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Left to right: Phillip Frese, Executive Director of Catholic Charities; Most Rev. John J. Myers, Archbishop of Newark; Donald M. Daniels, CEO of Catholic Health and Human Services; Anita Holland, Executive Director of Mount Carmel Guild and Vice President of Cathedral Healthcare System; Henry J. Amoroso, COO of CHHS, and Louis Amato, President and CEO of Cathedral Healthcare System and Trinity Management and Technology Corp.

New healthcare configuration

At a recent presentation to corporate board members and chancery officials at the Archdiocesan Center, Newark, the management of the newly formed Catholic Health and Human Services (CHHS) group announced its strategic vision for furthering the mission of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Donald M. Daniels, the chairman and chief executive officer of CHHS, said that the new structure is one of the first of its kind in the United States. It is a response to the "tremendous challenges faced by providers of health-

The CHHS "umbrella" covers four operating units: Cathedral Healthcare System, Catholic Charities of New Jersey (formerly Catholic Community Services), Mount Carmel Guild Behavioral Health System and Trinity Management and Technology Corporation.

Henry J. Amoroso, the vice chairman and chief operating officer of CHHS, provided a strategic overview of the revamped corporations that are designed to "deliver on the mission of the Church more efficiently."

Each agency within CHHS will work on an 'advocacy model," challenging, "competing" and complementing the other units. Trinity is to provide "back office" support for the three service corporations. Archbishop Myers, who led the meeting in a benediction, also praised the hard work and commitment of the respective governing boards

Future plans for CHHS include a new breast cancer center at Saint Michael's Medical Center and the Bishop Francis Center for Social Justice, which will help, in part, to combat the blight of human trafficking. (See story below, on this page of The Catholic Advocate.)

Bishops point to examination of conscience

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Politicians who act "consistently to support abortion on demand" risk "cooperating in evil and sinning against the common good," the U.S. Catholic bishops said in a statement released in Washington June 18.

"Those who formulate the law" are obliged in conscience "to work toward correcting morally defective laws," they said in a 1,000-word statement titled "Catholics in Political Life."

Noting that "the question has been raised" whether it is necessary to deny Communion to Catholics in public life who support abortion on demand, the bishops said that "all must examine their consciences" about their worthiness to receive Communion, including with regard to "fidelity to the moral teaching of the Church in personal and public life.'

They added that "given the wide range of circumstances involved in arriving at a prudential judgment" in that matter, the bishops "recognize that such decisions rest with the individual bishop in accord with established canonical and pastoral principles."

"Bishops can legitimately make different judgments on the most prudent course of pastoral action" in confronting individual cases, they said, but the bishops share an "unequivocal commitment to protect human life and dignity.

They said they would counsel Catholic politicians who consistently work against restrictions on abortion that their support for abortion on demand "risks making them cooperators in evil in a public manner."

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Human trafficking a disturbing reality that the Church opposes

Staff Writer

For millions around the world—especially those in developing countries—the American Dream, with its promise of freedom and economic opportunity, has not lost its fascination or lure.

But with the influx of legal immigration being restricted, especially in the wake of 9/11 and ongoing terrorist alerts, a breeding ground has formed for deviants who look to exploit desperate people attempting to enter the U.S. at any cost.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), between 18,000 and 20,000 men, women and children are brought into the country every year for the purpose of utilizing them as "modern-day slaves." And human trafficking has tied illegal arms dealing as the second largest criminal industry worldwide, after drug dealing.

These victims usually fall into two categories: labor trafficking and sex trafficking. The Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

(TVPA) defines labor trafficking as: "The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage or slavery.'

Within this framework exist three common forms of labor trafficking. Bonded labor takes place when victims are forced to work in order to repay an arbitrary loan used for passage into a given country, their work surpassing the amount that is supposedly owed.

Forced labor occurs when victims are made to work against their will under the threat of violence or some other repercussion. Victims' freedom is

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At long last-accountability by American Catholics

BY REGIS MARTIN

Special to The Catholic Advocate

In the 30 or more years since the Supreme Court systematically stripped unborn children of their right to life, an alarming number of Americans have come to terms with a culture of death. But for those who have signed on with the pro-life movement, the struggle continues despite widespread acceptance of abortion.

Inspired by the words of the 18th-century British statesman and philosopher Edmund Burke, they continue to believe, "the only thing necessary for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing."

Unwilling to give in to the counsels of despair, which

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everywhere argue the futility of all attempts to end legalized abortion in this country, they have earnestly resolved to redouble their efforts to put an end to the killing. Because—so they

believe—the evil of abortion will not stop until enough good people cease to do nothing.

It certainly requires no great leap of imagination to produce a snapshot of a world of vastly diminished wickedness as a result of a few souls determined to make good happen. How very different would the face of the last century have been, the bloodiest on record, had only enough good people mobilized early on to oppose the evil of it!

Could the hideousness of Adolf Hitler's campaign to exterminate European Jewry have succeeded in the face of widespread opposition to the ideas of the third Reich? How resolute were the politicians of the period, or the people themselves on whom they depended for their support, to uphold and defend the ordinary decencies of the moral life?

We like to think of ourselves as an upright and godly nation, yet we allow a million or more of our children to be executed each year for want of a simple constitutional amendment guaranteeing their right to life.

No other issue commands the moral high ground as this one does; for without the basic right of a child to be born, there can be no talk of other rights. None

> of us are safe in a world where that right has been abrogated by the convenience of others. To quote Lincoln, who, in the midst of a bloody Civil War well understood the urgency of

the question: "If you can kill some people, then you can kill any people."

There is simply no other issue on the table of comparable importance to the Church in this country than that of restoring basic reverence for human life, most especially in its most innocent and vulnerable state, i.e., the unborn child. It is certainly the one teaching about which the least amount of ambiguity attaches to public perception concerning where the Church stands: She is entirely on the side of life.

This is why the recent initiative on the part of

some bishops to withdraw the Eucharist, the sacrament of unity, from those Catholic politicians whose complicity with abortion breaks that unity, is so welcome. (See news story on Page 1.)

When professed Catholic politicians pass laws promoting the "abominable" practice of abortion, they are not only being dishonest in their exercise of bad faith regarding the truth about human life, that it possesses a dignity which they are precisely obliged to defend, but by their conspicuous and repeated failure to champion the cause of the unborn they (that is, Catholic lawmakers) give grave scandal to the faithful who are surely entitled to feel secure in the maintenance of the Church's right to pass on the teachings of Christ with the assurance that they are in fact authoritative.

"When the Church speaks," said St. Catherine of Siena, "it is Jesus Himself whom we hear." And when men and women in public office refuse to heed her voice, disdaining even the sound of that voice when it pronounces in the most apodictic way the truth of the moral law, then it is only fitting that certain consequences follow, chief of which is that they have disqualified themselves from fellowship with the Church at the altar of the Lord.

Indeed, they have broken faith with One who has most clearly and intimately identified Himself with the least and the lost, namely His and our brothers and sisters in the womb.

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Stewardship

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The example of the saints should be followed

BY ANDREW KACZYNSKI

Associate Director of Stewardship for the Archdiocese

During July our Church celebrates the great lives and examples of Christian stewardship in our faith's history, with the Feasts of St. Thomas, Apostle (July 3) and St. James, Apostle (July 25), as well as the Memorial of Our Blessed Mother, the first saint, under the title of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (July 16).

All three led lives of exemplary stewardship, using their time and talent to evangelize and submit by example complete trust in the Lord. As I have done in past articles, I thought that highlighting their lives and how they lived as Christian stewards would be a great topic for this issue. (Information contained in this article was obtained from *Steward Saints for Every Day* by Sharon Hueckel, published by the International Catholic Stewardship Council.)

• St. Thomas the Apostle is often referred to as "Doubting Thomas." And yet, there was apparently no doubt when the Lord first called him, no hesitancy to leave everything behind and follow Jesus. Stewardship focuses on hearing the call of God and using our gifts to serve the Lord and our neighbor. But in the story of Thomas we hear again that God can use even our weakness in the service of His kingdom.

Not present when the other disciples first saw the Risen Lord, Thomas declared that he would not believe unless he could actually see and touch the wounds of Christ. But when he did see the Lord and was invited to examine the marks of the crucifixion, he declared in love and awe, "My Lord and my God!"

Pope St. Gregory I the Great wrote of him, "The disbelief of Thomas has done more for our faith than the faith of any other disciple. As he touches Christ and is won over to belief, every doubt is cast aside and our faith is strengthened." (Liturgy of the Hours, Vol. III, p. 1517)

• St. James the Apostle was the son of Zebedee, the brother of St. John the Evangelist. He was among the first to hear and answer the call to follow Jesus, and he was a witness to the Transfiguration, the raising of Jairus' daughter and Jesus' agony in the Garden of Gethsemane. He was also the one whose mother asked Jesus for places of preferment for her two sons.

"Command that these two sons of mine sit, one at your right and the other at your left, in your kingdom," she pleaded. The answer Jesus gives her is a blueprint for discipleship and an invitation to stew-

ardship: "Whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your slave. Just so, the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for man" (Mt. 20:21b, 26b-28).

Like his Master, St. James did give his life and was the first of the apostles to be martyred. May we, too, hear and answer the call of Jesus, and then spend ourselves joyfully in the service of others.

• In the 12th century, hermits living on Mount

Carmel in Palestine had a chapel dedicated to Our Lady, and by the thirteenth century, they were known as "Brothers of Our Lady of Mount Carmel." The Carmelite brothers and sisters of our own time are their spiritual descendants.

This order, under the patronage of Mary, the Mother of God, embraces an ascetic life of poverty and contemplative spirituality. Many great saints were Carmelites—St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross and St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, to name just a few.

It is a long-standing tradition in our Church for the faithful to receive a scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel each year on July 16. In addition to

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-Pope St. Gregory I the Great

this beautiful custom, I offer you the following prayer to the Blessed Mother to celebrate her title on that day:

"Our Lady of Mount Carmel, your life shows us perfect stewardship—

you were called and gifted by God; you responded generously, creatively, and prudently; and you understood your divinely assigned role as 'handmaid' in terms of service and fidelity. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us that we may see and follow your example."

It is my personal prayer that the inspiration and intercession of all the saints guide all of the faithful to live fully committed lives of service and gratitude to Our Lord through the way of life known as stewardship.

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RENEW honors couples, author for their efforts on its behalf

RENEW International hosted "An Enchanted Evening" for over 300 guests June 3 at the historic Skylands Manor, Ringwood, on the grounds of the New Jersey Botanic Gardens.

Three Bergen County couples were honored. Cited for their efforts on behalf of RENEW were George and Patricia Erdman; Sean and Fiona Duffy, and Jack and Kathy Norris, from the Church of the Presentation, Upper Saddle River.

The couples received the President's Award for raising awareness of RENEW among their fellow parishioners and friends, and in doing so, initiated a tradition of gala fundraising that continues today.

Most Rev. John J. Myers, Archbishop of Newark, offered the evening's invocation. "The work of RENEW is special and integral to not only this local Church of Newark, but also to the many, many other dioceses in which it is found across the world," said Archbishop Myers.

Addressing his comments to the three honored couples, he thanked them, adding that "being Catholic, living your faith and helping others to witness to Christ, in all are indeed pearls of great price."

'Faith and values' praised

Msgr. Thomas A. Kleissler, president of RENEW International, presented renowned author Mary Higgins Clark with the Spirit of RENEW Award for her support of Catholic causes, including RENEW, as well as her demonstration of Catholic faith in the public forum.

Msgr. Kleissler said of Clark, "As a young priest I remember the days when Catholics were just beginning to make a greater impact on society. We delighted with people of strong faith and values who would rise to positions of great influence for good. Mary Higgins Clark has done precisely that.'

In response, she said, "To reactivate in the parish the sense of community, and doing it for almost 25 years for 5 million people, it's absolutely wonderful... I am deeply honored to share with you our commitment to this Catholic faith that has brought us through and will bring us through.'

Michael Brough, the director of RENEW International, announced that next year's gala will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the expansion of RENEW's service beyond the Archdiocese of Newark. Honors will go to RENEW International's co-founders and the original small community of participants.

This special event will be held June 2, 2005 at the Hyatt Regency Jersey City overlooking the New York Harbor and Statue of Liberty.

RENEW International is a Catholic organization dedicated to building up the moral and spiritual fiber of people throughout the world and strengthening Catholic faith.

Based in Plainfield, RENEW's programs have reached over 25 million people in the United States and in 23 other countries. The organization works in conflict-ridden parts of our world creating opportunities for inter-religious and multi-ethnic healing, bringing together many small groups for prayer, dialogue and positive action.





Msgr. Thomas A. Kleissler, president of RENEW International, congratulates award winners Patricia and George Erdman, top photo, and Kathy and Jack Norris, left photo.

Official Appointments

Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:



Parochial Vicars/Bergen County

Reverend Robert J. Cio,

Parochial Vicar of Resurrection Parish, Jersey City, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of the Church of Ascension, New Milford, effective June 19.

Reverend Joseph Juracek, O.F.M.

has been appointed Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Joseph, East Rutherford, effective June 9.

Parochial Vicar/Hudson County

Reverend Felix Ugwuozor,

Chaplain at Pope John Paul II Pavilion, Orange, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of Resurrection Parish, Jersey City, effective Aug. 1.

Chaplaincy/Essex County

Reverend Robert S. Meyer,

Faculty member of Seton Hall University, South Orange, has also been appointed Chaplain of the South Orange Police Department, effective June 9.

Reverend Thomas D. Nicastro, Jr.,

Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Aloysius, Caldwell, has also been appointed Chaplain of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, Belleville Local No. 28, effective June 9.

Pastor Emeritus

Most Reverend David Arias, O.A.R., D.D.,

Retired Auxiliary Bishop of Newark and Pastor of the Church of St. Joseph of the Palisades, West New York, has been assigned the title of Pastor Emeritus of St. Joseph of the Palisades Parish.

Other

Reverend Monsignor Thomas J. McDade has been appointed to residence at Our

Lady of Lourdes Rectory, West Orange, effective June 15.

Reverend Emmanuel Sylvester

has been appointed to residence at Our Lady of Lourdes Rectory, Mountainside, effective June 15.

Reverend Charles Waddell

has been appointed to residence at Immaculate Heart of Mary Rectory, Scotch Plains, effective June 14.

Summer Parochial Vicars 2004

Rev. P. Dunstan Welikada Arachchi, O.M.I. has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar

of the Church St. Michael, Palisades Park.

Reverend Freddie B. Billanes

has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church Our Lady of Mercy, Jersey City.

Reverend Franco Augusto Coronel

has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Mary of the Assumption, Elizabeth.

Reverend Matthew Thottathimyalil

has been apppointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Holy Cross, Harrison.

Reverend Hippoletus Toppo

has been appointed Summer Parochial Vicar of the Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Maywood.



Spanish Prime Minister Jose Rodriguez Zapatero greets Pope John Paul II during a private audience at the Vatican June 21. It was the first Vatican meeting between the pope and the Spanish leader. The Roman Pontiff assured Zapatero of Vatican support for Spain on issues of world peace and fighting terrorism.

"If the natural law bids us to give the best of our affection and of our devotedness to our native land so that the good citizen does not hesitate to brave death for his country, much more is it the duty of Christians to be similarly affected to the Church" (Pope Leo XIII, Encyclical Sapientiae Christianae)



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Pope is disappointed by Union's omission

VATICAN CITY (CNS)— Expressing his disappointment with a European Union constitution that does not mention Christianity, Pope John Paul II said it was impossible for Europe to cut itself off from its religious roots.

Despite a two-year lobbying effort by the pontiff, European governments omitted specific reference to Christianity's contributions to the religious and cultural history of the continent. The text was adopted June 18 in Brussels.

In an official statement, the Vatican welcomed the constitution's protection of the status of religious communities in member states and its pledge for dialogue between political and religious institutions.

But it said the missing reference to Christianity showed "an undervaluing of historical evidence" and of the "Christian identity" of European peoples.
The Vatican said the

Christianity reference was not included because of the "opposition of several governments.' France and Belgium had been among those opposing such language in the constitution.

Without naming specific countries, the Vatican statement also thanked governments—which included Poland, Italy, Slovakia, Malta, Lithuania and Portugalthat had pushed for more explicit recognition of Christianity's historic role in Europe.

Diocese may seek protectionTUCSON, AZ (CNS)—A Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing may be the only option available to the Tucson Diocese in the face of sexual abuse lawsuits seeking millions of dollars, Bishop Gerald F. Kicanas said in a letter to his people.

It could mark the first time a U.S. Catholic diocese utilizes the legislation, which is designed to let a corporation with unmanageable debt continue functioning while reorganizing under a court-approved plan to restore solvency by restructuring and eliminating the debt.

In the letter, dated June 16 and read at parish Masses the weekend of June 19-20, Bishop Kicanas said he is currently engaged in "the proper consultation necessary to begin what now appears to be the only option for the diocese, pursuit of Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection under federal law."

Claver youth stress service

NASHVILLE, TN (CNS)-For Junior Knights and Junior Daughters of the Knights of Peter Claver, involvement in the nation's largest lay black Catholic organization is about family and service. Black Catholic teens and pre-teens gathered at St. Vincent De Paul Parish in Nashville to talk about serving their communities and their church. The youths came from Denver, Oklahoma City, Memphis, Nashville and other cities from the mid-South region stretching west to the Rockies.

'A black Catholic is a rarity," said Karen Mtshali, a parishioner at St. Vincent de Paul and the Central States Junior Daughters director. This kind of group reinforces that they're part of the Church. It will make them more committed Catholics.

Appeal denied in California case

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The U.S. Supreme Court June 21 summarily rejected an appeal seeking dismissal of a sexual abuse lawsuit filed in California against the Milwaukee Archdiocese. Archdiocesan attorneys had sought reversal of lower court rulings on the case in California.

They argued that a California court should not handle cases involving religious institutions in other states and that the priest accused of the abuse was no longer connected to the Milwaukee Archdiocese when the abuse allegedly occurred. The lawsuit involves the late Siegfried F. Widera, a former priest of the Milwaukee Archdiocese who moved to California following a conviction for child molestation in the late 1970s and in 1981 became a priest of the Diocese of Orange, CA.

The Orange Diocese removed him from ministry in 1985. In May 2003 Widera, 62, jumped to his death from a hotel balcony in Mazatlan, Mexico, as police were closing in to detain him for extradition to the United States to face more than 40 charges of child molestation in Wisconsin and California.

School Advisory Board president, a busy man

For the past 14 years, Frank Falciccio, Jr. has served the children of the Church of Newark as president of the Archdiocesan School Advisory Board (ASAB).

He brings to the job a lifetime of educational expertise.

Falciccio began his career teaching social studies at St. James School, Newark.

He went on to become a counselor at Essex Catholic High School when it was in Newark. It was at the boys high school that Falciccio established a career counseling center.

He worked at the North Ward

Non-public school clause clears another roadblock

George V. Corwell, Associate Director for Education of the New Jersey Catholic Conference (NJCC), is "delighted" that the Assembly Education Committee has included non-public school students in legislation that would require school districts to provide transportation to students living along hazardous routes.

The education committee voted unanimously June 3 to refer bill A-860 to the Assembly Appropriations Committee. What lawmakers have to "qualify," Corwell explained, is what hazardous conditions have to be met.

It was the position of the NJCC and New Jersey ALLIANCE of Catholic School Families that A860 should include both public and non-public school students.

Corwell praised the efforts of the bill's sponsors, Assemblymen Peter Barnes, Jr. and Patrick Diegnan. He does not expect further action on the bill until the fall.

Corrections...

In the June 16 issue of The Catholic Advocate, the obituary for Msgr. Joseph C. Manz, on Page 16, incorrectly stated that he was ordained by Archbishop Thomas Boland. Msgr. Manz was ordained by Archbishop Thomas J. Walsh.

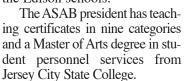
In the same issue, a photo of a May Crowning on Page 18 identified St. Mary School, Dumont, as being in Cranford. We apologize for the

errors.

Educational and Cultural Center, a social service agency in Newark. He also was with National

Training Systems as a coordinator of services in federal manpower training programs.

Falciccio entered the private sector as a guidance counselor in Freehold. He then joined the Jersey City school system where he worked with the board of education. Today he counsels students in the Edison schools.



An active member of Saint Paul the Apostle Parish, Jersey City, Falciccio graduated from Saint Peter's College with a B.S. degree in political science with a minor in management and marketing.

His career is marked by a myr-

iad of volunteer efforts. Falciccio has worked with Montclair State University, Rutgers University, numerous Jersey City civic groups, the Elks Club and Knights of Columbus.

Reflecting on Falciccio's contributions to the ASAB, Brother Ralph Darmento, F.S.C., Deputy

Superintendent of Schools, said "Frank has been a dynamic and historic presence on the ASAB. His gentle style and kindness helped to foster ASAB goals."

At his parish, Falciccio is a trustee and has served on the parish council, the Holy Name Society and as an usher and lector. He is the recipient of the

Holy Name Society Medallion Award and the local St. Patrick's Day Parade award as Honorary Irishman of the Year.

Falciccio and his wife Peggy are the parents of four children. Said a friend of his, "his life's work is service to others. His is not a job, it is a professional expression of his commitment to making the earth better for his being here and to making the roads of others more easily traveled."



Frank Falciccio, Jr.





Portuguese heritage was celebrated earlier this month at the 25th annual Portugal Day Mass celebrated in the Portuguese lanquage by Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli, former Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark

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A Jersey City school to close

St. Paul of the Cross School, which had served children in the Heights section of Jersey City since 1869, announced that it would close at the end of June because of a persistent and steady decline in enrollment over the past five years. Between 1998-2004, the enrollment fell from 222 to just 101 students—a decrease of over 50 percent.

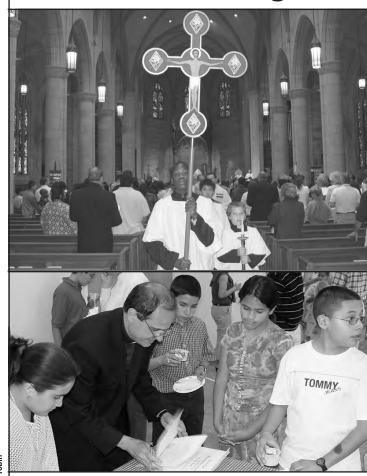
Although sufficient numbers of students were registered in grades seven and eight for the 2004-05 year, registration in many lower grades did not exceed six students. Such low enrollment threatened the continued viability of the school.

In a letter sent to parents on June 15, the pastor of St. Paul of the Cross, Father Andres Reyes, and the principal, Ms. Sandy Miragliota, acknowledged the difficulty and sadness of the decision to close at such a late point in the school year.

St. Anne and St. Nicholas schools will accommodate all students whose parents wish to continue providing a Catholic education.

Father Reyes refunded all registration fees paid by parents for the 2004-05 school year.

Altar servers recognized



At the 14th annual Altar Servers' Mass of Reconciliation, held on June 12, boys and girls from throughout Essex County were honored by local chapters of Serra International. At top, altar servers lead closing procession. Bottom picture, Father Joseph D. Girone, pastor of St. Peter Parish, Belleville, signs and distributes certificates to young altar servers from his parish.

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This column will commemorate important dates in the history of the Archdiocese of Newark, which celebrates its 150th anniversary this year.

We welcome suggestions and

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anecdotes.

Novarcensis:

A Look Back at Our History

147 years ago...

June 28. Father Rupert Seidenbush, O.S.B., appointed first pastor of St. Benedict Church, Newark. He later became Bishop of St. Cloud, MN.

139 years ago...

June 24. Father Michael Kane and Father James Dalton the first priests ordained after completing studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary, South Orange.

110 years ago..

June 16. St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Bayonne, formed.

109 years ago..

June 27. Our Lady Help of Christians (St. Mary) Parish, West New York, incorporated.

66 years ago...

June 19. St. Anthony Church, Belleville, dedicated.

56 years ago...

June 20. First Mass celebrated in St. Bartholomew Parish, Scotch Plains.

50 years ago...

June 21. Most Rev. Justin J. McCarthy ordained as Auxiliary Bishop of Newark. He later became Bishop of Camden.

45 years ago...

June 21. Msgr. William F. Lawlor, pastor of St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish, Bayonne, and the superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of Newark for 38 years, died.

30 years ago...

June 28. Most Rev. Peter L. Gerety installed as third Archbishop of Newark.

28 years ago...

June 25. Three Auxiliary Bishops of Newark ordained by Archbishop Gerety: Most Rev. Robert F. Garner, Most Rev. Joseph A. Francis, S.V.D., and Most Rev. Dominic A. Marconi.

2 years ago...

June 29. Most Rev. John J. Myers, fifth Archbishop of Newark, received the pallium from Pope John Paul II at St. Peter's Basilica, Rome

Novarcensis means Newark in Latin.

Around the Archdiocese

July 2

The Sodality of the Children of Mary of Saint

Teresa, annual summer luncheon at the Breakers on the Ocean, 1507 Ocean Ave., Spring Lake, at noon. Cost \$40. Call Mrs. Richard Zbyszynski at (201) 437-4251.

July 14

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Nutley, bereavement group from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at 120 Prospect Street. Free. Call Deacon Aldo at (973) 667-2580.

July 17

St. Michael Parish,

Cranford, collection for babies with AIDS/HIV, including pampers, new clothes, baby food, baby care items (baby powder, shampoo, baby oil and lotions), linens, new toys, etc. Call (908) 276-0360.

July 23

St. Michael Parish, New Jersey, Triduum services in honor of St. Anne and St. Joachim, through July 26. Call (908) 276-0360 for a detailed list of events.

Local Highlights

Spiritual

• The Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese will sponsor the Support Group for Fathers Whose Children Have Died, July 17, Notre Dame Parish, North Caldwell, at 10 a.m. Pre-registration requested. Call (973) 497-4327.

Health

- The Greater Orange Breast Initiative is sponsoring the breast cancer early detection program Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Orange Primary Care Center, Orange. Call (973) 266-3023/3025.
- The Orange Primary Care Center (OPCC), Orange, will also hold its grand opening health fair on July 17, from 10 to 2 p.m., including free health screenings for osteoporosis, colon cancer, blood pressure, diabetes and more. Call (973) 266-3010.

Blood Drives

• The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold blood drives Thursday, July 8, at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, South Orange, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; Saturday, July 10, at Queen of Angels Parish, Newark, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Sunday, July 11, at St. Peter's Parish, Belleville, from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and at St. Mary Parish, Elizabeth, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 1-800-BLOOD NJ.

Reunions

- East Side High School, Newark, will hold a reunion for the classes of January and June 1955 on Oct. I at Lakeside Manor, Hazlet. Contact Josephine Sabin Santiago (Jan.) at (908) 687-8824 or J-Santiago@comcast.net or Joan Judge Pfeifer (June) at (908) 851-0680 or jmp0822@yahoo.com.
- Members of Mount St. Dominic Academy, Caldwell, class of 1974, are looking for classmates to attend a 30th reunion. Alumnae who have not been previously notified should contact Ellen Chambault Heavilon at (423) 886-6323 or ech7@aol.com.

Fundraisers

- The Sisters of Saint Dominic will hold a benefit for Genesis Farm, with home-cooked vegetarian food and entertainment for children of all ages on July 31 from noon to 4 p.m. on the campus of Caldwell College, Caldwell. Cost \$20; \$5 for children. Under five-years-old and over 80-years-old free. Call (908) 362-6735 or (973) 403-3331.
- The Missionary Franciscan Sisters, Tenafly, will hold a garage sale and bake sale on June 27 and 28, including furniture, toys, books and home-baked goods. Proceeds benefit Hospice. Call Sister Trinity at (201) 568-0478.
- The Benedictine monks of Newark Abbey are hosting a "Monkfest," featuring barbecue food, music, games and tours of the monastery, for the feast of St. Benedict on July 11, from 2 to 6 p.m. Free—just bring a favorite picnic dish, and RSVP by July 8. Call (973) 643-4800, ext. 1173.
- A Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held from July 16 through 18. For registration or more information call Sal and Sylvia Vassallo at (973) 857-8184.

Concert

• The French Boys Choir, which has performed in prestigious venues ranging from St. Peter's Basilica, Rome, to the White House, will offer a free concert at Queen of Peace Parish, North Arlington, at 4 p.m., July 11.

Cathedral Basilica Celebration

• The 50th anniversary of the dedication of the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark, will be held on Sunday, Oct. 17. Look for further details on times and events in your parish bulletin and in *The Catholic Advocate*.



The Fourth of July is a popular day for naturalization ceremonies. Hundreds of thousands of people from other countries become U.S. citizens each year.

Public consequences

Editor,

As the nation prepares itself for an important presidential election, it might be wise for all Catholics to consider the abortion issue when voting, because while voting is always a private "act," it can have public consequences for good or evil, and abortion is an evil act as it kills an unborn baby.

Here I would like to quote a faithful Catholic, former U.N. Ambassador Alan Keyes, "The only thing I need to know about a candidate is where they stand on the issue of abortion. That is the first question I ask. I do not support anyone who stands for the disregard of innocent life."

Deanna Hohmann West Caldwell

Respect Life

Nobody likes to be treated as an object

BY MSGR. RICHARD MCGUINNESS

Director of the Respect Life Office

Each of us is an individual person and we want to love and be loved. We don't want to be used, abused or disrespected. We don't want to be treated like things that can be bought, sold or manipulated.

Americans were shocked when the abuse of prisoners in Iraq became known. We were shown pictures of prisoners who were treated like animals, deprived of their clothing, chained and bound together—put on leashes like dogs, ridiculed and tortured.

We asked how could Americans be so cruel and callous to other human beings? How could this be allowed to go on!

Yet we don't have to go to Iraq to see human beings treated like things to be disposed of as we please. About onethird of our future fellow citizens have their lives snuffed out before they are born and their body parts can be sold for research to chemical or cosmetic companies. But we have grown used to this and seem no longer to be shocked by the horror we are perpetrating on our own children.

In other countries things may be even worse. We have reports of prisoners who are executed in order to sell their organs and body parts to those who are willing to pay for them. In parts of the world, children are bought and sold only to be forced into prostitution.

Human life is God's gift and God expects each of us to do our part and make our contribution until the human life of each individual is cherished, respected and defended. We are called to love each human person and not treat him or her as an object to be used, sold or destroyed.

One day each of us will be asked by God: "What have you done to defend the human lives I have created?"

Two enduring legacies in Newark

ith a depth of ministry that began on a worldwide scale and culminated in the local Church of Newark, Most Rev. David Arias, O.A.R., and Most. Rev. Charles J. McDonnell are retiring with the unending gratitude of the countless lives they have touched.

Bishop Arias, Vicar for Hispanic Affairs and Regional Bishop of Hudson County, and Bishop McDonnell, Regional Bishop of Bergen County, have both reached retirement age, and their resignations were accepted by the Holy Father.

Although born worlds apart, Bishop Arias in Spain and Bishop McDonnel in Brooklyn (though he grew up on this side of the Hudson), their love for the children of God throughout the Archdiocese of Newark reached every facet of their priestly vocation.

Bishop Arias helped create and implement ministry to Hispanics. He has also been pastor of St. Joseph of the Palisades Parish, Union City, for the past decade.

The essence of the man and the priest is vividly illustrated in his words following his appointment as a bishop. "My hopes have been to see our one Catholic Church of many races, nations and tongues in this area grow in faith, love and unity and ... to see my Hispanic brothers and sisters progress in the life of the Gospel in ever greater participation with all others who make the Catholic Church here."

An extremely approachable person, Bishop McDonnell learned to fly in his early days as a parish priest. Concerned about the spiritual needs of soldiers during the Vietnam War, he became an Army chaplain. Volunteering for airborne training, he went on to Special Forces and served 18 months overseas. He stayed in the army reaching the rank of brigadier general and becoming deputy chief of chaplains.

His life reflects the philosophy, "I have never refused anything the Church has asked of me, because I believe it is God's will for me—even though I don't understand why I was asked."

The call of God was heard loud and clear by both men, and the Archdiocese of Newark is much better off because they listened. May they enjoy their retirement (though each has, not unexpectedly, committed to remain an active minister and vicar of Christ).

Pledge of Allegiance fight far from over

To tis not a total victory and the threat is far from over but the Supreme Court decision earlier this month to keep "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance was still welcome news.

In a split 5-3 decision, the nation's highest court threw out a California atheist's challenge to the phrase saying the man had insufficient legal standing to sue. The larger issue, of course, is the legality of "under God" and that, unfortunately, was not addressed.

Rest assured that the Knights of Columbus, a major force behind getting "under God" included in the pledge four decades ago, will continue to be a major player in the fight to keep those two precious words in the pledge.

Make pilgrimage plans now

With the heat of summer just beginning and vacation plans being finalized, October seems far away.

But it is not too early to make plans for a one-day pilgrimage Oct. 30, under the leadership of Archbishop John J. Myers, to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC.

The Basilica of the National Shrine is observing a Marian Year in preparation for the 150th anniversary of the definition of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception by Pope Pius IX (1846-78). Pope John Paul II has granted a plenary indulgence, under the usual conditions, to pilgrims who visit the basilica during the observance and participation in a liturgy or other pious devotion.

With the Church of Newark concluding its 150th anniversary celebration and a fall commemoration of the golden anniversary of the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark, planned, the pilgrimage is perfectly timed and especially appropriate.

Circle Oct. 30 on the calendar right now.

Each pope faced his unique set of challenges

We are talking about the office of the Supreme Pontiff of the one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church. We have said that the election of the pope is a political event. Yet, at the same time by Divine Providence the choice of the cardinals is also, once the ballots are cast, the voice of the Holy Spirit operating in the world.

We can be certain that the selection of the Holy Father is not a random one. The cardinals know the needs of the Church. They try to meet those needs by choosing a suitable candidate. Let us briefly review the popes of the 20th century.

Leo XIII (1878-1903) certainly took on a job that very few would want. During the reign of his predecessor, Pius IX, all of Europe seemed to be attacking the Church. Bismarck in Prussia was expelling priests. The French were taking Church property. Garabaldi and his "red shirts" had

defeated the pope and united Italy. The pope was literally a prisoner in the Vatican and a figure hated by many. In fact, when Pius IX died, mobs attacked his funeral cortege and tried to throw his body in the Tiber River.

Pope Leo was tough yet

conciliatory. He was conservative but dealt diplomatically with secular governments. He also countered socialism with the most progressive encyclical ever written: Rerum Novarum ("On the Condition of the Working Class").

The cardinals chose a different sort of pope when they picked Pius X (1903-14). Cardinal Mathieiu explained the reason: "We wanted a pope whose name would signify peace and concord, who had grown old in the care of souls, who would concern himself with the government of the Church in detail, who would

Voices

By Msgr. John Gilchrist

above all be a father and a shepherd."

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They had enough of strife. Guiseppe Sarto, the "peasant pope" was the answer to their prayers. As Pius X, he took as his model the humble Cure of Ars, St. John Vianney.

Unfortunately, while he was saintly, he was also somewhat anti-intellectual, which led to some very harsh conservative positions by the Church.

The cardinals reversed course again with Benedict XV (1914-22). Here was an aristocrat and an experienced

diplomat. The cardinals knew that World War I was about to break out. Benedict was an anti-war pope, a player on the world scene. He kept the Church on a neutral course during the conflict.

At the early death of Benedict, Pius XI (1922-39), a scholarly librarian assumed the papacy. Pius was a tough, no nonsense "CEO" who could blister the walls of the Vatican when his orders were not followed exactly. He and Mussolini understood each other perfectly and they settled the territorial disputes between Italy and the Vatican.

In his time, Pius XI made concordats with 10 countries, including the treaty that restored temporal sovereignty to the Vatican City State in 1929.

The next Roman Pontiff, Pius XII (1939-58), was saintly, ascetic and an experienced diplomat who had spent many years in Germany. He was the logical choice to deal with Hitler and to hold the Church together during the horror of World War II. He walked a fine line between fascism and communism. His was a terrible burden.

An aging Angelo Roncalli (1958-63) was the saintly fatherly figure the cardinals chose after World War II. He had long experience in the East during the War. Never did the cardinals expect Roncalli, as John XXIII, to throw open the windows of the Church to let in the whirlwinds of change by calling the Church to renewal in Vatican II.

Then, to deal with the ramifications of Vatican II the cardinals turned to a slim, forward-looking man of action, Giovanni Battista Montini, the Archbishop of Milan. Paul VI (1963-78) was designated to channel the surging currents that were tossing the Church about. Paul VI, a man of social action was the man to restrain the liberal forces of change and at the same time to move the conservatives forward into a new world.

John Paul I (August-September 1978) like Pius X and John XXIII was a man of the people, a true pastor. He had humor and gentleness. But he passed away, a holy figure who died too soon.

There we have them all except John Paul II. Each was different. The cardinals went back and forth—from saint to warrior, from conservative to liberal, from men of peace to men of action, from diplomats to pastors.

Next time we will speak of John Paul II and what problems and issues his successor will probably confront.

Msgr. Gilchrist is pastor of Holy Cross Parish, Harrison.

Such a big 'to do' about makeovers is no fun

The hottest new thing in TV viewing is the makeover show. We have weekly makeovers on Kelly and Regis, makeovers on Oprah, and one-hour shows dedicated entirely to the fine art of makeovers. We have makeovers for your living room, makeovers for the outside of your house, and then we have personal makeovers (which to me are the most appalling), foisted upon unsuspecting people who didn't know they needed a makeover and certainly never requested one.

These poor souls are assaulted in store parking lots, while walking along downtown streets or even in their own homes. Apparently they are nominated by "friends" (does this give a whole new dimension to the phrase "mean girls," or what?) and there, in front of a national audience, the "makeover experts" start by ridiculing what the victim is currently wearing, go to her house and laugh at the outlandish things in her closet and probably even hold up, for the entire world to see (while people snicker and snort), the lovely cashmere sweater her mother gave her for her birthday.

The person whose personal habits and clothes are being held up to such scorn and sneered at is certainly a victim, no matter how she might try to make it look like fun. No one would volunteer for such a thing, would they?

The television "experts" then give their victim a whole new look, a whole new wardrobe and I suppose a whole new personality. I'd just like to remind everyone who swallows this kind of advice hook, line and sinker, that these are the same fashion experts that gave us blue eye shadow and the beehive hairdo.

There are women of a certain age all over the country who have decades of photographs of themselves

Over the Coffee Cup

By Mary Costello



I keep wondering what Mother

Teresa would say if someone

tried to make her over.

under lock and key and baby boomers who will never get to see their baby pictures (they've been burned) because their mother looked like she was wearing a batting helmet in every one.

And I'm supposed to take their advice?

Maybe that's why people my age are doing our own thing these days. We've found a style and we're sticking with it. Even if the "fashionistas" scorn

and sneer, we're into something we might call 21st-century comfortable. It's all about wearing sweaters when we're cold (big, floppy loose ones) and sleeveless muumuus when it's hot.

We wear flat shoes (easier on the bunions) to everything except our daughter's wedding (we'll probably change at the reception) and bright orange sun hats (that tie underneath our chins) to keep the UV rays away from our sensitive foreheads. This would be funny except for what it does to people's concept of themselves, to their thought processes and to our "world vision." It is one more chapter in the story we tell to our sons and daughters: a story that instructs them that how you look is what is important, and that how someone dresses makes a difference in how you view people.

Because of these lies we have young women starving themselves until they look like a drinking straw and college students running up thousands of dollars on credit cards to keep up with someone that probably needs a makeover herself.

These lies have now taken up residence in our homes and in the homes of our adult children. Lies that say that new is always better, color schemes must be

changed at least every second year and every room (especially the nursery) must have a "theme."

There's certainly nothing intrinsically wrong with any of this, least of all having a lovely, and lovingly created, nursery. The

problem comes when we're so involved with the color of the wallpaper, the length of the hem or the color of the shoes that we forget what's really important. I keep wondering what Mother Teresa would say if someone tried to make her over.

All I have to say is that nobody better come up to me in the grocery store parking lot and suggest a makeover. I'll hit 'em with my cane.

Mary Costello is a freelance columnist.

USCCB president cites country's responses against terrorism

"The United States could

reinforce security in the region

by inviting cooperation."

WASHINGTON (CNS) — As the June 30 handover of power in Iraq neared, the United States continues to face challenges, said the head of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

Bishop Wilton D. Gregory of Belleville, IL, USCCB president, said the United States was responsible for ensuring that Iraq can develop a sustainable, secure democracy.

"By its military intervention in Iraq, the U.S. government has taken on a moral obligation to engage in a difficult, long-term process of nation-building," Bishop Gregory said in a June 22 statement.

He said that while Iraq deserved to be sovereign, "a new Iraq cannot be imposed by the United States or any other occupying power."

The bishop called for an active U.N. role in the handover of power to an Iraqi-led government.

He reiterated the bishops' concerns on the war in Iraq and the "unpredictable and uncontrollable negative consequences of an invasion and occupation." He said the "events of the past year have reinforced those ethical concerns."

Bishop Gregory said he was concerned that "overly aggressive" efforts by the United States to restore security in Iraq could play into the hands of terrorists and fuel more violence.

"The United States could reinforce security in the region by inviting cooperation by all concerned according to their own responsibilities," he said.

The United States must recognize its "limitations and responsibilities" and work with the international

community in rebuilding Iraq, he said.

Bishop Gregory also raised concerns on the safety of Iraq's Christian community. He said religious freedom was an essential component of a new Iraq.

"It would be a tragic irony if the liberation of Iraq led to the creation of an Islamic state that placed the Christian minority and other minorities in a precari-

ous position," he said.

According to Vatican statistics, 281,000 Catholics live in Iraq, forming about 1 percent of the population. Iraqi Catholics belong to the Latin, Chaldean, Syrian

and Armenian rites.

-Bishop Wilton D. Gregory

"Now as before, Christians in Iraq need to experience the solidarity of Christians around the world so that this ancient community can continue to thrive and contribute to the building of a new Iraq," he said.

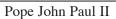
The bishop also challenged the U.S. government to find ways "other than preventive war" in dealing with terrorists, to "abide by strict limits on the use of military force" and to "respect international law."

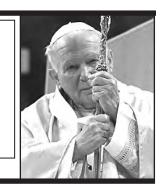
"Our nation cannot accept a permissive interpretation of international law, the inevitability of civilian casualties or the abuse of human rights, or an overreliance on military responses to the problem of global terrorism," he said.

He said the United States could contribute to a more stable world if it "adopted a collaborative approach based on respectful consideration of the viewpoints of others."

He also said the war in Iraq should not keep the United States from addressing the needs of the poor at home or other humanitarian emergencies around the world.

The Pope Speaks





All nations will worship

Dear brothers and sisters.

Today's catechesis centers on Chapter 15 of the Book of Revelation and, in particular, on its canticle in verses 3 and 4. It is a hymn of adoration and praise of the Lord God Almighty whose deeds are "mighty and wonderful," whose ways are "just and true."

The hymn is sung by those who are saved, the just of this earth who stand before the risen Lamb of God. Very much like the Hebrews who sang the hymn of Moses after having crossed the seas do the elect raise up to God their "hymn of Moses and the Lamb," having conquered the beast, the enemy of God.

The canticle has a universal dimension to it: "All nations will come and worship" before the Lord. Let us conclude our meditation by joining our voice to that universal hymn, using the words of that great father of the Church, St. Gregory Nazianzen: "Glory to the Father and to the Son, king of the universe, glory to the most Holy Spirit, to whom be all praise. One God is the Trinity: He has created and filled everything."

The New Jerusalem and the kingdom of God

Readings: Is 66:10-14; Ps 66; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20.

In some cultures, devotion to one's nation is compared to filial piety. Thus we speak of patriotism and of our "fatherland." In Hebrew however, the words for "land" and "city" are feminine, so the prophets and psalmists developed the imagery of maternal-filial affection in speaking of Zion: "Can a country be brought forth in one day? Can a nation be born in a single moment? Yet Zion is scarcely in labor when she gives birth to her children" (Is 66:8-9).

In listening to refugees in our time, we find that a constant theme is the beauty and goodness of their lost homeland. Some Jews in exile recorded the same poignant longing. "By the streams of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion" (Ps 137:1). The last chapters of Isaiah record the marvelous experience of return to the land of Judah: both the anticipation or the actuality.

"Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad because of her, all you who love her. Exult, exult with her all you who were mourning over her" (Is 66:10). God is the source of this renewal, this show of divine maternal affection. "As a mother comforts her son, so will I comfort you; in Jerusalem you shall find your comfort" (66:13).

The joy experienced by the people when they returned to the promised land is celebrated by the prophet Zechariah, who encouraged the people to rebuild the temple. "Sing and rejoice, O daughter Zion! See, I am coming to dwell among you, says the Lord" (2:4). Then he taught that the renewed

Sunday Readings

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 4,2004)

By Father Lawrence Frizzell



Appreciation of blessings

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covenant would one day be open to the nations. "Many nations shall join themselves to the Lord on that day, and they shall be His people and He

will dwell among you..." (2:15; see 8:20-23 and 14:16-19).

The Gospel quite logically records the fact that Jesus' ministry primarily reached the Jewish peo-

ple, and only after the Paschal mystery established the new covenant did He commission the apostles to go to the nations. However, in the Gospel there are a number of hints of the Master's intention to offer God's blessings to the nations through His work.

Just as Jesus began His own mission by proclaiming the kingship (authority) and the kingdom (domain) of God, so he sent the Twelve "to proclaim the Kingdom of God and to heal" (Lk 9:2). Luke alone tells of another mission to prepare the people for His coming into their villages. Just as Moses chose 70 elders to govern the people under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit (Num 11:16-30), so Jesus sent ambassadors to teach and heal in His name (His authority).

A spiritual joy permeates the third Gospel, so we are not surprised that Luke notes, "The 70 returned rejoicing" (10:17). They were proud to be vehicles of divine instruction and mercy. Jesus interprets their success to be linked with His own triumph over the forces of evil. "I have observed Satan fall like lightning from the heaven" (10:18, see Is 14:12-15, applied to the devil). Opening human hearts to God's service they contribute to the downfall of the

divisive, perverse power of Satan.

Then Jesus offers the lesson that Christian activists in all generations should take to heart: "Do not rejoice because the

spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven" (10:20). The capacity to do God's work is rooted in the gifts that make us God's children. Appreciation of blessings we have received makes us truly servants of God in all that we do.

These gifts are the source of the joy that will perdure. Father Lawrence Frizzell is Director of the Institute of Judaeo-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University.

A dichotomy of tradition and change

BY BRIAN FORES

Staff Writer

Describing St. Mary Parish, Nutley, Father David C. Hubba, the pastor, noted, "There's a real loyalty to Catholic tradition." He explained, "There's a consciousness that we're the oldest of the Nutley parishes. People are very proud of that history.

Father Hubba said that has a lot to do with the former St. Mary School. "When the school was functioning, it was built in three stages. In the final stage, it was built to hold a capacity of 1,400. During the 1950's, in its heyday, it had probably 1,200 students. There were many people involved in St. Mary's CYO and in its drum and bugle corps. St. Mary's educated a lot of people who still live in Nutley—and many of them take great pride in that," he commented.

been the focus of crucial activities in the life of St. Mary's. Its members nurture the spiritual life of the women in the parish, aid the parish in fundraising and extend charitable assistance to many worthy causes in and beyond the parish.

Father Hubba said that another contributing factor to that great sense of tradition was the exceptionally long pastorate of Msgr. James Owens, for whom a park is named. "Msgr. Owens was here for 43 years, and made many great contributions to the parish."

Father Hubba pointed out that St. Mary's consists of 1,700 families, although its more expansive mailing list includes 2,400. "Numerically, the largest group is Italian-American, a fact that reflects the town of Nutley. But there is a strong Irish component, which dates back to the founding history of the parish."

He added that recently, more Filipinos and Hispanics have

become active in the parish as well. "We have a good variety of

people at St. Mary's, many of whom have been with the parish for many decades." Father Hubba explained that recently, nearly 650 new housing units have been built in northern Nutley, and St. Mary's is receiving new parishioners from those who move in.

"In some instances, people who used to own homes in Nutley have moved into the townhouses, and newer couples with young children are moving into the vacated homes,' he said. "In one way, Nutley is very stable, with lots of local pride. The same could be said of neighboring Belleville, close to St. Anthony parish. But both towns are changing. There are a number of Hispanic families that have moved into the area-and that's good for both

Father Hubba noted that there was one similarity that was true of all his parishioners: "We have a lot of people who are very accomplished, and bring a great deal of talent and ability to the parish."

St. Mary Parish is a co-sponsor of Good Shepherd Academy, along with Holy Family and Our Lady of Mount Carmel parishes, both in Nutley, with the main campus at Holy Family. The school has a total of 360 students. According to Father Hubba, about 25 to 30 students are from St. Mary Parish.

He said that all three pastors meet on a regular basis and work cooperatively on the school's activities. Referring to the school's name, Good Shepherd, Father Hubba said, "The parishes deliberately picked a name that was neutral." Since 2001, St. Mary's building also houses the Phoenix Center, for children with developmental disabilities.

St. Mary Parish was designed in Romanesque architectural style of the cruciform plan.

gious education program too. The program, which is run by director Brian Lynch and Anita Iaco, who is also director of marketing and public relations for St. Mary's, serves roughly 630 students from Pre-K through grade nine.

Lynch noted, "It's an innovative program complete with community and parish service projects

for all grades, social outreach projects for grades four through sixsuch as food drives and a Christmas giving tree—that service over 20 charitable agencies during the holi-

Father George Sharp, parochial vicar since 1997, offers religious studies for adults at St. Mary's. "We have Scripture study every week. One week, we will study a word, using our understanding of etymology to more fully understand Scripture. Then, the next week, we study the Catechism," Father Sharp stated.

In addition to saying Mass every day for the local Franciscan Sisters and once a week at the Elizabeth Detention Center, Father Sharp is also involved in a program called Light Weigh. "It's a 12-week program, a Christian approach to health and diet, and how our faith can be used in addressing the issue of excessive weight. The program is run by trainers, but I usually go to offer moral support," he commented.

Father Matthew Kunnath, also a parochial vicar at St. Mary's, brings many years of pastoral experience and administrative skills to the parish providing the benefit of his many years in hospital ministry.

Over the last three years, under his direction, St. Mary's fair has grown from a small event held on parish property, to a large undertaking that is expected to attract thousands of people.

Father Matthew has also organized many spiritual activities for the area's growing Indian community and serves as chaplain

> of St. Mary's Council of the Knights of Columbus.

> St. Mary's is one of the centers in the Archdiocese for Christian Foundations for Ministry. "It's a threeyear program of nine eight-week courses

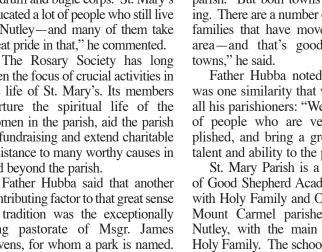
designed to cover the Catholic faith. It's meant to help people get more familiar with their faith, with the hope that they'll be more equipped to serve in ministries in their own parishes," said Father Hubba, who is an instructor for Christian Foundations, adding that the program is nationally accredited through the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

When asked about some of his goals for the parish, Father Hubba explained, "We are trying to get younger families more involved in leadership positions. Beginning in September, we will be having the new Hope Mass, which we are trying to tailor to their needs. It will feature a children's folk music choir and enlist parents to do readings and be Eucharistic ministers. We hope that they will talk to their friends and through their personal enthusiasm, bring them back to a regular practice of their religion."

St. Mary Parish is located at 17 Msgr. Owens Place in Nutley.



St. Mary's "Good Shepherd" memorial sculpture bears the names of parishioners past and present, reflecting the parish's rich history.



From unique beginnings, change and challenges met

The origins of St. Mary Parish are rather unusual. The church was dedicated as Our Lady of Grace, and kept that name for many years. It's founders, moreover, were not Catholic.

The land on which the church was built was donated by William Joyce, an Episco-

palian and owner of the nearby Avondale quarries. After his wife Elizabeth grew concerned about the religious needs of the Irish quarrymen, and the Italians who were beginning to replace them, she approached Father Hubert DeBurgh, pastor of St. Peter Parish, Belleville—a former Episcopalian minister who had converted to Catholicism. He agreed to help establish a new church for the workers near the quarries.

The elegance of the first church was no accident. James Renwick, the principal architect of St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York, was chief adviser to architect Timothy O'Rourke. O'Rourke himself would later start construction of the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Newark.

The cornerstone for St. Mary's was laid on Sept. 22, 1872, just as the demand for brownstone for the mansions of New York began to decline. When the quarries started shutting down, construction slowed. The first Mass was celebrated in the Father DeBurgh as pastor.

The next pastor, Father John P. Morris, completed the church interior with the help of the Morris family. Pastor francis A. Foy then built a parish hall and brought the land on which the current church sits.

Father Edward T. Quirk became pastor in 1917, and opened Nutley's first parochial school in 1921.

The school opened with 83 pupils in seven grades taught by three nuns. By September 1922, 150 students were being taught by four nuns. This success caught the eye of the diocese, and Father Quirk was transferred to bigger and better assignments in late 1922. He was replaced by Father James J. Owens, who, joined by Father James J. Glotzbach in 1924, led the major growth of St. Mary Parish.

During the next 15 years, the two priests introduced into St. Mary's the Catholic Daughters of America, the Holy Name Society, the Rosary Society, the St. Vincent de Paul Society, and the Calvert Club, as well as other groups. Major construction included a new convent, new rectory, and a new school that cost \$160,000. From 1922 to 1952, the parish paid off a debt of \$300,000, and accumulated \$210,000 for construction of a new church.

In 1948, Father Glotzbach left to become pastor of St. Philomenas Parish,

Livingston, but died shortly thereafter. In memory of his service to the youth of Nutley, the town named a playground in the old Avondale section Father Glotzbach Park. In the same year, Father Owens was named a monsignor and planned the postwar growth of St. Mary's.



incomplete church on Christmas As the parish concluded its centennial celebration in the fall of 1976, teachers, and the increased Day 1876, and the parish was incor- Archbishop Peter L. Gerety was presented a floral gift by two young tuition rates. porated the following year, with girls. To Archbishop Gerety's right is the pastor, Father John Olszewski.

On March 29, 1952, its dedication day, the current church was blessed by Archbishop Thomas J. Walsh, who had once served the parish as a Sunday curate. While this might be called the culmination of Msgr. Owen's years at St. Mary's, the era was also marked by the introduction of the Cana Movement, the Theater Guild, the Nocturnal Adoration Society, and the CCD program.

Father Owens celebrated his 55th anniversary as a priest in 1958. On Sept. 14, 1965, he died. His words recorded when near death were, "When I die, praise not my deeds; praise God for my happy death."

He was interred at St. Mary's near the Fatima shrine he so loved. A mosaic of him at this shrine was placed in the window recess at the church tower. And the town named the playground at the site of the old Avondale quarries, Msgr. Owens Park.

Msgr. Owens was succeeded by Father John J. Feeley. The new pastor introduced the parish school board, the home and school association, a youth group, the men's club, and the Bonnie Scots color guard. He also bought land for a school playground and for additional parking. Known for his spirituality and for being a leader of the ecumenical movement in Nutley, Msgr. Feeley retired in 1975.

The new pastor, Father John S.

Olszewski, presided over the parish's 100th anniversary celebration in 1976. In the same year, the first parish council was elected. Also that year, the permanent diaconate program was introduced.

Father Timothy Horgan became pastor in 1977. His was an era of change and renewal, a period in which the parish council developed a strong presence in the St. Mary's community. The council helped produce a self-analysis, providing the basis for a parish mission statement. Among new programs were the six-part

RENEW program, pre-Cana meetings, the RCIA program and the youth ministry.

For more than 70 years, St. Mary's School prepared the children of the parish for their role in society. Founded by the Sisters of Charity in 1921, the school quickly increased its registration to 150 in 1922. The founders, Sisters Lorinda, Rose Virginia, Claire Eileen and Anna Celeste, are still remembered in two stained glass windows in the present church.

The first major expansion of the school occurred in 1927, when enrollment reached 500 students. After further expansion, enrollment was at 1,300 in 1960, the last year under principal and founder Sister Anna Celeste. By the time Sister Marie Charitina arrived as principal in 1969, enrollment had begun dropping.

Other contributing factors, which she recognized, were the replacement of retired nuns with lay teachers, the need to pay a decent salary and benefits to such

By the early 1980's, the school had introduced a nursery school,

Spanish classes, one of the first full-day kindergartens and one of the first afterschool programs. A computer program and science lab followed, but few of the 125 infants baptized annually in the parish eventually entered the school, and enrollment fell under 300.

Despite much heroic effort, the Archdiocese announced that, given an operational loss of about \$250,000 per year, the school must close and the school system be combined with that of Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

Father Horgan left St. Mary's after serving for 17 years, and was succeeded as pastor by father Leonard Dembow. Noted for his sermons, Father Dembow also oversaw the reconstruction of the chapel in the former convent, as well as the conversion of that entire building into the parish center.

The current pastor, Father David Hubba, arrived at St. Mary's in 1998. Under Father Hubba, the parish has modernized the church plant, initiated new activities like the St. Mary's Carnival and, after many years of effort, rented St. Mary's School. Since September 2001, the school building has been the home of the Phoenix Center, a private, non-profit school for children with disabilities and other special needs.

Meet the Pastor



Father David C. Hubba

Age: 55

Date of Birth: July 26, 1948 High School: Seton Hall Prep College/Seminary/Graduate School: Seton Hall University, Immaculate Conception Seminary, Saint John's University

Date of Ordination: May 25,

Hero: Charles DeGaulle Favorite Saint: Augustine of

Favorite Sport: Basketball Favorite Food: Italian **Favorite Subject in School:**

Favorite Movie: A Man for All

Seasons (1964)

Last Book Read: The Catholic Revival in English Literature, 1845-1961 by Ian Ker,

Proudest Moment: Ordination Occupation if I weren't a

Priest: Lawyer



Occupying a prominent location near the church building is a statue dedicated to Our Lady by the parishioners during the Marian Year, four decades ago.

European pilgrimage planned

A pilgrimage to the cities of Central Europe will take place July 24-Aug. 7.

Two parochial vicars, Father Miroslaw Krol, St. Elizabeth Parish, Wyckoff, and Father Marc Vicari, Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, South Orange, are the spiritual directors.

Leaving from Newark Liberty International Airport, pilgrims will spend two nights in Vilnius, a night in Czestochowa, four days in Krakow and two nights each in Vienna and Budapest. Mass will be celebrated each day.

Features of the trip include daily breakfast and dinner, all transfers in a private deluxe motor coach, baggage handling, sightseeing, a tour escort and guided tours.

Stops in Vilnius include the Hill of the Crosses, the Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy and the Cathedral of Vilnius.

From Czestochowa to Krakow a stop will be made at the Black Madonna Icon. There will also be a visit to the Nazi concentration camp at Auschwitz.

Morning Mass will be celebrated at Krakow's St. Mary's Church. There will also be a tour of the Wawel Cathedral where the Holy Father was ordained and served as the Archbishop of Krakow.

Another morning Mass will be celebrated the following day at the Shrine on the Hillside, a favorite place for Karol Wojtyla to visit and pray. There will also be a visit to Stawisza, Father Krol's hometown.

In Prague, the pilgrims will participate in a High Latin Mass at the tomb of St. Stanislaw in the cathedral. On day two, morning Mass will be celebrated at the Church of Our Lady of Victory, site of the statue of the Infant Jesus of Prague. Vienna will be marked by morning Mass at the Cathedral of St. Stephen. Morning Mass in Budapest will be celebrated at St. Mathais Church.

For additional information, call Father Krol at (908) 862-1116, Father Vicari at (973) 763-5454 or visit www.pilgrimages.com/krol.



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Marian year observance to be Oct. 30

The Archdiocese of Newark, under the leadership of Archbishop John J. Myers, has scheduled a one-day pilgrimage to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC for Saturday, Oct. 30.

The Basilica of the National Shrine is observing a Marian Year in preparation for the 150th anniversary of the definition of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception by Pope Pius IX (1846-78).

Pope John Paul II has granted a plenary indulgence, under the usual conditions, to pilgrims who visit the Basilica during the observance and participate in a liturgy or other pious devotion.

"Because Mary, under the title of her Immaculate Conception, is a patroness of the Archdiocese of Newark and its seminary, we have special reason to rejoice and celebrate this anniversary" said Msgr. Richard F. Groncki, coordinator of the pilgrimage.

"As the Archdiocese concludes its own sesquicentennial and observes the golden jubilee of the dedication of its cathedral, we fittingly turn to the intercession of Mary Immaculate in petition for God's redeeming grace," Msgr. Groncki added.

He noted too, "The faithful of the Archdiocese of Newark have always been outstanding in their devotion to the Immaculate Conception and have in the past contributed generously towards the building of the National Shrine."

Archbishop Emeritus 65 years a priest

The priesthood 'is the greatest

brotherhood of men in the world.'

BY BRIAN FORES

Staff Writer

The installation of Peter Leo Gerety as its third archbishop on June 28, 1974, launched the Church of Newark into another period of great internal change and new national prominence.

With 2004 marking the 65 anniversary of Archbishop Emeritus Gerety's priestly ordination, the Archdiocese can reflect on his substantial legacy, one that that will continue to enrich and influence the Church of Newark well into the future.

Under his leadership, the Archdiocese approached its 125th anniversary firmly restructured according to the Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican's models of collegiality, co-responsibility and communication.

The man who thus shaped the Church of Newark to which he came in 1974, combined a zest for getting things done and an optimism that said often, "we can do it, together."

Peter Leo Gerety was born on July 19, 1912, in Shelton, CT, the first of nine sons of Peter L. and Charlotte Daly Gerety. His parents were New Jersey natives. His father's family lived first in the Greenville section of Jersey City, where they were parishioners of St. Paul's.

They moved to Shelton shortly after their wedding, and Leo—as the family addressed the first-born—attended public schools there, and at Shelton High School, he won scholastic honors and was captain of the football team, playing left end.

"My mother and father had a tremendous religious faith, and a tremendously optimistic view of life," he recalled years later. "They loved life very much. They taught us we could do almost anything."

Second to his parents as an influence in his vocation to the priesthood, Archbishop Gerety has credited the priests in his home parish, St.

Joseph's in Shelton. He praised the pastor, Father Andrew Plunkett, as "a great churchman and a strong character."

He entered St. Thomas Seminary in Boomfield, CT, and was chosen for study abroad at St. Sulpice Seminary in Issy, France, and was ordained at Notre Dame, Paris, in 1939.

On March 4, 1966, Pope Paul VI appointed him Titular Bishop of Crepedula and co-adjutor with right of succession to Bishop Daniel J. Feeney of Portland, ME. He was ordained to the episcopacy on June 1, 1966, in St. Joseph Cathedral, Hartford. His formal accession to the Portland see occurred on Sept. 15, 1969, following the death of Bishop Feeney.

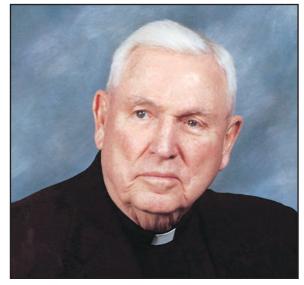
Though Peter L. Gerety was not a member of the episcopacy during Vatican Council II, his style as a bishop was closely attuned to the council's spirit.

On April 2, 1974, came the announcement from the Aposotolic Delegation in Washington, DC, that Bishop Peter L. Gerety had been appointed by Pope Paul VI as Archbishop of Newark, to succeed Archbishop Thomas A. Boland.

It was an appointment that drew comment in the national media. Bishop Gerety, known as a progressive, and an outspoken defender of the rights of minorities, was installed as Newark's third archbishop on June 28, 1974, in Sacred Heart Cathedral.

He evoked the "freeing of the spirit" on Sept. 17, 1977, at the Day of Dialogue, to which he invited 300 representatives of the clergy, Religious and laity, to give a kind of "State of the Archdiocese" report after three years in office.

He reported that toward his goal of "mutually shared responsibility" and communication, the Archdiocese had been restructured into four vicariates and 25 deaneries, that parish councils—whose effective operation he had prioritized during his first year—were in the process of establishment, and that deanery councils would follow. He stated that steps were being



Most Rev. Peter Leo Gerety

taken to revive the archdiocesan pastoral council.

Archbishop Gerety created the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, and it was coupled with a program geared to stimulate increased giving in individual parishes. It came close to its \$3 million goal in 1977. And in December 1977 Archbishop Gerety announced that after a decade of deficit financing, the Archdiocese had reduced its debt by \$4.1 million.

The restructuring of the Archdiocese to facilitate communication with the vast complex of 253 parishes, emerged early as a top priority on his episcopate. When he arrived, the Senate of Priests already had on its

drawing board a vicariate plan. Gradually, in consultation with Archbishop Gerety, it was revised to a deanery setup similar to the one he had mounted in

Portland in consultation with its Senate of Priests.

Archbishop Gerety led Newark's pilgrimage to Rome for the Sept. 14, 1975, canonization of Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton, at which he was a concelebrant of the liturgy with Pope John Paul II on the steps of St. Peter's Basilica.

When asked what he has been up to most recently, Archbishop Emeritus Gerety commented, "I've been keeping busy with communions, confirmations and other events that Archbishop Myers has graciously invited me to," adding that he likes to keep active.

Reflecting on his 65 years of priesthood, Archbishop Gerety noted, "Vatican II made me very happy—some of the great lessons it gave to the Catholic Church, and imperatives that it left us, were collegiality among bishops and the Holy Father, the explosion of lay people in efforts to evangelize, and in general, enormous changes in the laity, and the establishment of a priest council."

When asked about his efforts to welcome all peoples to the Church of Newark, Archbishop Emeritus Gerety noted, "That is one of the commands that the Lord left us—no matter what race or ethnicity, all of humankind is called to be redeemed by Lord Jesus Christ—Newark is unique because there are so many different types of people that make up the body of Christ."

He concluded, "I thank God for my 65 years of priesthood. It's the greatest brotherhood of men in the world, and I am so happy to be part of it. I also thank the Lord for my 92 years as well."

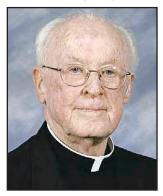
A special note on Bishop McDonnell

Most Rev. Charles J. McDonnell, a 50-year jubilarian this year, is also celebrating the 10th anniversary of his episcopal ordination and has retired from active ministry as an auxiliary bishop. See the special bishops' section for a full biography and coverage of Bishop McDonnell.

Father Francis J. Finn, a Jersey City native,

attended St. Aloysius High School there. He studied for the priesthood at Seton Hall University and Immaculate Conception Seminary and was ordained June 3, 1939.

He taught Latin and religion and was the athletic director at Seton Hall Preparatory School. He was assistant director of the divinity school from 1948 to 1966. Father Finn has



served as treasurer of the Friends of Seton Hall, a group that supports the university's athletic programs, and was on the executive committee of the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association.

During that time, he was also weekend assistant at St. Aloysius Parish, Jersey City, from 1940 to 1945; Holy Name Parish, East Orange, from 1946 to 1959, and Good Counsel Parish, Washington Township, from 1959 to 1966.

In 1966, Father Finn was named pastor of Our Lady of the Valley Parish, Orange. The same year, he was made a post-synodal judge for the Archdiocesan Marriage Tribunal. In 1980 he was named associate pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, Elizabeth. When Father Finn retired in 1985, he became pastor emeritus of Our Lady of the Valley Parish.

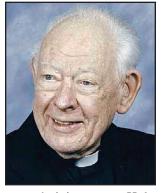
Father Finn, who is a Sunday assistant at Visitation Parish, Brick Township, commented, "While I was at Seton Hall, my principal task was to direct young men toward the priesthood. I also enjoyed teaching Latin. I often run into my fellow priests who are former students—and they still remember some of the Latin phrases I taught them."

Reflecting on his 65 years of priesthood, he added, "I've enjoyed every minute of it."

Msgr. Richard J. Holmes, a Jersey City native,

attended St. Aloysius High School, Seton Hall College and Immaculate Conception Seminary, Mahwah.

He was ordained June 3, 1944, and spent a year at Sacred Heart Parish, Bloomfield, before entering the Navy as a chaplain. He would serve in the Navy for the next decade, with the exception of three years, 1947-1950, during



which time, he was temporary administrator at Holy Trinity Parish, Fort Lee.

During his tour in the Navy, Msgr. Holmes served on ships in many ports, including Korea, Guam, Virginia, Oregon, Tennessee and Rhode Island.

From 1956 to 1972, he was director of the Department of Pastoral Care of the Public Institutions of Bergen County, which included the Bergen Pines County Hospital, two county jails in Hackensack, a shelter for delinquent children in Paramus and a children's home in Hackensack.

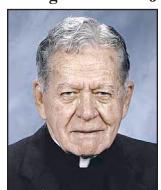
In 1965, he was given the title monsignor, and raised to the rank of papal chamberlain. In 1972, he was appointed pastor of St. Catharine Parish, Glen Rock, 1972. Msgr. Holmes retired from active ministry in 1987, and was named pastor emeritus of St. Catharine.

"I've loved every place I've stayed in and the people of those places. There is not one who stands out, they were all kind, generous and cooperative."

Since retirement, Msgr. Holmes has volunteered at St. Luke Parish, Ho-ho-kus. "One of the blessing of my priest-hood is that in the 17 years since my retirement, I have still been able to serve God in spiritual matters."

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Msgr. Edward J. Fleming, a native of Montclair, graduated from Seton Hall Preparatory, Seton Hall University and Catholic University of America, Washington DC, with a licentiate in sacred theology, in 1944. He was ordained the same year at St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, Newark, by the late Archbishop Thomas J. Walsh.

The next five years were spent at St. Theresa Parish, Summit. While there, he received an M.A. from Seton Hall University. In 1949, he commenced work at Seton Hall as a professor of Educational Psychology. In 1950, he was appointed director of student affairs, advancing to dean of the University College in Newark in 1953.

Under his direction, the enrollment at University College increased 35 percent and his tenure saw the establishment of the police science curriculum, the basic professional nursing program and the elementary education daytime course.

Msgr. Fleming earned a Ph.D. in clinical psychology from St. John University, Brooklyn, N.Y., in 1955. In 1956, the Alpha Epsilon Mu Business Society honored him with the Sapientiae Christianae award for "distinguished service in the field of human relations.'

In 1960, Msgr. Fleming was named executive vice president of Seton Hall University. When Bishop Dougherty resigned as president in May 1969, Msgr. Fleming was appointed acting president, a position he had filled on and off for the five preceding years. He remained in the position until the appointment of Father Thomas G. Fahy in the spring of 1970.

Msgr. Fleming was named pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish, Roseland, in 1970.

In 1977, Msgr. Fleming participated in a continuing education program at the North American College, Rome, studying international education. In 1986, he devoted a year of sabbatical to studying the spirituality of Cardinal John Henry Newman, with studies at the Weston School of Theology in Cambridge, MA., and at Oxford University, England.

Upon his return in 1987, Msgr. Fleming was appointed to serve as director of development for Immaculate Conception Seminary, and as liaison to the Secretary for Community Affairs.

When asked of what accomplishment he was proudest, he noted, "Although I was an administrator [at Seton Hall], I never lost sight of needs of my students—whether spiritual or psychological. I was truly touched, when in three different years, they dedicated the yearbook to me."

Father Gerald A. Marchand, a native of



Bayonne, attended St. Peter's Preparatory School, received a B.A. at Seton Hall University, and completed theological studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington. He was ordained on May 29, 1954, by Archbishop Thomas A. Boland, in St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, Newark.

After ordination, Father Marchand was named parochial vicar at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Irvington, where he remained for 24 years.

There, he served as moderator of various youth programs, as well as of pre-Cana and family life. He served as chaplain of Irvington General Hospital, the Irvington police and first aid departments, and later, inaugurated a senior citizens group.

In June 1978, he was appointed pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, West Orange. In January 1979, he was appointed chaplain of PBA Local 25, West Orange. That October, he joined the Archdiocesan Parish Aid Committee. In September 1998, Father Marchand retired from active ministry.

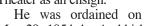
'When I was at Lourdes, firstly, I was pleased to be assigned to the home parish of Archbishop Boland, who had ordained me. It was a privilege to be assigned to his home parish, where I got to know his brothers and sisters, and where he retired," Father Marchand recently said.

"Secondly, I recall with pride the 75th anniversary celebration of the parish in December 1988 with Mass and dinner for over 1,100 parishioners, celebrated by Archbishop McCarrick and concelebrated by Bishop Francis, Bishop Smith and Bishop McHugh."

Father Charles V. Scanlan, a native of Nutley,

attended Good Counsel High School, Newark, and Nutley High School. He received a B.A. from Seton Hall University and completed theological studies at Îmmaculate Conception Seminary.

Father Scanlan is a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served in the Pacific Theater as an ensign.

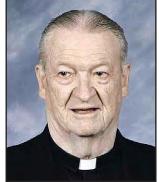


May 29, 1954, by Archbishop Thomas A. Boland, at St. Patrick Pro-Cathedral, Newark.

After ordination he was assigned to St. Francis Xavier Parish, Newark, as parochial vicar, where he would remain until his retirement in 1998. At the start of his tenure at St. Francis, he began work as a chaplain at Columbus Hospital, Newark, which would continue for the next 38 years.

Father Scanlan noted, "One of my favorite things was working in Columbus Hospital, taking care of the sick there and visiting many people in their homes, and the comfort that you were able to give people."

Father Harold T. Hermanns, a Nutley



native, attended St. Mary's School, Nutley, and St. Benedict's Preparatory School, Newark. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1943 to 1946. A graduate of Seton Hall University and Immaculate Conception Seminary, Father Hermanns was ordained in St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, Newark, on May 29, 1954.

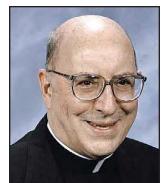
He was assigned to St.

Mary's Parish after ordination, and served there 42 years, until his retirement in October 1996.

He has served as a spiritual moderator to St. Mary's Holy Name Society, Joseph Dietz Post No. 361 of the Catholic War Veterans, and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He also assisted at Rahway Hospital (now Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway). He continues to serve as the chaplain of the Rahway Police Department.

Father Hermanns, reflecting on his 50th anniversary, recalled those who helped give him his start: "Father John P. Sullivan, my first pastor, and the two associates, Father Francis Sheridan and Thomas Meaney—I was just brand new-and these priests helped me tremendously in all I was to do. They also gave me guidance and support."

Father Richard M. Nardone, a native of Teaneck, attended St. Francis Xavier High School, New York



City. He received his B.A. from Seton Hall University and completed theological studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary and Catholic University, Washington, earning an S.T.L. there. He was ordained on May 29, 1954 by Archbishop Thomas A. Boland at St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, Newark.

After ordination, he was named parochial vicar of Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Parish, Garfield. In October 1957, Father Nardone became parochial vicar at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Newark. In 1959, he was appointed parochial vicar at St. James Parish, Springfield.

In June 1968, Father Nardone joined the faculty at Seton Hall University, South Orange, in the religious studies department. He was on leave from 1969 to 1972, at the University of Toronto, where he earned a Ph.D. in theology.

In 1991, Father Nardone published a book, The Story of the Christian Year, which chronicles the liturgical year. He retired from active ministry in April 1999.

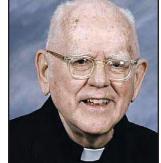
"I thought it was very rewarding both in parish ministry and teaching at Seton Hall. I've been very happy," Father Nardone said.

Father John J. Rock, a native of Jersey City, attended St. Peter's Preparatory School, received his B.A. from Seton Hall University, and completed theological studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary. He was

ordained on May 29, 1954 by Archbishop Thomas A. Boland at St. Patrick Pro-Cathedral, Newark.

After ordination, he was appointed parochial vicar at St. John the Evangelist Parish, Orange, where he would remain for 24 years. In 1977, he was named temporary administrator there.

In August 1978, Father Rock was named pastor of



St. John the Baptist Parish, Hillsdale, a position he would hold for the next 15 years. Among his achievements there, he erased the parish's million-dollar debt. Father Rock retired from active ministry in August 1993.

Recently, Father Rock stated, "I've met many wonderful people who have inspired me and encouraged me to become a good priest."

Msgr. Francis R. LoBianco, a Fairview native,



attended St. Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, Seton Hall University and Immaculate Conception Seminary. He was ordained May 29, 1954, at St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, Newark. Later, he would earn an M.A. (1955) in special education from Seton Hall and a Ph.D. in psychology from Fordham University (1966).

Msgr. LoBianco's parochial assignments include Holy Family Parish, Nutley, 1954-57; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Jersey City, 1957-58; St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, Newark, 1958-59; Holy Rosary Parish, Jersey City, 1972-1985; St. Rose of Lima, Short Hills, 1984-1987; Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Newark, 1987-1990 (rector), and Our Lady of the Visitation Parish, Paramus, 1990-1999 (pastor).

Among his Archdiocesan assignments, he was the founder and director of the Apostolate for the Continued on page 15



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Developmentally Disabled; founder and director of the Catholic Guidance Center, 1957-59; organizer and director of the Special Education Department of the Mount Carmel Guild, 1957-1969; Director of the Mount Carmel Guild Department of Psychological Services, and Assistant Superintendent of Archdiocesan Schools for Special Education, from 1959 for the duration of the time he worked in special education.

Msgr. LoBianco established and directed the Guild Training and Placement services, a rehabilitation program for handicapped young adults, and served as consultant to the Guild's Narcotic Program from 1957 to 1961. He organized and directed the Mount Carmel Guild Guidance Institute, a network of community mental health center, from 1959 to 1963.

In 1971, Msgr. LoBianco was elevated to the rank of Papal Chamberlain and given the title monsignor by Pope Paul VI. In 1979, he was elevated again, to the rank of domestic prelate.

In April 1976, he was named the first executive director of Catholic Community Services, which began as an amalgamation of the Mount Carmel Guild and Associated Catholic Charities. He held the position until 1980. In March 1979, he was appointed Secretary for Social Concerns of the Archdiocese.

In March 1988, Msgr. LoBianco was named liaison to Catholic Hospitals and Health Care by Archbishop McCarrick, a position that would last for three years. "My role is to be a representative of the Archdiocese, particularly with political bodies, to coordinate and focus on major health care issues affecting our Archdiocese," he said at the time.

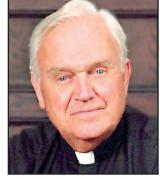
In that role, he also did much to develop an active AIDS ministry. At the same time, as rector of Sacred Heart Cathedral, he worked on restoration and renova-

Msgr. LoBianco retired from active ministry in 1999. "I can honestly say they were exciting years," Msgr. LoBianco said.

Father Paul J. Lehman, a native of Elizabeth, graduated from Seton Hall Preparatory and University before completing his studies for the priesthood at

Immaculate Conception Seminary. He was a member of the class that was ordained on May 29, 1954 at St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral.

After ordination, Father Lehman served as parochial vicar at St. John the Evangelist Parish, Bergenfield. In June 1964, Father Lehman was appointed parochial vicar of Sacred Heart



Parish, Haworth. In June 1967, he was appointed parochial vicar of St. Joseph Parish, Newark.

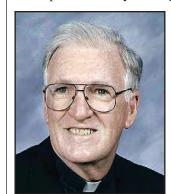
In June 1968, he was appointed chaplain at Martland Medical Center, Newark, a position he would hold until 1973. In January 1973, he was named parochial vicar of St. Michael Parish, Newark.

In August 1975, he was appointed pastor of St. Michael Parish, Elizabeth, and in 1979, he was appointed to the Archdiocesan Personnel Board for a period of two years.

In September 1986, Father Lehman was appointed parochial vicar of St. Aedan Parish, Jersey City, and in March 1989, he was named pastor of St. Antoninus Parish, Newark. He retired from active ministry five years ago. Since then, he has served on the Archdiocesan Retirement Board.

Father Lehman described his years in active ministry as "enjoyable and challenging." He noted the charismatic dimension of St. Antoninus Parish, where he has become involved in the parish's covenant community.

Father Leo O. Farley, a native of Bayonne, graduated from St. Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, and Seton Hall University. He attended Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington, and Catholic University



of America, Washington, DC. He was ordained at St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral on May 29, 1954.

Father Farley was assigned to St. Paul Parish, Jersey City, after ordination. In 1957, he joined the faculty of Immaculate Conception Seminary, teaching moral theology. During his early years there, he was co-editor of question box column of

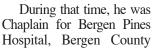
The Advocate. In 1961, he was assigned to the Office of Censor Librorum in the Archdiocese of Newark.

In June 1962, he received his doctorate in sacred theology from Catholic University, Washington, DC, and taught there from 1966 to 1971. In 1971, he returned to a teaching position at Immaculate Conception Seminary.

In October 1976, Father Farley was named pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Jersey City. In 1987, he was named chaplain of Saint Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston. He retired from active ministry in April 1998.

Msgr. Hugh A. O'Donnell, a native of Eliza-

beth, attended St. Mary High School there and Seton Hall University. He was ordained May 29, 1954 at Saint Patrick's Pro-Cathedral after studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary. He served at Our Lady of the Visitation Parish, Paramus, from 1954 to 1967.



Director of Sodalities, Regional Director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Chaplain of the Paramus Police Department and Chaplain for PBA Local 102.

In 1967, he was assigned to St. Aedan's Parish, Jersey City, and was involved with all parish societies and activities. He began the annual St. Patrick's Parade Mass in 1968, which was held before the Jersey City parade each year, and was chaplain for the parade.

Msgr. O'Donnell was named temporary administrator in 1980 and spent a total of 14 years at the parish before being named pastor of Holy Cross Parish, Harrison, in August 1981. While there, he made many repairs and renovations to all buildings for the 125th anniversary of the parish in 1993.

În March 1986 he was named a prelate of honor to Pope John Paul II, elevating him to the title of monsignor. In May 1986, he was elected dean of the Hudson County West Deanery 14, which consists of parishes in Kearny, East Newark and Harrison.

In 1982, he began the St. Patrick's Parade Mass at Holy Cross Parish before the annual West Hudson parade. He is active in many Irish organizations and societies. In 1988, he was appointed chaplain of the Harrison Local 22 Patrolman's Benevolent Association.

Msgr. O'Donnell served as a member of the Archdiocesan Pastor's Advisory Committee for Development and chairman of that committee for three years. He was a member of the Parish Assistance Committee for seven years, and the Catholic Advisory Board. He was also on the Pastor's Advisory Board of The Catholic Advocate from 1986 to 1991.

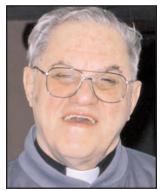
He was appointed pastor of St. Genevieve Parish, Elizabeth, in October 1993.

He was named chaplain for the Elizabeth Fire Department in 1994, chaplain of the Elizabeth Police Department in 1996 and chaplain of the Elizabeth Knights of Columbus in December 2002.

Among his proudest moments, "I was in Rome in 1989, and was able to celebrate Mass with the Holy Father in his private chapel, and had a private audience with him after Mass.

Father George M. Keating, a native of

Belleville, attended Seton Hall Preparatory School and Seton Hall University. He studied at Immaculate Conception Seminary and Catholic University of America, Washington DC, graduating there with an S.T.L. degree. He was ordained May 29, 1954, at St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, Newark.



After ordination, Father

Keating was appointed parochial vicar of St. Rose of Lima Parish, Newark. In June 1964, he was made assistant spiritual director of Immaculate Conception Seminary. He was appointed chaplain at Saint Barnabas Hospital, Livingston, with residence at St. Philomena Parish, Livingston, in June 1977.

In 1979, he was appointed director of healthcare personnel for the Archdiocese with residence at St. Raphael Parish,

In 1980, Father Keating was named acting director of the Pastoral Health Care Ministry for the Archdiocese of Newark, a position he would hold for six years.

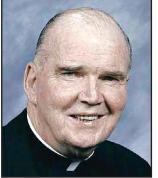
He left in January 1986 to become director of the department of pastoral care at Memorial General Hospital, in Union (now Union Hospital) with residency at St. Theresa

Through his leadership of the Association of St. Philomena's Helpers to the Suffering and the Poor there, a group consisting of deacons and lay people, the association was awarded an official decree of recognition by then-Archbishop McCarrick in 1998, acknowledging the association as "a group of faithful of the Archdiocese of Newark," and Father Keating was confirmed as official spiritual moderator of the society.

Father Keating, who still volunteers at Union Hospital, retired from active ministry in July 2003.

"My greatest love was working with hospital ministry, and it really was—in a special way—an education for me in the spiritual life," said Father Keating, who said he became interested in the hospital work when, during his first ten years, the parish priests took turns working at United Hospital in Newark.

Father Robert G. Gibney, a native of Jersey



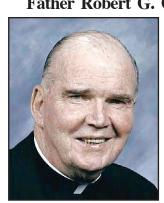
City, was ordained on May 29, 1954, at St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, Newark, after studies at Seton Hall University and Immaculate Conception Seminary.

His first assignment was to St. Cecilia Parish, Kearny, where he served for three years before joining the faculty of Immaculate Conception Seminary as director of students

He was then assigned to Sacred Heart Parish, Newark, where he served until 1965, when he was released for service as a Navy chaplain. Father Gibney served in the Navy for 10 years, after which he was assigned to St. Mary Parish, Dumont.

In 1978, he was named pastor of St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Cedar Grove, where he remained until 1985. He then requested hospital duty and was appointed

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chaplain of Overlook Hospital, Summit.

In September 1991, Father Gibney was appointed pastor of Our Lady of Carmel Parish, Ridgewood. He retired from active ministry in April 1997.

Father Thomas M. Cembor, a Bayonne



native, attended Marist High School and Seton Hall University. During a twoyear leave of absence from the seminary, he was a social worker for the New Jersey. Division of Youth and Family Services and also worked for the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company.

He was ordained in May 1979. After ordination, he

was appointed parochial vicar of St. Mary Parish, Nutley. In August, he was appointed chaplain of Court Gratia, Catholic Daughters of America, Nutley.

He was named parochial vicar of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Mountainside, in June 1987.

In 1988, Father Cembor was appointed chaplain of the Union County West Serra Club, and in 1991, he was appointed to serve part-time as coordinator for the Union County Program for the AIDS Ministry, for a period of three years.

In June 1993, he was named parochial vicar of St. Aloysius Parish, Jersey City, and chaplain for the Serra Club of Hudson County, Jersey City. In July 1993, he was appointed to the Priestly Vocations Board of the Archdiocese of Newark.

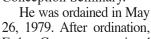
In June of 1994, Father Cembor became pastor of St. Leo Parish, Irvington. In February 1998, he was appointed dean of South Essex, Deanery 18, for a term of three years and in 1999, he was reappointed to the Priestly Vocations Board.

In 2000, Father Cembor was appointed to a second six-year term as pastor of the St. Leo Parish, Irvington, and in March 2002, he was reappointed at a second three-year term as dean of the South Essex Deanery, Deanery 18. This May, he was assigned parochial vicar of St. Raphael Parish, Livingston.

Father Cembor observed, "Overall, just being a priest has been the best experience of my life. Perhaps it may be more challenging for men entering priesthood today because of social changes, but our hope is that God gives us strength to respond to His call, and do the best that we can in empowering the people in responding to the call of each of them as well in their own ministries."

Father Gabriel B. Costa, a Hoboken native,

graduated from Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, with a B.S. in mathematics (1970), and an M.S. in mathematics 1972. After teaching on the college and high school levels, he took two years of formation with the Capuchins, then entered Immaculate Conception Seminary.



Father Costa was appointed parochial vicar of St. Francis Xavier Parish, Newark.

In June 1980, he joined the faculty of Seton Hall University, South Orange, teaching mathematics and computer science and serving as adjunct professor of Franciscan Spirituality at Immaculate Conception Seminary.

The same year, he also earned an M.A. in Systematic Theology from Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington. He also began working as the weekend assistant at St. Benedict Parish, Newark, a position he holds

today. In 1984, he received at Ph.D. in mathematics from Stevens Institute of Technology and served as an advocate on the Archdiocesan Tribunal from 1984 to 2001.

In October 1992, he was selected to serve in the visiting professor program at the United States Military Academy at West Point for the 1992-93 school year. He was the first priest to serve as one of the distinguished civilian educators chosen to fill a visiting professorship in the mathematics department at West Point.

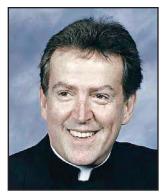
The same year, he was nominated for the Seton Hall University Professor of the Year award. He has published articles in several distinguished math and science-related journals, and been guest speaker at universities and conventions.

From 1990 to 2000, Father Costa assisted as weekend staff at St. Philip the Apostle Parish, Saddle Brook. In 1993, the United States Army presented him the the Outstanding Civilian Service Medal, for the 1992-93 academic year.

"I'm a world-class Yankee fan," says Father Costa, who has published articles on mathematics, spirituality and sabermetrics, the study of statistics in baseball.

"At Seton Hall, I created first ever university-accredited course in sabermetrics in 1988," he noted with enthusiasm, adding, "It's been a wonderful life as a priest and I've thoroughly enjoyed it. The Archdiocese and Seton Hall have been very good to me."

Father Gerald T. Hahn, a native of Cranford,



graduated from St. Benedict's Preparatory School, and St. John University, Collegeville, Minn. He graduated from Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington, with a M.Div. in 1978.

He was ordained in May 1979. After ordination, he was named parochial vicar of Ascension Parish, New Milford, where he spent 15

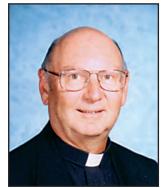
years. In June 1994, he was appointed parochial vicar of Presentation Parish, Upper Saddle River.

In June 2000, Father Hahn was named parochial vicar of St. Andrew, Westwood. In September 2002, he was appointed chaplain of St. Thomas More Columbiettes Council 2188.

In November 2000, he was named pastor of St. Anthony Parish, Northvale. In June he was appointed dean of Northeast Bergen County, Deanery 2. "As I celebrate this anniversary, I'm thinking mostly of great fortune of all of God's blessings—of course, the priesthood, the Eucharist and the treasure of family and friends who have made the journey with me."

Father Charles W. Hartling, a native of the Bronx, New York, attended St. Helena's High School there, then entered the Marist Brothers, completing college work at Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY.

He taught at Roselle Catholic High School from 1963 to



1976, serving as assistant program director for the Union County CYO in charge of the youth religious programs.

In June 1993, Father Hartling was named parochial vicar of St. Elizabeth Parish, Wyckoff. In 1999, he was appointed parochial vicar of St. Mary Parish, Rutherford. Last July, he began the working

as pastoral administrator of St. Mary High School, which covers basic campus ministry duties for the school. He is also the religious education chairperson, and chaplain for several of the sports teams.

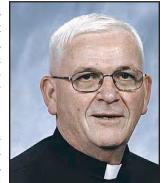
"There have been so many wonderful and joyous events in my priesthood. God willing, I will continue doing the best that I can for God's people," he told *The Catholic Advocate*.

Father Norbert F. Laskowski, an Irvington native, attended St. Benedict's Preparatory School, Newark, Seton Hall University, and Immaculate Conception Seminary. He was ordained in May 26, 1979.

After ordination, he was assigned to Immaculate

Conception Parish, Secaucus. Father Laskowski was named parochial vicar at Queen of Peace Parish, North Arlington, in 1982. In June 1993, he was appointed parochial vicar at Holy Spirit Parish, Union.

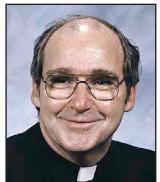
He became pastor of St. Cecilia Parish, Kearny, in 1996, and was appointed dean of the West Hudson, Deanery 14. He was named



administrator of Sacred Heart Parish, Rochelle Park, in August 2001, and pastor in November 2001.

Father Patrick M. Mulewski, a native of Bayonne, attended St. Anthony High School, Jersey City, and Seton Hall University. He earned an M.Div. from Immaculate Conception and was ordained on May 26, 1979, at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newark.

After ordination, he was appointed parochial vicar of St.



Paul Parish, Jersey City, where he served for 13 years. During his ministry there, he taught religion at the parish grade school and was youth minister. For five years, he also taught at St. Anthony High School, Jersey City.

In 1992, he was appoint-

ed parochial vicar of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Ridgewood. In May 1999, he was named pastor of St. Pius

X Parish, Old Tappan.

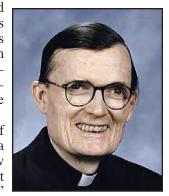
"I enjoyed working in youth ministry, it is my first love, whether it was confirmation programs, high school youth groups or retreat weekends. What made it special was just their cooperation—they were always willing to help."

Father Mark A. O'Connell, a Jersey City native, attended St. Michael's High School, Jersey City, Seton Hall University and New York Law School, earning a J.D. He entered Immaculate Conception Seminary in 1975 and earned an M.A. in biblical studies. He was ordained in 1979.

After ordination, he was appointed parochial vicar of St. Peter the Apostle Parish, River Edge, where he was coordinator of the RCIA program. In May 1990, he was appointed parochial vicar of St. Peter Parish, Belleville. While at St. Peter's in River Edge, he was youth minister for 10 years.

At St. Peter's, he learned Spanish, and celebrates Mass in Spanish, and does some work with the Spanish ministry. He is also coordinator of the liturgy committee and moderator of the men's prayer group.

"There are a number of reasons why I became a priest—if I hadn't, I knew I would have regretted it 20 years down the road,"



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Continued from page 17 he said, adding, "I'm happy I became a priest."



Father Felix R. Marciniak, a native of Norwich, CT, entered the Capuchin Franciscan province of SS. Stanislaus and Adalbert in Warsaw, Poland, in 1971. He completed his novitiate there and undertook philosophy studies at Katolicki Uniwersytet Lubelski in Lublin, Poland.

Returning to the United States, he completed studies at Seton Hall University and Immaculate Conception Seminary and professed solemn vows in the Capuchin parish of St. Anne, Broken Arrow, OK., in 1977.

Following his ordination on May 26, 1979, at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newark, Father Marciniak served at St. Casimir Parish and Our Lady of Mount

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Carmel Parish, both in Newark, before being assigned as parochial vicar of Most Sacred Heart Parish, Wallington, in 1980.

He was incardinated into the Archdiocese of Newark in October 1983. Father Marciniak was appointed pastor of St. Casimir's Parish, Newark, in 1992. In May 1997, he was appointed pastor of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish, Linden. In July 1998, he was appointed pastor of Most Sacred Heart Parish, Wallington.

He has served on the Archdiocesan Ecumenical Commission, as coordinator of the Polish Apostolate, and as president of both the Polish Clergymen's Society of Newark and Paterson and the local chapter of the Polish-American Priests' Association (PAPA).

From 1996 to 1999, he served as dean of the Ironbound Deanery, Deanery 21. Father Marciniak also has bi-ritual faculties in the Byzantine Catholic Ruthenian Diocese of Passaic. He is a fourth degree Knight of Columbus, and was installed as canon of the Cathedral Chapter of Drohiczyn, Poland, in August 1999.

"It happened in the blink of an eye, and it's been intense and wonderful. I don't know where the years have gone, but I'm very happy that they have passed as they have. The people that I have met along the way, they have helped me, given me encouragement—it has made it all worth it," Father Marciniak said.



Father Donald E. Blumenfeld, a native of Emerson, attended Saint Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, and Seton Hall University, South Orange. He completed his theological training at the North American College and the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He was one of 88 seminarians to be ordained by Pope John Paul II at St. Peter's Basilica, in June 1979.

His first assignment was as parochial vicar at St. Mary Parish, Dumont. From 1983 to 1993, he taught religious studies at Union Catholic Regional High School,

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Rev. Charles V. Scanlan

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Scotch Plains. In addition to teaching, in June 1990, he was appointed chaplain at Union Catholic.

In June 1993, he was assigned to the priests' community at Seton Hall. The 1993-94 school year was spent in the Diocese of Paterson, teaching religious studies at Morris Catholic High School, Denville.

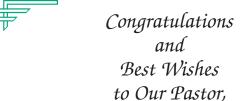
From 1994 to 1997, he returned to Union Catholic, serving as chaplain and teaching. In 1997, he received a Ph.D. in theological studies from the Graduate Theological Foundation, Donaldson, IN.

He served as chaplain at Paramus Catholic High School from 1998 to 1999. In 1999, he became campus minister at Ramapo College, Mahwah, remaining there through the 2001 school year.

In January 2001, he also became acting director of pas-

toral education for Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, and in 2002, he was appointed to the Censor Librorum for the Archdiocese of Newark. Since 1997, he has also been adjunct professor of religious studies at Seton Hall University and Felician College, Lodi.

"The time has flown. I've been blessed by the Lord and people I've served, particularly the priests and seminarians that I live and work with. I'm very aware of the responsibility that's been entrusted to me as a seminary faculty member. I really love having the opportunity to teach as well as preach. During my time at Union Catholic, I spent ten years directing the school play, and I really enjoyed working with young people, watching them grow and develop their talents."



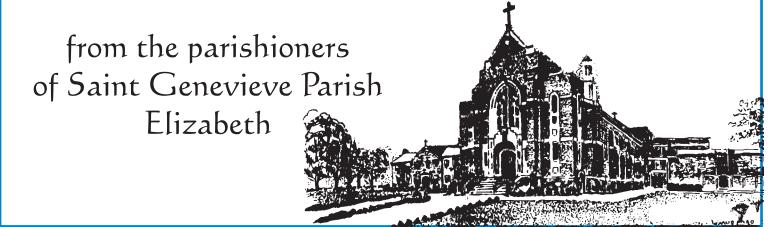
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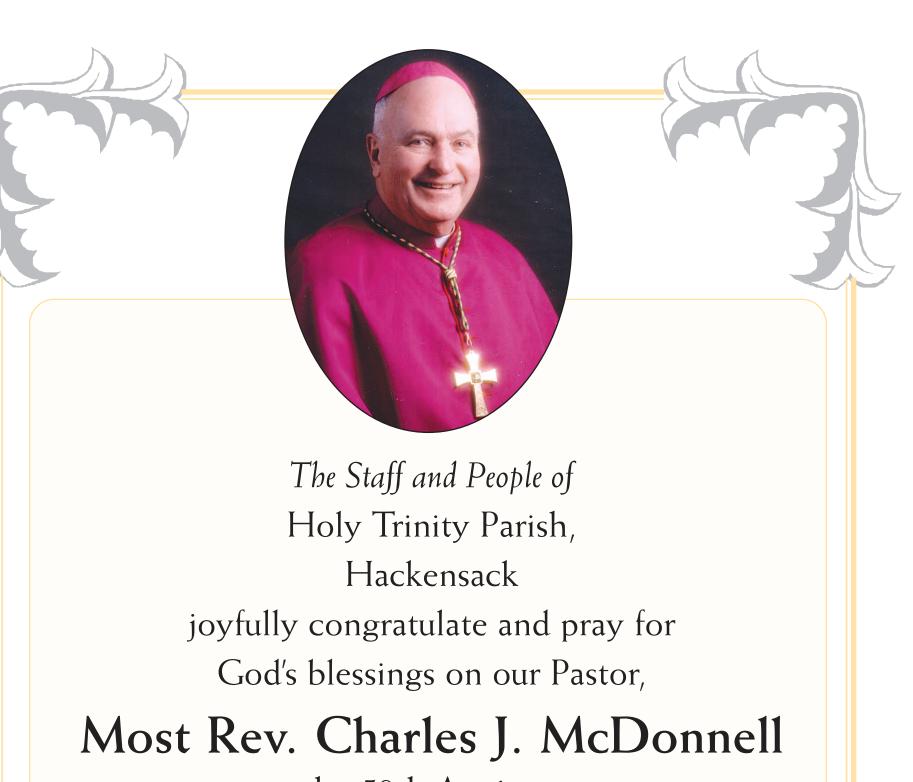
Thank you for all you do for us and for sharing your life, your gift of priesthood and your friendship.

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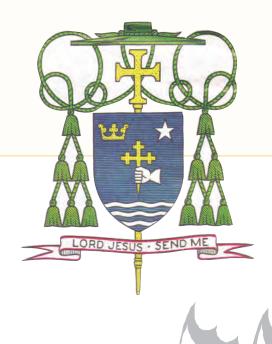
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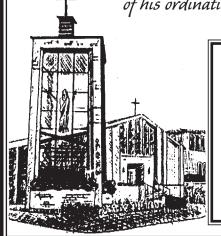
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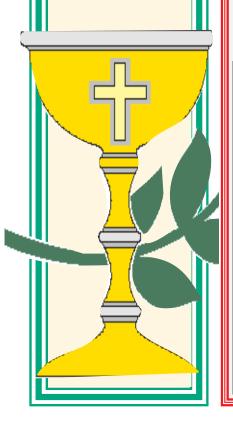
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I have called you by name; you are mine. -Isaiah 43:1

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Staff Writer

When it comes to coordinating, one chancery department stands out—the Worship Office. Organizing beautiful and deeply spiritual Masses and prayer services is what makes the work of this office a true ministry.

While the goals of the Worship Office are many, its general mission is to assist and support parishes, ministries and individual groups in their faith formation and participation in the liturgy, and to make the liturgy an experience that brings Catholics closer to God.

Founded in 1974 by Msgr. Richard Groncki, rector of the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark, and Director of Archdiocesan Ceremonies, the office is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year. For the past three decades it has been serving as a liturgical resource for the entire Archdiocese, advising on and planning special Masses, as well as all liturgical services that take place in the Cathedral Basilica.

It also consults on architectural designs and renovations for churches, chapels and other spaces for worship, provides

worship enrichment programs that foster and continue faith formation, is responsible for the implementation of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), contributes to the liturgical formation of candidates for the diaconate and the priesthood, and acts as the liaison for other archdiocesan departments in order to help them carry out their particular celebrations.

Sister Sandra DeMasi, S.S.J., Director, for the past 10 years, runs a tight ship, and she relies on her co-workers to keep everything operating smoothly.

Joan M. Conroy, administrative assistant, Rose Marie Fitzgerald, resource coordinator, and Regina Chamberlain, secretary, work with Sister Sandy on a daily basis to assure that all liturgies, programs, meetings, materials and other appropriate issues are organized, prepared and completed.

Father Thomas Iwanowski, Associate Director of Parish Life, manages matters of worship within a church community. This encompasses advising on and inspecting renovation or construction of churches, and formation and guidance of

extraordinary ministers of the In photo at left: Archbishop John J. Myers presided at the 125th anniversary Mass at St. Leo Parish, Irvington, which was celebrated in three languages: English, Spanish and French-Creole. St. Leo's pastor, Father Beaubrun Ardouin, is seen at the archbishop's left, rear. Earlier the same weekend Archbishop Myers welcomed delegates to the 22nd National Convention of the Haitian Apostolate-U.S.A., on the campus of Seton Hall University.





Members of the staff of the Worship Office, left to right, back row, Father Thomas Dente, Joan Conroy, Msgr. Richard Groncki and Father Thomas Iwanowski; front row, Regina Chamberlain, Sister Sandy DeMasi, S.S.J., and Rose Marie Fitzgerald. Not shown: Father Michael Sheehan. The Worship Office is in the Archdiocesan Center, Newark.

Eucharistic and lectors.

As Director of the Catechumenate, Father Michael Sheehan handles all aspects of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, including the implementation of the rite and coordinating major celebrations—the Rite of Election and the Call to Continuing Conversion. He oversees the continuing enrichment of initiation ministers and works with parish, Archdiocesan and province directors of the Catechumenate.

Teaching, directing role Father Thomas Dente, Associate Director of Liturgical Formation, oversees the formation of lay and ordained liturgical ministers. Coordinator of the graduate certificate program in liturgical studies at Felician College, Father Dente is also an adjunct professor there. He presents liturgy workshops both at Immaculate Conception Seminary and for the permanent diaconate and works with the office of continuing formation of the clergy.

Sister Sandy, as director, oversees all activities that emanate from the Worship Office. With a functioning role in the administration, coordination and execution of programs, projects, liturgies, materials, committees, boards and meetings, she also presents workshops on liturgy and teaches in the Liturgical Formation and Pastoral Ministry programs at Immaculate Conception Seminary and at the graduate certificate program in liturgical studies at Felician College.

Another piece of the puzzle is the Liturgical Commission, which meets regularly to discuss issues that pertain to liturgy in the parishes and worship. It's a "think tank," described Sister Sandy.

Consultants Msgr. Charles Gusmer, the sacramental theologian for the office, and Joan Rovere, involved in sacramental cathechesis, are among members of the Liturgical Commission.

Getting out "Word on Worship," the office's regularly published newsletter (launched in 1981), is one more labor of the department. It covers a variety of liturgical issues and questions from Marian devotion to Masses with children to funeral rites. The editorial board is comprised of Worship Office staff members and consultants as well as volunteer contributors.

Msgr. Groncki, Sister Sandy and the administrative staff work diligently all year round in preparing archdiocesan celebrations that take place in the Cathedral Basilica. These celebrations include the Blue Mass, law enforcement; the Florian Mass, for firefighters; the Mass for EMS workers; Masses for ethnic apostolates, and traditional Church feast day Masses, among many others.

Music is a very significant part of a liturgy, and the Worship Office collaborates with the Director of Music at the Cathedral Basilica, John Miller. Together, the cantors and musicians of the Archdiocese are offered opportunities for membership in the National Pastoral Musicians Association and enrichment programs.

The Worship Office also acts as a resource for other archdiocesan departments as well as parishes, to help them prepare liturgies, whether they take place at the Cathedral Basilica or at a parish.

Vatican II guidelines

And it coordinates with departments to provide information and guidance, such as to the Catholic Cemeteries Office regarding interment rites and mausoleum artwork, to the Office of Property Management Administration on how to adhere to Second Vatican Council guidelines concerning the construction and/or renovation of churches. and to the Schools Office, providing enrichment for religion teachers on liturgy and cate-

The "time factor," contends Sister Sandy, is one of the biggest challenges in this ministry. "We want to do so much.

... There's just not enough time in the day. The staff of the Worship Office has a great love of the Eucharist and the gift that it is for the Church."

Sister Sandy pointed out that the most rewarding thing for her personally is "participating in the liturgy of the Church.'

Of her co-workers, she notes, "They work hard, and they love what they do-energy begets energy.'

For more information on the Worship Office visit www.rcan.org/worship.

Trafficking

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restricted, and they are led to believe that their "employer" or the traffickers own them. Types of forced labor can include domestic servitude, agricultural labor, work in fisheries, sweatshops or the food service industry, prostitution, janitorial work and begging.

HHS defines child labor as "a form of work that is likely to be hazardous to the health and/or physical, mental, spiritual, moral or social development of children and can interfere with their education." The International Labor Organization cites worldwide an estimated 246 million working children between the ages of 5 and 17 that are "involved in debt bondage, forced recruitment for armed conflict, prostitution, pornography and other illicit activities around the world." It adds that "girls are particularly in demand for domestic work."

Because sex trafficking is integrated into other forms of labor trafficking and has become so prevalent, it comprises a separate and frighteningly prolific brand of human trafficking.

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> -Frank Cannon, Capitol City Partners

The sexual exploitation that victims suffer can involve various kinds, ranging from prostitution and pornography to bride trafficking, military prostitution and sex tourism. And it can take place in many different venues, from public to private sectors.

In 2002 a sex trafficking ring was broken in a residential neighborhood in Plainfield, one of the first cases tried under the TVPA. Four Mexican girls between ages 14 and 18, with no legal documentation, were being held against their will in a house on West Front Street and forced to perform sexual acts—sometimes several times a day—with men brought in by and for the profit of their captors. (Eight people were prosecuted in relation to this case; six were convicted while two remain fugitives.)

Court records indicate that the girls were lured with promises of marriage, gainful employment and a better life.

In an effort to identify victims and help them attain status as legal refugees, with all the benefits that accompany that designation, such as education, healthcare and employment,

HHS has launched the Rescue and Restore campaign.

Raising the public's awareness of human trafficking crimes and getting people to recognize victims as such—that they are being coerced into labor and sex slavery situations and not participating voluntarily or for their own profit—is the focus of the first phase of the campaign.

People who potentially come into contact more often with victims, such as law enforcement officers, lawyers, healthcare workers, members of child protection services and community-based groups (faith-based, ethnic, social services), are being particularly targeted and asked to "look beneath the surface."

Programs have been introduced in three major U.S. cities this spring—Atlanta, Philadelphia and Phoenix—which have encompassed press conferences to disseminate information and the initiation of local task forces (consisting of regional attorney generals, law enforcement and non-government organizations (NGO) like the ones mentioned above) working with HHS, the U.S. Department of Justice and Homeland Security to attack

human trafficking by concentrating on the victims.

Because the Archdiocese of Newark lies within an area of the country that has a high level of trafficking activity—the New York/New Jersey metropolitan area—Archbishop John J. Myers was approached by members of Capital City Partners, LLC, the national public affairs firm running with HHS the Rescue and Restore campaign, to represent the Archdiocese as a principal constituent in a task force covering New Jersey.

In a pastoral letter published in the May 19 issue of *The Catholic Advocate*, Archbishop Myers vehemently denounced the evil of human trafficking and declared his commitment to the Rescue and Restore campaign.

The Archdiocese's Catholic Community Services (CCS) has been brought on board to actualize this plan. Since it already has in place many of the resources needed to assist victims of human trafficking, such as refugee and immigration services as well as healthcare and social services, it is in a position to implement a compre-



U.S. bishops gathered June 14 for Mass at the start of their special assembly. The bishops met for a five-day closed-door retreat in Englewood, CO, a suburb of Denver, and released a statement on citizenship.

Bishops' conference

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The statement was adopted by a vote of 183-6 during the special assembly of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) held June 14-19 in Englewood, CO.

It was issued following an extensive interim report to the bishops by their Task Force on Catholic Bishops and Catholic Politicians, formed last November and headed by Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick of Washington.

The statement said respect for the Eucharist "demands that it be received worthily and that it be seen as the source for our common mission in the world."

Noting "the polarizing tendencies of election-year politics," they warned against misusing Catholic teaching and sacramental practice "for political ends."

Reflecting on the Church's role in promoting public policies that respect human life and dignity, they said there is a need "to continue to teach clearly" and bring Catholic leaders to an "unequivocal commitment" to full legal protection of human life at every stage.

They said there is a need to do more "to persuade all people that human life is precious and human dignity must be defended." They invited political leaders as well as others to take initiatives in that area.

They called on all Catholics "to act in support of these princi-

ples and policies in public life."

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On release of the statement Cardinal McCarrick said, "It reflects the bishop's role as teacher, pastor and center of unity. We address the moral issues that our society faces without endorsing parties or candidates."

Cardinal McCarrick noted that last fall the bishops' Administrative Committee "outlined the principles for moral participation in political life and described the USCCB positions on numerous issues" in their quadrennial election-year statement on political responsibility. That statement, titled "Faithful Citizenship: A Catholic Call to Political Responsibility," and the new statement, "Catholics in Political Life," are available on the Internet at www.usccb.org.

Christie, whose office was instrumental in the prosecution of the Plainfield case; the pledge from Archbishop Myers, and CCS' already successful model for refugee assistance make Newark an ideal location for a state headquarters.

More resources

Henry J. Amoroso, Esq., Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the newly formed Catholic Health and Human Services Corporation (CHHS), created to manage the Archdiocese's Cathedral Healthcare System, Mount Carmel Guild Behavioral Healthcare System and CCS, noted that the initiating of this task force coincides with the opening of CCS's new building in the fall, the Bishop Francis Center for Social Justice.

This facility will allow for, among other things, accommodation and service of victims of human trafficking that is anticipated will come forth upon implementation of the campaign in the Newark area.

In addition, Phillip Frese, Ph.D., CPA, Executive Director of CCS, commented that the offering of a number of safe houses and other resources (education for pastors and parishes, intervention training, press people dedicated to the topic) are being planned as part of the initiative.

If you think someone is a victim of human trafficking call the toll free Trafficking Information and Referral Hotline at (888) 3737-888. For more information on the Rescue and Restore campaign visit www.acf.hhs.gov/trafficking.

Some information for this article was obtained from the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

hensive program that will incorporate the assistance of other local and state entities, including law enforcement, non-profit groups like the International Institute of New Jersey, religious institutions (churches, other state dioceses and agencies like Covenant House) and national organizations such as the Salvation Army and the American Immigration Lawyers Association.

Proposing a press conference for later this summer at the Archdiocesan Center, Newark, to begin the campaign here, Capital City Partners is coordinating with Archbishop Myers and members of CCS.

Frank Cannon of Capital City Partners explained that the "good will" demonstrated in New Jersey by Congressman Chris Smith, who sponsored the TVPA; U.S. Attorney for the district of New Jersey, Christopher



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Fun and food will abound at annual parish fair, feast

Two major annual events at St. Mary Parish, Nutley, and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Newark, are rapidly approaching.

The St. Mary's Fair is running through Sunday, July 4 at Msgr. Owens Park, 45 Park Ave., between Washington Avenue and River Road.

Featured are be over 20 rides, games, an international food court, petting zoo, pony rides and hour entertainment for the children. Highlighting the fair are special nightly events including a national wrestling superstar show that Wednesday, classic car show with over 50 cars on Thursday and a BMX Bike stunt show slated for Friday.

Each day will culminate with a major show in the area of the fair grounds seating 600 people. Local radio stations will be on hand most days of the fair to add to the excitement.

"We have worked very closely with Nutley's commissioners to make sure everyone will have a fun and safe experience," stresses parish business manager Lenny Gray, who has 15 years experience organizing and running fairs across the country.

For additional information, including hours and directions, call (973) 661-FAIR.

The 114th Annual Feast of Our Lady of Mount

Carmel Parish, Newark, will take place July 14-18 at the 259 Oliver St.

The celebration will begin with a Novena in honor of Our Lady starting July 7 at 7 p.m. each evening for nine consecutive days.

There will be two processions through the streets of the Ironbound with the image of Our Lady on Friday, July 16, and Sunday, July 18, following the noon Solemn High Mass. A candlelight procession will take place around Independence Park following the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, July 17.

On Thursday, July 15 Most. Rev. Nicholas DiMarzio, a former cleric of the Archdiocese of Newark and now the Bishop of the Diocese of Brooklyn, will celebrate a healing Mass at 7

The street festival begins Wednesday, July 14, and continues through Sunday, July 18, beginning at 6 p.m. weekdays and 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Featured will be a wide variety of food, rides for the children, and live entertainment beginning at 7 p.m. each day.

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Katherine McSherry, a senior at Academy of the Holy Angels (AHA), Demarest, has been presented with this year's "Helen" Award for outstanding performance by an actress in a Leading Role for her portrayal of Reno Sweeney in AHA's production of Anything Goes from the Helen Hayes Theater Company.

The sixth annual High School Musical Theatre Awards ceremony was held simultaneously via satellite at the Helen Theater Company, Haves

Nyack, NY, and the White Plains Performing Arts Center, White Plains, NY.

The Academy of the Holy Angels was nominated in eight categories including outstanding overall production of a musical, outstanding performance by an actress in a leading role, two nominations for outstanding comic performance, outstanding performance in a cameo role, outstanding production number, outstanding performance by a chorus and outstanding achievement in choreography.

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A lo largo de la historia de nuestra floreciente diócesis, la diversidad de origen ha sido entendida como una expresión del amor de Dios, como una señal de la universalidad de la Iglesia, que trasciende los límites de las razas y las culturas El 1.3 millones de católicos que viven en los cuatro condados que integran la Arquidiócesis de Newark proceden de casi todas las naciones de la tierra, pero profesan una sola fe. Nosotros les damos la bienvenida a los inmigrantes, atesoramos a los peregrinos, e invitamos a los desposeídos.

En el mundo moderno, sin embargo, como en el pasado, las fronteras entre las diversas culturas y las disparidades en el progreso pueden ser explotadas para los más bajos propósitos. Este hecho fue traído a nuestra atención hace dos años, cuando las autoridades invadieron una casa en Plainfield, Union County, y rescataron a cuatro muchachas mexicanas que habían sido retenidas como esclavas y destinadas a la prostitución. Aún en esta época de hastío, los crímenes que se cometían a diario contra esas jóvenes, que habían sido traídas por la fuerza a este país, conmovían y perturbaban nuestras conciencias. Apenas podemos creer, aún siendo hijos de Adán y Eva como lo somos, que seres humanos puedan cometer esas atrocidades.

Lamentablemente, los sucesos de Plainfield no eran un incidente aislado. De hecho, son sólo un ejemplo del patrón de tráfico de personas que representa un enorme problema mundial, donde aproximadamente 900,000 personas son transportadas anualmente a través de las fronteras internacionales. Este hecho se me trajo a mi atención de nuevo recientemente cuando recibí información detallada de una institución llamada "Rescate y Reparación de las Víctimas del Tráfico Humano", una nueva iniciativa del Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos. El objetivo de esta iniciativa es enfrentar el reto de ese tráfico en los Estados Unidos, donde más de 20,000 hombres, mujeres y niños son traídos clandestinamente cada año a este país. Nuestra propia área metropolitana, junto con la Florida y el sur de California, han sido identificadas como las tres zonas principales en que funcionan esas actividades criminales.

Con toda la imaginación que el mal puede acumular, el tráfico humano se apoya en una red de amenazas y engaños. Tanto si su objetivo es proporcionar mujeres y jovencitas para la prostitución, como si es obtener trabajadores a bajo sueldo, los traficantes establecen redes a través de Mexico y Centro América, así como en Asia y la Europa Oriental, incluyendo Rusia, para atraer a gente empobrecida con promesas de trabajo y un futuro brillante

en los Estados Unidos. Una vez aquí, las víctimas son mantenidas en cautiverio a base de golpizas, violencias sexuales y amenazas de represalias contra sus seres queridos en el país de origen, si los cautivos tratan de escapar. Cruelmente, a muchos se les hace creer que su condición es culpa de ellos mismos, como si los secuestradores los retuvieran en cautiverio, obligándolas a vender sus cuerpos o su trabajo para obtener pequeñas cantidades de dinero con las cuales poder "pagar" a los traficantes por el transporte a este país.

Como las víctimas frecuentemente están en este país clandestinamente, sin documentación legal, los traficantes las amenazan con denunciarlas para que sean deportadas, y así logran su silencio por miedo. Es una gran ironía que la justicia sea pervertida y utilizada como una amenaza para encadenar a esas victimas, en vez de lograr su rescate y redención.

En los años 2000 y 2003 el Congreso aprobó una legislación destinada a romper ese ciclo, rescatar a las víctimas del tráfico y devolverles su libertad. La Ley para la Protección de las Víctimas del Tráfico fue diseñada para aplicar presión en cada una de los puntos del proceso del tráfico de la esclavitud moderna, autoriza al Departamento de Estado para identificar a los países que no progresan en la campaña contra los traficantes, lo que resulta en que los traficantes se vuelvan más activos en esos países. También ofrece nuevos procedimientos para que las víctimas del tráfico puedan ser identificadas y obtengan nuevas designaciones de inmigración, las llamadas T-Visa y U-Visa, que les permite permanecer en este país y eventualmente ajustar su calificación a la de residente permanente. Y aún más importante, la ley facilita servicios de asistencia social inmediata a las víctimas, a las que se les ha hecho creer que las agencias gubernamentales son su enemigo, y no el "buen samaritano" que son.

Debido a las características únicas de nuestra Arquidiócesis, nosotros estamos prácticamente en la "zona cero" de la lucha contra el tráfico. Celebramos la Misa en nuestras 234 parroquias en docenas de idiomas. Con cada nueva ola de gente que llega, desde los primeros nativos americanos, pasando después por los exploradores holandeses de italianos que trajeron a Europa a nuestras costas, después los inmigrantes irlandeses y alemanes en el Siglo XIX, a continuación los afro americanos que llegaron a las ciudades del Norte para escapar de la esclavitud de entonces, y llegando a los Puertorriqueños y latinoamericanos que se han unido a nuestra familia en las últimas décadas, el rico caleidoscopio de la creación de Dios ha adquirido una nueva cara en nuestras comunidades. Los crímenes del tráfico son como pequeñas piezas de cristal

en ese caleidoscopio, y nuestra fe requiere que nosotros actuemos con claridad y compasión para encarar esa presencia amenazadora en nuestro medio ambiente.

Nuestra herencia nos hace especialmente responsables para encontrar y liberar a esas personas que son difíciles entre los difíciles de encontrar. La participación activa de la Iglesia en todos los barrios de esta zona del Norte de New Jersey nos ofrece una oportunidad especial . Por consiguiente yo le he pedido a los Servicios de la Comunidad Católica que tomen parte completa y entusiasta en los programas de entrenamiento y diseminación de información que se han creado bajo la Campaña de Rescate y Reparación de las Víctimas del Tráfico Humano.

También es muy importante que todos y cada uno, ciudadanos, parroquianos, trabajadores del servicio social, policías y fiscales, se mantengan vigilantes para poder identificar a posibles víctimas, de modo que podamos ayudarlas a conseguir toda la asistencia que pudieran necesitar. A pesar de los obstáculos que crean los traficantes, esas víctimas no viven en un completo anonimato. Podemos encontrarlas en nuestro quehacer cotidiano. Puede ser que estén en la casa de al lado, en el establecimiento comercial de enfrente, o en los negocios orientados hacia el sexo que están aquí en mayor concentración que en ninguna otra parte de los Estados Unidos.

Aprender a identificar estas víctimas, mirar más allá de la superficie para reconocerlas como las víctimas que son, requiere nuevos hábitos de observación y de acción. Para adelantar ese esfuerzo, el Departamento de Salud y de Servicios Humanos ha establecido un servicio telefónico gratuíto, abierto 24 horas al día, en múltiples idiomas, que puede ser utilizado por las víctimas y por los que lleguen a conocer a alguna víctima que necesite ayuda. También hay acceso a un sitio del Internet que proporciona información en gran detalle y asistencia a las víctimas: www.acf.hhs.gov/trafficking.

Cuando respondamos a este reto, nos ayudará el recordar que Nuestro Señor compartió la parábola del Buen Samaritano cuando nos preguntó: ¿Quién es nuestro prójimo? Entre las muchas cosas que esa parábola nos enseña está la de que nuestro prójimo está muy cerca de nosotros, y sus sufrimientos son a veces invisibles para nosotros. En este tiempo de primavera y de renovación, decidámonos a ayudar a todos aquellos que "han caído en manos de ladrones", para que podamos curar sus heridas y permanecer a su lado hasta que queden sanados.

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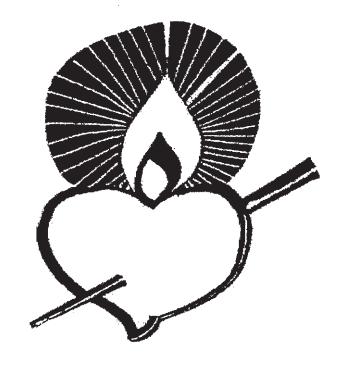
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A mother's memoirs

The Allendale Community for Mature Living recently celebrated the life and accomplishments of its first author-in-residence, Evelyn Berndt Bilello, with the help of her daughter, Norma Bilello Klau.

With Klau's help, 97-yearold Bilello has written a charming book chronicling the highlights of her life story, beginning with her birth in a mountain cabin in Quebec, Canada; winding through a nursing career that carried her far from her large family to Brooklyn, New York, and concluding with her move to the retirement community in Allendale.

"We're extremely proud of Evelyn and her acomplishments," noted Mary Stampleman, who serves as director of therapeutic recreation at the Allendale Community. "She's been a vital member of our family since moving to the Atrium, our independent living residence. Her story has become linked with our story."

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Looking at Bilello now, a great-grandmother who has experienced a century of constant change, one can still catch a glint of the determination and spunk that brought her from a backwoods farm in Canada to the city to fulfill her dreams.

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Archbishop John J. Myers hosted an appreciation social, Evening in the Park, earlier this month to thank major contributors for their support of the Church's work in the Newark Archdiocese.

The wine tasting and hors d'oeuvre event, held at Nanina's in the Park, Belleville, was attended by 360 guests.

Addressing the contributors, Archbishop Myers, citing the mission of the Church of Newark over the past 150 years, said, "We are grateful for those that have sacrificed to build up the Church here, those that have come before us. It is as if we stand on the shoulders of giants and we in the present generation see further because we have benefited from the efforts of previous generations."

note,"You are the giants of tomorrow. It is on your shoulders and by your sacrifices that the archdiocese of tomorrow will stand. Tonight we want to thank you for your sacrifices and to ask you to continue your faithful support. That way, and with our Lord's help, our next 150 years will bring ever-greater glory to God."

Among the archdiocesan officials attending were Deacon Joseph A. Dwyer, Jr. Vice Chancellor for Administration; Carla Gonzalez, Director of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal (AAA); David L.Osborne, Director of Planned Giving, and Deacon Robert Baker, Sr., Associate Director of Planned Giving.

Calling the evening "absolutely phenomenal," Deacon Baker stressed that he was "so pleased to work with the entire development staff."

Osborne called it "a wonderful evening filled with good fellowship. It was very successful and will probably become an annual event."

Major sponsors for the appreciation event were Nanina's in the Park, and Central Avenue Liquors, Jersey City, which supplied 100 varieties of wines for sampling and gift baskets of wine and gift certificates that were given away as door prizes.



Archbishop Myers, center, with, left to right, Trish Cassidy, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cassidy and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kist.



Archbishop Myerss, third from left, with, left to right, Deacon John McKenna, Chancellor Sheri Rickert, Father Mark O'Malley, Linda Graves (in the foreground), and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Swartzberg.



David L. Osborne, Director of Planned Giving, congratulates basket winner Cindy Sullivan at Evening in the Park.



Carla Gonzalez, Director of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal (AAA), prepares to pick the name of a lucky basket winner.

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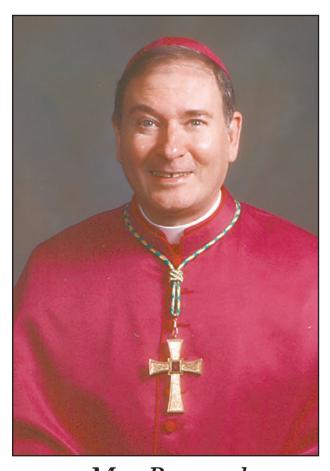
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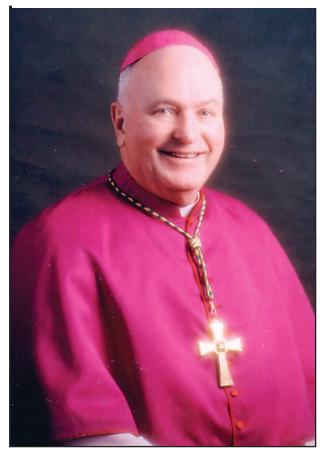


Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli





Farewell and thank you...



Most Reverend Charles J. McDonnell





Most Reverend David Arias, O.A.R.





Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." - John 21:17

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Statements by Most Rev. John J. Myers, Archbishop of Newark



It is an historic occasion in the life of a local Church, when two auxiliary bishops retire and another leaves to become the ordinary of a neighboring diocese. Within the past month, Archbishop John J. Myers announced these changes to the people of the Archdiocese of Newark, along with the appointment of the two new auxiliary bishops. The archbishop's statements regarding Bishops Serratelli, Arias and McDonnell are reprinted here.

Statement on the appointment of Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli as Bishop of Paterson

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.

June 1, 2004

Statement on the retirement of Most Rev. David Arias, O.A.R. and Most Rev. Charles J. McDonnell

The Holy Father has accepted, effective today, the resignation from the office of Auxiliary Bishop, Bishop David Arias of the Order of Augustinian Recollects and Bishop Charles J. McDonnell.

Bishop Arias has served us since 1983 in the Hispanic Apostolate, as Regional Bishop for Hudson County and as pastor of St. Joseph of the Palisades Parish, West New York. He plans to remain active in retirement. Bishop McDonnell has served in diocesan offices, in the U.S. military as chaplain, as Regional Bishop for Bergen County, and as pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, Hackensack, a position in which he will continue.

Both Bishop Arias and Bishop McDonnell have served us long and well and, God willing, will continue to do so.

Ad multos annos.

May 21, 2004

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Love of Scripture and 'heart of a pastor' evident in the life and work of Bishop Arthur Serratelli

Newark native, Arthur Joseph Serratelli was born in the state's largest city on April

Appointed Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia two years ago, he is the son of Eva Fasolino and the late Pio Serratelli. He has a sister, Carolyn, who is married to Donald DiStasio. The DiStasios have three children, Patrick, Donald and Diane Pia, and four grandchildren, Arber, Breanne, Joseph and Alexander.

The future bishop attended Newark's Ann Street School and completed his grammar school education at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

School, also in Newark.

His high school years were spent at Seton Hall Preparatory School. Bishop Serratelli moved on to Seton Hall University, South Orange.

He then studied for two years at Immaculate Conception Seminary when it was in Darlington.

His studies continued at the North American College, Rome. It was in the Eternal City that he did his theological studies at the Pontifical Gregorian University and Scripture studies at the Pontifical Biblical Institute.

Bishop Serratelli received a bachelor of arts degree from Seton Hall in 1965, a licentiate in sacred theology from the Gregorian University four years later, a licentiate in sacred Scripture from the Biblical Institute in 1976 and a doctorate in sacred theology from the Gregorian University in 1977.

Ordained to the priesthood for service to the Preaching during a Holy Land pilgrimage. Archdiocese of Newark in St. Peter's Basilica,

Rome, by Bishop Francis Reh on Dec. 20, 1968, then-Father Serratelli served for one year as parochial vicar at St. Anthony Parish, Belleville.

Since 1977 he has been a weekend assistant at Most Blessed Sacrament Parish, Franklin Lakes, and for the past decade, at St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Passaic. He has also served at Holy Family Parish, Nutley.

Bishop Serratelli was Vicar for Ministries in 2000 and 2001. He was Vicar General for the Apostolates in 2001 and 2002.

He was a professor of systemic theology at Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology from 1970-72 and then returned to Rome for higher studies.

Bishop Serratelli was a professor of biblical studies from 1976 to 2001 at the Graduate School of Theology, Immaculate Conception

From 1977 until 2002 he taught sacred Scripture and biblical languages at the seminary. He was Rector of St. Andrew's College Seminary at Seton Hall University from

fessor of biblical studies at Mount St. Alphonsus, Esophus, NY and adjunct professor of biblical studies, St. Joseph Seminary, Dunwoodie, NY. Twenty years ago, taught summer courses for a year at Fordham University.

The Diocese of Paterson's new bishop was a professor of biblical studies in 1986 at the Institute of Religious Studies of the Archdiocese of New York and during that summer at St. Michael College, VT. He was a professor of biblical studies from 1995 to 2000 in the EPS program at Trinity College, Washington DC. For six years, 1995 to

2001, Bishop Serratelli was a doctoral thesis mentor at the Graduate Theological Foundation, Donaldson, IN. And at his new home, the Diocese of Paterson, he was a professor of biblical studies for the diocesan diaconate program in 1996.

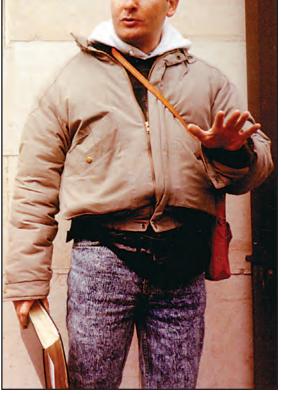
Bishop Serrateli has also served on the Sexual Harassment Committee at Seton Hall University

He has been active in giving retreats to priests, Religious, diocesan convocations and lectures nation-

His Holiness Pope John Paul II named him a Prelate of Honor in 1998. His appointment as Titular Bishop of Enera and Auxiliary Bishop of Newark was announced on July 3, 2000. At the time he said, "In the words of Timothy I, I take my strength from the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and I will exert myself to assist our arch-

bishop in his role of shepherding the Body of Christ always with my brother priests.'

His episcopal ordination was celebrated Sept. 8,





 $From\ 1980\text{-}85\ Bishop\ Serratelli\ was\ a\ pro-\ } \textbf{Bishop\ Serratelli\ shares\ a\ moment\ with\ his\ mother\ } \textbf{Eva.}$



As a member of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), Bishop Serratelli serves as chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee for the Review of Scripture Translations.

He is also a member of the Task Group on Liturgy with Children, Task Force for the Review of the Lectionary, Ad Hoc Committee for the Review of the Catechism, Ad Hoc Committee for the Spanish Bible for the Church in America, Committee on Doctrine, Committee on the American College of Louvain, and Committee for Women in the Church and Society.

Additional memberships for Bishop Serratelli include the Board of Bishops of the New Jersey Catholic Conference; Board of Trustees, Assumption College, Mendham; Board of Trustees, Seton Hall University; and Board of Overseers at Immaculate Conception Seminary.

In the Archdiocese of Newark, Bishop Serratelli is a member of the College of Consultors, Commission for the Men's Apostolate, the Finance Committee, Presbyteral Council and the Priestly Vocations Board.

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A prayerful priest and the vicar for Hispanics, Bishop Arias will be fondly remembered by flock

After 52 years as a priest, pastor, vicar for Hispanic affairs and auxiliary bishop, Most. Rev. David Arias, O.A.R. is retiring. His formal resignation was accepted by the Holy Father in May.

He has served internationally, starting in his native country of Spain as a teacher, then working in parishes in Mexico as well as the United States. He assisted in the development of spiritual programs such as the Cursillo Movement and Marriage Encounter, which later spread throughout the country. He helped create and implement the Hispanic ministry in the Archdiocese of Newark. And he has served as Auxiliary Bishop of Newark and the Regional Bishop for Hudson County, shepherding in particular the people of St. Joseph of the Palisades Parish, Union City, where he has been pastor for the past 10 years.

Now, Bishop Arias will begin the next phase of his ministry. "Although I will give up my responsibilities as Auxiliary Bishop of Newark and pastor of St. Joseph of the Palisades, it does not mean that I will be away or inactive. I will continue to reside in West New York and to be involved in those pastoral activities of the Archdiocese where my service might be useful to the people," he stated in a letter to the Archdiocese upon

announcement of his retirement.

This long journey began in Mataluenga, a small country town in the province of Leon, Spain, where David was born, one of seven children (two other of whom entered Religious life as members of the Order of the Augustinian Recollects, Father Joseph and Sister Consuelo), to Atanasio and Magdalena Arias on July 22, 1929.

At the age of 12, the young Arias began his studies leading to the priesthood.

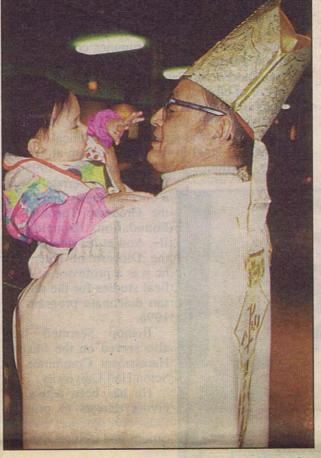
He attended the San Sebastian junior seminary (St. Rita's School and College) and Our Lady of Good Counsel Theologate in Granada, Spain.

He was ordained in 1952, in the Order of the Augustinian Recollects, at the 35th Eucharistic Congress in Barcelona, with a group of 840 men ordained by 28 bishops. This was the largest such ceremony in the history of the Catholic Church.

After a short period as a teacher at St. Rita's College, run by the Augustinian Recollects, Father Arias was sent



The bishop with his brother, Father Joseph Arias, O.A.R.



to Mexico and served in parishes there and in Texas for the next few years.

Following a year of graduate study at the Teresianum Institute in Rome, he returned to the U.S. in 1964 to serve as prefect of the major seminary at the Monastery of St. Augustine in Kansas City, KS, where he also taught theology and history.

Father Arias arrived in the Archdiocese of New York in 1967. He became associate director and spiritual adviser to the Cursillo Movement, a program founded in Spain in 1949 and based on a three-day course to learn and understand the fundamentals of the Catholic faith, and initiated a Marriage Encounter program with Father Gabriel Calvo, who founded this movement also in Spain in 1952, which was the stepping stone for its introduction in the U.S.

In 1978, he was made director of the Spanish Apostolate for the New York Archdiocese and during that same year was elected vicar provincial of the Augustinian Recollect's province in the U.S., headquartered in West Orange, NJ.

In 1983, Father Arias was appointed an auxiliary bishop to the Archdiocese of Newark, making him the fifteenth Hispanic bishop consecrated for the U.S. since 1974, and the first in New Jersey.

Upon learning that he had been named bishop, Father Arias commented, "There was a little fear at first, because I do not yet know the reality, the role of a bishop. But the kind of reception I have received from everyone here has made me more confident, has made me feel that I can really be of some help."

In a formal statement he gave on the day of the appointment, he asserted that among his reactions of gratitude and trepidation, he felt hope: "My hopes have been to see our one Catholic Church of many races, nations and tongues in this area grow in faith, love and unity and ... to see my Hispanic brothers and sisters progress in the life of the Gospel in ever greater participation with all others who make the Catholic Church here."

And this he has labored toward. Soon after his episcopal ordination, Bishop Arias created the Board of Hispanic Ministry and the Hispanic Pastoral Commission to begin work on and to then implement the Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan for Hispanic Ministry entitled, *Presencia Nueva* (New Presence), based on a national plan and a study conducted by the Archdiocese of Newark, a process that took several years. The goal of this plan was to embrace the large Hispanic community and integrate it into all aspects of Archdiocesan activities.

Maricela Quintana, former director of the Archdiocese's Hispanic Apostolate (1999-2004) and member since 1986, explained that in 1989 the Archdiocese of Newark was the first in the country to implement such a plan.

Quintana noted that one of Bishop Arias' biggest contributions has been to "create a safeguard, an awareness of the Hispanic presence" in the Archdiocese.

Msgr. Louis F. Fimiani, Vicar for Pastoral Life from 1996-2003, commented that Bishop Arias "had a presence among all the Hispanic population," which he pointed out makes up a significant part of the Archdiocese (one third). "He was very present to them."

In the current search to find a new director of the Hispanic Apostolate, Msgr. Richard J. Arnhols, the present Vicar for Pastoral Life, remarked that Bishop Arias was "very helpful in helping us capture the history of the Hispanic Apostolate, but also in recognizing the trends of the present and future Hispanic populations" and how to serve them best.



Bishop Arias dedicates an anti-abortion monument...

Bishop Arias has been a member of the board of trustees of Centro Guadalupe, Union City, the center for lay leadership and spiritual formation for the Hispanic community of the Archdiocese, since its inception in 1998.

"He was very involved with that and had a very hands-on role," said Msgr. Fimiani, who served on

the board with the bishop.

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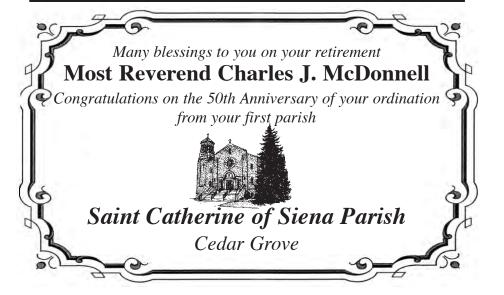
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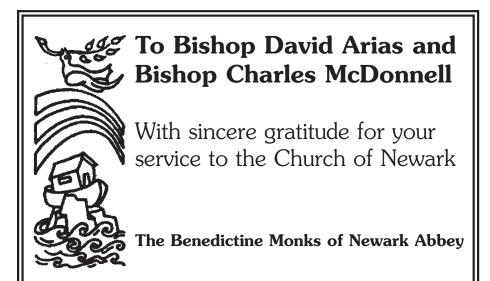
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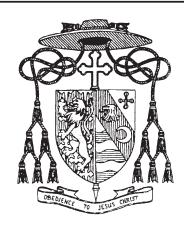
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The Most Reverend David Arias, O.A.R., D.D. on the occassion of his retirement

Like King David his namesake and patron he has been a faithful shepherd of the Lord's flock, uniting the various language and ethnic groups of our parish into one community of faith.

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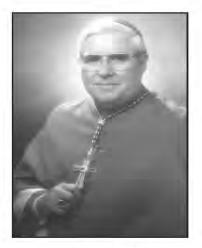
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Rev. Msgr. Timothy J. Shugrue *Pastor*

From Orange Valley to Vietnam and back again, Bishop McDonnell has served Church and country

harles J. McDonnell was born in Brooklyn, New York, on July 7, 1928, the son of Charles and Josephine (Healy) McDonnell. Young Charles was baptized on July 22, 1928, at St. Stanislaus Church, Queens, New York, and was confirmed at St. Rose of Lima Church, Newark, on June 27, 1940.

Charles McDonnell attended St. Rose of Lima School, Newark, and Our Lady of the Valley High School, Orange. He received a B.A. degree in classical languages from Seton Hall University, South Orange. He went on to complete theological studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington, and was ordained on May 29, 1954, by Archbishop Thomas A. Boland at Saint Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, Newark.

For the next decade, then-Father McDonnell knew the busy joy of a parish priest. But he always found time for his mother and his sisters. He celebrated one sister's high school baccalaureate Mass and baptized all their children and grandchildren.

While at St. Catherine, Cedar Grove, the young priest was known as someone whom everybody could approach for an enjoyable conversation or serious advice. He was moderator to many parish youth and adult groups, and the people at St. Catherine of Siena in Cedar Grove were happy and proud to have him at their parish.

In spite of the demands of his time, Father McDonnell managed to learn to fly aircraft.

When the United State became involved in Vietnam, the young priest was concerned about the spiritual needs of the men and women serving there.

He was released by the Archdiocese for service as a chaplain in the United States Army. He wasn't content to be a rear-echelon chaplain. He wanted to be where the men needed him most, and so he volunteered for airborne training with the 101st Airborne Division. He completed that and went on through Special Forces (Green Beret) training and was assigned to a unit in Vietnam, where he served for 18 months.

The chaplain had discovered the Army needed him, and he found himself enjoying the camaraderie

of the military. He stayed in the Army and continued to take on more responsibility. He became Chief of Chaplains for all denominations in the European Theater in 1981 and held the rank of colonel.

The assignment required him to travel about 60,000 miles each year and to minister to 310 chaplains and 200,000 troops. He also found time to coordinate the Marriage Encounter and marriage enrichment programs for the troops that won him a special place in the hearts of many couples.

A month before his death, Cardinal Terence Cooke, the Military Vicar, wrote to Archbishop Peter L. Gerety and recommended Chaplain McDonnell for papal honors. Archbishop Joseph Ryan concurred with the recommendation and told Archbishop Gerety, "Father McDonnell is the priest in the armed forces most deserving of appointment as a monsignor!"

Chaplain McDonnell became Msgr. McDonnell in 1983, and the next year was assigned to the U.S. Army Chaplain Center and School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, where he served as commandant.

That gave him an opportunity to return to his home more regularly (his mother was then living in Millburn), and when, in 1986, he was promoted to brigadier general and given the title Deputy Chief of Chaplains,



his mother was on hand as he received the honors. But Msgr. McDonnell emphasized that he wanted to be seen as a priest and pastor by the men he served. "I need to work with people," he simply said.

By 1989, the general had retired from the Army, and Msgr. Charles McDonnell was named pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood. His family was delighted.

His work as pastor was redirected by Archbishop Theodore E. McCarrick in 1991, when the archbishop named the retired Army General the Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia.

In a letter to his parishioners, the new Vicar General explained, "With my military background, I might best explain my new job as chief of staff to the archbishop for the daily operation of the archdiocese."

He also told his parishioners, "I have never refused anything the Church has

asked of me, because I believe it is God's will for me—even though I don't understand why I was asked."

He called Our Lady of Mount Carmel "a great parish" and said its people "were my family and showed me great love and support."

After two years of work that emphasized administrative and coordinating efforts, the Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia was assigned to another parish—Our Lady of Sorrows, South Orange. One of his fellow priests at the parish had been in Vietnam. Father Peter Vihn Q. Nguyen said at one time the Green Beret Chaplain McDonnell was stationed in his home village. (Father Nguyen managed to escape the communist government, which refused to allow any ordinations, and came to the United States to eventually be ordained for the Archdiocese of Newark.)

Their new pastor told the people of the parish he was delighted and anxious to return to parish work and that he would strive to be there for them while continuing to serve as a key administrator of the Archdiocese. Somehow, he managed to organize things successfully and cheerfully carry out all of his responsibilities.

Msgr. McDonnell was next appointed an auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Newark by Pope John Paul II, and was ordained a bishop at the Cathedral Basilica of Sacred Heart, Newark, on May 12, Ascension Thursday, 1994. Bishop McDonnell was appointed Regional Bishop for Essex and Bergen Counties on Aug. 1, 1995. He remained pastor of, and in residence at, Our Lady of Sorrows. During a news conference, Bishop McDonnell



As Regional Bishop for Bergen County, Bishop McDonnell joined students as St. Joseph-Sacred Heart School, Demarest, along with the pastor and the principal, in June 2001 at the groundbreaking for a new all-purpose facility.

Bishop Serratelli's Coat of Arms

he episcopal heraldic achievement, or as it is commonly known, the bishop's coat of arms, is composed of a shield with its charges (symbols), a motto (upon a scroll) and external ornamentation.

The shield, bearing the personal arms of Bishop Serratelli is divided into two parts. The upper part has an open book as its principle charge. This represents the Word of God. For many years Bishop Serratelli taught courses on the sacred Scriptures at Immaculate Conception Seminary. As well as earning the S.T.D. degree from the Gregorian University in Rome, he also earned the S.S.L. degree at the Pontifical Biblical Institute, also in Rome. (He holds a Doctor of Divinity degree, as well.)

The five red crosses are known as the Jerusalem Cross and represent the five wounds that Jesus received on the cross. The large center cross represents the wound in Jesus' side while the four smaller crosses represent the wounds He received in His hands and feet. Additionally, the large center cross represents Jesus and the four smaller crosses represent the four Gospel writers. The four smaller crosses also represent the four corners of the earth to which the Gospel is being taken and for which Our Lord died.

This signifies the central mystery of the cross and resurrection of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It also reminds us that we are all pilgrims on our way to the new and heavenly Jerusalem. The green field represents life. We attain eternal life by "listening to the Word of God and keeping it," as Jesus said in praise of Mary (Luke 11:27).

The upper section contains the colors red, white and



green, which are the colors of the Italian flag and honors the bishop's Italian heritage and that of his parents Pio and Eva. Separating the top and bottom sections is a white wavy bar, which is taken from the six bars on the Newark Archdiocesan arms, which represent the six rivers that are within the territorial limits of the Archdiocese.

The bottom section honors both Pope John Paul II and Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, with whom Bishop Serratelli served as an auxiliary bishop. The blue field and the gold letter "M" are taken from the coat of arms of His Holiness Pope John Paul II, which he has used since his consecration as a bishop on Sept. 28, 1958. The crown is taken from the coat of arms of Cardinal McCarrick who was ordained to the holy priesthood on the Feast of the Queenship of Mary, May 31, 1958.

The bottom section, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, also has special significance for Bishop Serratelli. He was baptized and grew up in Our lady of Mount Carmel Church, Newark. He attended Immaculate Conception Seminary of the Newark Archdiocese and the North American College in Rome, both under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception, the Patroness of the United States of America. At the time of his being named a bishop, he served as rector of the College Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, also called St. Andrew's Hall. Lastly, the bishop received the fullness of Holy Orders, the episcopacy, on Sept. 8, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Together, the shield helps us call to mind that the mission of Bishop Serratelli, both as priest and bishop, is to teach the Word of God, Who came to us through Mary. The scroll, bearing the bishop's motto is placed below the shield. Bishop Serratelli has selected the Latin phrase, *Vivere Christus est*, "To live is Christ," taken from St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians, 1:21, which reads, "For me to live is Christ. To die is gain."

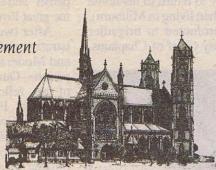
The entire achievement is completed by the addition of a gold processional cross, which extends above and below the shield and a green ecclesiastical hat, the gallero, with six tassels in three rows on either side of the shield. These are the heraldic insignia of a bishop according to the instruction of the Holy See, given on March 31, 1969.

To our brothers in Christ, The Most Reverend David Arias and The Most Reverend Charles J. McDonnell

Thank you for your service to
The Church of Newark.
May God bless you in your retirement
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and

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for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel
from the first day until now."

—Saint Paul to the Philippians (1:3-5)

Bishop Arias' Coat of Arms

he episcopal heraldic achievement, or as it is commonly known, the bishop's coat of arms, is composed of a shield with its charges (symbols), a motto (upon a scroll) and external ornamentation.

For his device, Bishop Arias drew on the Spanish heritage of his family and his personal heritage. The traditional shape of the shield and its division into three parts are taken from the arms of the Arias family. On these traditional features are placed the personal charges of particular significance to the bishop.

Emerging from the base of the shield is a red pile (chevron-like division) on which is placed a solid triple tower. While this tower is also taken from the Arias family's device, it has the additional significance of representing the Blessed Mother in the biblical symbol of the Tower of Babel. By using this symbol, Bishop Arias pays particular honor to the Blessed Virgin Mary and his patron name David. The use of the colors of red and gold further honors his Spanish heritage and that of his parents, Atanasio and Magdalena.

The other personal charges include the red lion rampant, crowned with a gold diadem, which is the symbol of the ancient kingdom of Leon (lion) in Spain where the bishop was born. The flaming heart, pierced by the dart of divine love on an open book, is the symbol of the Augustianian Recollect Order to which His Excellency belongs. This signifies love and knowledge. The red cross in its pecu-

liar shape is the cross used by the pilgrims who for centuries have traveled from many nations to visit the tomb of the Apostle James in Santiago de Compostela, Spain. This cross has been adopted as the special identification of the Cursillo movement in which Bishop Arias has been involved for many years.

The boat at sail represents the caravelles, the Pinta, the Niña and the Santa Maria, which brought the Good News of the Lord to the New World by way of the missionaries who came aboard them. It additionally represents the Church, which is always symbolized by a boat at sail on a stormy sea. The background of the two major sections of the shield is silver. On the upper portion of each part there are seven fine lines, which are invected to signify the waters of Baptism by which each of us is initiated into the life of Christ. The number seven represents the seven sacraments.

For his mottos, Bishop Arias selected the Latin phrase, *Pascere populum suum*, "To shepherd His people," taken from Psalm 78:70-72, which reads, in part, "He chose David his servant to shepherd His people." These words have a particular significance for Bishop Arias because of their content. He chose (the will of God through His Church) David (a concrete person) His servant (priest) to shepherd His people (the role of a bishop).

The device is completed by the external ornaments, which include a gold processional cross that



extends above and below the shield and a green pontifical hat, the gallero, with its six green tassels in three rows on either side of the shield. This hat was worn by bishops at solemn convocations until 1870. These are the heraldic insignia of a prelate of the rank of bishop by the instruction of the Holy See of March 31, 1969.

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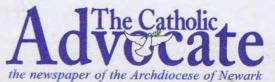
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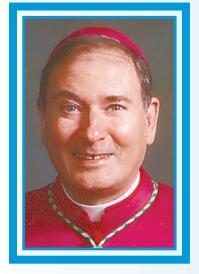
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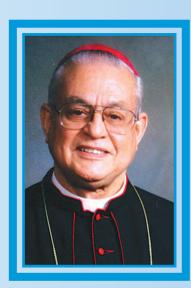


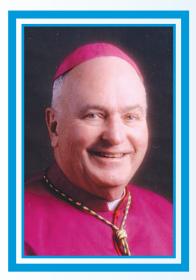
Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D.

Although we shall miss you deeply, we know that you will bring your great leadership and love of God's Word to our brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Paterson.

Most Reverend David Arias, O.A.R., D.D.

Congratulations on your retirement after 21 years as Regional Bishop of Hudson County and pastor among the Hispanic community throughout this Archdiocese.





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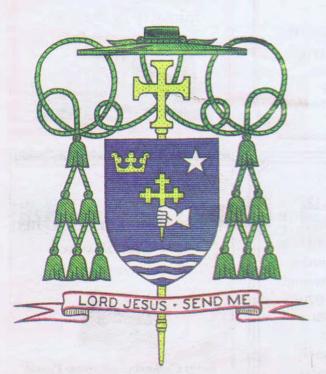


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Bishop McDonnell's Coat of Arms



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The shield, which is the central and most important feature of any heraldic device, is described (blazoned) in 12th century terms that are archaic to modern language, and this description is done as if being given by the bearer with the shield being worn on the arm. Thus, where it applies, the terms dexter (right) and sinister (left) are reversed as the device is viewed from the front:

"Blazon is azure, a dexter hand Argent holding a cross fitchee Or; below to chief dexter a diadem of the third and to chief sinister a star of the second in base three barlets wavy of the second."

For his personal arms, Bishop McDonnell selected a design that reflects his heritage and his life as a priest and a bishop

The background of the shield, known as the field, is blue, which is taken from the arms of the Healy family and is used here to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this field is a silver (white) hand holding a gold (yellow) cross crosslet fitchee. This conjoined charge is taken from the McDonnell family

arms. The use of these two aspects of the design are to honor the heritage that the bishop has received from his parents, Charles and Josephine.

Above the "family charge" to the upper left, is a gold crown, taken from the arms of Theodore Cardinal McCarrick, who ordained Bishop McDonnell to the fullness of Christ's most holy priesthood. In the base of the shield are three wavy silver bars, from the arms of the Archdiocese of Newark, to signify that the bishop, a priest of Newark has served the Archdiocese and the archbishop as an auxiliary bishop.

The upper right of the design (chief sinister) is a silver star, which is taken from the flag of the United States to signify that Bishop McDonnell spent 24 years in the U.S. Army as a chaplain. There is but one star because that is the insignia of a brigadier general, the bishop's military rank when he retired as deputy chief of army chaplains in 1989.

For his motto, the bishop adopted the phrase, "Lord Jesus, send me." This phrase, taken from several places in St. Paul's epistles, is a paraphrase from the Prophet Isaiah and expresses Bishop McDonnell's belief that as a servant of the Lord he is called to do the Master's bidding by accepting to be sent on whatever mission is for the good of the Body of Christ, His Church.

The device is completed with the external ornaments, which are a gold processional cross, placed in back of the shield and which extends above and below the shield, and a pontifical hat called a gallero, with its six tassels in three rows on either side of the shield, all in green. These are the heraldic insignia of a prelate of the rank of bishop by the instruction of the Holy See, given on March 31, 1969.

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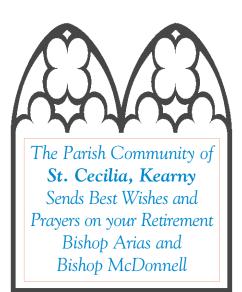
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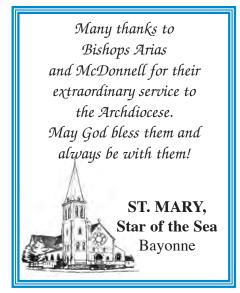
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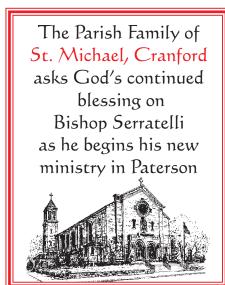




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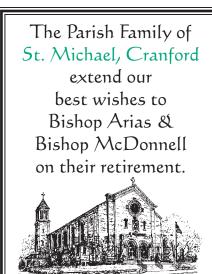
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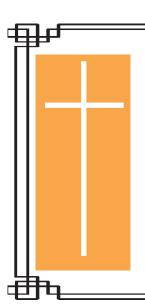
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Church of Newark — 'a great gift of God'

BY WARD MIELE

Managing Editor

Reflecting on his priesthood, Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli, who will be installed next month as the new chief shepherd of the Diocese of Paterson, says, "I always stayed close to home."

That will not change much when he crosses the Passaic River to succeed retiring Bishop Frank J. Rodimer. And that appears fine with Bishop Serratelli, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia of his hometown Church of Newark for the past two years. He was appointed Regional Bishop for Essex County in 2000 and served until 2002.

Ordained in St. Peter's Basilica, Rome, in 1968, Bishop Serratelli calls his life as a priest "a very exciting time."

Part of that, he explains, stems from being in the seminary during the Second Vatican Council. Describing it as a period of "exciting change," Bishop Serratelli stresses he was able to be a part of the "whole renewal" of the Church.

Bishop Serratelli is no

stranger to Paterson,

its people and clergy

lation of Most. Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli as its new bishop.

General and Moderator of the Curia for the Archdiocese of

Newark, will succeed Bishop Frank J. Rodimer July 6.

Bishop Serratelli, ordained in 1968, has spent his entire

"Really wonderful" was the reaction of Bishop

priesthood in his hometown Church of Newark.

Herbert K. Tillyer.

tremendous gift to our people."

The Diocese of Paterson is joyfully awaiting the instal-

It was announced June 1 that Bishop Serratelli, Vicar

He has a special fondness for retreats he has conducted and especially for teaching sacred Scripture at the seminary.

It is fulfilling, Bishop Serratelli points out, "to help other people become good priests." He is equally convinced of the importance of being "well-grounded" in Scripture.

Bishop Serratelli was rector of the St. Andrew's College Seminary of the Immaculate Conception Seminary from 1997 to 2000. Those years, he recalls fondly, were "the most enjoyable time of my life." One of his "most rewarding experiences," Bishop Serratelli notes, is taking seminarians on trips to the Holy Land.

As a bishop and vicar general he has "learned firsthand how hard our pastors and priests work and the gifts they

His time as bishop in the Archdiocese of Newark, Bishop Serratelli goes on, has prepared him well for his new position with the Diocese of Paterson.

Looking back, Bishop Serratelli says warmly the Church of Newark has been "a great gift of God."

Msgr. Tillyer was anxious to cite the atmosphere

'As time goes by, the sense of anticipation and excitement is building among the priests, laity and the civic leadership in the City of Paterson." On that final point, Msgr. Tillyer said the city has a "tremendous sense of pride" over the arrival of Bishop Serratelli.

Sharing similar sentiments is Msgr. John Hart,

Bishop Serratelli is no stranger to his new diocese. It was 23 years ago, recalled Msgr. Hart fondly, that Bishop Serratelli was his professor in the seminary. The Paterson chancellor was ordained to the priesthood in 1981.

He stressed that Bishop Serratelli is "a gifted scholar who made the Word of God come alive." Calling him "an engrossing teacher," Msgr. Hart said the seminarians looked forward to Bishop Serratelli's lectures and homilies. At the seminary, he added, on Friday nights set aside as "preaching nights," Bishop Serratelli would take time out and listen to the future priests and provide pointers on how they could improve their preaching while all the time offering encouragement.

With equal emphasis, Msgr. Hart said that Bishop Serratelli possesses "a great pastoral sense." He "knows parish life," the monsignor noted.

throughout the diocese since the announcement.

Chancellor of the Diocese of Paterson, who described himself as "very excited, ecstatic, and thrilled" about Bishop Serratelli's appointment.

Serratelli's counterpart across the Passaic River, Msgr. With obvious enthusiasm, Msgr. Tillyer explained that the Diocese of Paterson will benefit greatly from Bishop Serratelli's expertise in sacred Scripture and theology. Bishop Serratelli, the Paterson vicar general went on, is "a

Msgr. Tillyer, who attended Immaculate Conception Seminary when it was in Darlington with Bishop Serratelli, said too Paterson's new chief shepherd "has been a professor to many of our priests." Explaining further his connection with his new diocese, Msgr. Tillyer noted that the bishop for many years has been a weekend assistant at St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Passaic.

Bishop Serratelli, said Msgr. Tillyer, "is not a stranger; he is a known quantity. The Diocese of Paterson will be in very good hands.'





(Left to right) Arber Matai, godson of Bishop Serratelli, and then-Archbishop Theodore McCarrick at Father Serratelli's installation as Prelate of Honor (Monsignor). Preaching is one of the joys of Bishop Serratelli's priestly life. Bishop Serrattelli at Mass celebrating the Church of Newark's 150th anniversary.

Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli

Date of Birth: April 18, 1944

Childhood Parish: Our Lady of Mount Carmel,

Newark

High School: Seton Hall Preparatory School College/Seminary/Graduate School: Seton

Hall University, South Orange; Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington; North American College, Rome; Pontifical Gregorian University, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome.

Date of Ordination: Dec. 20, 1968

Date of Episcopal Ordination: Sept. 8, 2000 Experience that led you to become a priest:

Attending Mass as the age of five, upon returning home, I said I wanted to become a priest.

Heroes: Father Richard Calliggaro and Father John DeSanctis

Favorite Saints: In addition to the Blessed Mother, Mother Cabrini and Alphonse Ligouri Favorite Scripture: The Gospel of Mark

Longest Pastoral Assignment: The seminary, from 1970 to 2001

Proudest Moment: Seeing my family in church

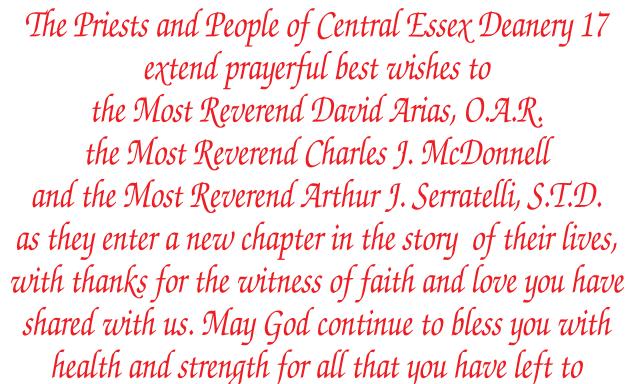
Another great gift of Paterson's new bishop, Msgr. Hart went on, is his strength as a theologian.

Calling Bishop Serratelli "hard-working, dedicated, down-to-earth and with a great sense of humor," Msgr. Hart said he is "perfect" for the Diocese of Paterson, with which he is already quite knowledgeable.





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Bishop Arias

In 1991, Bishop Arias was appointed Regional Bishop of Hudson County. In 1992 his seven years of service on the national V Centenary Committee culminated with a yearlong observance of the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' arrival in the New World and subsequent evangelization of the Americas. He directed the historical dimension of the celebration, emphasizing the tie between Spain and Christianity in the Americas.

The Vicar for Hispanic Affairs is the author of many publications, including *The Spanish Cross in Georgia* (1994, University Press of America) and Spanish Roots of America: A Forgotten Heritage (1992, Our Sunday Visitor Books), among the most recent.

Bishop Arias became very involved in the pro-life movement, leading prayer vigils several times a year with the Helpers of God's Precious Infants and speaking out against the evils of abortion. In 1994 he was appointed pastor of St. Joseph of the Palisades Parish, West New York, a particular challenge due to its three church sites, large grammar school and high school.

Bishop Arias made St. Joseph's a model of the Parish Visitor program (begun in the parish in 1990) that he developed under the 1989 Hispanic Pastoral Plan. The program calls for parishioners to go out into the neighborhood and invite Hispanic people who have drifted from the Church or are not active into the church community and parish life.

He has continued to serve the parishioners and Hispanic population of the area through the parish's spiritual and social ministries. (For more on Bishop Arias' pastorate at St. Joseph of the Palisades see below.)

In his recent letter, Bishop Arias relayed this message to the people of the Archdiocese of Newark: "I take this opportunity to thank everyone in the Archdiocese for helping me to exercise my priesthood and episcopacy. May the good Lord continue bestowing His blessing upon all of you."

Leader of Hudson County community

BY LIESL FORES
Staff Writer

St. Joseph of the Palisades Parish, West New York, has been Bishop Arias' home for the past 10 years.

When he arrived as pastor in 1994, he faced the task of bringing together a parish with three church sites, a large grammar school and high school.

"I was surprised Archbishop McCarrick asked me; I didn't expect it, but I accept it gladly. I want to take care of the pastoral needs of the people," he said upon learning of his new assignment, which he would undertake along with his responsibilities as Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, Regional Bishop of Hudson County and Vicar for Hispanic Affairs.

As part of the Parish Visitor program, an evangelization outreach project that Bishop Arias developed in the 1989 Hispanic Pastoral Plan, *Presencia Nueva* (New Presence), the area around St. Joseph's was divided into 70 city blocks, and a parishioner was appointed to each block to act as a liaison between Hispanic residents and the church.

"In this way our representative goes out and establishes a dialogue with those on the block," he said at the outset. "These are the types of things parishes must do to stay in touch with their parishioners."

Ministries like this have helped St. Joseph's flourish to become one of the largest parishes in the Archdiocese today. With approximately 4,500 people attending one of the 15 weekend Masses—celebrated in English and Spanish to accommodate both communities present—350 grammar school students, 300 high school students and 800 children receiving religious education, the pastor and his staff have their work cut out for them.

"Everything is a challenge," Bishop Arias asserted during an interview with *The Catholic Advocate* in February. "Evangelization is a challenge, catechesis is a challenge, maintaining unity with the diversity of the parish is a challenge, maintaining the two schools is a challenge, and trying to serve this very large community is a challenge. Of course, when you take a challenge, you do your best."

Despite the obstacles, St. Joseph's is thriving. The \$1 million debt has been paid, all the parish buildings have been renovated, and an elaborate pastoral plan was implemented to organize and carry out the many spiritual and social ministries, services and activities that exist.

In a recent talk with the bishop, he remarked that "service to the people" has been one of the biggest challenges of his entire ministry as well as the most rewarding.

Bishop Arias relies on his staff, volunteers and parishioners to help accomplish the work of the parish and spread the Gospel.

(Left to right) Father Arias with Archbishop Peter L. Gerety. Bishop Arias presides at a Mass for Hudson County altar servers. At the closing Mass for the 25th anniversary of the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Convention.

Bishop David Arias, O.A.R.

Age: 74

Date of Birth: July 22, 1929

Childhood Parish: San Miguel, Mataluenga,

Spain

High School: St. Rita's, San Sebastian, Spain College/Seminary/Graduate School: St. Rita's College, San Sebastian, Spain; Our Lady of Good Counsel Theologate, Granada, Spain;

Teresianum Institute, Rome

Date of Ordination: May 31, 1952

Date of Episcopal Ordination: April 7,

Experience that led you to become a

priest: Example and invitation of a priest Hero: Queen Isabella of Spain

Favorite Saint: Augustine of Hippo

Favorite Scripture passage or book: God chose David to shepherd His people

(Psalms 78: 70-71)

Longest Pastoral Assignment: Auxiliary

Bishop of Newark (21 years)

Proudest Moment: Ordination to the

priesthood

"For almost 10 years I have tried to serve the people of this great parish to the best of my ability. The help and support of the priests, Religious and lay leadership has been great in carrying out the pastoral plan day in and day out. ... My gratitude to the people of St. Joseph for their cooperation and kindness to me," he declared in a letter to the Archdiocese.

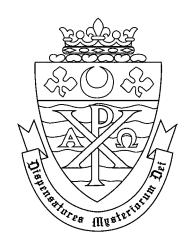
The bishop has also commented that Msgr. Thomas Donato, his successor as Auxiliary Bishop and Regional Bishop of Hudson County, knows the area well. "I know his qualifications, and he will do a good job."

Bishop Arias' resignation was accepted by Pope John Paul II in May. Though he will continue to reside in West New York, he will retire as Auxiliary Bishop of Newark and as pastor of St. Joseph of the Palisades.



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Bishop McDonnell

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called the appointment "an awesome thing. A bishop is really called to do God's work in a special way."

In 1997, Bishop McDonnell was named pastor at Holy Trinity Parish, Hackensack, and since that time, he has served as pastor and as Regional Bishop for Bergen County.

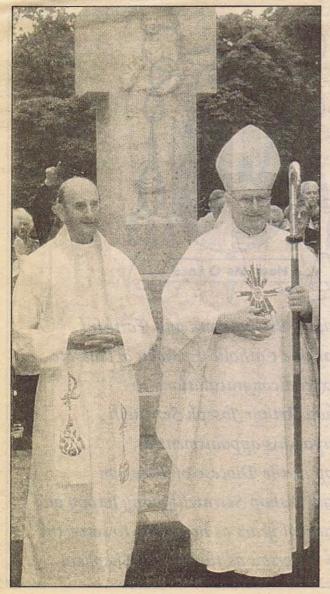
Reflecting on his early priesthood, Bishop McDonnell noted, "I was afraid that I wouldn't be able to answer people's questions in confession. One time, a woman came in. I was very young, and I was sure I wouldn't know what to say. She explained her problem. I started talking, and after I was done, she thanked me and left. I couldn't believe it, but I think the Holy Spirit was sitting on my shoulder that day.'

"It has gone so fast, and I've enjoyed my time as a priest. I've done many different things, and I'm sure the good Lord has kept me from making mistakes along the way. I think His mother prayed for me," he said.

More than two decades of service in U.S. Army

BY BRIAN FORES Staff Writer

Bishop McDonnell's military education includes the U.S. Army Chaplain Basic and Advanced Courses, the Installation Management Course, Command and General Staff College (U.S. Army Reserve School) and the Army War College.



As a young priest, during his last three years at St. Catherine of Siena, Cedar Grove, he served as chaplain in the New Jersey Air National Guard.

Since he was commissioned as a U.S. Army chaplain in August 1965, Bishop McDonnell's major assignments have included assistant staff chaplain, 101st Airborne Division (Artillery), Fort Campbell, Kentucky; assistant staff chaplain, 5th Special Forces Group, Na Trang, Republic of Vietnam; U.S. Army Training Center, Fort Bragg, North Carloina; 7th Infantry Division, Camp Casey, Korea; I Corps, Camp Red Cloud, Korea; 1st Armored Division and 1st Cavalry Division, Fort hood, Texas; V Corps, Frankfurt, Federal Republic of Germany; division chaplain, 3rd Infantry Division, Werzberg, Federal Republic of Germany, and community chaplain, Nuernberg, Federal Republic of Germany.

He also served as installation chaplain, U.S. Army Infantry Center and School, Fort Benning, Georgia, and as deputy chaplain for worldwide ministries, Headquarters, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC), Fort Monroe, Virginia.

Bishop McDonnell was assigned as staff chaplain, U.S. Army Europe (USAREUR) and Seventh Army in Heidelberg, Federal Republic of Germany, from June 1981 through June 1984. From December 1984 to September 1986, he served as commandant of the U.S. Army Chaplain Center and School, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

On August 15, 1986, President Reagan nominated Bishop McDonnell to the U.S. Senate for promotion to brigadier general. Following Senate approval, his promotion and appointment as deputy chief of chaplains became effective on September 1, 1986.

His awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit (with oak leaf cluster), Soldiers Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with three oak leaf clusters), Air Medal (with "1" device), Army Commendation Medal (with two oak leaf clusters), Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Vietnamese Campaign Medal (with four campaign stars), U.S. Army Reserve Medal (with hourglass), Army Service Medal, Army Overseas Medal (with "1" device), Vietnamese Service Medal and the Parachutist Badge.

During his 24 years in the U.S. Army, Bishop McDonnell served in a total of 17 different positions. He retired from active duty with the U.S. Army on Sept. 30, 1989.



(Left to right) Bishop McDonnell at the dedication of monument to those who serve in the armed forces, Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington, 1998. Josephine Healy McDonnell, the mother of the bishop. Bishop McDonnell during Pentecost 2001.

Bishop Charles J. McDonnell

Age: 76

Date of Birth: July 7, 1928

Childhood Parish: St. Rose of Lima, Newark High School: Our Lady of the Valley, Orange College/Seminary/Graduate School: Seton Hall University, Immaculate Conception Seminary and Long Island University, M.S. in Counseling and Education

Date of Ordination: May 29, 1954

Date of Episcopal Ordination: May 12, 1994 Experience that led you to become a priest: I thought about it for a very long time. When my mother was pregnant with me, she told me that my father wanted a boy, and that if the Lord gave her a son, she would give her son back to Him. But she never told me that until after I was ordained.

Favorite Saint: Charles Borromeo

Favorite Scripture passage or book: The Lives of the Saints

Longest Pastoral Assignment: St. Catherine of Siena, Cedar Grove (11 years)

Proudest Moment: Ordination to the priest-



To our departing shepherds: Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli, Bishop David Arias, O.A.R., and Bishop Charles J. McDonnell

Our prayers for you will continue into the future and always.

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Congratulates

The Most Reverend Bishop Arthur Serratelli For His Appointment as the Seventh Bishop of Paterson



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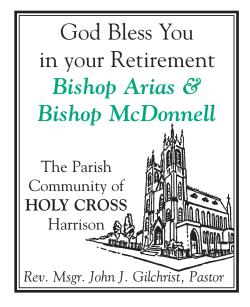


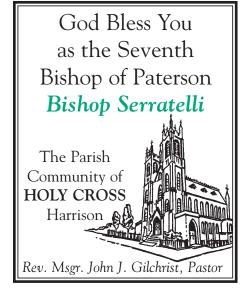
The Bishop, Presbyterate and Faithful
of the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Passaic
extend congratulations to
Bishop Arthur Joseph Serratelli
upon his appointment as
Bishop of the Diocese of Paterson
May God grant Bishop Serratelli many happy and
spiritually fruitful years as he begins to serve the
Diocese of Paterson as their Chief Shepherd

Praise God for the dedicated leadership of **Bishop David Arias and Bishop Charles McDonnell!**



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Capuchin Friars and Parishioners of St. Ann's in Hoboken joyously celebrate the contributions to the Church of Newark of Bishop Serratelli, Bishop Arias & Bishop McDonnell

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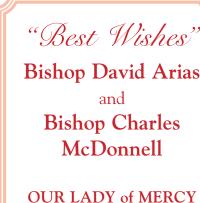
Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli

We rejoice with you as you begin your service as the seventh bishop of the Diocese of Paterson.

Patrick J. Sullivan, S.J. and Staff



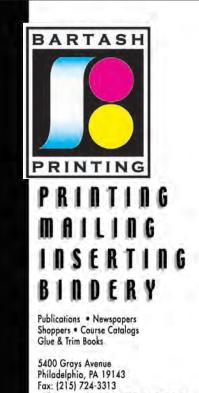




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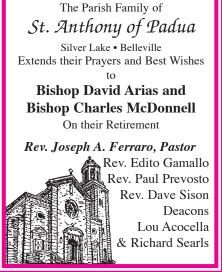


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X ith our very warmest regards and best wishes to

- Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli, the new Bishop of Paterson
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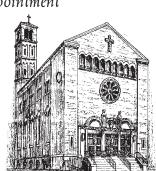
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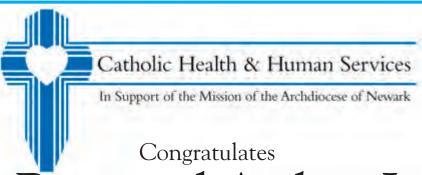
May God bless all of you in your new ministries.

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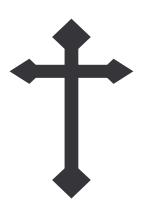






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Bishops Mc Donnell and Arias

May the Lord bless you and keep you May he show His face to you and be merciful

May He turn His Countenance to you and give you His peace

May the Lord always be with you and may you always be with Him. Amen.

God bless you on your retirement. Thank you for your years of dedicated service in the Archdiocese of Newark.

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Montclair joyously celebrate your years of service to The Church of Newark God Bless Bishop Serratelli on his appointment as Seventh Bishop of Paterson



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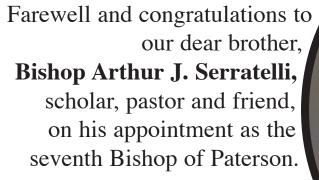
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We salute the historic ministry of **Bishop David Arias, O.A.R.,** as Newark's Auxiliary Bishop and Vicar for Hispanic Affairs since 1983.

Our prayers of thanksgiving for the service of **Bishop Charles J. McDonnell,** to his nation and to this local Church of Newark as bishop and as priest for 50 years.





As successors of the Apostles, you have served and will continue, by the grace of God, your ministry to Christ's people as teachers and pastors

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