



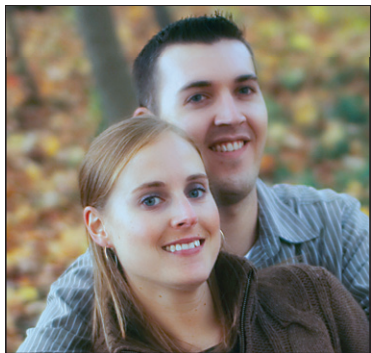
The great mystery of love



Katrina-Elizabeth Ware and Felix Hollis McGee were married on Aug. 2, 2008, at Christ the King Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Christ the King parishioners Michael and Denise Ware of Indianapolis. The groom is the son of Felix and Cynthia McGee of Waukegan, Ill. Marianist Father Eugene Contadino, a faculty member of the University of Dayton in Ohio, celebrated the nuptial Mass.

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WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS



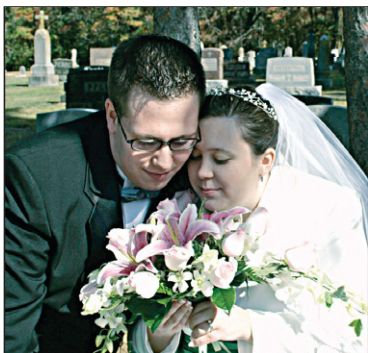
Allen-Stuber

Jennifer Lauren Allen and Kevin Allen Stuber will be married on May 16 at St. Pius X Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Rick and Nannette Allen. The groom is the son of Joe and Theresa Stuber.



Jones-Smith

Ellen Elizabeth Jones and Mathew David Smith will be married on April 18 at St. Matthew the Apostle Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Thomas and Eileen Jones. The groom is the son of Leigh Jennings.



Richie-French

Amy Lela Elizabeth Richie and Aaron Joseph French were married on Oct. 18, 2008 at SS. Philomena and Cecilia Church in Oak Forest. The bride is the daughter of Richard Richie. The groom is the son of John and Sarah French.



Summers-Bombei

Marie Summers and Steve Bombei will be married on July 18 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Carmel, Ind., in the Lafayette Diocese. The bride is the daughter of Barney and Robin Summers. The groom is the son of Ron and Mary Bombei.



Wagner-Kappel

Laura Elizabeth Wagner and Joseph William Kappel will be married on June 13 at Good Shepherd Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of John and Jean Wagner. The groom is the son of Joseph and Sara Kappel.



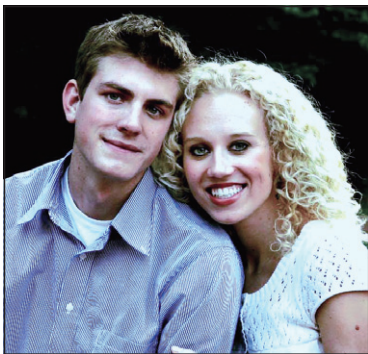
Bedel-Waechter

Tina Jean Bedel and John Joseph Waechter II will be married on June 13 at St. John the Evangelist Church in Enochsburg. The bride is the daughter of Ambrose and Cathy Bedel. The groom is the son of John and Linda Waechter.



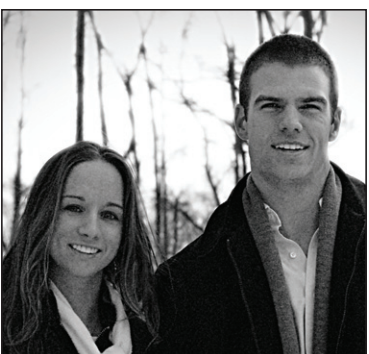
Keating-Richards

Amy Keating and Scott Richards were married on Jan. 3 at St. Jude Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Beverly Keating and the late John Keating. The groom is the son of Dennis Richards and Jean Richards.



Smith-Jansen

Stefanie Anne Smith and Gregory John Jansen will be married on Aug. 8 at SS. Francis and Clare Church in Greenwood. The bride is the daughter of Frank and Marie Smith. The groom is the son of John and Susan Jansen.



Summers-Pfarr

Andrea Summers and Matthew Pfarr will be married on June 5 at St. Barnabas Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Barney and Robin Summers. The groom is the son of Michael and Brenda Pfarr.



Wilkens-Carr

Jennifer Lucinda Wilkens and Dwight Webster Carr will be married on May 2 at St. Margaret of Scotland Church in Maggie Valley, N.C. The bride is the daughter of Robert and Mary Jane Wilkens Sr. The groom is the son of Richard and Eula Carr.



Ford-Delaney

Sarah A. Ford and Daniel R. Delaney will be married on April 18 at Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Mark and Marie Ford. The groom is the son of Hal and Karen Delaney.



Recio-Naughton

Michelle Recio and Tom Naughton will be married on June 6 at St. Louis de Montfort Church in Fishers, Ind., in the Lafayette Diocese. The bride is the daughter of Bernard and Eva Recio. The groom is the son of Joseph and June Naughton.



Strahl-Brattain

Tonya Sue Strahl and Mark Alan Brattain will be married on June 27 at St. Christopher Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Ronald and Sandra Lynch. The groom is the son of Robert and Vera Brattain.



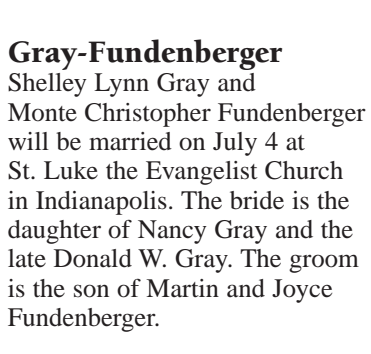
Troutman-Lecher

Kathryn A. Troutman and Andrew J. Lecher will be married on July 11 at St. John the Evangelist Church in Enochsburg. The bride is the daughter of James and Cary Troutman. The groom is the son of Steven and Edith Lecher.



Zeilinga-Moll

Ruth Ann Zeilinga and Steven Brian Moll will be married on June 27 at St. Rose Church in Knightstown. The bride is the daughter of Fred and Kathy Zeilinga. The groom is the son of Dan Moll and Jan Johnstone. †



Gray-Fundenberger

Shelley Lynn Gray and Monte Christopher Fundenberger will be married on July 4 at St. Luke the Evangelist Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Nancy Gray and the late Donald W. Gray. The groom is the son of Martin and Joyce Fundenberger.



Rennekamp-Robben

Irene Diana Rennekamp and Herbert Anthony Robben will be married on May 30 at St. John the Evangelist Church in Enochsburg. The bride is the daughter of Donald and Carolyn Rennekamp. The groom is the son of Harry and Kathleen Robben.



Heider-Wyand

Kelly Heider and J.P. Wyand will be married on April 18 at St. Joan of Arc Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Randy and Carol Heider. The groom is the son of John Wyand and Mary Ann Wyand.

The Fall Marriage Supplement will be published in the July 17, 2009, issue of *The Criterion*.

Arusi retreat celebrates Christian marriage

“Arusi” is Kiswahili for “marriage celebration.” An Arusi retreat is an experience designed for Christian marriages, and an opportunity to discover ways that your marriage is part of God’s plan, not just for yourselves, but also for the community.

Andrew and Terri Lyke, co-directors of Lyke to Lyke Consultants in Chicago, will facilitate the first Arusi Marriage Retreat offered in the archdiocese on March 20-22 at the Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center, 1402 Southern Ave., in Beech Grove.

The Lykes are nationally recognized leaders in marriage preparation and enrichment, and he is the coordinator of Marriage Ministry for the Archdiocese of Chicago.

They also direct Arusi Network Inc., a not-for-profit ministry that focuses on encouraging and strengthening marriage in the African-American community.

The retreat is sponsored by the archdiocesan Office of Multicultural Ministry and the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Black Catholic Caucus.

The retreat will help couples create or revise their mission statement so their marriage is an instrument of God’s love.

Couples will review their life stories, refresh



Andrew and Terri Lyke

their relationship, recreate their romance, reconcile broken promises, renew their wedding vows, and recommit to a God-centered marriage that focuses on primacy, empowerment, protection and prayer.

(The registration fee is \$70 per couple. For more information, call the archdiocesan Office of Multicultural Ministry at 317-236-1562 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1562.) †

File photo by Mary Ann Wyand

The great mystery of love

St. Paul offers positive yet challenging vision of marriage

By Sean Gallagher

The Catholic Church around the world has focused on the teachings and example of St. Paul in this year dedicated to him.

In his day, St. Paul presented in his preaching and letters a vision of the Gospel that attracted many people to the Christian faith.

At the same time, he often challenged his audience to re-examine their lives in ways that made many people feel uncomfortable.

What is true about Paul's presentation of the faith in general is true about his approach to Christian marriage in particular.

His most extensive commentary upon marriage is found in his Letter to the Ephesians (Eph 5:21-33).

Paul begins by exhorting spouses in his audience "to be subordinate to one another out of love for Christ" (Eph 5:21).

What immediately follows is a teaching that is controversial today: "Wives, be subordinate to your husbands as to the Lord" (Eph 5:22).

Some versions of the Bible read "submissive" instead of "subordinate."

Pia de Solenni can understand why some readers of St. Paul's letters might want to put him down after reading such a verse.

But the Roman-trained, Catholic moral theologian, and national speaker on pro-life and marriage issues said that before doing that it is important to distinguish between two kinds of submissiveness.

"There's a servile submissiveness in which you give up your will, as a slave or servant does," said de Solenni. "And then

there's more of an economic or civic submissiveness where one person is the leader, but you're all equal."



Pia de Solenni

According to de Solenni, the submissiveness that Paul wrote about was the latter and, in any case, needs to be viewed in the context of the Church's historic view on women in general.

"The Church has always insisted on the fundamental equality of men and women," she said. "It's the Church that insists that women have a right to make decisions about their own lives, whether they want to marry and, ultimately, whom they want to marry."

For Damon Owens, a Catholic husband and father of six children and national



Damon Owens

speaker on marriage, St. Paul's controversial words by no means give husbands license to be oppressive because of what the Apostle wrote just a few verses later: "Husbands, love your wives as Christ loved the Church and handed himself

over for her" (Eph 5:25).

"It's clear," said Owens. "Paul is saying

that masculine leadership in the home means being like Christ to your bride as he was to the Church: laying down your life for their salvation."

Owens, who lives with his family in northern New Jersey, has helped lead marriage preparation and enrichment programs in the archdioceses of Newark and New York. He also promotes Pope John Paul II's "Theology of the Body" through his work at Ascension Press.



Fr. Kurt Stasiak, O.S.B.

Benedictine Father Kurt Stasiak, a professor of sacramental theology at Saint Meinrad School of Theology in St. Meinrad, said Paul's call to husbands was "revolutionary" in his time and remains so now.

"In his time, for husbands to be told to love their wives as Christ loved the Church was an incredible charge to give to men to take care of and respect their wives," Father Kurt explained.

Paul's exhortation to both wives and husbands should help engaged and married couples today come to grips with the complimentary differences between men and women, said Owens.

"It becomes an occasion to help them to re-think how they can be men in the fullest sense without being oppressive, how they can be women in the fullest sense without being a doormat," said Owens. "Both of those are spoken directly against by Paul, who's calling out the maximum of both masculinity and femininity for their joint happiness."

De Solenni says this can be challenging today when spouses' incomes are equal or the wife is the family's primary breadwinner.

"It [can be] really difficult to carve out the leadership role for the husband," she said. "But you have to be intentional about it. ... It comes down to the idea of leadership, equality and how that plays out. The key is going to be understanding that because there are differences does not mean that there's inequality."

Living out the sometimes tricky dynamics between husband and wife can be hard. But Paul sees the relationship as a living sign of the bond between Christ and the Church:

"For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the Church" (Eph 5:31-32, quoting Gn 2:24).

"I don't know that we understand that [deep] level of intimacy," de Solenni said. "[Everyone] wants to be loved. They want to be able to love. They want intimacy. They want some type of security."

The security found in marriage, which is linked to the relationship of Christ and the Church, isn't for just the here and now. It's also about eternal security.

"[Marriage] is an explicit part of our path to heaven," Owens said. "... I think Paul should be credited with articulating just how our Lord elevated marriage to the dignity of a sacrament."

(To learn more about Pia de Solenni, log on to www.piaadesolenni.com. To learn more about Damon Owens, log on to www.damonowens.com.) †

Pre Cana and Tobit Weekend prepare couples for marriage

Two marriage preparation programs offered in the archdiocese help prepare engaged couples for the sacrament as well as the challenges of married life.

Pre Cana Conference programs are scheduled on Feb. 22, March 1, April 26, May 17, June 7, July 12, Aug. 16 and Oct. 18 at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., in Indianapolis.

The program presented by the archdiocesan Office of Family Ministries and volunteers begins at 1:45 p.m. and concludes at 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Registration is required. To register, log on to www.archindy.org/family.

A \$40 fee per couple helps pay for the *Perspectives on Marriage* workbook, other materials and refreshments. The registration fee is non-refundable.

Tobit Weekends are scheduled at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House on May 15-17, June 5-7, July 10-12 and Sept. 18-20.

The registration fee of \$280 includes the program presented by trained facilitators, meals and overnight accommodations for the weekend. A \$150 non-refundable deposit is required at the time of registration. To register, log on to www.archindy.org/fatima. †

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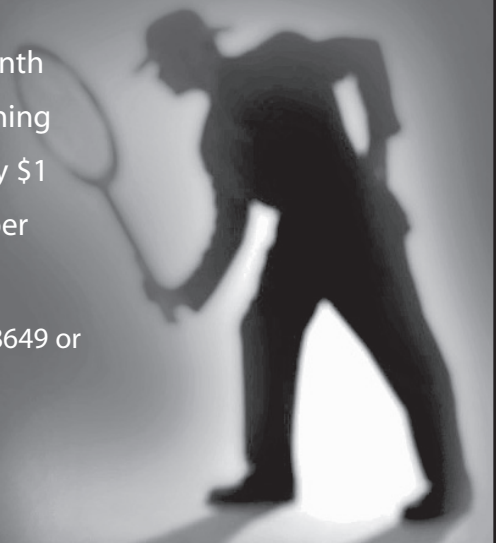


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'Leave room for the Holy Spirit' in daily life

By Fr. Robert Hausladen
Special to The Criterion

"Be sure to leave room for the Holy Spirit," a familiar dictum growing up, those words of wisdom still inspire me today.



Fr. Robert Hausladen

I have to stop and ask myself, "How am I leaving room for the Holy Spirit?" I am especially mindful as I realize that the Holy Spirit is Christ's gift, his legacy, and the extent to which there

is no room for the Spirit in my life, there also is no room for Christ.

In reflection and prayer, I have become aware of three particular ways that we are called to "leave room"—in our day, in our minds and in our hearts.

In our day

The first way seems so simple, so fundamental, and indeed it is. And yet, so often we struggle with what is most basic to our relationship with God.

We need time for God. We need to leave room, space in our day, for prayer. We need time—time to quiet ourselves, time to reflect and refocus, time to speak and time to listen.

Yes, it is hard to carve out space in our days, especially as so many things seem so pressing. Yet, we must never forget the Holy Spirit is a spirit of prayer.

In our minds

The Holy Spirit is also a spirit of wisdom. We read the following in the Gospel of John: "Jesus said to his disciples, 'I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now.

But when he comes, the spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth'" (Jn 16:12-13a).

This promise is fulfilled in and through the Church as celebrated at Pentecost. Thus, in order to be open to the Holy Spirit, we must also be receptive to the truth as it is relayed in Church teachings.

Openness to the Spirit through Church teachings does not, however, simply mean categorically accepting whatever the Church seems to espouse. To do so would be a disservice to ourselves, to the Church and to the Holy Spirit.

While the fullness of the Spirit, along with its wisdom and truth, resides in the Church, that same Spirit resides in each of us through the gift of baptism and the sacraments.

We do honor to the Spirit in ourselves and in the Church only by engaging the Church in her teachings as we allow them to instruct and guide us. We must first clearly know what the Church teaches. Often, this requires questioning and sometimes even challenging Church teachings.

A wonderful example of people engaging the Church in her teachings is chronicled in Chapter 15 of the Acts of the Apostles. The people of Antioch, Syria and Cilicia had received contradictory messages from Paul and more recent visitors claiming to represent the Church.

It is because the people questioned and challenged the Church in her teachings that the Apostles and elders came together to discern and clarify the truth. Thus, the people and the Church were enabled to grow as the wisdom and truth of the Holy Spirit was further revealed "in agreement with the whole church" (Acts 15:22).

We must leave room for the Holy Spirit by learning Church teachings, even when it means questioning and challenging them. To blindly accept or dismiss the wisdom of the

Church is to close oneself off to the Holy Spirit—for the Holy Spirit is a spirit of truth.

In our hearts

The Holy Spirit is and must be what we long for and desire. By nature, we are incomplete.

St. Augustine speaks of this want for completion and wholeness as a form of restlessness, and eventually he realized that, "My heart is restless, Lord, until it rests in you."

Christ speaks often of this restlessness and longing as he assures us, "Be not afraid," and he speaks time and again of his "peace."

In John's Gospel, Jesus offers the parting message, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid" (Jn 14:27).

Yet, it is puzzling when Christ speaks of this peacefulness in reference to the Holy Spirit. After all, the Holy Spirit seems to be anything but peaceful. There is good reason that the Holy Spirit is symbolized not as a gentle breeze and a warming ray of sunlight, but as a gusting wind and a consuming fire. The Holy Spirit turns our lives and our very world upside down.

When Christ speaks of the gift of the Holy Spirit in terms of "peace," there is an urge to respond, "I don't think that word means what you think it means."

Christ's "peace" is indeed "not as the world gives." It offers none of the security we have come to associate with "peace."

Perhaps the greatest example of Christ's peace as experienced through the Holy Spirit is the Apostle Paul.

Inspired, filled with the Holy Spirit, Paul would spend the rest of his life constantly striving. He would travel throughout the

known world, he would encounter stranger after stranger, and he would be embroiled in controversy after controversy, often with members of his own Church.

He would be hated and despised, beaten, arrested, shipwrecked, stoned and left for dead more than once, and ultimately imprisoned and martyred.

Paul hardly lived what one would consider a life of peace. And yet, to truly understand, we must examine not merely the consequences, but rather what enabled a man like Paul to endure. The willingness and ability to suffer as well as the accomplishments of men and women of faith are vivid testimonies to a power, strength and peace that only the Holy Spirit can give.

"Leaving room for the Holy Spirit" means surrendering control and allowing one's world to be turned upside down.

Perhaps this happens most frequently through the gift of family. Few things shake up one's life more than having a spouse and children. Each life, each addition to one's own life, requires further surrender.

While a spouse and children bring great joy, they also bring great uncertainty and the potential for suffering. The sacrifice and uncertainty that love and family require cannot be met without the assurance of the true peace of Christ, which is the Holy Spirit.

Therefore, openness to love and family is openness to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is a spirit of peace.

Be sure to leave room for the Holy Spirit: pray, learn and love.

(Father Robert Hausladen is the associate pastor of St. Pius X Parish and chaplain of Bishop Chatard High School, both in Indianapolis. He was ordained to the priesthood in 2001.) †

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