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Bishop Serratelli to be seventh head of Paterson Diocese

BY GREG TOBIN

Editor & Associate Publisher

For the 377,000 Catholics of the Diocese of Paterson, their new chief shepherd and teacher is no stranger, but a familiar face and voice from the neighboring diocese.

The Holy See announced June 1 that the resignation of Most Rev. Frank J. Rodimer, D.D., had been accepted and that Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D., Auxiliary Bishop, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia of the Archdiocese of Newark, will become the seventh Bishop of Paterson, succeeding Bishop Rodimer who had been ordinary of the three-county northern New Jersey diocese since 1978.

At a news conference held in the 161-year-old Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Paterson, at which Bishop Serratelli was presented to the local and regional press, Bishop Rodimer said, "Bishop Arthur" is "a good priest, a brilliant scholar, a humble down-to-earth bishop who will be right at home in Paterson in no time."

In welcoming him to the diocese, Bishop Rodimer said, "We have been given a good bishop who knows and loves Jesus and His Gospel message. He also knows and loves the call he has received to proclaim it."

"In fact," Bishop Rodimer continued, "he has assisted in one of our parishes for many years. ... Bishop Serratelli has had an influence on the lives and spirituality of more people in the Diocese of Paterson than even he knows, through the priests of our diocese he has directed and has taught in his Scripture courses in the seminary."

For the past dozen years, Bishop Serratelli, a former professor of



Advocate photo- Ward Miele

Before the June 1 public announcement of his succession as the new bishop of the Diocese of Paterson, Bishop Serratelli and Bishop Rodimer share a moment of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St. John the Baptist Cathedral, Paterson.

sacred Scripture at Immaculate Conception Seminary, South Orange, has been a weekend assistant at St. Anthony of Padua, Passaic. He was ordained a priest on Dec. 20, 1968 in St. Peter's Basilica, Rome, and an Auxiliary Bishop of Newark on Sept. 8, 2000 in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark.

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Father Emery named Vicar General

Archbishop John J. Myers has appointed Father Robert E. Emery, J.C.L. as Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Newark, effective June 14, 2004. He will be appointed Moderator of the Curia of the Archdiocese in July, succeeding Bishop Arthur Serratelli, who will be installed as Bishop of the Diocese of Paterson on July 6.

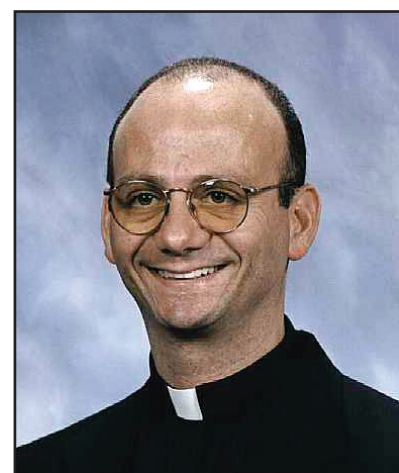
Father Emery is currently pastor of St. Lawrence Parish, Weehawken, and vice chancellor of the Archdiocese.

Father Emery was ordained to the priesthood on Nov. 21, 1987 at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Newark. His first assignment was to St. Catharine Parish, Glen Rock. Between 1990 and 1992 he served as priest-secretary to Archbishop McCarrick.

Following completion of canon law studies at Catholic University of America in 1994, he was appointed a campus minister at Kean College, Union, and served as an advocate in the Metropolitan Tribunal. In 1995, he was named a parochial vicar of St. Peter Parish, Belleville, and in 1998 again served as priest-secretary to Archbishop McCarrick.

He has been pastor of St. Lawrence Parish since 1999. In 2002, Father Emery was named vice chancellor of the Archdiocese. In this capacity, he has coordinated the activities of the Archdiocesan Review Board, the group of laypeople who investigate on behalf of the Archbishop allegations of sexual abuse by members of the clergy.

In addition to his licentiate in canon law, Father Emery holds an M.A. in counseling from Kean University.



Father Robert E. Emery



Pure exhilaration is evident on the faces of the Class of 2004 at Holy Family Academy, Bayonne. Additional photos of high school graduations throughout the Archdiocese of Newark can be found on Pages 14 and 15.

A ‘new day’ for Catholic health and human welfare in Church of Newark



The following remarks were made by Archbishop Myers at a Catholic Health and Human Services (CHHS) board presentation on June 10 at the Archdiocesan Center, Newark. Members of the boards of CHHS and its subsidiary agencies, Cathedral Healthcare System, Catholic Charities, Mount Carmel Guild and Trinity Management and Technology Corp., were present.

Today we begin a new day in serving the poor, the marginalized, the newcomer.

Today, we renew our commitment to the cities in this Archdiocese.

Today, we renew our commitment to the people who live in these cities.

Today, under a new banner—Catholic Health and Human Services—we reaffirm the mission of all Catholic people of this great Archdiocese to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

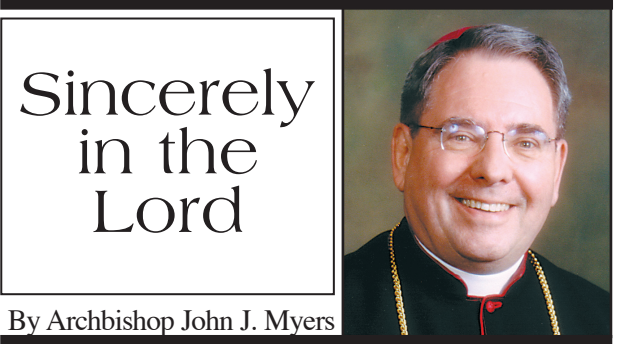
Many of the challenges that brought the two organizations that for years each of you has helped guide and shape—health care and social outreach—remain, and we know that CHHS will continue to meet those challenges.

Yet we know there are today new challenges never before considered and new challenges we never thought we could handle.

Our faith, and our call to witness, require us to meet them as best we can.

In the months ahead CHHS will begin to focus on the new challenges and problems that our society presents to the most fragile of our sisters and brothers.

Meeting these needs will be even more critical at this time, because government at all levels



By Archbishop John J. Myers

finds itself financially limited and society in general seems not to share our concerns.

We can only show them the way by doing the right thing and doing it well.

We hope for and will welcome partnership with governments and with others who will join us in helping those in need.

I am grateful to each of you for being here today, for demonstrating your faith—faith in God and faith in people—and for your energy as the Archdiocese of Newark begins this new chapter of service to those most in need.

Catholic Health and Human Services Corporation



Mission Statement

Catholic Health and Human Services Corporation will steward and lead the healing and social service ministries of the Roman Catholic Church throughout the neighborhoods and communities of New Jersey consistent with our belief that every individual is a treasure, every life a sacred gift, every person a unity of body, mind and spirit.

By helping providers build partnerships, marshal resources, and advocate for individuals and communities in need of healing, CHHS will help our partners meet the full potential of their Catholic missions.

Overview Statement

CHHS was formed in response to a recommendation by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to create a coordinated system for the delivery of health care and social services. By directly linking health and social services, CHHS will facilitate cooperation, reduce duplication, and build upon the already excellent reputation of the three service providers [Cathedral Healthcare System, Catholic Charities and Mount Carmel Guild Behavioral Health System].

Stewardship

Planned giving: preparing for Church’s future



BY ANDREW KACZYNSKI
Associate Director of Stewardship

Keeping in mind that stewardship is a total way of life dedicated to the Lord in gratitude and gratefulness for all of His gifts to us—our time, our talent, and our treasure—please do not get the wrong impression that so many people have that it is just a fundraising program developed by the Church.

Recently, a group of staff members from the Stewardship and Development Office of the Archdiocese of Newark, including myself, gave a presentation at the National Pastoral Life Center titled, “Stewardship: It’s More Than Money, But the Money Counts.”

One of the reasons we conducted this presentation was to show the importance of the accountability we Christians have toward our stewardship of treasure. I often remind people that if it were not for the time and talent the Lord gave us, we would not have the abilities to earn the treasure we receive.

When it comes to our stewardship of treasure, it is important to keep in mind how we allocate those assets for the Church and community, not only for the here and now, but also for the future needs of the Church. One of the best ways to consider doing so is through planned giving.

The term “planned giving” is now commonly

used to describe commitments made by donors to transfer capital assets (including cash, stock, certificates of deposit, real estate, or other forms of personal property) to a qualified religious, educational, or charitable organization.

Most of the time, a planned gift, is made by means of a formal agreement or contract, and the principal or income from the gift is not available to the organization until the terms of the agreement are fulfilled (usually at the death of the donor or spouse).

Planned gifts are normally made from the contributor’s accumulated assets as part of an overall estate plan. In addition to the normal benefits of charitable giving, planned gift agreements frequently result in tax advantages or other income benefits to the donor.

The most common form of a planned gift is a bequest provision in a will. Other forms of planned giving include charitable trust agreements, gifts of real estate or insurance, charitable gift annuities, and various combinations of these individual agreements.

The most distinctive characteristics of planned giving are the following:

Gifts are made from capital assets in contrast to outright gifts that are normally made from the donor’s current income.

The donor’s personal and financial objectives are

of primary concern in the decision whether to make a planned gift and what form of planned gift agreement to choose.

Depending on what form of planned gift agreement is chosen, the organization designated as the beneficiary may have to assume administrative and/or fiscal responsibilities (which would not ordinarily be the case in an outright gift).

In a letter regarding the Archdiocesan planned giving program, Archbishop John J. Myers wrote, “We have an obligation to pass on to the next generation of Catholics the faith we have received. Since becoming shepherd of this local Church, I have been touched by the generosity of parishioners, and by friends who are not Catholic, who have remembered the Church through planned gifts and in their wills.

“Many fine young men have received assistance as they prepare for the priesthood. Poor parishes and schools have been able to undergo much-needed repairs. The Archdiocese, through organizations like Catholic Community Services, has been able to respond to the needs of the poor in our communities through it numerous programs and services.”

As we continue on our journey in this Archdiocese to become a total stewardship diocese, steeped in the awareness of all the Lord’s gifts to us, it is my hope and prayer that we come together as a community of faith to share those gifts not only for our current needs, but also for those of generations to come.

I have been touched by the generosity of parishioners...
-Archbishop Myers

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'Why Catholic?' Professing, living our faith every day

BY DEACON MARK NIXON
Special to The Catholic Advocate

When attendees arrive at RENEW International's 2004 Institute to be held July 8-11, they will notice people wearing eye-catching pins emblazoned with the question, "Why Catholic?" followed by the hopeful response, "Just ask me!" This year's Institute poses the essential question for many believers—and answers it with an exciting and timely selection of workshops and presenters.

RENEW International is presenting this year's Institute, appropriately titled "Why Catholic? Professing, Celebrating and Living Our Faith," at the Sheraton Meadowlands hotel in East Rutherford. The theme

of the Institute is that Catholicism still matters greatly and that it is time to reassert the power of faith, to proclaim Jesus as Lord, to build the Church as a community of many small communities, and to find in Catholic doctrine—especially the Catechism of the Catholic Church—the ways to answer that thought-provoking question for oneself and others.

The Institute is designed for all Catholics who care about their faith and want to profess and practice it more effectively. It builds on the U.S. bishops' call in *Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us* to "...strengthen our commitment and intensify our efforts to help the adults in our communities be touched and transformed by the life-giving message of Jesus, to explore its meaning, experience its power, and live in its light as faithful adult disciples today."

The Institute sessions will use adult faith formation techniques to provide insight into the faith and go far beyond the usual round of how-to workshops for priests, Religious and lay ministers.

The Thursday evening prayer service and the keynote address by Sister Beatrice Jeffries, S.B.S. on "Embracing the Fire of the Heart" are directed at getting in touch with the Emmaus story—intellectually, liturgically, communally—as a focus for adults who want to mature in their faith. Sister Beatrice, Vice President of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, has been a leader in parish ministry and active with the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University in New Orleans.

Friday morning keynote speeches by RENEW's Coordinator of New Services, Sister Terry Rickard, O.P., on "Scripture and Catholic Identity," and by Donna Peña (familiar to many as composer of the well-known hymn "Digo Sí Señor") on "Building Community Through Song" initiate two full days of over 40 workshops that will provide attendees with a solid grasp of the principles of the faith, how to share it with others, and how to practice it by reaching out to others

through liturgy and social action.

The Saturday morning keynote address by R. Scott Appleby, history professor at the University of Notre Dame, will specifically address the challenge of embracing Catholicism as a comprehensive way of life for people of diverse backgrounds and of all ages.

The Instituto Hispano, an "institute within the Institute," will provide a full-day, concurrent program of a Spanish keynote address and workshops on Saturday. The Instituto will begin with a keynote speech on Catholicism as a way of life for Spanish-speaking Catholics by Adele González, assistant director of the Office of Lay Ministry in the Archdiocese of Miami and adjunct professor of theology at Barry University, and continuing with workshops, including one led by the Most Rev. Peter Rosazza, Auxiliary Bishop of Hartford, CT, on "Justice as an Integral Part of Our Catholic Identity."

The Sunday morning program includes a creative presentation by Sister Louise Alff, a member of the RENEW International team who worked in parish ministry for over 26 years and served as co-director of RENEW for the Diocese of

Buffalo, and Jamie Rickert, a singer, songwriter, storyteller, juggler, magician, workshop leader and retreat director. Their presentation will use music, drama, and interactive experiences to challenge each attendee to live the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The Institute will conclude with a Eucharistic liturgy at which Bishop Rosazza will preside and speak on "Living our Faith: The Call to be Prophets."

According to Sister Terry Rickard, the Institute Coordinator, the Institute is designed to explore creative ways to foster Catholic identity and provide practical approaches to strengthen faith commitments. Sister Terry says particular attention will be given to how small faith-sharing groups can be used effectively to support Christian life and all forms

of ministry. These faith-sharing groups—a major focus of RENEW throughout its 25-year history—are a scripturally-based and proven way of recapturing and advancing the rich heritage of our faith and how it connects with our everyday lives.

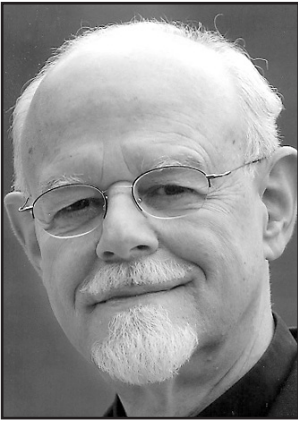
RENEW encourages groups to attend by offering a special fee of \$50/person when a group of five or more people register together for a single day session (which includes lunch) on Friday July 9 or Saturday July 10. This offer is good only through Monday, June 28.

For more information or to register for the Institute call 908-769-5400, x123 or visit the RENEW International website at www.renewintl.org.

Rev. Mr. Mark Nixon, a deacon in the Diocese of Paterson, is a member of the RENEW International Services Team.



Adele Gonzalez



Bishop Peter Rosazza

Advocate and Católico reap press honors at convention

The Catholic Advocate and its sister publication New Jersey Católico took home awards from the recent Catholic Press Association convention in Washington, DC, which was attended by representatives of the nearly 150 diocesan newspapers in the U.S., as well as publishers of national newspapers, magazines and books.

María de los Ángeles García received second place recognition for Best Column-General Commentary for her monthly appearance in Católico, the Spanish-language newspaper of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Third place honors went to Marge Pearson-McCue, director of advertising for the Advocate, in the category of Best Local Retail Campaign for "A Special Invitation."

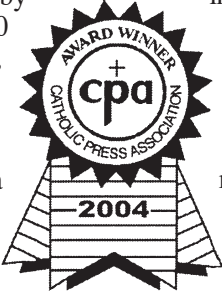
Archbishop John J. Myers won a third place award for Best Headline. "You can't judge a book by its cover-up" headed his

column about the novel, *The Da Vinci Code*.

In the book division, Greg Tobin, the editor and associate publisher of The Catholic Advocate, achieved a second-place showing for Popular Presentation of the Catholic Faith for Selecting the Pope (Barnes & Noble Books), published in 2003.

Among other diocesan newspapers in New Jersey, there were multiple winners, as well. The Beacon, Diocese of Paterson; The Catholic Spirit, Diocese of Metuchen, and The Monitor, Diocese of Trenton, each garnered awards.

Among them were: first place, Best Feature Photo for Joe Gigli of The Beacon; first place, Best Circulation Promotion and third place, General Excellence to The Catholic Spirit, and second place, Individual Excellence-Photographer/Artist to Scott Quinn of The Monitor.



Pope presses Bush on Iraq

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — In their first meeting since the Iraq war, Pope John Paul II told U.S. President George W. Bush he was deeply concerned about the “grave unrest” in Iraq and called for a speedy restoration of the country’s sovereignty. During a 50-minute encounter June 4, the pope firmly reminded the president of the Vatican’s opposition to the invasion of Iraq last year.

What Iraq needs today, he said, is for the situation to be normalized as quickly as possible, under a framework of greater international cooperation.

“The recent appointment of a head of state in Iraq and the formation of an interim Iraqi government are an encouraging step toward the attainment of this goal,” the pope said, in a speech delivered in a strained and halting voice.

The pope described international terrorism as a “source of constant concern.” But in an apparent reference to the abuse of Iraqi prisoners by U.S. soldiers, he said recent “deplorable events” have undermined the values that are essential to defeating terrorism.

In a brief talk to the pope, Bush presented the pontiff with the

Presidential Medal of Freedom and called him a “hero of our time” for his defense of human freedom and dignity. The president did not mention Iraq or other international events in the public part of their encounter.

It was the third meeting between the two leaders, and it coincided with celebrations of the 60th anniversary of the liberation of Europe during World War II.

After 15 minutes of one-on-one talks in the papal library, Bush and the pope moved to the ornate Clementine Hall, where they delivered talks and exchanged gifts.

Seated next to the president, the 84-year-old pope struggled through his two-page text, pronouncing a word or two at a time. After thanking Bush for the visit and expressing his “warm welcome,” the pope quickly turned to the international scene.

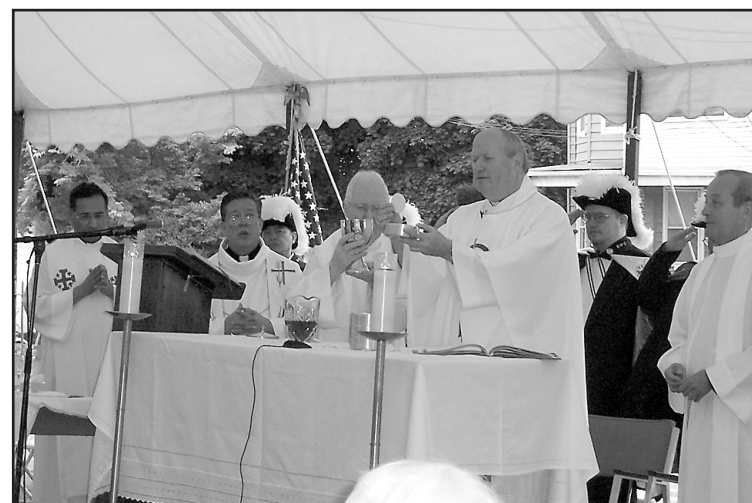
Speaking of their past differences on Iraq and the Middle East, the pope said the president was “very familiar with the unequivocal position of the Holy See” as expressed in numerous documents, direct contacts and diplomatic efforts.

“It is the evident desire of everyone that this situation now be normalized as quickly as possible with the active participation of the international community and, in particular, the United Nations organization, in order to ensure a speedy return of Iraq’s sovereignty, in conditions of security for all its people,” he said.



CNS photo from L'Osservatore Romano

President Bush meets with Pope John Paul II at the Vatican June 4. It was their first meeting since the Iraqi War began in 2003.



The annual Memorial Day Mass was celebrated at Catholic cemeteries throughout the Archdiocese of Newark. Top photo: At Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington, Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli, Vicar General, presided, assisted by Deacon Joseph Dwyer, Jr., Vice-Chancellor. Middle photo: The Knights of Columbus process before the Mass at Holy Cross. In the bottom photo, Father Robert A. Antczak, Pastor of St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Jersey City, celebrated Mass at Holy Name Cemetery, Jersey City.



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Official Appointments

Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:



Archdiocesan Agencies/ Ministries

Most Reverend David Arias, O.A.R., D. D. has been appointed Episcopal Vicar for Hudson County, effective immediately and ending July 1.

Most Reverend Charles J. McDonnell, D. D. has been appointed Episcopal Vicar for Bergen County, effective immediately and ending July 1.

Most Reverend Thomas A. Donato, Auxiliary Bishop-elect of Newark, has been appointed Regional Episcopal Vicar for Hudson County, effective July 1.

Most Reverend John W. Flesey, Auxiliary Bishop-elect of Newark, has been appointed Regional Episcopal Vicar for Bergen County, effective July 1.

Reverend Gerard H. McCarren has been appointed Spiritual Director of Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall University, South Orange, effective July 1.

Dean/Bergen County

Reverend Gerald T. Hahn, Pastor of the Church of St. Anthony, Northvale, has been appointed Dean of the newly created Northern Valley Bergen Deanery, Deanery 2N for a five year term, effective May 27 and ending May 27, 2009.

Pastor/EssexHudson County

Reverend Gerald F. Greaves has been appointed Pastor of the Church of St. Raphael, Livingston, effective Aug. 1.

Pastors/Union County

Reverend Patrick Diver, S.D.B. has been appointed Pastor of the Church of St. Anthony of Padua, Elizabeth, effective July 1.

Reverend Krzysztof Szczotka, S.D.S. has been appointed Pastor of the Church of St. Adalbert, Elizabeth, effective July 1.

Parochial Vicar/Essex County

Reverend Babu Kalathuparambil Tharith, C.M.I., Parochial Vicar of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Scotch Plains, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Cassian, Upper Montclair, effective June 1.

Parochial Vicar/Union County

Reverend Pawel Dolinski, S.D.S. has been appointed Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Adalbert, Elizabeth, effective July 1.

Parochial Vicar/Hudson County

Reverend Miroslaw Krol, Parochial Vicar of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, Linden, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of the Church of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Harrison, effective June 19.

Chaplaincy/Essex County

Reverend Thomas R. McLaughlin has been appointed Chaplain at Pope John Paul II Pavilion, Orange, effective Aug. 1.

Other

Reverend John Connolly, S.D.B., Associate Superintendent for Education in the Schools Office, has been appointed to residency at Our Lady of Lourdes Rectory, Mountainside, effective June 14.

Releases

Reverend Carlos Flor has been released from pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese of Newark to serve in the Archdiocese of Boston for a period of three years, effective June 19 and ending June 19, 2007.

Reverend Jose Manuel de la Pena has been granted continued release from pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese of Newark to serve in the Archdiocese of Boston for a period of three years, effective June 14 and ending June 14, 2007.

Reverend Octavio Gonzalez, Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Leo, Irvington, has been released from pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese of Newark to serve in the Diocese of Ponce, for a period of three years, beginning June 19 and ending June 19, 2007.

Newly Ordained

Reverend Yuvan A. Alvarez, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Cecilia, Kearny, effective June 19.

Reverend Richard J. Berbary, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Rose of Lima, Short Hills, effective June 19.

Reverend Edward Michael Donovan newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of Most Blessed Sacrament, Franklin Lakes, effective June 19.

Reverend Eric W. Fuchs, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows, South Orange, effective June 19.

Reverend Christopher D. Isinta, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, Roseland, effective June 19.

Reverend Soon Basil L. Lek, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Joseph, New Milford/Oradell, effective June 19.

Reverend Mariusz G. Luksza, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Stanislaus Kostka, Garfield, effective June 19.

Reverend Piotr J. Maslanka, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Hedwig, Elizabeth, effective June 19.

Reverend Titus C. Njoku, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Joseph the Carpenter, Roselle, effective June 19.

Reverend Manoel J. Oliveira, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of Holy Cross, Harrison, effective June 19.

Reverend Jorge Ortiz-Garay, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Mary, Plainfield, effective June 19.

Reverend Amilcar Benito Prado, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Parish of the Resurrection, Jersey City, effective June 19.

Reverend Dave Thomas N. Sison, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Anthony, Belleville, effective June 19.

Reverend Jerzy R. Zaslona, newly ordained, has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Bayonne, effective on June 19.

Summer Parochial Vicars

Reverend M. Soosai Antony has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Andrew, Bayonne.

Reverend Job Appathara has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. John the Baptist, Jersey City.

Reverend John Alston V. Azarcon has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Vincent de Paul, Bayonne.

Reverend Sathianathan X. Benedict has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Ss. Peter & Paul, Hoboken.

Reverend Job S. Bolivar has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Vincent de Paul, Bayonne.

Reverend Filomeno O. Borgueta has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Paul the Apostle, Irvington.

Reverend Charles Borromeo has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Assumption, Roselle Park.

Reverend Joselito L. Buenafe has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Guardian Angel, Allendale.

Reverend Arlou T. Buslon has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Sacred Heart, Bloomfield.

Reverend Josef Buzniak has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Sacred Heart of Jesus, Irvington.

Reverend Jude Caliba has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Michael, Cranford.

Reverend Francisco Isabelo Colasito has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Assumption, Emerson.

Reverend Ramil N. Costibolo has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Bergenfield.

Reverend Enrico Crisostomo has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, Bloomfield.

Reverend James Clement Cruze, C.S.C. has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Elizabeth, Wyckoff.

Reverend Ranulfo D. Docabo has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Sacred Heart, North Bergen.

Reverend Ferdinand C. Figueroa has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Most Holy Name, Garfield.

Reverend Julio O. Gaddi, Jr. has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Henry, Bayonne.

Reverend Raul R. Gaviola has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Mary, Dumont.

Reverend Patrick Simon Gomes has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Catharine, Glen Rock.

Reverend Misael Jaramillo Gallego has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Blessed Sacrament, Elizabeth.

Reverend Lawrence Subrato Howlader, C.S.C. has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Holy Family, Nutley.

Reverend Dennis R. Inocando has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Philip the Apostle, Saddle Brook.

Reverend Lamberto Michael D. Kalaw has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. John Nepomucene, Guttenberg.

Reverend Jesus Layug, Jr. has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Epiphany, Cliffside Park.

Reverend Lope Florente A. Lesigues has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Presentation, Upper Saddle River.



Reverend Romeo G. Lopez has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Joseph the Carpenter, Roselle.

Reverend Marvin Mejia has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Vincent de Paul, Bayonne.

Reverend Narciso G. Minon, Jr. has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Our Lady of Mount Virgin, Garfield.

Reverend Ronnie Nombre has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Genevieve, Elizabeth.

Reverend Frank O'Connor has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Elizabeth, Wyckoff.

Reverend Ramon Jose P. Oncog has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Mary, Star of the Sea, Bayonne.

Reverend Rufino Regie A. Pamposa has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Our Lady of Mercy, Jersey City.

Reverend M. Claude J. Perera, O.M.I. has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Michael, Palisades Park.

Reverend Rey Jose D. Ragudos has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Mary, Rahway.

Reverend Antonio L. Ricarte has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Joseph, Oradell/New Milford.

Reverend Monsignor Voltaire A. Rono has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Joseph, Jersey City.

Reverend Celso D. Singson has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Sacred Heart, Rochelle Park.

Reverend Joseph Pamplaniyil Thomas has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Holy Cross, Harrison.

Reverend Gregorio Marvic C. Uanan has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Most Blessed Sacrament, Franklin Lakes.

Reverend Ramon D. Uriarte has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Philip the Apostle, Saddle Brook.

Reverend Alberto Uy has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Ridgewood.

Reverend Nick Argel Vaguilar has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Our Lady of Victories, Harrington Park.

Reverend Oliver G. Yalung has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Ascension, New Milford.

Maintaining conviction in harsh public glare

Editor,
I understand fully that all politicians have to show compassion and care for all citizens and I can appreciate that. Having said that, when one runs for office as a “devout Catholic,” one should have the strength of their convictions to proclaim loudly and proudly that they are against abortion and any other offense that runs counter to Church teaching.

I realize that doing so will not necessarily stop any woman from having an abortion, but at least all Catholics in New Jersey will respect that person’s position.

Finally, my heroine in this controversy is Patricia Heaton, the co-star of *Everybody Loves Raymond*. She is a major public figure and yet is a true devout Catholic. She is a member of the Big Sisters Program and is pro-life. She lives her faith every day to the fullest. All politicians could learn a lot from her example.

John Drzymkowski
Lyndhurst

A recent Advocate article misleading

Editor,
Over the past year, I have seen a much improved *Catholic Advocate*, both in layout and content.

Unfortunately, you slipped in your April 21 issue in the “Early presidential polling shows Catholics reflect national mood” article.

Why would you quote researcher Mark Gray saying Catholics don’t support John Kerry because, “some

voters may just be learning he is Catholic”?

As a Catholic paper, you must be more diligent when printing wire service articles. At the very least you should clarify potentially misleading articles with an editor’s footnote stating that all abortions are contrary to God’s law and the teachings of the Catholic Church.

John E. Mulholland
Fanwood

Nursing programs offered

Editor,
In reference to the May 5 feature in *The Catholic Advocate*, “Local Catholic colleges fill the prescription for nursing dilemma,” please note that the nursing programs at Saint Peter’s College are offered only on the Englewood Cliffs campus.

Thank you for sharing this information with your readers

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Associate Dean of Nursing
Saint Peter’s College
Englewood Cliffs

Archbishop’s stance much appreciated

Editor,
Archbishop Myers wrote a great article for the latest issue of *Crisis* Magazine, regarding our culture and our Church.

We look forward to his leadership in defending marriage as one man and one woman and helping us, on a national level, to protect marriage with a federal marriage amendment.

Craig and Mary Therese Anderson
San Jose, CA

Vatican to release World War II documents

BY SISTER MARGHERITA MARCHIONE, M.P.F.
Special to The Catholic Advocate

Whoever is interested in studying the conditions of World War II prisoners of war will learn from source material soon to be released by the Vatican’s publishing house. The two volumes totaling 1,511 pages, and eight DVDs, titled *Inter Arma Caritas*, provide a close look at the papal communication service known as the Vatican Information Bureau, instituted in September 1939.

Among the documents preserved on prisoners and victims of the war are letters, telegrams, reports of the apostolic delegates and relations with embassies. This bureau aimed to restore families separated by the conflict and to respond to innumerable queries about refugees and the missing, military and civilian, and to ensure their spiritual and material assistance.

Documents reveal it to be a living testimonial to goodness in the face of evil: 20,000,000 messages were transmitted despite the obstacles that

abounded (the Soviet Union would not respond to requests for information; the German foreign minister forbade priests to mention the Vatican from the pulpit).

Office personnel began with two; soon, the number increased to 885. This enormous task initiated by Pope Pius XII was organized by the Secretariat of State to alleviate, at least in part, the sorrow and the desperation experienced by so many families throughout the world.

The Vatican Information Bureau officially closed on Oct. 31, 1947.

During these months of suspense, hope and despair, food was scarce and the city of Rome overcrowded with refugees and escaped war prisoners. While mankind ignored cries for peace, the Vatican Information Bureau proclaimed the Church’s language of love during the devastations of war.

Sister Margherita is the author of several studies of Pius XII’s role in saving thousands of Jews and working for peace during the war years.

The gift of Bishop Serratelli

He will be sorely missed throughout the Archdiocese of Newark, where he was born and has served for more than 35 years as a priest.

The Holy See’s appointment of Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli as the new ordinary of the nearby Diocese of Paterson is a classic right man at the right time scenario.

A Newark native, Bishop Serratelli, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, has devoted his entire life to his God and the Church of Newark. The humble, effective, scholarly and productive manner in which he carried out his responsibilities have secured for Bishop Serratelli a lofty place in the history of the this Archdiocese.

We, of course, are happy for him. But that in no way diminishes the degree and depth of loss felt by those with whom he has worked and served all these years.

Yes, we will miss his warm presence and leadership, but we know that he will be God’s special gift to our neighbors across the Passaic River, and he will be in our memories and prayers — always.

Hospitals’ charity care threatened

The vital and needed lifesaving work of Catholic hospitals across New Jersey cannot be allowed to become a victim of the state’s budgetary axe.

The devastation that could result if Catholic hospitals do not receive adequate reimbursement for charity care and other valued services is an issue of deep concern among bishops of the Garden State.

For some time now the New Jersey Catholic Conference (NJCC) and the state’s 15 Catholic hospitals, have worked with legislators in Trenton on the issue.

As a result, a grassroots effort has been launched to call upon lawmakers to fund continued reimbursement of the state’s Catholic hospitals. Names and addresses of local legislators are available at www.njleg.state.nj.us. For additional information contact the Catholic HealthCare Partnership of New Jersey at (609) 936-2213 or go to www.chcpnj.org.

The Catholic healthcare ministry has served those who call New Jersey home since the founding of the state’s first hospital during the 1800s.

In a given year, the Catholic hospitals of New Jersey provide 23 percent of the documented charity care: \$178,797,837 to uninsured residents and 29 percent of all Medicaid services (\$118,575-083) to patients in need of health care. Where else can these people turn?

Pope praised by the president

In presenting Pope John Paul II with the prestigious Presidential Medal of Honor earlier this month, President George W. Bush called the aging Roman Pontiff a “hero of our time.” How true.

Although advanced age has taken an obvious physical toll, the pope continues to be an indispensable leader on the world stage pursuing with uncompromising tenacity his core beliefs and doctrine that have marked his pontificate for a quarter century.

The third meeting between the world leaders took place at the Vatican and coincided with presidential participation in celebrations of the 60th anniversary of the D-Day operation which began the liberation of Europe and helped end World War II.

The historically strong ties between the Vatican and the White House were evident in the pope’s warm welcome extended to the nation’s chief executive. He praised the president for his commitment to promoting moral values in American society, especially in relation to respect for life and the family.

But the international scene, a hallmark of this pontificate, received equal emphasis from Pope John Paul II. He reiterated his differences with the Bush administration on such world hot spots as the war in Iraq and the Middle East.

The role of the Holy Spirit in selecting pontiff

Over the last few months various people have asked me this question: “Who do you think will be the next pope?”

Of course, the question comes only sporadically. That is because the media periodically pronounces the pope to be a “dead man walking,” or a pontiff on the verge of retirement. However, this tough old Polish gentleman seems to fool them every time.

My response is always this: “How should I know? I am only a parish priest. I have never walked in that rarified atmosphere where the hierarchy dwells. I am in labor, not management.”

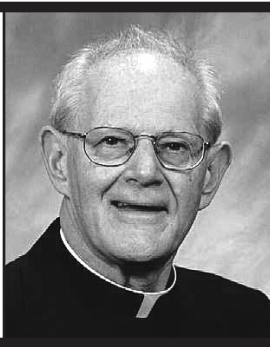
How could I possibly handicap a field of papal candidates when I don’t even know them? As Will Rogers was fond of saying, “All I know is what I read in the papers.” And most of what I read is often an ounce of reality and a pound of fantasy.

Yet, there are certain things we know.

First, the papal election is a political process. Of that there is no doubt. There are candidates—willing or unwilling. There are ballots that are cast. There is a Church waiting to be governed and a world situation in which the Church must be engaged. The truth is that not all cardinals are equipped to be a pope—even though certain ones might feel that they are worthy and ready. Also,

Voices

By Msgr. John Gilchrist



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I find it interesting that, at the very first ecumenical council held in Jerusalem, the apostles came out with a decree that read as follows: “It seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us” (Acts 15:28).

These men had argued and discussed certain problems. Finally, they came to a decision. Obviously when they had finally come to agreement, they presumed that their decision was from the “Holy Spirit.”

It has been that way ever since. The Church has

had a thousand debates and chosen 260 popes (the first one was a personal choice; Jesus chose Peter). And every time (except for a few confused and disputed elections) the presumption has been that when all is said and done, a particular man has been chosen by his peers but under the Divine Providence—this man was God’s man for this Church at this time.

For almost 2,000 years the Church has sailed along. Yes, the bark of Peter has had some strange, even weird, people at the helm. The old boat has pitched and rolled and at times has been driven off course. But through all the storms and all of the apparently unfit pilots, there is an invisible, powerful guiding hand at the helm.

She always rights herself and moves on. Somehow even the “wrong” man can be the “right” man when God is guiding not only the ship but the world.

Next time, God willing, let me put before you some of the popes of the 20th century. We should be able to see, in hindsight, why they were chosen. After that, let me place before you the situation of today’s Church.

Then you can perhaps calculate what type of man the Holy Spirit and the cardinals might be looking for in the next Roman pontiff. It might be interesting to guess on whose head the Holy Spirit might land. But don’t bet the ranch on a papal lottery. Mysterious, in fact Byzantine, are the ways of the Holy Roman Church of God.

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Dads have shown their love across the generations

Today’s dads change diapers and umpire Little League games, often in the same day. They tie shoes and braid hair, often in the same morning. They spoon pureed pears in nine-month-old mouths and explain to fifth graders why they cannot have a dance at St. Adelbert’s just because they are having one at the public school where some of their friends go. Often on the same evening.

Dads of my generation had it a lot easier. They just had to get up every morning at 5:30 and take the streetcar to work, half way across town, and come home each evening at 6:30 to collapse in their chairs, exhausted with the work of it all.

They never braided a pigtail, nor tasted those pureed pears. They never cheered at a Little League game nor drove a daughter to soccer practice.

Dads of my generation thought Pampers was what mom did when she took a bath after all the kids were in bed.

They knew that male bonding was a really, really good kind of glue. And they believed that a Marriage Encounter happened when both of them needed to use the house’s one bathroom at the same time.


Today’s dads start their parenting career even before they’ve laid eyes on the lovely little creature who will take up every second of their free time for the next twenty years (or forty, if truth be told) and be the object of nearly every thought in their conscious and unconscious mind for the rest of their lives.

They hold mom’s hand as the ultrasound technician points out the beautiful little creature’s head and hand and thumb. They are awestruck yet they keep repeating, “Don’t tell us if it’s a boy or a girl. We want to be surprised.”

A few months later they hold mom’s hand, remind her how to breathe, and count to ten as the next wave of pain descends. Most get to act as the doctor’s

Over the Coffee Cup

By Mary Costello



assistant and cut the cord; they do it without fainting or anything.

Dads in the 1950’s paced the floor in a grimy and gray waiting room while mom was in labor. They passed the time discussing the latest baseball scores with a guy who had been there since six in the morning smoking non-filter Camels. Some even escaped to the bar next door for a little pick-me-up while they waited.

No cord-cutting for these guys. (That would have been a little too much reality.)

Today, dad has the choice of being a stay-at-home dad while mom pursues a career as an ophthalmologist or a corporate attorney. They’re the ones who get to watch young Timmy take his first step; they’re also the ones who get to wake up in the middle of the night when Timmy throws up all over himself, his bed sheets and the carpeting.

If a dad of my generation went to the playground with the kids, the news that Mr. O’Brien had lost his job would have been all over the neighborhood in a flash.

Today’s dads say, “I love you” to their children as naturally as they tell them to stop before they cross the street.

Today’s dads start planning their child’s college fund the moment the pregnancy test turns up positive. They investigate savings plans and prepaid tuition before the child is potty-trained.

Dads of my generation thought they had fulfilled their educational responsibilities when the band struck up “Pomp and Circumstance” and we marched across the stage at the parish high school. And they had.

Today’s dads say “I love you” to their children as naturally as they tell them to stop before they cross the street. Those words seemed to be hard for my dad’s generation.

The dads of my generation loved their children just as much as today’s dads. They proved that love by landing on bloody beaches at Normandy and Iwo Jima. They worked for 40 or 50 years at menial and boring jobs and never once said they needed to take

a few months—or years—off to “find themselves.” They never had a life coach nor a personal trainer.

If they had a mid-life crisis (though I never heard of one who did) they didn’t buy a Jaguar, they painted the house a

darker shade of green.

Their love was demonstrated in different ways. While they seldom hugged us nor whispered those precious words, we knew they loved us. In fact, today, when we count our blessings they’re at the top of the list. And when, almost daily, we’re reminded of them by a certain look in our son’s eyes or a phrase tossed off by a grandson, we smile and say to our selves “I love you, Dad.”

Mary Costello is a freelance columnist.

Pope cites Reagan's abiding faith

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope John Paul II paid tribute to the late President Ronald Reagan, noting his “unwavering commitment” to the cause of freedom and his important role in the fall of European communism.

The pope was visiting Switzerland when Reagan, president of the U.S. from 1981-89, died June 5 at age 93. Reagan had suffered for more than a decade from Alzheimer's disease.

“The pope recalled the contributions of President Reagan to the historical events that changed the lives of millions of people, especially in Europe,” Joaquin Navarro-Valls, the Vatican spokesman, told reporters.

In a telegram to Nancy Reagan, the late president's wife, the pope expressed his sadness.

“I offer to you and your family my heartfelt condolences and the assurance of my prayers for his eternal rest,” the pope said.

“I recall with deep gratitude the late president's unwavering commitment to the service of the nation and to the cause of freedom, as well as his abiding faith in the human and spiritual values which ensure a future of solidarity, justice and peace in

our world,” the pope added.

Navarro-Valls announced June 8 that the pope was sending Cardinal Angelo Sodano, Vatican secretary of state, to Washington for Reagan's funeral June 11.

The spokesman said that when President George W. Bush visited the Vatican June 4 the pope knew Reagan was very sick and sent a warm message to Mrs. Reagan at that time.

Reagan met with the pope four times as president—twice at the Vatican and twice in the United States.

It was under Reagan that the United States finally established full diplomatic relations with the Vatican in 1984.

The president and the pope, along with former Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, are considered by many to have been the main protagonists in the disbanding of the Soviet empire and the fall of communist governments throughout Eastern Europe.

In unpublicized visits and through diplomatic channels, Reagan administration officials provided information to the pope and his aides on events in Eastern Europe, particularly in the pope's native Poland.

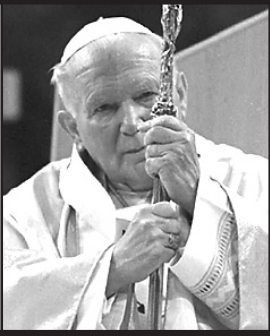


Flags in front of the Archdiocesan Center, Newark, fly at half-mast in tribute to President Reagan who died June 5.

Advocate photo-Ward Miele

The Pope Speaks

Pope John Paul II



Listen to call of the Lord

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Here is the Vatican summary of Pope John Paul II's remarks in English at his weekly general audience June 9 and the text of his greetings to English speakers present.

Dear brothers and sisters,

During my recent visit to Switzerland, I encouraged the young people to respond with enthusiasm to the Lord's call. Christ invites each of us to “rise,” to “listen” and to “follow Him.” Only in this way—as followers of Christ—can we discover the full meaning and purpose of our lives.

On Trinity Sunday I appealed for a renewed commitment to work for Christian unity. The Holy Spirit is the source of that unity, and is also the inspiration for our mission to proclaim the truth revealed in Christ.

May Christians everywhere discover the wonderful harmony between faith and life, and so accomplish with joy the mission to which God calls them.

I extend a warm welcome to the English-speaking pilgrims here today, especially the many school and university students and other groups from England, Finland, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and the United States. Upon all of you I invoke the grace and peace of Jesus Christ, and I wish you many blessings during your stay in Rome.

Sacred wounds, divine love reflected in all creation

Readings: Zec 12:10-11,13:1; Ps 63; Gal 3:26-29; Lk 9:18-24.

The Rose upon the wall
Cries—I am the voice of Fire:
And in me grows
The pomegranate splendor of Death,
the ruby garnet almandine
Dews: Christ's Wounds in me shine!...
I cry of Christ, Who is the ultimate Fire.
Who will burn away the cold in the heart of Man...
Edith Sitwell, *The Canticle of the Rose*

The eyes of faith notice the imprint of God's love everywhere in creation. The Christian poet celebrates the supreme gift of Christ's loving sacrifice as the bright flame that warms the heart of a humanity frozen in the grip of selfishness. Does the red rose or the dogwood flower remind us of Christ's wounds?

Perhaps many in our time need to learn again how to read the mystery of divine love in the book of nature, rejoicing in the imprint of the Word on the beauty of our world.

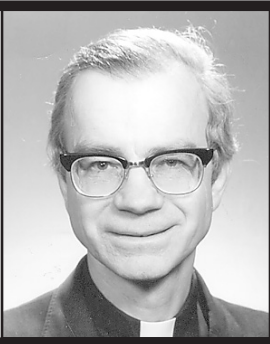
This type of prayer as we pursue the ordinary tasks of life complements the solemn drama of the daily or weekly Eucharist. Undoubtedly Jesus prayed thus, and Luke notes that He sought quiet solitude with the heavenly Father before each major step of His public ministry (9:18).

When would the disciples come to know Him in the context of His mission? His question about “public opinion” leads to another about the experience of those who followed Him closely. Peter represents their perception: “(You are) the Christ (Anointed One) of God” (9:20). The Hebrew term “messiah” is rendered cor-

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By Father Lawrence Frizzell



rectly to convey the concept of an unction symbolizing royal and/or priestly office.

Many thought of a victorious descendant of David, but Jesus surprised them by speaking of persecution and death, followed by resurrection on the third day.

Still falls the Rain—
Still falls the Blood from the Starved Man's
wounded Side: He bears in His Heart all wounds...
Edith Sitwell, *Still Falls the Rain*

The various sufferings and tragedies of life must be borne by each generation. Should they be considered merely as the fate of those afflicted, whether by nature or human malice? Rather, Jesus taught that the burdens and trials of life can be endowed with a potential for life, light and resurrection. Christ has identified already with all human woes and has taken them into His loving sacrifice.

The challenge of discipleship is to deny self, take up the cross daily and follow the pattern of Christ's service of God and neighbor.

Just as Christians in ages past saw Christ's wounds

in the markings of a flower or a sand dollar, they also searched the Scriptures for a foreshadowing of His suffering and death. As they read Zechariah, evocations of the triumphant entry into Jerusalem (9:9-10), the price of Judas' betrayal (11:12), the scattering of disciples (13:7) were obvious. The city of Jerusalem, where the descendants of David had ruled, would be blessed mysteriously as its inhabitants looked on Him whom they had pierced, mourning for Him as bereaved parents grieve for an only son (12:10).

The Fourth Gospel testifies to the Roman soldier's lance-thrust, which it understands to fulfill a passage from the Torah (Ex 12:46; Num 9:12) and the prophets (Zech 12:10). The Passover lamb was associated with the daily offering of two lambs for the forgiveness of sin; in the same way, the outpouring of divine grace described by Zechariah is linked to a fountain with the capacity to purify from sin and uncleanness (13:1).

The human need for redemption, for a rescue from the evils we bring upon each other, has its response in the creative power of divine forgiveness.

Proclaim our Christ, and roar, “Let there be harvest!
Let there be no more Poor—
For the Son of God is sowed in every furrow!”
Edith Sitwell, *The Shadow of Cain*

Even if this cry fell on deaf ears and nations destroyed each other in the cataclysm of war, the poet calls for renewed faith in the redemptive death of Christ.

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Our Lady of Peace, New Providence

Emphasis on youth makes for an active community

BY BRIAN FORES

Staff Reporter

Father Sean Cunneen, describing the town of New Providence—where he has been pastor of Our Lady of Peace Parish for nearly eight years—uses adjectives like “family-oriented,” “sports-minded,” and a bit “Norman Rockwell—a peaceful, giving, salt-of-the-earth community.”

He said that the parish, which consists of 1,900 families, reflects the town. “There are many young families in New Providence, starter homes, as well as families that have been here for decades,” he commented. “The town and the parish are very much alive. We have an active pastoral council, and volunteerism is high.”

The parish’s elementary school, which opened in November 1954, is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. The school, which includes Pre-K through grade 8, offers “before and after” care option to its families.

Diane Pollak, who has been principal at Our Lady of Peace for five years, spoke proudly of her students’ enthusiasm for learning and her faculty’s dedication to teaching the school’s aggressive curriculum, which includes not only core subjects, but Spanish in grades K-8, an algebra option in grade 8, and extensive computer training in all grades.

Progress in curriculum

The school has state-of-the-art computer technology in the classrooms, a centralized computer laboratory and portable wireless laptops available to students for research and classroom projects.

Pollak commented, “Our Lady of Peace children consistently do above national and local averages on standardized tests. We are blessed in many ways, particularly with parents who are very supportive and involved in school life.”

With her eye on the future, Pollak and her staff are aggressively pursuing Middle States accreditation and curriculum advancements that will assure continued student academic success in the years ahead.

The parish’s religious education program has over 600 participants.

Mary Clinton, who is finishing her third year as director of religious education and who has been at Our Lady of Peace for 17 years, noted that there are 60 catechists “for religious education classes alone.” In



Above, the imposing façade of Our Lady of Peace Parish. Right, a warm and welcoming interior greets the faithful.

the past two years, she has been working to implement Seventh and Eighth Grade Alive, which would accommodate the ever-growing demand for new classes.

“It’s a program that includes an independent study at home. Through the program, a parent and child commit to study the textbook and come back with the assignments completed. Then, when the students do come in, we can devote our time to a ‘spiritual night,’ where we usually have a speaker or do more hands-on type of work,” she explained.

Clinton said other developments include First Communions being celebrated during Sunday liturgy, which began last year. “First Communion is celebrated with the entire parish community. Parishioners are welcoming, celebrating with and congratulating the families,” she stated, adding, “It’s been a wonderful experience.”

Maureen Miller, youth minister for grades five through eight (consisting of two groups) for the past four years, helps some 200 children in their spiritual development.

“Our focus is spiritual, service, social and snacks, because kids are always hungry,” she noted with a laugh. “For service projects, we decorate banners for whatever the season—Easter, Christmas, Thanksgiving—for patients at Veterans Hospital in Lyons.” She said that the youth groups also volunteer time at the Hillside Food Bank and the Glenside Nursing Center.



Miller said that the youth groups were awarded a grant from the Pay It Forward Foundation (based on the novel and movie) to make quilts for infants born with H.I.V. The second part of the grant is for stationery kits, complete with pens, paper, envelopes and stamps, “all tied with a bow,” for the homebound and elderly, “so they can write letters to their loved ones,” she noted.

Miller explained her goals as youth minister at Our Lady of Peace: “One of things I feel is most important is for the children to experience the social aspect of the Church, outside of the structure of a classroom. I also work to get those who attend different schools within town to get to know one another.”

Kathy Cirrotti, a parishioner at Our Lady of Peace for 10 years, for the last four years has been working with the parish’s youngest children.

She, along with several other mothers, has implemented the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, a

religious education program begun by Sofia Cavalletti and based on the Montessori Method, which advocates self-teaching and self-discovery. The program, which teaches children four to eight years old, now has 45 students in five classes overall.

“All the activities are very hands-on,” Cirrotti said. “We have different items set up—a tiny altar, a tiny chalice, and different religious articles. If the child is holding a tiny chalice, they will remember better what a chalice is used for,” she explained.

“When we teach them about the parable of the Good Shepherd, we have wooden figurines of a shepherd and sheep. We read the story, and use the figures to help the children visualize. When we teach the parable of the mustard seed, we have actual Jerusalem mustard seeds, which are extremely small, and we give one to each child so they can hold it in their hand. The next week, the children can work with the figures, and tell the story themselves, or read it again,” she added.

A ‘beautiful church’

“Parents have told us that their children are recognizing the articles from the Mass, different moments and gestures, such as the offering of gifts or washing of hands. Now when they see the priest wash his hands, they understand why. The parents can’t believe how much the children are paying attention,” Cirrotti emphasized.

Raymond Cooney, a Knights of Columbus member and parishioner at Our Lady of Peace since 1951, offers a unique perspective on the parish’s emphasis on education: “I was part of purchasing the ground for the new church. Actually, the school came up first. We wanted to make sure we were working with the youth, giving them a strong Catholic education.”

“During that time, Masses were held in the school’s basement. Then we built the gymnasium, so the children could receive a proper physical education. After that, Masses were held there. The church came last,” he noted.

“Our Lady of Peace is a beautiful church,” Cooney said. “It’s a very warm community that works well together. It’s a wonderful experience,” he added.

Father Cunneen concurred, saying, “Openness to the Spirit is how I would describe Our Lady of Peace. There are a lot of unsung heroes that make sandwiches for St. Joseph’s Social Service Center in Elizabeth, collect clothes, and donate their time and effort—a lot of people that don’t want any public notice or credit, but are happy, simply to serve.”

Advocate photos—Frank Wood

Local mission named for peace, thrives

On a Sunday morning in February 1919, a group of former parishioners of St. Teresa Parish, Summit, and St. Mary Parish, Stony Hill, gathered in the old Council Chamber of New Providence Borough Hall for the first Mass of the new mission in the borough.

World War I had recently ended, so a request was made to the bishop that this new mission be known as Our Lady of Peace. Until a little church could be built, the parishioners asked to rent the New Providence Council Chambers. The mayor and council not only let the group use the facility, but also offered it rent-free.

Within a year, with wood obtained from a ball field no longer used, a little church was built on Springfield Avenue. On Dec. 21, 1919, the first Mass in the new church was offered. The priests of St. Teresa's served the mission by saying Sunday Mass, and the Trinitarian Sisters from Summit came to prepare the children for First Communion and Confirmation, first in local homes and then in the church. This original tiny church stood until it was sold and demolished in 1955.

Until 1942, Our Lady of Peace remained a mission assigned to other churches in the Stirling and Summit areas. On June 5, 1942, an official notice from the Archbishop of Newark was issued, calling the mission "a new, separate and distinct parish, to be known as the parish of Our Lady of Peace."

On June 18, 1942, the first pastor, Father Joseph Fallon, arrived in New Providence. He was warmly welcomed by the parishioners and, since there was no rectory, they quickly made arrangements for temporary living quarters for him. In a little over a year, an eight-room house on Springfield Avenue was purchased and renovated as a rectory.

During the next several years, parish activities flourished. Religious instructions for First Communion and Confirmation were firmly organized. Parishioner numbers grew and it became obvi-

ment church (now the school library) was celebrated. A month later on Nov. 22, 1954, the church complex and convent were dedicated. During the same month, Our Lady of Peace School opened its doors under the leadership of Sister Margaret, O.P. In one year the student enrollment more than doubled. The first diplomas were issued to eighth grade students on Sunday, June 21, 1959.

With the growth in student enrollment, it was necessary to convert the existing basement church for school uses, so the present auditorium then served as the church. After 13 years of dedicated service as pastor, Father Doherty died on his birthday, Sept. 22, 1963.

Father Doherty was succeeded by Father Gerard P. Kelly on Feb. 29, 1964. By June 1965, funds had been raised to begin work on a new church and rectory at the South Street location. Ground was broken on June 27, 1965.

More than 1,000 people braved deep snow to celebrate the first Mass in this innovative "church in the round" at midnight, Christmas 1966. The new rectory and parish offices were occupied by September 1967. On Christmas morning 1974, Father Kelly passed away.

Msgr. Paul J. Hayes was



Above, Archbishop Thomas A. Boland blessed and dedicated the new church and rectory in June 1967. Father Gerard P. Kelly, Pastor, assisted.

ous that an expanded facility was necessary. Father Fallon and his parishioners began plans to buy property for a larger church, but Father Fallon passed away on the morning of June 19, 1950.

Father Peter J. Doherty was appointed the second pastor of the Our Lady of Peace Parish in June 1950. In 1952, the Archdiocese approved the acquisition of land for construction of a combined church and school,

as well as an auditorium and convent. That same year a plot of land with a small house was purchased on South Street. This is the property where the existing church is located.

Until the larger facility could be built, Our Lady of Peace used the home owned by the DeAngelis family also on South Street (now St. Andrew's Episcopal Church) for meetings. The small house on the South Street property served as offices for the parish.

By October 1954, the first Mass in the new base-

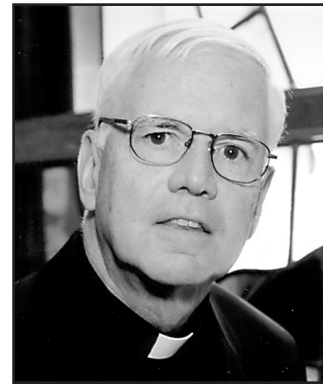


Three decades ago, the parish hosted the first Crossroads session sponsored by the Union County CYO.

appointed pastor of Our Lady of Peace in April 1975. In the years that followed, the parish continued to grow in activities and population. Under his leadership, an administrative office attached to the living quarters and an all-purpose facility attached to the gymnasium were constructed. Msgr. Hayes retired in 1995 after having shepherded the parish for 20 years. During that period, the school flourished as well.

Sister Rose Marie, O.P., was appointed the seventh principal in 1973. Principals who served between the terms of Sister Margaret and Sister Rose Marie were Dominican Sisters Catherine

Meet the Pastor



Father Sean Cunneen

Age: 63

Date of Birth: Feb. 14, 1941

High School: St. Benedict's Prep, Newark

College/Seminary/Graduate

School: St. John's University, Collegeville, MN: B.A., Philosophy; St. Mary's Abbey School of Theology, Morristown, NJ; Assumption College, Worcester, MA: M.A., French.

Date of Ordination: April 1, 1967

Hero: Msgr. Ed Price

Favorite Saint: Elizabeth Seton

Favorite Sport: Swimming

Favorite Food: Meatballs and spaghetti

Favorite Subject in School: Languages

Favorite Movie: John Huston's 1987 *The Dead*

Last Book Read: *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Philippa Gregory

Proudest Moment: First Pastorate, 1985, Holy Rosary-St. Michael's, Elizabeth

Occupation if I weren't a Priest: Have a piano shop

Bernadette, Elizabeth Francis, Marita, Maureen Murnane and M. DeLima.

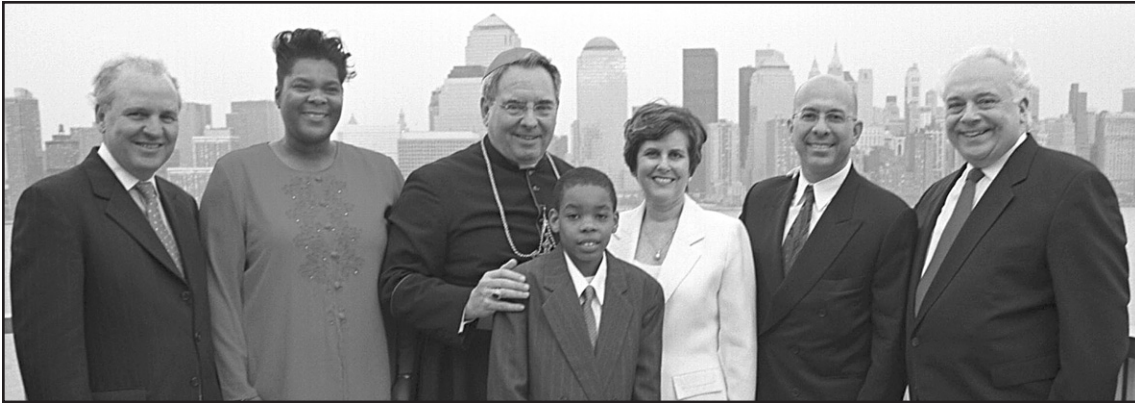
Msgr. Hayes was succeeded by Msgr. Joseph P. Plunkett in July 1995. During his tenure, Sister Christine Iacobacci, S.S.J. was appointed successor to Sister Rose Marie, who retired in 1996.

When Msgr. Plunkett returned to his work in the inner city in 1997, he was succeeded by Father Sean Cunneen. Father Cunneen joined fellow priests Father Robert Cio, parochial vicar, and Father John Rock, weekend assistant, in shepherding a parish that had grown from a tiny mission with some 20 families to a congregation of about 1,900 families.

In an effort to increase parishioner participation in the leadership and activities so important to parish life, a pastoral council was established. The first parish census in over 20 years is in the process, and plans have been laid for RENEW 2000, a response to Pope John Paul II's call for a new evangelization through gatherings of small faith-sharing groups.



Msgr. Paul Hayes helps the crew of *Clearly Catholic*, a cable public access program created and produced by members of Our Lord of Peace, mark its first anniversary in 1989. With the monsignor are, left to right, Barbara Maggi, Communications Coordinator, and co-producers Jean Ryan and Betty O'Brien.



With the New York skyline as a background, guests of honor with Archbishop Myers at the 30th annual Catholic Community Services gala included, left to right, Charles Kushner, chairman of Kushner Companies and co-chair of the dinner; Veronica Smith, recipient of the Spirit of the Heart award; Montel Houghton, recipient of the Spirit of the Heart award; Anne Evans Estabrook, named Humanitarian of the Year; Henry J. Amoroso, chairman of the Catholic Community Services Board of Trustees, and Phillip Frese, executive director of CCS. The gala took place in Jersey City.

Gala celebrates the helping hand of Catholic Community Services

Two personal testimonials to the benefits provided by agencies of Catholic Community Services (CCS) in the Archdiocese of Newark touched the hearts of nearly 400 guests attending the 30th annual CCS gala.

"Spirit of the Heart, a Celebration of Faith, Hope and Charity," was held at the Hyatt Regency Jersey City on the Hudson.

For the first time, the Spirit of the Heart award was presented to two CCS clients who demonstrated resilience of heart and spirit to achieve positive change in their lives in the face of adversity.

Most Rev. John J. Myers, Archbishop of Newark, who hosted the evening, presented the Humanitarian of the Year Award to Anne Evans Estabrook, Spring Lake, chief executive of Elberon Development Company and president of David O. Evans, Inc., a property management and construction company.

Archbishop Myers noted, "We can look at CCS as having a history of 101 years of working to change the lives of people in need. But in reality, the men and women who have helped CCS share a tradition reaching back more than 2000 years of answering the call of our Lord." The archbishop commended Estabrook for being "a stalwart and steady supporter of the work of CCS, of the Archdiocese and all of its institutions."

Illustrating the work of the many agencies under the auspices of CCS, the recipients of the Spirit of the Heart award, Montel Houghton, Jersey City, an 11-year-old boy who was referred to the CCS Family

Resource Center two years ago, and Veronica Smith, Newark, now an instructor for CCS Workforce Development Certified Nursing Assistant program, told their stories during the program.

Smith worked in the health care industry for 24 years and also provided day care in her home for working mothers. The two jobs allowed her to own a house.

A merger of the hospital where she worked resulted in the loss of her job, and, ultimately, her house. She became homeless until CCS assisted her in regaining



Anne Evans Estabrook, honored at the annual Catholic Community Services gala as the Humanitarian of the Year, is presented her award by Archbishop Myers.

ing her career and a home.

Smith explained that even though she and her seven children were homeless and living in a shelter sponsored by CCS, she never lost her faith in God, and today has an apartment and a job.

Montel was referred to the Family Resource Center of CCS two years ago, having suffered a number of personal losses.

His foster grandmother, who accompanied him to the gala, encouraged him to participate in services offered by CCS. He enrolled in the Family Resource Center's after school program, and excelled in art and photography.

A display of his works was featured at the gala. Henry Amoroso, chairman of the board of CCS, thanked the co-chairs of the event, George Zoffinger, president and CEO of the New Jersey Sports Authority, and Charles Kushner, chairman of the Kushner Companies, and the guests for their support of CCS. Amoroso announced that the gala had raised over \$1 million.

"These funds will enable us to sustain and build upon our mission to provide help and create hope in the lives of people in need," he stated.

Phillip Frese, executive director of CCS, thanked the over 1,000 employees of CCS for their "dedication and devotion" to the mission of CCS. "They truly make this organization what it is," he said. He noted that staff of CCS works to provide shelter to the homeless, help the unemployed, and provide food for the hungry and services for immigrants.

Proceeds of the gala benefit programs and services of Catholic Community Services which serves people who are homeless, hungry, ill, disabled and poor in Essex, Union, Hudson and Bergen County.

Zoffinger, who was master of ceremonies, said, "It is a privilege to be part of an event that generates much-needed funds for one of New Jersey's oldest and largest nonprofit, nonsectarian social services agency."

Around the Archdiocese

June 17

Most Blessed Sacrament Parish, Franklin Lakes, bereavement support group meeting at parish center from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Call Sister Rose Marie at (201) 891-4200.

June 19

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Nutley, car wash sponsored by Youth Ministry from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at 120 Prospect Street. \$5 per car. Call Father Tom Ciba at (973) 667-2580.

June 21

Queen of Peace Parish, North Arlington, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the LaSalle Center, 200 Ridge Road (use front entrance).

June 23

Office of Human Concerns, Archdiocese of Newark, Understanding Environmental Justice Workshop from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Avenue, Newark. Call Kay Furlani at (973) 497-4341.



August 16

Ascension Parish, New Milford, trip to Cape Cod, MA, for the week of Aug. 16 through 20. Cost \$420 per person (double occupancy). Call Josie at (201) 265-0485 or Anna at (201) 387-2632.

Church bulletins sought

Parish bulletins are needed by *The Catholic Advocate*. The front cover rendition of church buildings will be used on the Around the Archdiocese page. Send a bulletin to P. O. Box 9500, Newark, NJ 07104-0500.

Local Highlights

Spiritual

• The Family Life Ministries Hispanic component will sponsor *Solo Para Hombres* with Father Camilo Arzeleaz, for men who want to grow in faith and spirituality, on July 17, from 8:30 a.m. to noon, at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Ave., Newark. Call (973) 497-4326.

Singles

• St. Phil's Singles of St. Philomena Parish, Livingston, will play miniature golf at Anchor Golfand, 21 Rt. 10 East, Whippany, June 26 at 7:30 p.m. Call (973) 340-4001 or visit www.hometstead.com/stphilssingles.

Reunions

• The Class of '44 of St. Michael's High School, Newark, is planning a "Big 60" get-together for late spring. Looking for surviving alumni, including sibling classes of '43 and '45. Call Bill Sullivan at (732) 681-5826 or Edna and Charlie Smith at (908) 889-2152.

• Our Lady of Good Counsel, Newark, class of 1954, will hold its 50th reunion on Nov. 6 at Ocean Place Resort and Spa in Long Branch. Contact Flora Donovan Friery at (973) 481-0938 or jgaylord@aol.com, or Barbara Stecher Leddy at (908) 522-0510.

Fundraisers

• The College of Saint Elizabeth, Morristown, will hold its third annual Scholarship and Excellence Dinner Dance

on June 17 at the Madison Hotel. Tickets and information can be obtained by contacting the CSE Office of Institutional Advancement at (973) 290-4450.

• A garage sale to benefit the Sisters of Villa Maria will be held on June 11 and 12, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., including furniture, clothing, and more, at 641 Somerset St., North Plainfield. Call (908) 757-3050.

Retreat

• St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Bloomfield, Ministry of Spiritual Direction is hosting a Fourth of July Weekend Retreat by the Ocean, from July 1 through July 4, at the Upper Room Spiritual Center, West Bangs Ave., Neptune. Call Anna Graziano at (973) 338-9538.

Carnival

• St. Mary Parish, Nutley, is sponsoring a carnival from June 29 to July 4, featuring food, rides, exhibitions and entertainment for children and adults. Call (973) 661-3247.

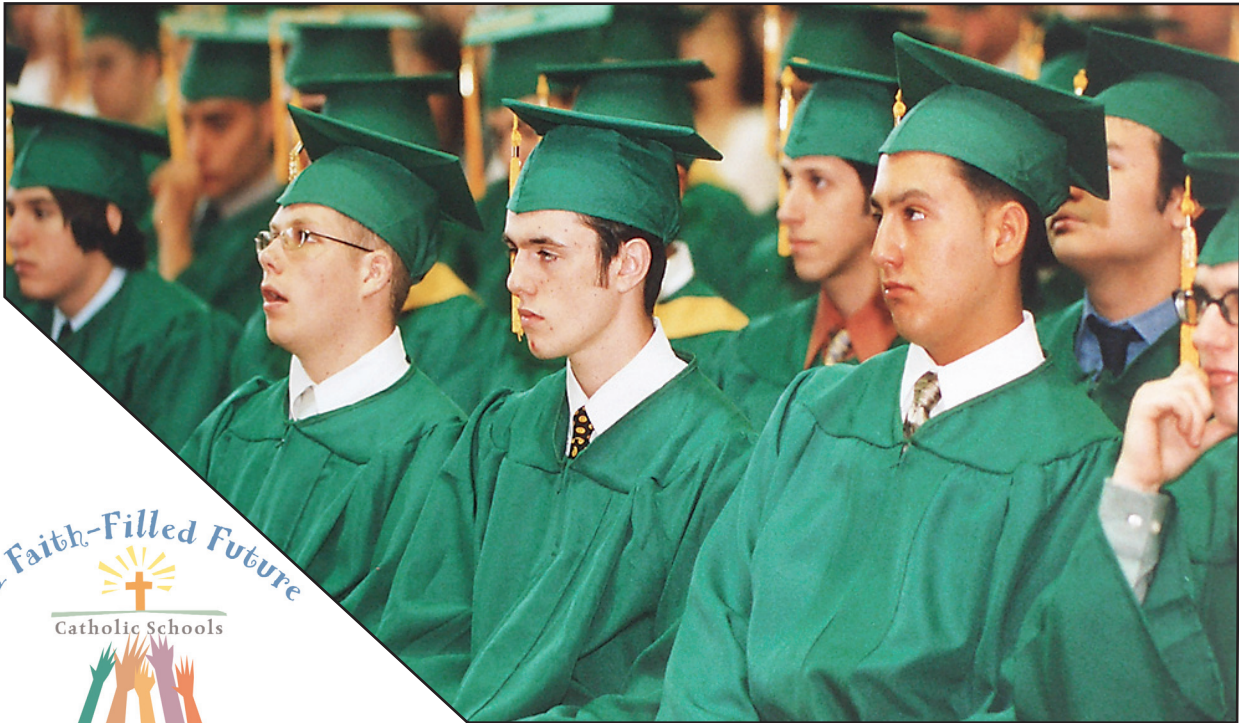
Discernment Weekend

• Sisters of St. John the Baptist will offer a "Come and See" week of discernment in Gladstone, for women between 16 and 30 who are considering the Religious life, from July 2 through July 7 at the Convent of St. John, Gladstone. Call Sister Anne Dolores Van Wagenen at (718) 442-6240 ext. 196.



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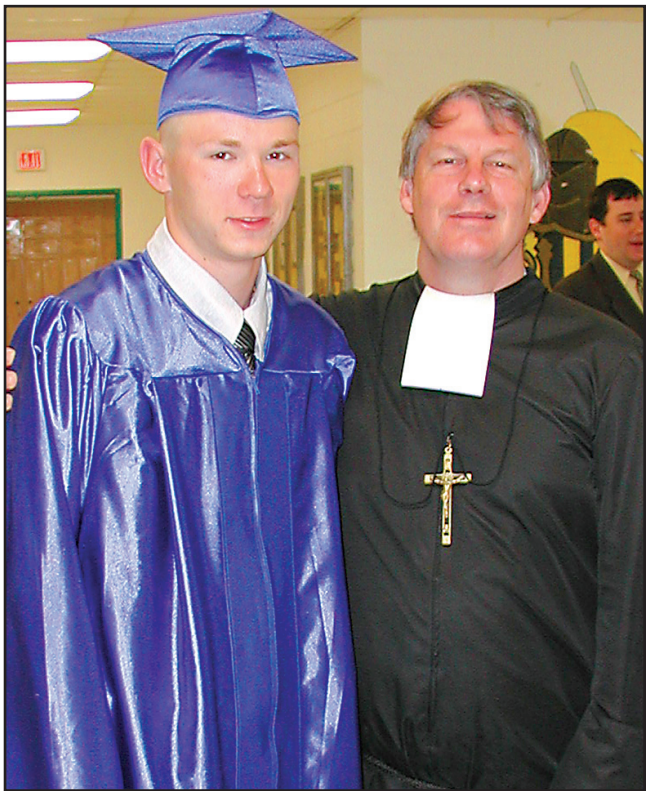
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Sister Arline (back left) and kindergarteners from Lori Offreda's (back right) class prepare to walk to help children in need around the world.



Sister Arline keeps pace with seventh graders Karina Albarran and Gina Velez to raise money for the school's annual walk-a-thon, which benefits HCA.

Students put best foot forward for Holy Childhood Association

Last month the students from Garfield Catholic Academy held a walk-a-thon to benefit the Holy Child Association (HCA), giving them the opportunity to help needy children in mission lands.

This annual event increases students' awareness of others living in circumstances different than their own, emphasizing

their Christian responsibility to take care of the poor and spread the faith.

A total of \$1,865 was raised and collected through the students' efforts. Sister Arline Zurich, O.S.B., HCA coordinator, joined the children on the walk.

The Academy's mission moderator, fourth grader teacher

Stephanie Buglione, organized the event and was assisted by the principal, Terri Suchocki, parent Renée DiGirolamo and many other volunteer parents.

"HCA teaches children the joy of sharing what they have, and they know that their funds go directly to children's programs in developing countries," noted Sister Arline.

Obituaries

Msgr. Joseph C. Manz, pastor 19 years

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated June 2 for Msgr. Joseph C. Manz, 88, who died May 27.

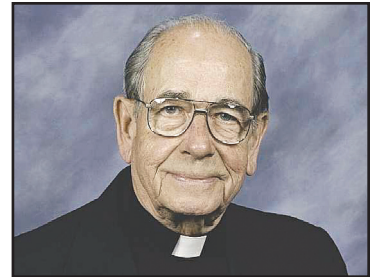
Msgr. Manz was born in Brooklyn, NY and raised in Hohenokus. He attended Seton Hall University and Immaculate Conception Seminary and was ordained in 1940 by Archbishop Thomas J. Boland.

His first assignment was at Church of the Epiphany, Cliffside Park, as associate pastor and then as administrator until

1957. He was then appointed procurator of Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington. He was named a monsignor in 1962.

In 1967 Msgr. Manz became the third pastor of St. Nicholas Parish, Jersey City, serving for 19 years before retiring in 1986. He was instrumental in establishing many programs and carrying out extensive renovations at St. Nicholas.

Following his retirement, he helped minister at various parishes including Blessed



Msgr. Joseph C. Manz

Sacrament, Franklin Lakes, and Our Lady Mother of the Church, Woodcliff Lake, where he was in residence at the time of his death.

Sister Mary Inviolata, educator

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated May 14 for Sister Mary Inviolata Olchanowska, C.S.S.F., 95, who died May 12.

Sister Inviolata entered the Felician Sisters in 1925. She received a B.A. degree from Seton Hall University.

Ministering as an elementary educator for 55 years in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Oklahoma and Maryland, her assignments in the Archdiocese of Newark

included teaching at the following schools: Sacred Heart, Irvington; St. Anne and St. Anthony, Jersey City; St. Adalbert, Elizabeth; St. Stanislaus and St. Casimir, Newark; St. Stanislaus, Garfield, and Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Bayonne. She also served at the provincial house in Lodi as sacristan and in other capacities from 1982 until 2001, when she retired and became a resident at Our Lady of Lourdes Hall Infirmary, Lodi.

Pray for Them

Eleanor Weiner, mother of Father James J. Weiner, Pastor at Saint Luke Parish, Ho-Ho-Kus, died June 3.

Margaret Bauman, mother of

Father John F. X. Bauman, Parochial Vicar at Saint Anne Parish, Jersey City, and Sister Mary Lou Bauman, O.P., died June 6.

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Seniors seek spirituality

Senior citizens from Holy Family Parish, Nutley accompanied by Sister Eileen Hubbert, S.S.J., visited the Shrine of Saint Joseph, Sterling, last month for a Day of Renewal.

Father Stephen Ernst, S.T., Director of Retreats, planned the day's events, which consisted of Mass, spiritual talks, Reconciliation, devotions and a luncheon

served by priests. In his homily, Father Ernst cited the key ingredient of purity of heart.

The Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, a Religious community of priests and brothers, staff the shrine. They founded the shrine, located in the Watchung Mountains, in 1924. Over a two-day period, the shrine celebrated its 80th anniversary in April, culminating with a bilingual liturgy.

Thousands of people are welcomed at the Shrine of St. Joseph every year. They visit the chapel, the gift and book shop, the Hall of Saints, the outdoor Stations of the Cross, the restored original Shrine to St. Joseph, and the "Turning From Violence" icon. A Tower of Remembrance was built to honor the 9/11 victims with reverence and hope for healing. Set in a garden of Jerusalem stone, the tower is a two-story structure made from the beams of the World Trade Center, with four bells in the middle. The victims' names are engraved in bronze on the garden walls.



Father Vincent Fitzpatrick, S.T. welcomes Sister Eileen Hubbert to the shrine.



Students at St. Mary School, Cranford, take part in the annual May Crowning. The event involves the entire student body from Pre-K to eighth grade. The students were joined in prayer and song by faculty members.

Dead Sea Scrolls on display again

JERUSALEM (CNS) — The Shrine of the Book, which houses the Dead Sea Scrolls, reopened June 7 following a yearlong renovation project.

The renovation of the Shrine of the Book, which is part of the Israel Museum,

cost \$3 million and included repairs on the outside of the structure as well as a complete overhaul of the inside to bring it up to date with modern exhibition technology.

Dating from the third century B.C. to the first century B.C.,

the scrolls are among the most ancient biblical manuscripts in the world and provide insight into ancient Jewish history and the historical context from which Christianity emerged. They were discovered in the Qumran caves near the Dead Sea in 1947.

The permanent display featuring the original scrolls also highlights the 10th-century Aleppo Codex—the oldest and most complete compilation of the Hebrew Bible until the discovery of the scrolls. The display expands the shrine's presentation of the history of the Hebrew Bible and underscores the shrine's role as a center for the study of biblical manuscripts, said Adolfo Roitman, head of the Shrine of the Book and curator of the Dead Sea Scrolls.

Other biblical texts will be displayed, some for the first time.

"On one hand we upgraded the present exhibition, reorganizing it ... so people can understand the intellectual and religious depth of the [Qumran] community and why this should interest us as modern researchers. On the other hand there is also a conceptual development ... exhibiting the stages of the Hebrew Bible through antiquity to modern days," Roitman said.

"Suddenly people will understand how we have reached [the compilation of] the modern-day Bible. Suddenly the text comes alive; the Bible is a living text," he said.

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The 80th anniversary of the Shrine of St. Joseph, Stirling, was celebrated recently with Bishop Frank Rodimer, Diocese of Paterson, presiding. With Bishop Rodimer, fifth from left, are Father Austin Walsh, S.T., second from left, Custodian General of the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity; Father Peter Krebs, S.T., fourth from left, Director of the Shrine, and other clergy concelebrants.

European bishops urge Catholics to make a clear expression of faith

WARSAW, Poland (CNS) — European bishops on a pilgrimage to an Austrian shrine told Catholics not to hide their faith.

"Each of us can make a vital contribution by seeking alliances with people of good will," heads of bishops' conferences from eight countries said in a pastoral letter read in churches throughout the region on Pentecost, May 30.

"At a time when so many know Christ only superficially or not at all, Europe will only be blessed when we express our faith clearly and our parishes become schools of prayer," they said.

The appeal was issued after the May 21-23 pilgrimage to Mariazell, Austria.

Some 100,000 Catholics from Austria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia attended.

The appeal by the bishops of those countries said European Christians were "submerged in a wave of words and images with little in common with God" and should be more outgoing.

"Do not hide your faith or shrink from the path leading you into the future," the bishops said.

"Christians can win respect and gratitude by giving generously to the welfare of civil society as a force for worldwide compassion," they said.

The bishops also urged Catholics to defend life and keep Sundays as a holy day, while also preserving marriages

and families as the "foundation of society and hope of the Church."

The pilgrimage, titled "Christ the hope for Europe," marked the end of a yearlong Central European Catholic festival hosted by the Austrian Church.

Thirteen cardinals, 200 bishops and six heads of states were among those who attended the conference.

In a message to participants, Pope John Paul II said the festival had pointed to "a blessed time when all people will be able to live in peace and prosperity" through Christian values.

Austrian Cardinal Christoph Schonborn of Vienna urged pilgrims to be "a light of hope where everything seems veiled by a night of doubt."

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- From June 27 to July 2 a preached retreat, Signs and Bearers of God's Love, will be held. Two daily conferences along with morning and evening prayer will assist participants to reflect on vocation, mission, community and prayer. Daily Eucharist and the opportunity for the sacrament of Reconciliation are included. The retreat begins on the first day with dinner at 5:30 p.m. and ends the last day with lunch. The cost is \$285 with a deposit of \$100.

- A T'ai Chi Chih Process Retreat will take place June 27-July 2. Daily instruction, practice of movements, meditation, centering prayer and optional activities are included in the retreat. Comfortable clothes and socks or soft soled canvas shoes are required. The retreat begins on the first day with dinner at 5:30 p.m. and ends the last day after breakfast. The cost is \$285, the deposit is \$100.

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Children should bring their own snacks and lunch which can be refrigerated. Participants must also bring each day sun screen, a towel, swimsuit, water bottle and flip-flops. Activities include academically oriented programs in computers, science, reading, writing, and math. Relaxation oriented playtime is also offered. For additional information call (973) 338-8505.

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up for a light and easy summer meal that can be made ahead of time and frozen until needed. Don't forget to keep food safety in mind when planning and packing for picnics. Foods cooked ahead should be chilled thoroughly in the refrigerator and transferred directly into the cooler. To keep foods cooler longer, use icepacks rather than ice cubes, or freeze individually packaged drinks to keep foods cold during travel. Remember, storing coolers in the shade and away from direct sunlight will also help keep foods as cool as possible. And don't forget to replenish the ice once it melts. Just about any meal seems to taste better when enjoyed outdoors, but planning the perfect picnic shouldn't be a burden. Make life easier by jotting down a quick checklist of all the picnic essentials, including sunscreen and bug spray. Once everything's checked off, don't forget the most important item for the picnic: fun!

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Local Serra Clubs hosted the Archbishop's Annual Vocation Dinner at Mayfair Farms, West Orange. In the top left photo, William Caputo, center, is congratulated by Paul Tully, Serra Governor of the Archdiocese, and Archbishop John J. Myers, for being named Outstanding Serran of the Archdiocese of Newark. Among those attending, in the right hand photo, were young people from Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, South Orange, under the sponsorship of Father Marc Vicari, parochial vicar. In the bottom photo, Tully presents Sister Francis Raftery, S.C., the president of Saint Elizabeth College, Morristown, with her award as Outstanding Religious of the Archdiocese of Newark.



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Paterson Diocese

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"No spectator looks upon the Church from a neutral position," he said in his statement to the press. Bishop Serratelli acknowledged that the Church is a mystery that puzzles nonbelievers and struggles to be "God's family" of believers, citing the rich cultural diversity of the diocese he will soon lead. His remarks were given in English and Spanish.

From a historical perspective, the Church has grown and developed, he said, "from prayer shawl to pallium," "from catacombs to cathedral," and "now on the banks of the Passaic, the Church established by Jesus faces many challenges" in the early years of the 21st century.

Time of transition

Archbishop John J. Myers, in a June 1 statement, said Bishop Serratelli "has always manifested the heart of a pastor. I am confident that the priests, Religious and laity of the Diocese of Paterson will quickly come to appreciate his many gifts as he undertakes his pastoral office among them."

The archbishop also thanked Bishop Rodimer for his long



Darlington, followed by studies at the North American College, Rome.

Bishop Serratelli received a licentiate in sacred theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome, in 1969, a licentiate in sacred Scripture from the Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome, in 1976, and a doctorate in sacred theology from Gregorian the following year.

He was a parochial vicar at St. Anthony Parish, Belleville, followed by a teaching stint at the seminary. From 1977 until his episcopal ordination in 2000 he taught sacred Scripture and biblical languages at Immaculate Conception Seminary, and he was rector of St.

Lakes, and Holy Family Parish, Nutley, in addition to his work in Passaic.

He is chairman of the U.S. bishops' Ad Hoc Committee on Review of Scripture Translations. He is a member of the bishops' Committee on Doctrine, Committee on Women in Society and in the Church, Committee on the American College of Louvain, and the Ad Hoc Committee for the Spanish Language Bible. Bishop Serratelli has been vicar general of the Newark archdiocese since March 4, 2002.

Bishop Frank Rodimer was born in Rockaway, N.J., Oct. 25, 1927, ordained a priest of the Diocese of Paterson in 1951, appointed Bishop of Paterson in December 1977 by Pope Paul VI, and ordained to the episcopate in February 1978.

Episcopal career

In 1991, he testified on behalf of the U.S. bishops in support of a bill to ban permanent replacements to striking workers. A 1992 pastoral letter of his, "Put Our Children First," listed a comprehensive plan Catholics can undertake on behalf of children. "I fear for a society which deplores but does little or nothing to address the horrible daily realities which many of our children face," Bishop Rodimer said.

In 1999, he supported a bill introduced in the state Legislature to abolish capital punishment in New Jersey.

"Precisely because we love and cherish the gift of life, we are challenged to oppose the death penalty," Bishop Rodimer said. "Those who have so little regard for life as to take it from someone else, though deserving of severe punishment, should not reduce us to their level."

Bishop Rodimer intends to reside locally and hopes to remain active in the life of the diocese he shepherded for 26 years.



Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli

service in Paterson. "As a native son, he has been in a privileged position to know and care for the people of the diocese. May the Lord grant him continued good health and length of days," Archbishop Myers noted.

A native of the Ironbound section of Newark, Bishop Arthur Serratelli was born April 18, 1944, the son of Eva Fasolino and the late Pio Serratelli. He has a sister who has three children and four grandchildren. He attended Seton Hall Preparatory School and Seton Hall University, then studied for two years at Immaculate Conception Seminary when it was located in

Andrew College Seminary, Seton Hall University, from 1997 to 2000.

He has also taught at the Redemptorist Seminary in Esopus, N.Y.; St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, N.Y.; the Institute of Religious Studies, Archdiocese of New York, and the lay ministry program of the Educational Program Service of Trinity College, Washington, D.C.

Bishop Serratelli has been active in giving retreats to priests and Religious, diocesan convocations and lectures throughout the United States. Since 1977 he has been a weekend assistant at Most Blessed Sacrament Parish, Franklin

Statements on the appointment of Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli



Most Rev. John J. Myers, Archbishop of Newark

Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli and I have been friends since seminary days. I congratulate him on his appointment as Bishop of Paterson by our Holy Father, John Paul II.

Bishop Serratelli moves a short distance to his new diocese, but he will always be close to all of us in the Archdiocese of Newark who know and love him. This will be especially true for those with whom he shared his knowledge and love for Holy Scripture both as a professor and in his preaching and conferences.

He has always manifested the heart of a pastor. I am confident that the priests, Religious and laity of the Diocese of Paterson will quickly come to appreciate his many gifts as he undertakes his pastoral office among them.

With the other bishops of New Jersey, I join all in the Diocese of Paterson in thanking Bishop Frank J. Rodimer for his over 50 years of pastoral leadership and priestly service in the diocese, over 25 of them as their bishop. As a native son, he has been in a privileged position to know and care for the people of the diocese.

May the Lord grant him continued good health and length of days.

Most Rev. Frank J. Rodimer, Bishop of Paterson

I am pleased to welcome my successor, Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli, as the seventh Bishop of Paterson. I am most grateful to Almighty God for inspiring our Holy Father Pope John Paul II and everyone who had anything to do with bringing Bishop Arthur's name to the Successor of St. Peter who gave the nod and at the same time gave the Church of Paterson an outstanding shepherd.

It's *pro forma*, I suppose, to speak positively about one's successor, but I mean it when I say that "our Bishop Arthur," as I along with all the priests in the diocese will refer to him within Mass once he is officially installed, is a good priest, a brilliant scholar, a humble down-to-earth bishop who will be right at home in Paterson in no time.

In fact, he has been "right at home" here for some time. He has assisted in one of our parishes for many years. Imagine that! A bishop from outside the diocese, though, of course, from one right next door, who has helped out in one of our Passaic parishes. Such things don't happen very often.

Bishop Serratelli has had an influence on the lives and spirituality of more people in the Diocese of Paterson than even he knows, through the priests of our diocese he has directed and has taught in his Scripture courses in the seminary. Now he is to be the teacher in Jesus' name of all the Church of Paterson's members.

Correction on auxiliaries' listing

In the previous issue of *The Catholic Advocate* we published a listing of all the Auxiliary Bishops of Newark. For Bishop John M. Smith we did not include the following information:

From Newark, Bishop Smith was appointed in 1991 as ordinary of Pensacola-Tallahassee, Florida and served there 1991-1995. He was first appointed coadjutor to Trenton in 1995 and succeeded to the see in 1997.

La temporada política impacta los esfuerzos ‘pro-life’

POR LIESL FORÉS

Reportera de The Catholic Advocate.

En un año de elecciones presidenciales, los temas del gobierno y la política dominaron las presentaciones hechas por los oradores en la Convención y Banquete del New Jersey Right to Life (El Derecho a la Vida, de New Jersey) o “NJRTL”, que se celebró recientemente en el Hotel Hilton de East Brunswick.

La larga lista de los presentes incluía a los sacerdotes a Favor de la Vida, el Colegio de New Jersey a Favor de la Vida, el grupo a Favor de la Vida de Princeton, los Congresistas Mike Ferguson y Scott Garrett así como otros legisladores, y a ellos se unieron como principales oradores el Padre Frank Pavone, Director Nacional de los Sacerdotes a Favor de la Vida, el Profesor Robert George, de la Universidad de Princeton, y Laura Ingraham, escritora y presentadora de un programa radial que cubre toda la nación, quienes ofrecieron diversas perspectivas sobre el estado del movimiento Pro-vida.

Traude Barbiero, Presidenta de NJRTL, dió las gracias a la prensa católica por “divulgar nuestro mensaje” sobre la gran importancia del movimiento Pro-vida. También expresó su gratitud hacia su personal, los directores ejecutivos de NJRTL, y organizaciones como los Caballeros de Colón, y el Centro Legal para la Defensa de la Vida, por su apoyo y arduo trabajo.

Explicando que el recibir la Eucaristía indica “la unión con Jesús, con Sus enseñanzas y con Su Iglesia”, el Padre Pavone comenzó su presentación confirmando que “no puede haber unión entre Jesucristo y el asesinato de los niños”.

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Jesús
se volvió,
y al ver que lo seguían les preguntó:

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Jesús les contestó:
—Vengan a verlo.

¿Ha usted considerado seguir a Jesús como un sacerdote, hermana o hermano...?

San Juan 1:38-39

Este punto, sugirió el Padre Pavone, influye en el tema de por qué a algunas personas, como al candidato presidencial por el partido Demócrata, el Senador John Kerry, quien es católico, no debería permitírsele recibir la Comunión, ya que apoya el derecho al aborto (“El aborto debería ser raro, pero también debe ser seguro y legal” declaró el Senador Kerry, tal como fue reportado por CNN.com el 26 de Abril último), pregunta ésta que el Padre Pavone dijo que se le pregunta con gran frecuencia últimamente. (Al tiempo de publicarse este artículo, este problema es de gran actualidad, pues oficiales del Vaticano han indicado que la responsabilidad para su resolución debe recaer en la Iglesia de los Estados Unidos, y el Cardenal Theodore McCarrick, de Washington DC, ha sido nombrado para encabezar una comisión de Obispos norteamericanos que estudiará la cuestión de si los políticos católicos “Pro-choice” podrían o no recibir la comunión).

“La pregunta no es cuán católicos son esos políticos. La pregunta es cuán humanos esos políticos son” afirmó el Padre Pavone. “Usted no tiene derecho a ser un servidor público si apoya una actividad inhumana.”

El Profesor Robert George, quien es un Profesor McCormick de Jurisprudencia y Director del Programa de Ideales James Madison de la Universidad de Princeton, desarrolló el tema “Los Tribunales, la Cultura y la Santidad de la Vida Humana”.

El fue de la opinión que cuando el Tribunal Supremo legalizó el aborto al dictar la sentencia en el caso Roe v. Wade en el año 1973, los magistrados parecían estar seguros de que el aborto se integraría fácilmente a la vida norteamericana y que así se aliviaría la sociedad de una sobre-población y al mismo tiempo las muchachas jóvenes y mujeres sin recursos evitarían embarazos no deseados. “Pero ellos estaban equivocados” afirmó George. “Eso fue un desastre absoluto”.

Mencionando la muerte de 41 millones de víctimas que nunca nacieron en los últimos 31 años, y la ironía y la tragedia que “convirtió a quienes debían ser curadores en asesinos”, él hizo notar que en vez de ser asimilada en la sociedad norteamericana la legalización del aborto, lo que resultó fue “dar una nueva energía desde sus raíces “al esfuerzo para anular esa decisión”.

Haciendo una comparación con la lucha de los abolicionistas para terminar con la esclavitud, George señaló que el movimiento Pro-vida tiene una batalla al tratar de cambiar la percepción general de que esos males son aceptables e inevitables. “Debemos de hacer los principios del movimiento Pro-life acepta-

bles,” afirmó él, “especialmente para los grupos que no se han decidido todavía”.

Ingraham, cuyo programa, el “show” de Laura Ingraham, se radia aquí por la estación WABC de New York, fue la última oradora de la noche.. Ella insistió en el tema de la política y discutió principalmente la influencia de los medios de publicidad en este asunto.

Mientras los temas políticos que ocupan los titulares de los periódicos y los programas de noticias de actualidad serán olvidados en unos pocos años, dijo ella, “las cosas que ustedes apoyan y lo que ustedes hacen en su vida diaria, eso es lo que perdurará como importante.”

Refiriéndose a lo que para ella es “el punto más importante en la lucha por los derechos civiles: ¿Cuándo comienza la vida humana?”, Ingraham afirmó que ese punto sólo se cubre por los medios publicitarios cuando es parte del debate Pro- vida / Pro-aborto, y además hizo notar que los medios que se inclinan a la izquierda (a los que ella llamó “medios de élite o selectos”), no quisieran en absoluto llamar a la posición Pro-life “Anti-aborto”.

“Nunca podemos confiar en un movimiento que se esconde tras eufemismos” afirmó ella, recordando que los partidarios de la esclavitud se referían a ella a veces como “un derecho de los estados”.

Refiriéndose a la promulgación de la legislación sobre las investigaciones de células madres en New Jersey este año, Marie Tasy, Directora de los Asuntos Públicos y Legislativos de NJRTL, declaró a The Catholic Advocate que es “Gobierno en su peor forma”, agregando que el debate público sobre este asunto ha sido “aplastado”.

“Esto nos hace subrayar qué importante es el elegir gente que sea ‘Pro-life’” y que crean en permitir que todos los ciudadanos puedan comentar sobre cómo el gobierno se conduce y qué proyectos se convierten en leyes, enfatizó Tasy. “Es necesario que el Congreso actúe” a nivel nacional, añadió ella, para que esa legislación “radical” no pueda ponerse en vigor en New Jersey ni en ninguna parte.

Por otra parte, una buena noticia, declaró ella, es la promulgación de la legislación que prohíbe el aborto del “parcialmente nacido”, y la ley de las Víctimas No-nacidas de la Violencia (también conocida como la ley de Laci y Conner). Además, ella dice haber observado mientras participa en diversos actos durante el año, que hay una visible “tendencia entre la gente joven hoy en día a inclinarse más hacia el movimiento Pro-life, y a tener una mente más abierta” con mejor disposición “para investigar, para descubrir la verdad” sobre los temas “Pro-life”

No en Newark

(Traducción de un editorial publicado en la edición del 5 de Mayo del 2004 de The Catholic Advocate)

Sin que nos demos cuenta, a veces gente con necesidades especiales se les deja fuera del alcance de nuestras principales actividades. Pero eso no ocurre en la Arquidiócesis de Newark.

En un domingo reciente, la Catedral Basílica de Newark fue el sitio en que se celebró algo que se ha convertido en un evento anual, la Misa por las Necesidades Especiales. Esa Misa representa “inclusión”, y eso es muy importante para todos los fieles, no importa cuales sean sus impedimentos físicos. La Misa es una experiencia muy importante y que impacta a todos los presentes. En cierto modo, es una afirmación buscada y necesaria.

Y eso no es todo lo que la Arquidiócesis tiene para ofrecer. Lourdes, en Francia, ha sido un lugar muy especial de esperanza y paz para todos los que tienen algún impedimento físico.Después de enterarse de los peregrinajes que se organizan para ayudar a jóvenes impedidos en Irlanda e Inglaterra, el Padre Peter Palminsano, Vicario Parroquial en la Iglesia del Santísimo Sacramento, en Franklin Lakes, contribuyó hece seis años a la fundación del American Special Children’s Pilgrimage Group (Grupo de Peregrinaje de Niños Especiales en los Estados Unidos).

Desde 1998, los jóvenes de aquí que sufren impedimentos físicos, pueden celebrar la Semana Santa en Lourdes. Este año, una docena de jóvenes fueron acompañados por 48 voluntarios.En la Arquidiócesis de Newark, aquellos que tienen necesidades especiales no pasan desapercibidos y no son dejados fuera de la asistencia que necesitan.

Glee Club hits right note capturing five categories in festival competition

The Saint Dominic Academy (SDA, Jersey City) Glee Club and Dominoes won five categories in the North American Music Festival held recently in Virginia Beach, VA.

Students attended the awards ceremony held at Busch Gardens and captured five trophies and two medals. The students took home first place/superior rating in the Women's Choir category. It also took home honors as the Most Outstanding Choral ensemble.

The Dominoes won a second place /superior rating in the Chamber Choir competition. They also won third place in the Show Choir category.

SDA has won the coveted Sweepstakes Award five times since 1992. This year was also marked by an appearance at Carnegie Hall.

Alumna Mariette Marino



The Glee Club ranks include, left to right, Felicia Amaechi, stage manager; Joseph Napoli, director; Barbara Vergel, club president; Angela Abuan, secretary and Lauren Clemente, vice president. Third from the right is Principal Sister Vivien Jennings, O.P.

choreographed the performance. Sophomore Armeegrace Campos was the piano accompanist.

Joseph Napoli had been director of the Glee Club the past 25 years.

ation Council, has a broad range of songs in over 40 languages. Membership is composed primarily of UN staff.

The acting music director is Guillermo Vaisman of Argentina.

Open to the public and free of charge, the concert will be held in the church, 76 Broad St. at the corner of Broad and Liberty streets.

UN Singers at local school

The United Nations Singers will present a concert of folk songs from around the world at Sacred Heart Parish, Bloomfield, on Sunday, June 13 at 3 p.m.

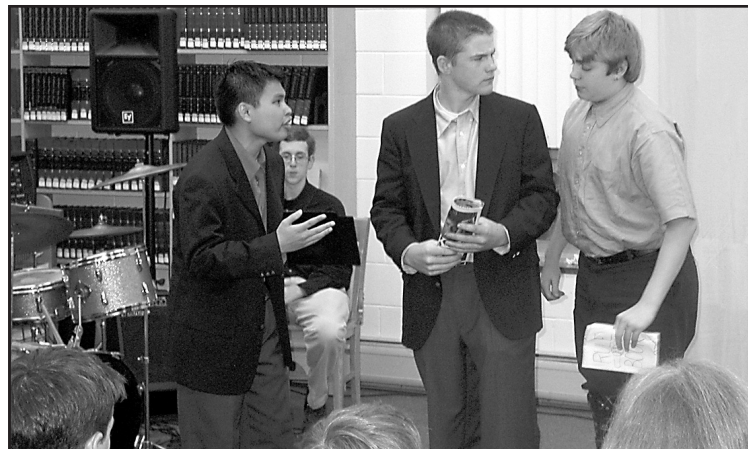
The concert, which will feature the performers dressed in native costumes, is among the final events in the parish's year long 125th anniversary celebration.

"In keeping with the anniversary theme of the heart, and hands of the community, the performance is meant to celebrate the rich cultural diversity that has marked the growth of both the parish and Bloomfield," said a spokesman.

The United Nations Singers, a recreational group established in 1947 under the UN Staff Recre-



With a cast and crew from all eight grades, Sacred Heart School, Lyndhurst, recently put on two performances of *The King and I*. Among those taking part were, left to right, first row, Maria Pontoriero, Tyler Marie Jacangelo, Shawn Thomson and Robert Garilli. Second row, Elizabeth DeCarlo, Courtney McManus, Nicholas Paleologos and Alex Patriarca. Missing is Ryan Hennessey.



Seniors Val Ponciano, left, Steve Kenny, center, and freshman Zachary Gilbert, perform during Bergen Catholic High School Fine Arts Division's presentation of "Strength for the Journey."

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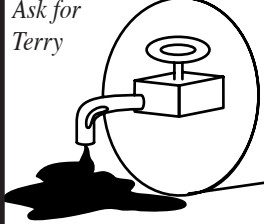

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Contraceptive legislation targeted

William F. Bolan, Jr., Executive Director of the New Jersey Catholic Conference (NJCC) and Rev. Joseph Kukura, Executive Director of the Catholic HealthCare Partnership of New Jersey, representing all 15 Catholic hospitals in the state, testified June 7 before the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee on several bills which will mandate that prescription drug coverage for contraceptives in group health insurance policies be provided by an employer.

S600, sponsored by Senator Diane Allen (R-Burlington) and Senator Barbara Buono (D-Middlesex), contained a conscience clause that protected all Church entities from providing such benefits on the basis that it conflicted with the religious employers' bona fide beliefs and practices. NJCC supported that conscience clause.

'Conscience clause'

Also before the committee was S556, sponsored by Senator Joseph Vitale (D-Middlesex) and Senator Ellen Karcher (D-Monmouth), which contained a limited conscience clause supported by Planned Parenthood and the ACLU.

That limited conscience clause would exclude Catholic hospitals, Catholic Charities and some Catholic schools from the benefit of the conscience clause unless those entities employed primarily Catholic employees to serve primarily Catholic people in hospitals, charity agencies and schools.

As Bolan sees it, "Is not such an amendment absurd? Who can imagine these three institutions, which have done so much good, limiting their service to the Catholic poor, Catholic sick and Catholic children? In this time of tight fiscal constraints, these institutions are more important than ever in serving all people, not just Catholics."

He went on to note, "We

opposed S556 because it represents an unprecedented assault upon the religious freedom rights of churches in general and the Catholic Church in particular. If this kind of amendment became law, it is difficult to imagine any restraint upon the state's ability to require religious institutions to violate the principal tenets of their faith."

NJCC argued "that it is not acceptable to say that Catholic Charities and Catholic hospitals, for example, can avoid the mandate by stopping prescription drug coverage for their employees. Although an extremely undesirable option, enactment of a mandated contraceptive benefit with a limited conscience clause could force us to cancel prescription drug coverage for the employees of these organizations."

After a lengthy argument, the committee voted 5-2 to release one combined bill, known as a Senate committee substitute,

which contained the limited conscience clause, amended to exempt elementary or secondary schools, but leaving Catholic Charities and Catholic hospitals out of the protection of the conscience clause.

Senator Vitale, Senator Allen, Senator Buono, Senator Karcher and Senator Robert Singer (R-Ocean) voted in favor of the Senate committee substitute.

Senator Thomas Kean (R-Essex) abstained from supporting this bill because he was not convinced that the new conscience clause would exclude entities which sought to be excluded. Senator Fred Madden (D-Camden) abstained on personal grounds as well.

The bill is now in position for a full vote of the Senate which has not been scheduled yet. Discussions are ongoing with key legislators.

The NJCC is urging the public to call, fax or email their state senators urging


them to oppose S556 unless the conscience clause is amended to include protection for Catholic Charities and Catholic hospitals. To find out the name of one's

senator call the Office of Legislative Services at (800)792-8630 or go to the Legislature's webpage at: <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/members/legsearch.asp>.

Golf event is slated for June 28





The 24th annual Cornerstone Golf & Tennis Outing, honoring businessman Bill Koonz and benefiting seminarians at Immaculate Conception Seminary, South Orange, will be held at the Essex County Country Club, West Orange, on Monday, June 28. Pictured here is last year's event. For information and registration, call (973) 378-2661 or email vlasacst@shu.edu.



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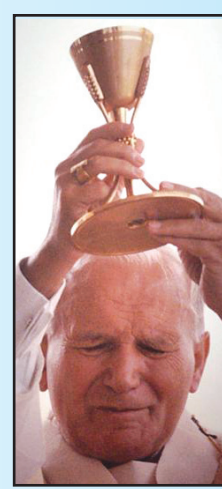
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