days later that he had discussed the issue with Cardinal Arinze, the head of the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments. Cardinal Arinze seemed surprised that his remarks, at a press conference to release a new Vatican document on the liturgy, had caused a political stir, Cardinal McCarrick said.

"He made it clear that where he stands is what the document said. The document goes so far, and no further," Cardinal McCarrick said.

The Vatican document said that "anyone who is conscious of grave sin should not celebrate or receive the body of the Lord without prior sacramental confession, except for grave reason." It did not speak about withholding the Eucharist as a sanction.

Cardinal McCarrick said that while Church law

foresees situations in which Communion should be denied, interpreting the law is a delicate question. Canon law says people should be told that if they are in conflict with Church teaching they should not receive Communion, he said. "But that doesn't say to us that we should deny them Communion when they come."

I would be very uncomfortable to have a confrontation at the altar because it implies that I know precisely what's in a man's heart or in a woman's heart, and I'm not always sure," he said.

At a local Theology on Tap program in Washington shortly before he went to Rome, Cardinal McCarrick said in response to questions about how the Church should deal with politicians who disagree with the Church, "It's easy to condemn. It's easy to judge. It's easy to close your eyes. We can't do any of those things."

The president of the U.S. bishops' conference, Bishop Wilton D. Gregory of Belleville, Ill., said denying Communion to a politician who supports legalized abortion must be the last resort in a process to convince the politician to uphold moral truths when voting.

"In the nature of the Church, the imposition of sanctions is always the final response, not the first response, nor the second nor maybe even the 10th," he told CNS in Rome on April 23, the same day the

bishops' conference in Washington released a statement he made regarding Catholics in political life.

It said, in part: "Each diocesan bishop has the right and duty to address such issues of serious pastoral concern as he judges best in his local Church, in accord with pastoral and canonical norms."

"Individual bishops still will need to determine how to handle particular cases in their own dioceses," he told CNS.

"Teaching the doctrine of the Church faithfully and truthfully is not an option," Bishop Gregory said. "Bishops must do it."

"But we must do it—as St. Augustine says—we must 'abhor the sin but not the sinner,'" he added.

Bishops in Indiana and New Jersey took up pastoral concerns about Catholic governors in their states.

St. Joseph High School in South Bend withdrew its invitation to Gov. Joe Kernan to speak at his alma mater's graduation ceremony because he supports legal abortion. Bishop John M. D'Arcy of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, was quoted by The Associated Press as saying he directed the school's principal to withdraw an invitation to Kernan because the theology teachers at St. Joseph believed having him speak there would contradict the moral truths they teach.

A spokeswoman for Kernan said he does support legal abortion but, as far as

she knows, the governor has never voted on abortion legislation, having previously held nonlegislative offices as South Bend mayor and Indiana lieutenant governor. In the same diocese, the University of St. Francis in Fort Wayne withdrew an invitation to scheduled graduation speaker Dr. Nancy Snyderman after Bishop D'Arcy declined to receive an honorary degree because she was on the May 1 program. Snyderman was criticized for having pro-abortion views at least partly on the basis of a news report she did as a medical correspondent for ABC News.

Snyderman said the report discussed the idea of selective abortion of some fetuses to improve the chances of survival for the others in the case of a woman pregnant with septuplets. She said it was a medical report and not an expression of her personal beliefs.

Bishop D'Arcy said in a statement that he did not ask the school to withdraw its invitation to Snyderman. "I understand and respect academic freedom," he said. "I am simply following my solemn responsibilities as a pastor to avoid any confusion on truths so essential to the life of the Church and society."

In New Jersey, the new bishop of the Camden Diocese, Bishop Joseph A. Galante, told reporters on April 29 that Gov. James McGreevey would not be

welcome to receive

Communion if he attended the installation ceremony the next day. McGreevey supports legal abortion and has advocated bringing fetal stem-cell research to the state. Bishop Galante told reporters his decision was based largely on McGreevey's remarriage without an annulment. McGreevey's spokesman said later that the governor has never publicly discussed whether his first marriage was annulled.

Several canon lawyers told CNS in interviews that Church law on denying sacraments leaves the discretion and interpretation to individual bishops.

Mercy Sister Sharon Euart, vice president and president-elect of the Canon Law Society of America, said the key issue in refusing Communion is whether the individual is under a formal ecclesiastical penalty. That means the local bishop should have discussed his objections to the person's actions with him or her, made an effort to understand the person's thinking and instructed him or her on where the bishop saw errors or misunderstanding, she said. The bishop would explain that changes in the person's behavior are expected and what penalty might result if changes aren't made.

Then, the bishop would have to inform the individual in writing that a sanction was being imposed, Sister Sharon

explained. "The key to this whole thing is that we need people to pray for us," said Father Robeson. "The house of formation is small, but a key part of a much larger initiative—to help our archdiocesan community to become more holy. That's what we're all about." †

explained. "It's not something that [a bishop] does based on what he sees in the newspaper about someone," she said. "It's got to be done with as full knowledge as possible."

Father James Coriden, a professor of canon law at the Washington Theological Union, said he thinks the bishops are justified in taking a strong stand with politicians who do not act in accord with Church teaching on abortion. But even a doctrinal note on Catholics in public life released by the Vatican in 2003 "allows for freedom of conscience and political thought," he said.

"But to take that and say 'these people are no longer permitted to take Communion,'" he said, "I don't think it gives that authority."

There's a danger in asserting that only a part of the teachings of the Church may be enforced by excommunication or interdict, Father Coriden said. Those excommunicated or interdicted are barred from the sacraments. Someone interdicted is still considered a Catholic, but someone excommunicated is no longer considered a member of the Church.

"It just cuts against the grain to take unilateral action," he said. "It would be better to keep holding up Christian ideals and saying 'let's get on board here.'"

In Stamford, Conn., Boston Archbishop Sean P. O'Malley told participants at the Bridgeport Diocese's annual Red Mass that Catholics are called to cooperate with God in repairing the world and transform it "with the spirit of the Gospel."

He said that, for more than two centuries, religious voices have called Americans to be a better people by challenging slavery, questioning the morality of war and nuclear weapons, and defending the poor, women, immigrants and prisoners.

Yet today, "when politicians agree with the Church's position on a given issue, they say that the Church is prophetic and should be listened to," Archbishop O'Malley noted. "But if the Church's position doesn't coincide with theirs, they scream separation of Church and state." †



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look back upon their history, they are also now being asked to look forward to their future.

In an interview with *The Criterion*, Archabbot Lambert noted that he felt that it was appropriate to announce his resignation during the sesquicentennial.

"I believe that everybody is in a job for a time. The person pretty well knows when the time is coming to an end," said Archabbot Lambert. "Usually, the person tries to hang it on something of significance. In the last nine years, we've had many changes that have brought us into this celebration. It will bring us into a new era."

The archabbot, who successfully battled colon cancer before his election in 1995, also wanted to reassure others that he is not resigning because of health difficulties of any kind.

Father Jenkins to succeed Father Malloy as Notre Dame president

NOTRE DAME, Ind. (CNS)—Holy Cross Father John I. Jenkins will become the 17th president of the University of Notre Dame after Holy Cross Father Edward A. Malloy steps down as president at the end of his current term on June 30, 2005.

Father Jenkins, a vice president and associate provost at Notre Dame since July 2000, was elected to a five-year term by the university's board of trustees on April 30. He is an associate professor of philosophy and has been a member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1990.



Fr. John Jenkins, CSC

In a statement, Patrick McCartan, chairman of the board of the trustees, praised Father Malloy for "his 17 years of exceptional leadership and ... all the significant advancements made by the University of Notre Dame during his tenure."

"All one needs to do is tour our campus, consult the rankings, examine the credentials of our faculty and the outstanding qualifications of our student body to realize what he has accomplished for Notre Dame," he added. "He leaves a truly remarkable record and legacy."

McCartan said Father Jenkins' "superb academic credentials ... will be of critical importance to realization of our aspiration to become one of the great research universities of the world with a distinctly Catholic character."



Fr. Edward Malloy, CSC

Father Malloy, 63, said he planned to take a sabbatical, followed by "a renewed commitment to teaching, writing, pastoral ministry and service on boards of various not-for-profit organizations." He has been president of Notre Dame since 1987.

Father Jenkins, 50, had been religious superior of the Holy Cross priests and brothers at

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Benedictine Father Tobias Colgan, the prior of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, noted that he felt that the announcement of the archabbot's resignation might change the way in which the monks experience the remaining festivities.

"It will not in any way dampen our celebrations," Father Tobias said, "but will add a nice contemplative dimension to them."

Father Tobias is in a unique position to appraise the tenure of Archabbot Lambert. For the first two years of his term, he acted as his secretary and for the remaining seven he has served as prior of the community, the monk who is second in leadership to the abbot.

In reflecting upon Archabbot Lambert choosing to resign during the middle of the monastery's \$40 million capital campaign, Father Tobias said that the next leader of the community would be able to work from a very solid footing.

"I think that the campaign, which is already close to its goal, and the recent bequests, helped the abbot to make the decision that he made," said Father Tobias. "He's leaving the abbey far stronger than he might have ever imagined it."

But instead of focusing on the strong financial foundation that he has helped build for the monastery, Archabbot Lambert instead first looks to his encouragement of the monastic life itself as the legacy that he hopes to leave behind.

"I would say that one aim in mind all the way through: that we become the monks we profess ourselves to be," said Archabbot Lambert. "And so, I've been anxious to demonstrate observance in my own person. And I've required [it of others]. All the rest is secondary."

In any case, Archabbot Lambert has always and will continue to give the care of the monastery over to St. Joseph, to whom he has had a particular devotion since he was a child.

"When I was elected, we were \$6.9 million in debt. Everything is paid and St. Joseph has taken excellent care of us," said Archabbot Lambert, "so much so that many bishops and abbots whom I know believe me when I say, 'Go to Joseph.'"

"My whole point is that we must pray endlessly. I will be commending the community to Joseph regularly as I have done from the beginning." †

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"I said, 'Jesus is the Word of God. Jesus is [like] the Quran. Jesus is the Word of God become flesh. He's not like us in that sense.

'Jesus is the Word of God become flesh, come into history. We are not a people of the book. We are the people of the living Word of God.'"

Speaking about this event, more than 25 years later, Father Borders remembered it clearly. And he noted that it had had an immediate impact upon both himself and his friend.

"It was like someone else was speaking through me," Father Borders said, "like I had lost control of my tongue.

"I saw him mumbling the words, 'living Word of God.' He was shaken by it and I was shaken by it because where did those things come from? I had never thought [in] those terms before. I think that it was a revelation of God."

Father Borders had come in contact in a new and striking way with that which lay at the heart of the Christian faith: the belief that Jesus Christ is the incarnate Word of God.

Looking back on that even in the desert of Saudi Arabia, Father Borders described it as "a turning point."

"After that experience in the car, Islam faded into the distance," Father Borders said. "It was a very definite religious experience."

Still, Matthew Hipwell of Schenectady, N.Y., recalled how his close friend, even if Islam was no longer seen as personal option for him, nonetheless valued it after his experience in Saudi Arabia.

"He continued to read the Quran for a number of years," Hipwell said. "That was something that he always had an interest in, even in his days in the seminary."

In the days before his death, Father Borders' mind continued to turn to Muslims that he had known through the years when he tried to explain certain aspects of the redemptive meaning of suffering.

"They accept illness very well. They have that idea that they can see God more clearly through illness," Father Borders said. "It's almost a mystical experience for them."

To illustrate this, he recalled a Muslim he had known who had been ill while on the Hajj—a physically rigorous pilgrimage to Mecca.

"He had gone to Mecca during the Hajj, which is very difficult," Father Borders said. "He said, 'Thank God I had the flu' because he saw the care [that he received] more than at

any other time. He saw people as they were."

From Father Border's perspective, this Muslim's clearer vision of God was mediated through the care he received from other people. Rather than seeing his illness as a curse, he was thankful for it as a blessing.

Father Border's turn to Islam in thinking about the mystery of suffering did not reflect any sort of religious indifference on his part. Toward the end of his life, he recalled how his travels around the world eventually led him back home, both physically and spiritually.

"Geographically, I've made a big loop. Spiritually, I've made a big loop," Father Borders said. "But I always returned. And so my return here is kind of like my return to Christianity."

Father Joseph Moriarty, vocation director for the archdiocese, reflected on his respect for Islam and saw a fundamental aspect of his personality revealed.

"Mother Teresa once said, 'Before all else, we must recognize the imprint of God upon all people,'" Father Moriarty said. "That was a kind of unique gift that Larry had. It was a real equalizer in his life. He had a very large worldview."

Retired diocesan priest Father Larry Richardt, who was involved in Father Borders' priestly formation at Saint Meinrad School of Theology, echoed Father Moriarty's thoughts.

"I think that was one of his great qualities," Father Richardt said, "his reverent attitude toward others."

And in revering whatever is true in any person, Father Borders would seem to have wanted to imitate it.

In a way similar to the experience of his Muslim acquaintance who had been sick while on the Hajj, Father Borders did not allow ordinary human pride to get in the way of his accepting care from others as he struggled with cancer.

Father Donald Schmidlin, the priest who had received him into full communion in the Church in 1979, noted this trait in his friend in an incident that happened shortly before Father Borders' death.

Father Schmidlin and Father Borders were arriving at a tavern in Napoleon for lunch.

"He got out of the car and as he was trying to get up the curb, he fell," Father Schmidlin said. "He told me, 'Just go in the tavern. There's some people there who can help.'"

"He just took it as a matter of course. It didn't distress him."

Father Border's tranquil acceptance of his fall and the help he received mirrored his overall attitude toward the dis-

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Thousands of pilgrims from all over the world walk around the Ka'aba in the holy city of Mecca in Saudi Arabia. Hajj is the annual pilgrimage which Muslim believers are to make at least once.

ease that eventually took his life.

Like his Muslim acquaintances that he remembered, he saw his cancer as an opportunity to enter more into deep contemplation, to see God more clearly.

"I just want to sit back and take in the whole mystery of God," Father Borders said. "I know that I don't know what will happen in that twinkling of an eye, as St. Paul said.

"I don't think about it. I don't try to get it to rational thought. I just accept it as a mystery."

Nevertheless, the acceptance and experience of a mystery so far beyond human reason was a challenge for Father Borders, whose life was so marked by intellectual curiosity.

"There is always the old mind wanting [to say], 'Now what do you mean by that?'" Father Borders said. "But, no, I'm entering the cloud of unknowing." †

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Notre Dame for three years prior to his election as vice president and associate provost in 2000.

A specialist in the areas of ancient philosophy, medieval philosophy and the philosophy of religion, he earned two degrees in philosophy from Oxford University, where he also taught in Notre Dame's London program.

Father Jenkins also holds a master of divinity degree and licentiate in sacred theology from the Jesuit School of

Theology in Berkeley, Calif., and bachelor's and master's degrees in philosophy from Notre Dame.

Born on Dec. 17, 1953, in Omaha, Neb., Father Jenkins was ordained a priest in Notre Dame's Basilica of the Sacred Heart in 1983. He served as director of the Old College program for Notre Dame undergraduate candidates for the Congregation of Holy Cross from 1991 to 1993.

Father Malloy succeeded Holy Cross Father Theodore M. Hesburgh as Notre Dame's 16th president after having served for five years as vice president and associate provost. He is a professor

of theology and has been a member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1974.

During his term as president, Father Malloy continued to teach a seminar for first-year undergraduates and lived in a student residence hall on campus.

Under his leadership, Notre Dame's faculty increased by more than 500; the average SAT score of the student body rose from 1240 to 1360; the number of minority students more than doubled; the endowment grew from \$350 million to more than \$3 billion; and annual research funding improved from \$15 million to more than \$70 million.

A native of Washington who was born

on May 3, 1941, Father Malloy earned his doctorate in Christian ethics from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn., in 1975, and Vanderbilt honored him in 1998 with the establishment of a chair in Catholic studies in his name.

He earned bachelor's and master's degrees in English from Notre Dame and a second master's degree, in theology, while studying for the priesthood. He was ordained in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart in 1970.

Notre Dame's bylaws require that the president of the university be a Holy Cross priest of the Indiana province, based in South Bend. †

Sacred Heart School in Clinton to close at end of school year

By Brandon A. Evans

Low enrollment and a sagging economy are forcing the closing of Sacred Heart School in Clinton after the end of the current school year.

Father Joseph Villa, pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, offered a prepared statement about the closing recently.

"Our small enrollment and the continuing deteriorating economy here in Vermillion County were major factors in bringing me to this conclusion," he said.

The school, established in 1910, currently has 40 students.

Father Villa said he consulted with parish and archdiocesan officials for the past several months.

"We explored a number of options,

including using the building as an early childhood development center for our parish and neighboring parishes," he said in the statement. "However, in my judgment, none of the options is viable."

"We are saddened each time one of our parishes must face harsh realities," said Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general. He said that it is difficult for the archdiocese to have to close a school.

"It saddens me when a school has to close," said Annette "Mickey" Lentz, executive director of Catholic education and faith formation for the archdiocese. "However, being good stewards of God's institutions is important too."

Father Villa said that upon his request, Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein "reluctantly" agreed to allow the closing of the

school.

"Sacred Heart School in Clinton has a long, proud history," Msgr. Schaedel said.

"Sacred Heart School has been an asset to the Clinton community for years," Lentz said. "It has a rich tradition of heritage. The smallness of the school is what has made it unique."

"It has produced many successful students who have grown into successful adults," she said.

Father Villa said that the religious education of students in the area will continue.

"Now, of course, we must concentrate on our non-school religious education and faith formation efforts so that the Church may continue to be a positive influence in

the lives of our children," he said.

"[The parish] will also assist parents who wish to send their children to a neighboring Catholic school," Msgr. Schaedel said.

"Keeping children active in the parish keeps the parish alive," Lentz said.

Father Villa said that a "great debt of gratitude" is owed to Barbara Holton-Moy, the principal, and to the teachers and staff for all their hard work.

"We can all be justifiably proud of the quality of education that has been given to our children through the years," Father Villa said.

"I commend the present and past leadership and staff of the school for their commitment to Catholic education," Lentz said. "This is not easy for them." †

Saint Meinrad, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods and Marian College commencements May 8

By Brandon A. Evans

Saint Meinrad School of Theology, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College and Marian College in Indianapolis will hold their commencement ceremonies on May 8.

Bishop Ronald Gainer of Lexington, Ky., will give the convocation address at Saint Meinrad.

The ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. in St. Bede Theater on the grounds of the

Archabbey.

Fifty-four graduates of Saint Meinrad School of Theology will be awarded master's degrees. Of those, 17 will receive a Master of Divinity degree, 28 will receive a Master of Art (in Catholic Thought and Life) degree and nine will receive a Master of Theological Studies degree.

Daughter of Charity Sister Mary Rose McGeady, former president and chief executive office of Covenant House, will

speak at the commencement for Marian College graduates.

The commencement exercises will begin at 3 p.m. in the St. Francis Colonnade just west of Allison Mansion, and will also honor Ruth Lilly, philanthropist and community volunteer from Indianapolis, with an honorary doctorate in humane letters.

There will be 280 degrees conferred, including 14 Masters of Art in Teaching degrees. This is the second year that Marian College has conferred degrees at the master's level.

There will also be 57 students graduating from the college's Adult Programs, the accelerated degree program for working adults.

Covenant House is a New York City based organization dedicated to the care and rehabilitation of street children. It has, with Sister Mary Rose's help, grown into an international organization with facilities in 15 cities and five countries.

She holds 35 honorary doctorates, has published several books and has participated in a Presidential Delegation to attend the 25th anniversary of Pope John Paul II's pontificate.

Sister Mary Rose will receive an honorary doctorate of public service from Marian College.

Terry Tempest Williams, author of

Refuge: An Unnatural History of Family and Place, will be the commencement speaker at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College.

The ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. in the Cecilian Auditorium of the college's Conservatory of Music.

One hundred fifty students will receive bachelor's degrees and 17 students will receive master's degrees from the college.

Williams most recent book is *Red: Patience and Passion in the Desert*, which traces her love of and commitment to the desert.

She has also written other books and essays.

In 1991, *Newsweek* identified Williams as someone likely to make "a considerable impact on the political, economic and environmental issues facing the western states this decade."

When President Bill Clinton dedicated the new "Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument" in 1996, he gave special thanks to *Testimony: Writers Speak on Behalf of Utah Wilderness*, edited by Williams.

She was recently inducted to the Rachel Carson Honor Roll and has received the National Wildlife Federation's Conservation Award for special achievement. †



Poland joins European Union

A street vendor sells flags outside a church in Warsaw, Poland, where a Mass dedicated to Poland's entry into the European Union was celebrated on May 2. The European Union welcomed Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Slovenia, Hungary, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta and Cyprus as new members. Pope John Paul II said that Europe must reaffirm—not eliminate—its Christian roots if it is to face the challenges of the third millennium.

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SPRED helps include everyone in the life of the Church

By Brandon A. Evans

We are all members of the Church and when we follow Jesus we can do anything, regardless of who we are.

That was the message that Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel delivered at the annual Special Religious Education (SPRED) Program of the archdiocese on April 25 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis.

The people who attended the Mass might not have heard such a message a decade ago, Msgr. Schaedel said.

The developmentally challenged, the mentally handicapped and members of the Church who have special struggles have not always been fully included in the life of the Church.

SPRED provides specialized catechesis to Catholics with disabilities at parishes around the archdiocese by making use of small-group programming.

Individual parishioners are trained by SPRED then partnered with a parishioner with disabilities and, along with a group of similar partners, they grow in friendship and foster catechesis.

"Full participation in the parish is the ultimate goal for our SPRED groups," said Marcia Hodde, coordinator of SPRED. "Mass is of primary importance for full participation in parish life."

In recent years, many people with disabilities have made their First Communion or have been confirmed at the annual SPRED Mass.

"The SPRED liturgy is coordinated to better communicate with our friends who may not process language as readily by sharing a simpler message and by the use of gesture to enhance readings and songs," Hodde said.

The Gospel reading at the Mass told of the resurrected Jesus approaching the Apostles while they tried to fish—without much luck all night.

"They were tired, they were bored, they were disappointed," Msgr. Schaedel said during his homily. "And I think all of us have been tired and bored and disappointed, right?"

Yet Jesus told his Apostles to cast their net off the right side of the boat, and when they did they caught so many fish that the net nearly burst.

"What does that teach us?" he asked. It teaches us, he said, to listen to Jesus at all times.

"If you want to be happy, if you want to be successful, if you want to do things that you never, ever thought you could do, try that. Listen to what Jesus tells you. Listen to what he says. And Jesus, in our lives, can work miracles."

Central to Msgr. Schaedel's message to the people gathered was that they are all part of the Church.

"As Church we are community," Hodde said, "and Church members with disabilities are part of that community. Their gifts are necessarily valuable to the community."

"The uncomplicated beauty of our friends expressing their faith touches our



Participants from the Special Religious Education (SPRED) Program of the archdiocese join hands and sing the Psalm before their peers at the annual SPRED Liturgy on April 25 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis.

lives, stirs us to a deeper faith ourselves, draws many of us to a closer experience of the tangible presence of God than we have ever experienced," Hodde said.

"I think [SPRED] just adds another awareness to what Church is for people," said Father Daniel Staublin, pastor of St. Malachy Parish in Brownsburg. "We have three active SPRED groups in the parish."

The program, which has spread to many parishes, got its start several years ago at St. Malachy Parish in Brownsburg under the direction of Debbie Armenta.

Msgr. Schaedel was then the part-time associate pastor of St. Malachy and has been the chaplain for the program ever since its inception.

He said that to reach out specifically to people with mental disabilities is also part of the archdiocesan priority of evangelization.

"We need to spread the Good News with everyone," Msgr. Schaedel said.

It is an effort that is appreciated by Moe Tibbetts, a member of St. Mark the Evangelist Parish in Indianapolis. Her niece and godchild, Chrissy Woodall, has a communications handicap.

The two are not yet involved with SPRED, but they are interested. Hodde invited them to the Mass.

"Knowing some of the people attending, I could see where they would enjoy it more with the visual as opposed to the verbal," Tibbetts said. "We enjoyed the

day and look forward to attending next year—maybe getting involved with the program."

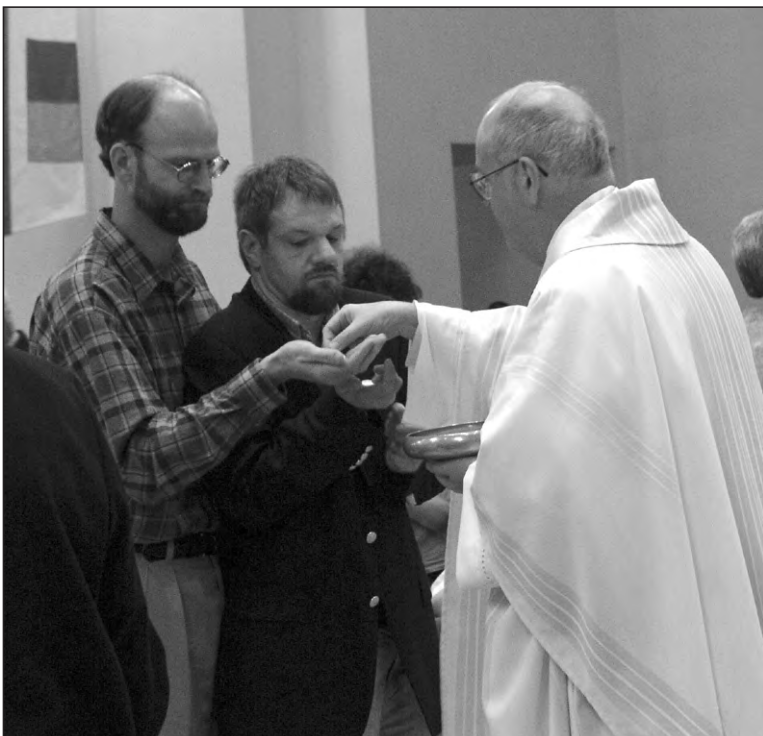
Peter Sperry, a member of St. Monica Parish in Indianapolis, has been a member of SPRED for four years—and all four years he has been paired with Ted Poynter, a member of St. Malachy Parish,

who has autism.

Sperry said that the Mass is an opportunity to have everybody in one place. He also has seen a lot of growth in Poynter's spiritual life, as well as his own.

Poynter gets a lot out of going to events like these, Sperry said. "It's the only thing that Ted gets out to do." †

Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general, gives Communion to Peter Sperry, left, a member of St. Monica Parish in Indianapolis, and his friend, Ted Poynter of St. Malachy Parish in Brownsburg, during the annual SPRED Liturgy. Sperry has been partnered with Poynter, who suffers mostly from autism, for four years and, through SPRED, is helping Poynter to be integrated into the life of the Church.



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Good citizenship calls people to vote wisely

By Fr. John W. Crossin, O.S.F.S.

Love for neighbor is essential to following Jesus. It is essential to Catholic identity. Love for others in the community expresses itself in concern for the common good.

This love is pre-eminently practical. Each of us is called to act like the Good Samaritan—to try to serve those in need in very concrete ways. Service to the unborn, the hungry, the naked, the imprisoned, the elderly—all those in need—is essential, not optional. In them, we see Christ.

In practice, we must discern our call to serve. Who is God asking me to love in a special way in this phase of my life? How can I use my time and talent for others?

In answering these questions, we make a specific choice to do something to serve someone. One person I know delivers lunch to shut-ins one day a week. Another facilitates the work of a Catholic lawyers' organization.

A commitment to Christian love extends beyond our immediate "hands-on" service. We try to create a community where love abounds. Thus, we concern ourselves with good citizenship.

Good citizenship draws some of us into public service. This is pre-eminently local. One member of my family serves on her town council. Work on events such as the Independence Day parade or projects such as the repair of local sports fields may not be glamorous, but are essential for building strong, life-giving communities.

Good citizenship calls all of us to wise voting. Wise voting presents us all with some particular challenges.

Media reports tend to stress the self-interest of voters. The predominant media model is economics. We cannot go for long each day without hearing of the movement of the stock market averages. Voters often are presented as "voting their pocketbooks."

The challenge in the midst of this constant repetition is to remember love of neighbor. The Christian voter has an important, but limited, self-concern.

A second challenge is our own emotional life. We may have a strong commitment to one political party or the other. Often, this relates to our personal experiences or those of our parents. This effective commitment can slip into "my party no matter what" voting.

The challenge is to step back, put aside our emotions and try to make a clear judgment about whether voting for a particular person serves the common good.

Getting information to make informed judgments about candidates might be difficult as well. Commercials, presentations and brochures tend to emphasize parts of a candidate's record, leaving out others. Sometimes information given does not tell the whole truth. Media presentations may favor one candidate over another.

Thus, we Christian voters need to go to some lengths to inform ourselves of the candidates' stands. Consulting a variety of sources can be helpful.

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In state or national campaigns, getting information



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about issues and character can be more difficult. We are presented with a jumble of conflicting views. Sorting this out can take time.

If the third challenge is informing ourselves as voters, a fourth is wisely discerning the bearing of Catholic faith on our decisions. Catholic faith requires us to "form our consciences" in the light of Church teaching.

Church teaching is deeply rooted in Scripture and tradition. The community, through its leaders, takes the riches of this heritage and applies them in the contemporary world. Respect for human life throughout the life cycle and concern for the common good are characteristic of this application. (See the statement "Faithful Citizenship," published by the Administrative Committee of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, www.usccb.org, for more details.)

Our Catholic community is well known for its clear stands on moral issues. To name a few:

- We favor service to the poor, for example, in providing health care.
- We reverence the life of the child in the womb and oppose the "right to choose."
- We favor strengthening international institutions to

resolve disputes among nations.

- We advocate strengthening heterosexual marriage and the family.

Since most candidates do not reflect the totality of Catholic views on moral issues, we are faced with making wise decisions. Here our age-old reflections on discernment and prudent judgment come to the fore.

Good judgments involve, as noted above, getting the best information possible, re-examining our prejudices, understanding Church teaching and seeking to love our neighbor as ourselves.

These judgments also involve consulting our spiritual friends for their best judgments and praying for the Holy Spirit's guidance.

We approach the moral decision of voting in a prayerful and deliberate manner. Sometimes we may differ from one another on who is best. We do agree on the importance of loving our neighbor through our personal commitment and as voting citizens.

(Oblate Father John W. Crossin is executive director of the Washington Theological Consortium in Washington, D.C.) †

Discussion Point

Ministries promote social justice

This Week's Question

What do you do—within the Church or other contexts—that promotes social justice?

"We [St. John the Evangelist Parish in Girard, Pa.] keep a posting in our bulletin of all U.S. executions. We also have a regular insert from our right-to-life group announcing local peaceful demonstrations and prayer services against abortion." (Cindy Groszkiewicz, Girard, Pa.)

"We [St. James and Immaculate Conception parishes in Toledo, Ohio] work with the St. Vincent de Paul Society to benefit the needy. We also have a 'Feed Your Neighbor' program, which is a food pantry." (Joyce Scarbrough, Toledo, Ohio)

"I am a coordinator for adult faith enrichment, and

each year I schedule one or two speakers to talk on social justice." (Jeanne Mosley, Atlanta, Ga.)

"I think I just let God work through me. My passion is for life—from conception to natural death. I believe every person I come in contact with gives me the opportunity to share the joy I have in me. I hope they spread that joy. I think if we truly loved each other and treated each other as we want to be treated, there would be no reason for such a question to be asked." (Kathy Gipson, Mountlake Terrace, Wash.)

Lend Us Your Voice

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From the Editor Emeritus/John F. Fink

Catholic intellectual Orestes A. Brownson



Historian Theodore Maynard described Orestes A. Brownson as “the most remarkable mind American Catholicism has produced.” It’s unfortunate that this 19th-century author and activist is so little known today.

Orestes Brownson was born in 1803 in Stockbridge, Vt. Always searching, he became a Presbyterian

when he was 19, switched to the Universalist Church when he was 21 and became a Unitarian when he was 29.

About that time, he began to meet with other young New England intellectuals, mainly Unitarians, for informal discussions. They came to be known as Transcendentalists. Among them were Ralph Waldo Emerson, Henry Thoreau, George Ripley and Theodore Parker. Brownson was a frequent visitor at Brook Farm, established by Ripley.

One of the men who came under Brownson’s influence was Isaac Hecker, who was 16 years younger than Brownson. (I wrote about Hecker in my previous three

columns.) Hecker credited Brownson as the man who most influenced him.

In 1828, Brownson was a founder of a workingmen’s political party, but soon decided that moral rather than political means would be more effective in bettering the position of the working class. Therefore, in 1838 he founded the *Boston Quarterly Review*, in which he expressed his social philosophy. As he successfully made a name for himself in intellectual circles, he changed the name of his journal to *Brownson’s Quarterly Review* in 1844.

In 1844, too, when he was 41, he had his final religious conversion, this time to Catholicism. His friend, Hecker, had converted less than a year earlier. Brownson recounted the story of his conversion in a book that he called simply *The Convert*.

In an age of anti-Catholicism, Brownson used the pages of *Brownson’s Quarterly Review* to tell his readers what the Catholic Church really taught. Like Hecker, he was convinced that the Catholic Church could thrive in the religious freedom guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution.

He continued *Brownson’s Quarterly Review* through the Civil War, but discontinued it in 1865. He revived it from 1873

to 1875, the year before his death. While his own periodical wasn’t being published, he was a frequent contributor to *The Catholic World*, which Father Isaac Hecker founded in 1865.

Brownson’s most important book, also published in 1865, was *The American Republic: Its Constitution, Tendencies and Destiny*. Called the best book on democracy after Tocqueville’s *Democracy in America*, it has been praised by such people as Lord Acton, Woodrow Wilson and Arthur Schlesinger Jr. Last year, the Intercollegiate Studies Institute republished it as the first installment of a planned multivolume edition of Brownson’s political writings that should make him better known to modern Americans.

In the book, he stressed his belief that the principles set out by the U.S. Constitution came from Catholic theories on the equality of all people. He argued that power is derived from God through the people.

Brownson was known to be arrogant and aggressive, and he wrote with great force and candor. Hecker undoubtedly brought more people into the Catholic Church, but both should be better known among today’s Catholics. †

Cornucopia/Cynthia Dewes

If it’s not fair, take a closer look



Kids love to cry “It’s not fair!!” when thwarted in their plans. One of our sons said when his kids say this, he reminds them that, “Life isn’t fair.” I wonder where he heard that.

Yelling “No fair!” seems to empower the powerless by permitting them to rail against their inevitable fate. Not

that they always get their way in the end, but it feels good to protest.

People have always realized that life isn’t fair. Think about the poor serfs in the Middle Ages who were told God wanted them permanently on the low end of the social stick, so get over it. Or, the slaves brought to America with no recourse but death.

We may not be serfs or slaves, but we all experience unfairness in life once in a while. Sometimes our family homes are impoverished or abusive, sometimes we’re born with physical or emotional disabilities and, sometimes, just living through “ordinary” experiences can keep us stressed for years.

In the end, it’s faith that pulls us

through as we muck along in a life that includes disappointments. It’s faith that some things are right and some are wrong, and we need God’s grace to keep them in perspective.

It seems to me that a society which no longer answers to God is doomed to feel unfairness at every turn, whether it’s justified or not. The lack of faith in moral verities can pervert virtues such as kindness and tolerance into legal acceptance of sinful behavior.

Which brings me to *Roe vs. Wade*, for example. Here, the argument for abortion is centered on the fairness of a “woman’s right to choose” options concerning her own body. But let’s follow that argument to its logical conclusion. What about the bodily integrity rights of an unborn baby, which, if allowed to gestate, would be a living child?

Then there’s the latest hot topic of gay “marriage.” Again, the argument for this phenomenon is fairness to homosexuals who wish to legitimize their relationship. The logical extension of this argument is to legitimize gay sexual behavior as well as homosexual partners’ rights to spousal benefits, inheritance, hospital visits and the like.

A major point gets lost in these

fairness arguments, namely that there are other alternatives to the “unfair” results of refusing legal abortion or legal marriage between homosexuals. Women will not necessarily suffer irreparable damage if they carry an “unwanted” child to term, nor will they have to raise it. Homosexuals can receive legal benefits without requiring a marriage license.

Women in problem pregnancies can and should be helped to carry babies to term for the many others who “want” them. Homosexuals may be given contractual rights to share property, insurance awards and other benefits.

What no one admits about this fairness issue is that the legislation proclaimed as fair legitimizes sinful behavior. We are all called to support life in every way, and to be chaste, no matter if we’re married, single, homosexual or heterosexual.

Sometimes that’s extremely hard to do. Sometimes it’s not “fair.” That’s why we need our faith in God, in his truth and goodness beyond our human understanding.

(Cynthia Dewes, a member of St. Paul the Apostle Parish in Greencastle, is a regular columnist for The Criterion.) †

Faithful Lines/Shirley Vogler Meister

Prayer is more than a numbers game



During meditation after receiving the Eucharist one Sunday, a strange question popped into my mind: If an adult attends Mass daily from the age of 18, how many Masses would that be?

My after-Communion meditation had not been on numbers or on the Book of Numbers. My

thoughts also had not been on prayers or petitions. Instead, my mind was initially blank and I felt extreme peace. That’s when my petty “numbers” thought surfaced.

I then recalled some of the times when I felt absolutely connected with the parish community during Mass. Once was the Saturday evening before a big snowstorm hit earlier this year. Because the weatherman predicted this storm for overnight, the church was filled to capacity. Before beginning prayers, the priest remarked

that the church looked as it did on Christmas.

Yes, I felt connected with every soul, especially the priest, who recognized the effort that everyone made to fulfill a spiritual commitment.

But let us return to those “numbers” that kept creeping in, going back to when I was a young grade-school student. One day, instead of playing games, a friend and I decided to read from spiritual books all the short prayers with indulgences in order to help poor souls in purgatory gain heaven more quickly. Such prayers are called aspirations because they can be said in the outgoing of a breath. An example is “My Jesus, Mercy!”

For those who don’t understand indulgences, according to *Our Sunday Visitor’s Catholic Dictionary*, they are the remission (partial or full) of temporal punishment for sins. They can be gained for oneself or for those in purgatory.

So, my friend and I kept a list of how many days remission were given for our prayers, using the rules of arithmetic (now

called math) in figuring how many less years the souls in purgatory would have to suffer. We were heavily into those numbers!

Although very serious about this, in retrospect we were just playing another game. However, I can’t help but think God smiled and blessed our girlish efforts.

So, too, God must’ve been smiling on my Mass meditation about the number of Masses one might accrue, if attending faithfully, daily. So, just for fun, let me ask: If a person at an arbitrary age of 50 was at Mass daily since age 18, how many Masses would that be?

More seriously, let me ask: How many were heartfelt? As a layperson, I enjoy practicing my faith regularly, for “practice makes perfect,” but I hope “quality is better than quantity.” Now and then, I also like to reinforce whatever I do by re-reading Matthew 6 in the New Testament.

(Shirley Vogler Meister, a member of Christ the King Parish in Indianapolis, is a regular columnist for The Criterion.) †

Research for the Church/

James D. Davidson

Biases against religion in higher education

While I was a graduate student at the University of Notre Dame in the 1960s, I decided to spend my life in higher education studying the sociology of religion in general and Catholicism in particular. It has been a rewarding career and I encourage young Catholic scholars to pursue a life in the academy.



Having said that, I must call attention to two challenges young Catholic scholars might encounter. Reflecting the marginal status of Catholics in the academy in the 1960s, the Notre Dame faculty warned me that I might experience some anti-Catholicism when I went into the academic marketplace and during my career. Their warnings were well founded. There is some anti-Catholicism in the academy. It is not as virulent as it was 40 years ago, but it lingers in some departments and among some colleagues.

What my professors did not prepare me for—and which I have found to be even more widespread—is a bias against religion in general.

What are the sources of these biases?

One is the fact that, among all academic disciplines, the social sciences have the highest percentage of faculty who do not believe in God, are not religiously active and claim no religious affiliation. As a result, the culture of many social science departments is distinctly secular.

The biases also are grounded in several social theories. Secularization theory claims that modernization is gradually reducing religion’s role in society. Many scholars who accept this view believe there is little or nothing to be gained from studying what they consider to be a dying institution. Marxist theory believes religion sanctifies social inequality and some feminist theories see religion only as a means by which men oppress women.

There also are prejudices against particular expressions of religion. Among some colleagues, these prejudices reflect society’s suspicion of religious groups that are at all outside the cultural mainstream. In other cases, they result from negative personal experiences with particular religious groups. In my experience, Catholics and evangelical Protestants are subject to more religious harassment than colleagues and students who identify with mainline Protestant traditions.

The biases take at least six forms. One involves opposition to hiring or replacing faculty who study religion. In another, faculty members champion job candidates who personally and/or professionally oppose religion. A third involves efforts to prevent religion scholars from gaining tenure or being promoted to full professor. Fourth, I have documented numerous attempts to remove religion from the culture and curriculum of departments. Fifth, economic sanctions are sometimes applied to colleagues and students who express an interest in religion. Finally, there are personal attacks on one’s religious beliefs and practices.

If young scholars encounter anti-Catholicism or a bias against religion, they should record the details of the incident immediately and date their notes. Second, they should report all incidents to school authorities as soon as possible, asking officials how to handle each incident. Third, they should forward concerns to their professional associations, asking them to review the incidents and, if warranted, intervene on their behalf. Finally, they should not be afraid to consult a lawyer.

(James D. Davidson is a professor of sociology at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind.) †

Fifth Sunday of Easter/Msgr. Owen F. Campion

The Sunday Readings

Sunday, May 9, 2004

- Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27
- Revelation 21:1-5a
- John 13:31-33a

This weekend, the Church begins the fifth week of the Easter season. The United States also observes Mother's Day, when mothers especially are remembered and given recognition.



The Acts of the Apostles furnishes the first reading. It is something of a travelogue, reporting the

journeys of Paul and his disciple, Barnabas, through Asia Minor.

There is no question about what motivated these travels. It was to take the message of Jesus to new people in new places.

When the first Christians initially heard this story, travel itself was rare. Certainly, travel across great distances was rare. Such travel occurred if prompted by the most serious purpose.

The fact that Paul and Barnabas traveled, and traveled so far, indicated that they believed sharing knowledge of the Gospel was vital. In this knowledge, they devoutly believed, was the roadmap to eternal life.

Paul was an Apostle, called by Jesus in a brilliant experience while on the way to persecute Christians. Although Paul was called, he had to learn, and he had to fix his faith in Jesus deep inside his very being. Paul learned from others who had known Jesus, or who had known of him in some more immediate situation.

Barnabas was Paul's convert and follower. Barnabas was a Levite, from the island of Cyprus. Barnabas met Paul in Jerusalem. As time passed, Barnabas achieved a high place in Christian minds. He even is given in the liturgy the lofty designation of apostle although, of course, he was never directly called, as were Paul, Simon Peter and the others.

However, that Barnabas could be accorded such regard evidences the fact that the Lord's power was seen as reposing in the Christian community, led by

the Apostles. He was of a new generation, and through him the Gospel continued to be preached, and people were redeemed in Christ.

Revelation is one of the most profound and magnificent works of literature in the Scriptures. It is highly poetic and symbolic. In the history of the Jewish people, Jerusalem, David's capital, the site of the temple, was seen as representing the whole community of God's beloved people.

In Revelation, the "new Jerusalem" refers to the community of Christ. Inhabitants of this new Jerusalem will not grieve. They have everlasting life. Jesus is with them. In Jesus, God is with them.

St. John's Gospel offers the beautiful statement by Jesus about God's love for humanity, and of the obvious fact that if people truly love God in return, they also will love each other.

Reflection

For several weeks, in its liturgies, the Church chose Scriptures that proclaimed the fact of the Resurrection. The Church's process of instruction has shifted slightly. It still excitedly proclaims that the Lord lives! Revelation provided this joyful proclamation this weekend.

It also now is beginning to stress that the Lord lives, here and now, for us and for all who share this planet with us, in God's continuing love for us, and in our active love for each other.

We all need to learn about God, as revealed in Jesus. Paul himself needed to learn this lesson. However, we are not stumbling in the mist in our search for God.

God reaches out to us through the Apostles, as he reached out through Paul, and then through the new generation represented by Barnabas, and so on through the centuries.

God's love is a gift to us all, not always ethereal and abstract. It comes to us in visible signs and in persons with whom we relate. It is with us in our mother's love, uncompromising, intense and selfless.

It is the love we should see as God's gift, hence Mother's Day, and the love we are asked to bear for each other. †

Daily Readings

Monday, May 10
Blessed Damien Joseph de
Veuster of Moloka'I, priest

Acts 14:5-18
Psalm 115:1-5, 15-16
John 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 11
Acts 14:19-28
Psalm 145:10-13ab, 21
John 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 12
Nereus and Achilleus, martyrs
Pancras, martyr
Acts 15:1-6
Psalm 122:1-5
John 15:1-8

Thursday, May 13
Our Lady of Fatima
Acts 15:7-21

Psalm 96:1-3, 10
John 15:9-11

Friday, May 14
Matthias, Apostle
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26
Psalm 113:1-8
John 15:9-17

Saturday, May 15
Isidore
Acts 16:1-10
Psalm 100:2, 3, 5
John 15:18-21

Sunday, May 16
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6, 8
Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
John 14:23-29

Question Corner/Fr. John Dietzen

Canon law does not allow 'secret' marriage for seniors

Q A recent article in our daily paper claimed there are "many clergy" who will perform a "secret" marriage, one recognized by the Church but not by the state.



I know three Catholic couples married that way, for one thing so the ladies do not lose their Social Security benefits.

That's why some older couples just live together. Two priests I know said they never heard of it. Is it possible for priests to do this? (Michigan)

A Your question is a good one, shared by thousands of elderly couples who wish to avoid the financial consequences of a civil marriage.

Catholic Church law allows "secret" marriages (marriages not recorded civilly) in some instances, for example, when civil law unjustly prohibits some persons from marrying each other. If a state or country forbids interracial marriages or will not allow individuals with AIDS to marry, a bishop could permit such couples to marry (Canons 1071-2c and 1130).

You're speaking of something entirely different, however.

Because the issue arises so often in his own diocese, a bishop in one Sun Belt state asked this question of the Vatican's representative in the United States at the time, Archbishop (now Cardinal) Pio Laghi: Is it permissible secretly to marry a couple for whom a public civil marriage would jeopardize pension benefits or other income needed to meet their expenses?

The bishop noted in his question that civil penalties, fines and imprisonment could be imposed in his state, and presumably in others, for assisting at such marriages.

Cardinal Laghi's response neatly summarizes the major concerns involved.

First, both Church and civil law rightly strive to protect people from abuses that can follow from secret, or clandestine, marriages: polygamy, deception, scandal, fraudulent deprivation of property acquired in common and others.

If the officiating priest was simply

negligent, fines or imprisonment would likely be light. If, on the other hand, it can be shown that the minister conspired to defraud the federal government, which is apparently what we're talking about in the situations you describe, penalties could be more severe.

While local bishops are responsible for final decisions in such matters, my sense is that they generally judge the common good of everyone. What is best for society as a whole (including the Church) takes precedence over the particular good of individuals when it comes to these kinds of marriages.

After I addressed this subject years ago, one reader suggested a further interesting and worthwhile consideration.

"The desire of certain seniors to get more than they are legally entitled to is dishonest and greedy," she wrote. "The burden of Social Security taxes on younger generations is oppressive, and experts tell us it will only become more so if the system remains unchanged. The Gospel calls us to consider the needs of others as well as our own. The attempt to defraud by taking more than they are entitled to is a sin against the Seventh Commandment."

So I wonder about the accuracy of the statement in your paper that "many priests" will officiate at these weddings.

Priests who do so, particularly if they are in good standing in the Church, risk a great deal and might be in trouble both ecclesiastically and civilly. At the very least, those involved would be wise to consult their attorneys.

The American bishop's inquiry and Cardinal Laghi's reply are somewhat longer than my summary, but these are the main points. Both may be found in the 1989 issue of *Roman Replies and Canon Law Society of America Advisory Opinions*.

I am grateful to the priest in a Florida diocesan tribunal for his assistance in researching the subject.

(A free brochure, describing basic Catholic prayers, beliefs and moral precepts, is available by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Father John Dietzen, Box 325, Peoria, IL 61651. Questions may be sent to Father Dietzen at the same address or by e-mail in care of jjdietzen@aol.com.) †

My Journey to God

Response to 'The Holy Longing'

Tell a wise person, or else keep silent, because the massman will mock it right away.

I praise what is truly alive, what longs to be burned to death.

In the calm water of the love-nights, where you were begotten, where you have begotten, a strange feeling comes over you when you see the silent candle burning.

Now you are no longer caught in the obsession with darkness, and a desire for higher love-making sweeps you upward.

Distance does not make you falter, now, arriving in magic, flying, and, finally, insane for the light, you are the butterfly and you are gone.

(Anne M. Clark is a member of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Bloomington. She wrote this poem in response to Johann Wolfgang von Goethe's "The Holy Longing" and dedicated it to her mother, Mary Lou McDonald, and her late father, W. H. McDonald, Jr. Clark had read The Holy Longing by Father Ronald Rolheiser, who spoke at St. Charles Borromeo Parish on June 12, 2003. Johann Wolfgang von Goethe's poem was published at the beginning of Father Rolheiser's book.)



Submitted photo

And so long as you haven't experienced this: to die and so to grow you are only a troubled guest on the dark earth.

By Anne M. Clark

The Active List

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May 6-8

St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, 4052 E. 38th St., **Indianapolis**. Spring rummage sale, Thurs.-Fri. 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Sat. \$1 bag day, 8 a.m.-noon. Information: 317-546-1571.

May 7

St. Luke Parish, 7575 Holliday Dr. East, **Indianapolis**. Couple to Couple League of Indianapolis, Natural Family Planning (NFP), 7-9 p.m. Information: 317-462-2246.

St. Barnabas Church, 8300 Rahke Road, **Indianapolis**. Catholic Charismatic Renewal, healing Mass, 7 p.m. Information: 317-927-6709.

St. Paul Hermitage, 501 N. 17th Ave., **Beech Grove**. Ave Maria Guild, meeting, 12:30 p.m.

May 7-8

Oldenburg Franciscan Center, 22143 Main St., **Oldenburg**. "Ordinary Mystics," \$150 per person. Information: 812-934-2475.

May 8

Mount Saint Francis Retreat Center, **Floyd County**. Mother-Daughter Retreat Day. Information: 812-923-8817 or e-mail mtstfran@cris.com.

May 9

St. Mary Church, 317 N. New Jersey St., **Indianapolis**. Young Adult Mass, 5 p.m., reception following. Information: indyyoungadultmass@yahoo.com.

St. Martin Parish, 8044 Yorkridge Road, **Guilford**. Mother's Day breakfast, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m., freewill donation.

St. Meinrad Parish, **St. Meinrad**. Deacon Formation Program, information session, 1 p.m.

Information: Benedictine Father Bede Cisco, 317-236-1490 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1490.

Mary's King's Village Schoenstatt, **Rexville** (located on 925 South, .8 mile east of 421 South, 12 miles south of Versailles), "Schoenstatt Spirituality," 2:30 p.m., Mass, 3:30 p.m., with Father Elmer Burwinkel. Information: 812-689-3551 or e-mail frburwink@seidata.com or log on to Schoenstatt Web site at www.seidata.com/~frburwink.

May 11

St. Matthew Church, 4100 E. 56th St., **Indianapolis**. Catholics Returning Home program, session 4, 7:30 p.m. Information: 317-257-7435.

May 12

St. Rita Parish, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave., **Indianapolis**. Bible study, "Women in the Bible," 6:30 p.m.

Holy Rosary Parish, 520 Stevens St., **Indianapolis**. Faith formation, "Introduction to Apologetics," Mike Luther, instructor. Information: 317-236-1521.

May 13

St. Rita Parish, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave., **Indianapolis**. Sisters Praise and Worship Concert, 6:30 p.m.

St. Thomas More Church, 1200 N. Indiana St., **Mooreville**. Catholics Returning Home program, session 5, 7-8:30 p.m. Information: 317-831-4142.

May 14

St. Rita Parish, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave., **Indianapolis**. Youth and Young Adult Women's Night, 7 p.m.

St. Francis Hospital South Campus, 8111 S. Emerson Ave.,

Indianapolis. Couple to Couple League of Indianapolis, Natural Family Planning (NFP), 7-9 p.m. Information: 317-865-5554.

May 14-16

Holy Rosary Church, 520 Stevens St., **Indianapolis**. Lumen Dei meeting, Mass, 6:30 a.m., breakfast, \$10 per person. Information: 317-919-5316.

Saint Meinrad Archabbey, 100 Hill Dr., **St. Meinrad**. Weekend retreat, "Finding God in the Kitchen," Benedictine Brother Gabriel Hodges, presenter. Information: www.saintmeinrad.edu or mzoeller@saintmeinrad.edu.

Saint Meinrad Archabbey, 100 Hill Dr., **St. Meinrad**. Weekend retreat, "A Catholic Identity: The Role of Young Adults in Today's Church—A Retreat for People in their 20s, 30s and 40s," Benedictine Brother Anthony Vinson, presenter. Information: www.saintmeinrad.edu or mzoeller@saintmeinrad.edu.

Mount Saint Francis Retreat Center, **Floyd County**. Women's Retreat. Information: 812-923-8817 or e-mail mtstfran@cris.com.

May 14-28

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, Art Gallery, **St. Mary-of-the-Woods**. Jennifer Tynes' art exhibition, Tues.-Fri., noon-4 p.m.

May 15

St. Rita Parish, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave., **Indianapolis**. Continental breakfast, 8:15 a.m., prayer service, 9 a.m., workshops, 10:30 a.m., noon, lunch. Reservations: 317-632-9349.

St. Thomas More Parish, gymnasium, 1200 N. Indiana St., **Mooreville**. "Taking Care of Me," tea, health information, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., \$10 per person. Information: 317-831-4142.

Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School, 2801 W. 86th St., **Indianapolis**. Jesuit Alumni Day of Prayer, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m., \$25 per person includes lunch. Information: 317-876-4703 or pobrien@brebeuf.org.

May 16

St. Rita Parish, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave., **Indianapolis**. Mass, 10 a.m., closing reflection.

Holy Cross Parish, gymnasium, 125 N. Oriental St., **Indianapolis**. Health Fair, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Information: 317-637-2620, ext. 406.

St. Nicholas Parish, Parish Hall, 6461 E. St. Nicholas Dr., **Sunman**. Pancake and wholehog sausage breakfast, 7:30 a.m.-

noon, free will offering.

St. Gabriel Parish, loft, 5505 Bardstown Road, **Louisville, Ky.** Catholic Single Adults Club, party, 8 p.m. Information: 812-284-4349.

May 19

Marian College, Allison Mansion, 3200 Cold Spring Road, **Indianapolis**. Civitas Dei meeting, Mass, 4:45 p.m., Marian College Chapel. Reservations: 317-253-1678.

May 20

St. Joan of Arc Parish, 4217 N. Central Ave., **Indianapolis**. Author Scott Hahn's video series, "A Closer Look at Christ's Church: Answering Common Objections," continues with "Saints, Holy Siblings," 5:30 p.m. Information: 317-283-5508.

Atrium Banquet Hall, 3143 E. Thompson Road, **Indianapolis**. Indianapolis South Deanery Parishes' Lecture Series, "The Holy Spirit and the Church," 7-9 p.m., \$5 per person. Information: 317-638-5551.

May 21

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1437 N. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. "Music for the Fall of Constantinople," 7 p.m., \$25 adults, \$15 students. Information: 317-624-2563.

May 23

St. Joan of Arc Parish, 4217 N. Central Ave., **Indianapolis**. Author Scott Hahn's video series, "A Closer Look at Christ's Church: Answering Common Objections," continues with "Saints, Holy Siblings," 11:45 a.m. Information: 317-283-5508.

St. Paul Parish, 9788 N. Dearborn Road, **Guilford**. Ladies Sodality, hot breakfast bar buffet, 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (EDT), free-will donation.

Weekly

Sundays

Holy Rosary Church, 520 Stevens St., **Indianapolis**. Tridentine Mass, 9:30 a.m. Information: 317-636-4478.

St. Rita Church, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave., **Indianapolis**. Mass in Vietnamese, 2 p.m.

Christ the King Church, 1827 Kessler Blvd., E. Dr., **Indianapolis**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 7:30-9 p.m., rosary for world peace, 8 p.m.

St. Gabriel Church, 6000 W. 34th St., **Indianapolis**. Spanish Mass, 5 p.m.

Mondays

St. Thomas the Apostle Church,



523 S. Merrill St., **Fortville**. Rosary, 7:30 p.m.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Church, Chapel, 335 S. Meridian St., **Greenwood**. Prayer group, 7:30 p.m.

St. Roch Church, 3600 S. Pennsylvania St., **Indianapolis**. Holy hour, 7 p.m.

Marian Center, 3356 W. 30th St., **Indianapolis**. Prayer group, prayers for priests and religious, 9 a.m. Information: 317-257-2569.

Cordafonte House of Prayer, 3650 E. 46th St., **Indianapolis**. Monday silent prayer group, 7 p.m. Information: 317-543-0154.

Tuesdays

St. Joseph Church, 2605 St. Joe Road W., **Sellersburg**. Shepherds of Christ rosary, prayers after 7 p.m. Mass.

Holy Name Parish, 89 N. 17th St., **Beech Grove**. Prayer group, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

St. Luke Church, 7575 Holliday Dr. E., **Indianapolis**. Marian Movement of Priests, prayer cenacle, Mass, 7-8 p.m. Information: 317-842-5580.

Holy Spirit Church, 7243 E. 10th St., **Indianapolis**. Bible study, Gospel of John, 7-8:30 p.m. Information: 317-353-9404.

Cordafonte House of Prayer, 3650 E. 46th St., **Indianapolis**. Tuesday silent prayer hour, 7 p.m. Information: 317-543-0154.

Wednesdays

Divine Mercy Chapel, 3354 W. 30th St. (behind St. Michael Church), **Indianapolis**. Marian prayers for priests, 3-4 p.m. Information: 317-271-8016.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Church, Chapel, 335 S. Meridian St., **Greenwood**. Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 7 p.m.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 5692 Central Ave., **Indianapolis**. Marian Movement of Priests, prayer cenacle for laity, 1 p.m. Information: 317-253-1678.

Holy Rosary Church, 520 Stevens St., **Indianapolis**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, between Masses, noon-5:45 p.m. Information: 317-636-4478.

SS. Francis and Clare Church, 5901 Olive Branch Road, **Greenwood**. Mass, 6:30 a.m., adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7 a.m.-8 p.m., rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet, 11 a.m., Benediction, 8 p.m. Information: 317-859-HOPE.

St. Rita Church, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave., **Indianapolis**. Young adult Bible study, 6:15-7:15 p.m. Information: 317-632-9349.

St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Chapel, 46th and Illinois streets, **Indianapolis**. Prayer service for peace, 6:30-7:15 p.m.

St. Thomas More Church, 1200 N. Indiana St., **Mooreville**. Mass, 6 p.m. Information: 317-831-4142.

Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ Parish, 7225 Southeastern Ave., **Indianapolis**. Bible Study on the Passion and Resurrection narratives, 8:45 a.m. Registra-

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tion: 317-359-6075.

Thursdays

Holy Name Church, 89 N. 17th Ave., **Beech Grove**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Benediction, 5 p.m., Mass, 5:30 p.m.

St. Malachy Church, 326 N. Green St., **Brownsburg**. Liturgy of the Hours, 7 p.m. Information: 317-852-3195.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Church, Chapel, 335 S. Meridian St., **Greenwood**. Faith-sharing group, 7:30-9 p.m. Information: 317-856-7442.

St. Lawrence Church, Chapel, 6944 E. 46th St., **Indianapolis**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mass.

St. Rita Church, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave., **Indianapolis**. Adult Bible study, 6 p.m. Information: 317-632-9349.

Christ the King Chapel, 1827 Kessler Blvd., E. Dr., **Indianapolis**. Marian prayers for priests, 5:30-6:30 a.m.

Fatima Knights of Columbus, 1040 N. Post Road, **Indianapolis**. Euchre, 7 p.m. Information: 317-638-8416.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Parish Hall, 1125 S. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. Adult religious education, 7:30 p.m. Information: 317-638-5551.

Cordiafonte House of Prayer, 3650 E. 46th St., **Indianapolis**. Thursday silent prayer group, 9:30 a.m. Information: 317-543-0154.

St. Mary Church, 415 E. Eighth St., **New Albany**. Shepherds of Christ prayers for lay and religious vocations, 7 p.m.

Fridays

St. Susanna Church, 1210 E. Main St., **Plainfield**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

St. Lawrence Church, Chapel, 6944 E. 46th St., **Indianapolis**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Benediction and Mass.

St. Lawrence Church, 6944 E. 46th St., **Indianapolis**. Spanish prayer group and conversation, 7-9 p.m. Information: 317-546-4065.

Saturdays

Clinic for Women (abortion clinic), 3607 W. 16th St., **Indianapolis**. Pro-life rosary, 9:30 a.m.

Holy Rosary Church, 520 Stevens St., **Indianapolis**. Tridentine Mass, 9 a.m.

St. Patrick Church, 950 Prospect St., **Indianapolis**. Mass in English, 4 p.m.

St. Joseph Church, 2605 St. Joe Road W., **Sellersburg**. "Be Not Afraid," holy hour, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Monthly

Second Mondays

Church at **Mount St. Francis**. Holy hour for vocations to priesthood and religious life, 7 p.m.

Second Tuesdays

St. Pius X Parish, 7200 Sarto Dr., **Indianapolis**. Support Group for Separated and Divorced Catholics, 7 p.m. Information: Archdiocesan Office of Family Ministries, 317-236-1596 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1596.

Second Thursdays

St. Luke Church, 7575 Holliday

Dr. E., **Indianapolis**. Holy hour for priestly and religious vocations, 7 p.m.

Second Saturdays

St. Agnes Parish, Brown County Public Library, **Nashville**. Brown County Widowed Support Group, 3 p.m. Information and directions: 812-988-2778 or 812-988-4429.

Third Sundays

Christ the King Church, 1827 Kessler Blvd., E. Dr., **Indianapolis**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 2 p.m.-7 a.m. Monday, rosary, 8 p.m. Open until midnight.

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Church of the Immaculate Conception, **St. Mary-of-the-Woods**. Mass, 10 a.m., sign-interpreted.

Third Mondays

St. Matthew Parish, 4100 E. 56th St., **Indianapolis**. Young Widowed Group, sponsored by archdiocesan Office for Family Ministries, 7:30 p.m. Information: 317-236-1596 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1596.

Third Tuesdays

St. Francis Medical Clinic, 110 N. 17th Ave., Suite 300, **Beech**

Grove. Chronic pain support group, 7-8 p.m. Information: 317-831-1177.

Third Wednesdays

Holy Name Church, 89 N. 17th Ave., **Beech Grove**. Holy hour and rosary, 6 p.m. Information: 317-784-5454.

St. Jude Church, 5353 McFarland Road, **Indianapolis**. Rosary, 6:15 p.m. Information: 317-783-1445.

Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. Catholic Widowed Organization, 7-9:30 p.m. Information: 317-784-1102.

Calvary Mausoleum Chapel, 435 Troy Ave., **Indianapolis**. Mass, 2 p.m.

Third Thursdays

Our Lady of Peace Mausoleum Chapel, 9001 Haverstick Road, **Indianapolis**. Mass, 2 p.m.

St. Elizabeth's Pregnancy and Adoption Services, 2500 Churchman Ave., **Indianapolis**. Daughters of Isabella, Madonna Circle meeting, noon, dessert and beverages served. Information: 317-849-5840.

St. Joseph Church, 1375 S. Mickley Ave., **Indianapolis**. Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Mass, 5:45 p.m. Information: 317-244-9002.

St. Thomas More Church, 1200 N. Indiana St., **Mooreville**. Prayers for vocations, rosary, eucharistic adoration, Benediction, 6 p.m. Information: 317-831-4142.

Third Fridays

Marian College, St. Francis Hall Chapel, 3200 Cold Spring Road, **Indianapolis**. Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Indiana, Mass and healing service, 7 p.m.

Third Saturdays

St. Michael the Archangel Church, 3354 W. 30th St., **Indianapolis**. Helpers of God's Precious Infants monthly pro-life ministry, Mass for Life by archdiocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities, 8:30 a.m., drive to Clinic for Women (abortion clinic), 3607 W. 16th St., Indianapolis, for rosary, return to church for Benediction.

Fourth Wednesdays

St. Thomas More Church, 1200 N. Indiana St., **Mooreville**. Mass and anointing of the sick, 6 p.m. Information: 317-831-4142.

First Sundays

St. Paul Church, 218 Scheller Ave., **Sellersburg**. Prayer group, 7-8:15 p.m. Information: 812-246-4555.

Fatima Knights of Columbus, 1040 N. Post Road, **Indianapolis**. Euchre, 1 p.m. Information: 317-638-8416.

First Mondays

Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. Guardian Angel Guild, board meeting, 9:30 a.m.

First Tuesdays

Divine Mercy Chapel, 3354 W. 30th St., **Indianapolis**. Confession, 6:45 p.m., Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament for vocations, 7:30 p.m.

St. Joseph Church, 2605 St. Joe Road W., **Sellersburg**. Holy hour for religious vocations, Benediction and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 7 p.m. Mass.

Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School, 2801 W. 86th St., **Indianapolis**. Indiana Autism and Sertoma Club meeting, 7-9 p.m., child care provided. Information: 317-885-7295.

First Fridays

St. Vincent de Paul Church, 1723

"I" St., **Bedford**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 a.m. Fri. Mass-9 a.m. Sat., reconciliation, Fri. 4-6 p.m., Sat. 8-9 a.m., "Children of Hope" program, holy hour for children. Information: 812-275-6539.

Holy Name Church, 89 N. 17th Ave., **Beech Grove**. Mass, 8:15 a.m., devotions following Mass until 5 p.m. Benediction. Information: 317-784-5454.

St. Peter Church, 1207 East Road, **Brookville**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 8 a.m. until Communion service, 1 p.m.

Holy Guardian Angels Church, 405 U.S. 52, **Cedar Grove**. Eucharistic adoration after 8 a.m. Mass-5 p.m.


SS. Francis and Clare Church, 5901 Olive Branch Road, **Greenwood**. Mass, 8 a.m., adoration, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Sacred Heart Chaplet, 8:30 a.m., Divine Mercy Chaplet, 3 p.m. Information: 317-859-4673.

Christ the King Church, 1827 Kessler Blvd., E. Dr., **Indianapolis**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 7:15 a.m. Mass-5:30 p.m. Benediction and service. †

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ANDERSON, Richard, 81, St. Matthew, Indianapolis, April 26. Husband of Elizabeth (Vissing) Anderson. Father of Judith Anderson and Joan Brewer. Stepfather of Judith Edgecomb, Joan Diercks, Susan Moore, David and William Vissing. Brother of Robert Anderson. Grandfather of six. Step grandfather of 13.

BALL, Ralph D., 81, St. Mary, Rushville, April 20. Husband of Mary Lee (Durbin) Ball. Father of Mary Alice Berry, Betty Jo Hansen, Don, James and Richard Ball. Brother of Linda Alford, Judy Hill, Ellen Rogers, Delbert Jr. and Lowell Ball. Grandfather of eight.

BARRON, Ed, 74, Sacred Heart, Indianapolis, April 17. Father of Ervin, James, John and Steve Barron. Brother of Marjorie, Wanda and Kenneth Barron.

BRADWAY, Rita (Dymphia),

79, St. Agnes, Nashville, April 23. Wife of Keith Bradway. Mother of Patricia Trevino, Barbara, Daniel and Thomas Bradway. Grandmother of five.

BRAY, Vivian, 93, St. Christopher, Indianapolis, April 22. Mother of Patricia Schwelka, Harry and Stephen Bray.

BROWN, Ralph A., 94, St. Barnabas, Indianapolis, April 26. Stepfather of John and Richard Green. Brother of Mary Kress and Robert Brown. Step-grandfather of six. Step-great-grandfather of three.

BURTON, Sharon, 69, Our Lady of the Greenwood, Greenwood, April 24. Wife of Bill Burton. Mother of Kimberly Brickley, Lou Ann Newman, Michael Carmichael, Craig and Mark Burton. Sister of Patricia Templeton. Grandmother of six. Great-grandmother of five.

CAMPUZANO, Jaime Dominguez, 32, St. Bartholomew, Columbus, April 19. Husband of Emerenciana Secundino. Father of Cindy, Christian and Jaime Dominguez. Son of Eutikio Dominguez Mendiola and Margarita Campuzano Vensez. Brother of Erasmo Dominguez, Jorge, Jose and Raul Aurora, Charlin and Enrique Najera.

CONNELL, John B., 91, St. Elizabeth of Hungary,

Cambridge City, April 16. Father of Daniel Connell. Grandfather of two. Great-grandfather of four.

COVINGTON, Michael Anthony, infant, St. Michael, Indianapolis, April 6. Son of Bob and Lisa Covington. Brother of Amy and Bobbie Covington. Grandson of Bob and Joyce Covington, Bob and Debby Freeman and Don Catalana.

DALY, Barbara (Garnier), 71, St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Bright, April 6. Mother of Ann Gundlach, Julie Neyer, Kate O'Hagan, Rose Wissel, J. Patrick and Michael Daly. Sister of Joan Bedel. Grandmother of 19.

DeCECCO, Carlo C., Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, April 19. Husband of Ema DeCecco. Father of Anita DeCecco. Grandfather of one.

DORMANN, Mary Anne (Hurley), 66, St. Pius X, Indianapolis, April 24. Stepmother of Linda Murphy, Mary Beth Williamson, Michael and Tom Dormann. Sister of Donna Baker and Jackie Holliman. Step-grandmother of 11.

DOYLE, Beverly J. (Hart), 45, Holy Name, Beech Grove, April 19. Wife of Dennis J. Doyle. Mother of Kristi, Brian and Daniel Doyle. Daughter of Donald Hart. Sister of Kelly and Ronald Hart. Grandmother of two.

DRURY, Rose Marie, 74, St. Roch, Indianapolis, April 20. Mother of James and Joseph Drury. Grandmother of three.

FILLENWARTH, LeRoy, 75, Nativity, Indianapolis, April 20. Husband of Marilyn (Morical) Fillenwarth. Father of Theresa Burton, Deborah Sauer, Sandra, Joseph and Stephen Fillenwarth. Brother of Florence Spalding. Grandfather of nine.

HALL, Lydia, 94, Sacred Heart, Indianapolis, April 18. Mother of Robert Hall. Sister of Jeanette Coonfield. Grandmother of four. Great-grandmother of 13. Great-great-grandmother of 11.

HUESMAN, Henry A., 82, St. Joseph, Shelbyville, April 24. Husband of Maude (Adams) Huesman. Father of Mary Ann, Charles, Henry, Michael, Peter, Robert, Thomas, Victor and Walter Huesman. Grandfather of 20. Great-grandfather of 12.

KIRCHNER, Clarence E., 88, St. Ann, Jennings County, April 3. Father of Catherine Capes, Margaret Carson, Jeanette Firsich, Ladonna Green, Ruth Norris, Dorothy Palmer, Mary Such, Joanne Skelly, Jane, Andrew, John, Joseph, Mark, Michael, Patrick, Paul, Robert and Stephen Kirchner. Brother of Josephine Eder and Norman Kirchner. Grandfather of 54. Great-grandfather of 60. Great-great-grandfather of one.

LANGSTON, Rosemary K., 73, St. Thomas Aquinas, Indianapolis, April 20. Mother of David and Stephen Langston. Sister of Francis Heavrin and Patricia Munson. Grandmother of two.

LECHNER, Paul A., 80, Holy Name, Beech Grove, April 17.

Father of Suzette Camden, Marilea Rhoton, Sharon and Paul Lechner. Grandfather of 13. Great-grandfather of four.

LEIST, Sarah W., 53, Holy Family, New Albany, April 19. Wife of David A. Leist. Mother of Bethany and Shannon Leist. Daughter of Mary Wimsatt. Sister of Cathy Dugard, Brenda Fulford, June Peake, Rosemary Wolf and Walter Wimsatt.

MOBLEY, Helen M., 93, St. Bartholomew, Columbus, April 20. Mother of Louise Hollinsworth, Daniel and David Mobley. Grandmother of 12. Great-grandmother of 21.

OHLHAUT, Charles, infant, St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Bright, April 16. Son of Stephen and Deanna Ohlhaut. Brother of Jessica Giles and Timothy Ohlhaut. Grandson of David and Terree Ohlhaut and George and Elizabeth Price.

PFARR, William J., 82, Our Lady of the Greenwood, Greenwood, April 25. Father of Catherine, David, Michael and Thomas Pfarr. Grandfather of seven.

SCHILLING, Janice (Schmoll), 52, SS. Francis and Clare, Greenwood, April 4. Wife of Greg Schilling. Mother of Doug Beasley. Sister of Joan Dugan, Rita Henderson, Dennis and Joe Schmoll.

SCHMIDT, Mary Ellen (Spellman), 94, St. Paul Hermitage, Beech Grove, March 28. Aunt of several.

SMITH, Lisa Marie, 43, St. Nicholas, Sunman, April 12. Daughter of Daniel and Marilyn (Jansing) Smith. Sister of Brian

and David Smith. Granddaughter of Daisy Smith.

STEIN, Joseph A., 85, Holy Family, Oldenburg, April 24. Husband of Henrietta Stein. Father of Jane Bohman, Janet Deller, Esther Winters, Edith, James and Joseph Stein Jr. Brother of Bill Stein. Grandfather of 13. Great-grandfather of 13.

VARGO, Ethel M. (Crampton), 92, St. Michael, Indianapolis, April 18. Mother of Beverly Bailey and Barbara Vargo. Grandmother of two. Great-grandmother of four. Great-great-grandmother of one.

WIDDUCK, Margaret, 73, St. Pius X, Indianapolis, April 22. Mother of Laura Johnson, Maureen Surak, Barry, Brian and Matthew Widduck. Sister of Patricia Caldwell. Rosemary Jansen, Dolores Lindgren, Nancy Lindholm, Hubert and Patrick Heraty. Grandmother of six.

WILKINS, Catherine (McCarthy), 83, Sacred Heart, Jeffersonville, April 18. Mother of Patricia Ball and John McCarthy. Grandmother of two.

WILLIAMSON, Anna Marie, 14, St. Joseph, Shelbyville, April 23. Daughter of Kevin and Marilyn Williamson. Sister of Claire Williamson. Granddaughter of Leoris and Betty Jean Williamson. Great-granddaughter of Frances White.

YARLING, Helen T., 92, St. Joseph, Shelbyville, April 22. Sister of Frances Dickman. †

WOMEN

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Mary's vocation was to be the first among the disciples, he said, because "her life was his life."

Women were the first followers of Christ to come to the tomb and realize that the Lord had risen from the dead, he said, and their examples of holiness and faithfulness continue to inspire women today.

Msgr. Schaedel was the principal celebrant for the liturgy. Msgr. Stuart Swetland, vicar for social justice in the Diocese of Peoria, Ill., and Catholic chaplain at the University of Illinois, and Father C. Ryan McCarthy, administrator of St. Anne and St. Joseph parishes in Jennings County, were concelebrants and conference speakers.

Msgr. Swetland discussed the wounded state of our post-modern society and noted that Catholic women have the power to counter this "post-Christian" culture in their families and in society.

Father McCarthy discussed Church teachings about the theology of the body

and noted that, on the highest level, men and women are equal because they are created as rational human beings with rational souls.

"On that highest level of who we are, in the eyes of God, men and women are equal," Father McCarthy said. "Our role in life is to be loved by God and to love God."

Women are unique because they have been blessed with the gift of motherhood, he said. Mothers literally give their bodies over to their children in nurturing ways during pregnancy and childbirth as well as by nursing their babies.

It is a biological truth that women are meant to be mothers, he said, yet statistics show that 40 percent of women of child-bearing age in the U.S. have never had children.

A woman's identity is linked with motherhood, Father McCarthy said, but women are getting married later and having children at older ages.

Women need to understand that motherhood is a part of who they are created to be, he said, and to view childbearing as a primary way in which God calls them to

serve him.

"Virginity is another way in which women can celebrate their womanhood," he said, "by offering their womanhood up to God so that God may use every aspect of who they are as a woman for the good of his Church and for the good of society in general."

St. Anthony parishioner Debbie Miller of Indianapolis also spoke to the women about her ecumenical Healing Hidden Hurts ministry, which reconciles post-abortion women with God so they can begin to find healing after experiencing the life-altering trauma of aborting their unborn babies.

The conference also included time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, and the women took turns kneeling in prayer before the monstrance.

Blessed Trinity parishioner Flora Joven of Bonifay, Fla., formerly a member of St. Lawrence and St. Simon the Apostle parishes in Indianapolis, returned to Indianapolis to attend the archdiocesan women's conference with her sister.

"It's very nice, very good," Joven said. "I'm always very strong in my faith, but I think it strengthens my faith more."

St. Roch parishioner Sarah Perry of Indianapolis said the Catholic women's conference was wonderful for young adults.

"I think it's important to have some things like this every once in a while in your life to keep you on the right track," Perry said, "and remind you of what's

important and what your priorities should be in life. I try to keep a focus with my faith, and what I believe, in making decisions and knowing what's right, what will get me to heaven and what will keep me healthy."

Our Lady of the Greenwood parishioner Anne Welch of Greenwood attended the conference with her 15-month-old daughter, Rose, who is the youngest of her eight children, and her two oldest daughters, Elizabeth and Christina, who are young adults.

"The talks seemed to strike chords with me in different ways," Welch said. "I struggled trying to get here, but I felt like this morning, when I was listening to the talks and Rose was sleeping, that I was meant to be here."

Welch said praying the rosary has helped her as a mother many, many times, and she appreciated Msgr. Schaedel's homily about Mary.

"Our Blessed Mother, through the rosary, has brought me through so many changes in my life," she said. "I couldn't even begin to mention them all."

Ball State University sophomore Karie Williams of Plainfield, who is a member of St. Thomas More Parish in Mooresville, said she came to the women's conference after learning about it during a college retreat.

"I'm going to tell my friends at the Newman Center [in Muncie, Ind.] about it," Williams said. "It's an eye-opener, and it's been fun." †



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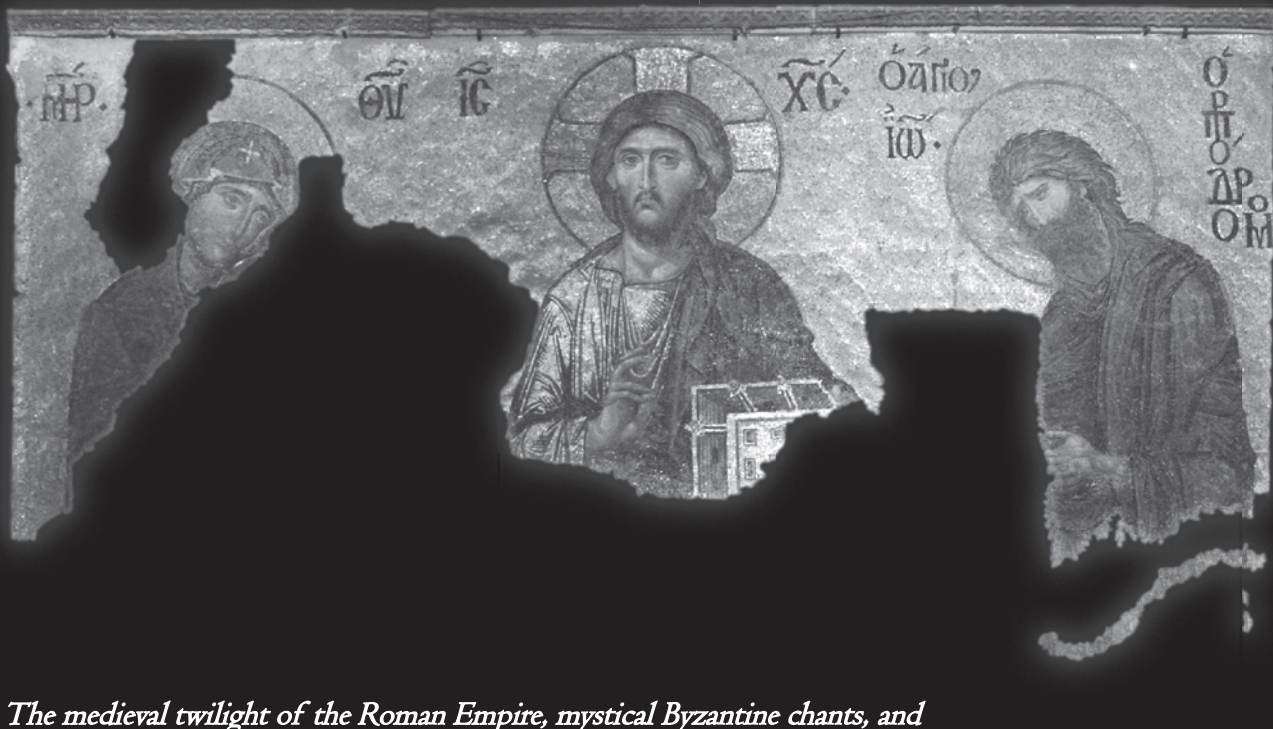


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and the arms and the feet of Christ," Oyler said, "and that day we were. There were even tears. I was very proud of everybody that helped with the liturgies. The parish community really did embody Christ that day."

Oyler said it's not unusual to drive down U.S. 31 and see Army helicopters hovering in the sky over Camp Atterbury as the soldiers practice parachuting and other war drills.

Martin also enjoyed ministering to the Marines.

"I've never been called 'Ma'am' so many times in my entire life," she said. "Here they were all decked out in their uniforms, and who knows where they are going and what dangers they will face. They were very respectful and reverent. To see them all with their heads bowed in prayer was a wonderful sight. It was a very joyous Easter for everyone. You just pray that God always stays with them."

Father Shikany said that, thanks to the Marines, Easter 2004 will be especially memorable for Holy Trinity parishioners.

Later, Father Shikany received a thank you note from their commanding officer, which expressed the Marines' appreciation for their hospitality.

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