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## "He is Risen!"



## Cristo Rey high school coming to Newark

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE  
*Editor*

NEWARK—A Cristo Rey high school is coming to the Archdiocese of Newark.

Christ the King Preparatory School, which will be part of the highly regarded Cristo Rey network that operates throughout the United States, will open its doors here in September 2007.

The first high school to open in the archdiocese since 1964, it will be located at the site formerly occupied by Our Lady of Good Counsel Elementary School, which closed here two years ago. The archdiocese, during the last 24 months, has conducted a feasibility study to consider establishing a Cristo Rey school in Newark.

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## April 22 Mass to laud popes

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE  
*Editor*

NEWARK—Archbishop John J. Myers will be the main celebrant at a special Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart on Saturday, April 22, 6 p.m., to commemorate the first anniversary of the death of Pope John Paul II as well as the election of Pope Benedict XVI.

John J. Miller, the director of music ministries, said the Cathedral Choir will perform a traditional Polish melody with the Easter text of "Come Let Us Receive Christ." The choir also

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# God's action makes us who we are



(The following is the text of Archbishop Myers' homily from the Chrism Mass, which was celebrated on Monday, April 10.)

“Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing...”

We are an anointed people. Revelation indicates to us that we have been made a holy nation, a nation of priests, to give glory and praise to our God and Father.

We do not make ourselves a nation of priests. We have been made such. It is God's action that makes us who we are and what we are, both in Creation and in the new Creation.

Priesthood implies offering something. It is closely related to Jesus' total self offering given in love in which he embraced the Father's will unto death. It is related to His “Self-surrender” in faith; in letting go of His own will to embrace that of the Father.

The Holy Spirit acts to conform us to Christ so that we can put on “the mind and heart” of Christ. The Holy Spirit makes our faith possible. The Holy Spirit makes possible our sharing in the Holy Eucharist and all the sacraments.

The Holy Eucharist is the action of the Holy Spirit and of Jesus, and the Holy Spirit acts in our midst to make it possible.

For some, the Sacred Liturgy, especially Holy Mass, is an action of the assembly. This is largely incorrect, although the assembly is very much involved. It is an action of the Holy Spirit, which joins us to the action of Jesus Christ.

The priest is “In persona Christi Capitis,”—in the person of Christ as Head of the Church. The priest is conformed by a special grace in the Sacrament of Holy

## Sincerely in the Lord

By Archbishop John J. Myers



Orders to proclaim the Word of God, to sanctify the people and to govern and lead the people of the Church. This is not in virtue of the personal goodness or power held by the priest, but because Jesus intends to continue His service in the Church.

The priest is not to lord it over people, but to be their shepherd and servant. He is to reflect the Lord's humility by personally allowing the Spirit of God to work as He wills.

The oils, which are blessed this evening, are the fruit of the earth. They speak of an intimate connection with creation itself; God really works through the Sacraments with which the Holy Oils are intimately connected.

The oils are blessed at this Mass, which is tradi-

tionally referred to as the Chrism Mass. In the Middle Ages, for a priest to possess the freshly blessed oils was the equivalent of having faculties. It was a sign that the priest was in communion with the diocesan bishop and with the universal Church through him. They are a sign that a priest is in good standing and is representing the Church, not himself.

At the Chrism Mass as it is celebrated today (April 10), priests have the opportunity to renew their commitment to priestly service. Shortly I will ask the priests to do just that.

I want to first take this opportunity to thank each of you: the men of this fine presbyterate of the Archdiocese of Newark. I know you work hard, and I appreciate your goodness and generosity.

We are not perfect men, but the desire to serve

and lead the people of God to holiness of life makes a great difference in the lives of many and in our world. With my brother bishops, I offer a heartfelt thank you for your service.

As you renew your commitment, be conscious of the role that the

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Blessed Virgin Mary has played throughout the life of the Church. She is Mother of us all. She is the Mother of priests. She intercedes for us that all of us and each of us may together be a Holy Nation, a People set apart for the praise, glory and adoration of our God.



### PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION—

Archbishop John J. Myers (left) celebrated the noontime Palm Sunday Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. Among those taking part was Father Michael A. Andreano, vice chancellor, assistant to the vicar general and moderator of the curia. Palms were distributed to the faithful as they entered the Cathedral Basilica and blessed by Archbishop Myers.



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#### FREQUENCY FOR THE YEAR

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After celebrating Mass with a homily focusing on respect and care for the body, Archbishop John J. Myers discussed the events slated for the Women's Day of Reflection with Dr. Mary Shivanandan (left) and Pam Swartzberg, chair of the Women's Commission, at St. Philomena Parish.

## 'Theology of the body' provides insights on life, love and respectful relationships

BY MELISSA MCNALLY  
 Staff Writer

LIVINGSTON—Look to Mary as a model of femininity and an icon of motherhood and divine love.

This was the message to women from throughout the Archdiocese of Newark during the annual Day of Reflection program, which was held here April 1 at St. Philomena Parish and sponsored by the archdiocesan Women's Commission.

Beginning with a Mass celebrated by Archbishop John J. Myers, the event featured a keynote address by Dr. Mary Shivanandan of the Pope John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family in Washington, a group study session focusing on theology of the body and mediation.

In his homily, Archbishop Myers highlighted the creation story and how we can learn about the body through the Bible. "Contrary to some legislature, the body is not disposable," he said.

Dr. Shivanandan's lecture, "Crossing the Threshold of Love," centered on the teachings of Pope John Paul II. As a professor of theology, her expertise is in theological anthropology with an emphasis on theology of the body. Her book *Crossing the Threshold of Love: A New Vision of Marriage in Light of John Paul II's Anthropology*, was published in 1999.

Dr. Shivanandan extracted passages from the creation story and related them to how modern society should view the body, sexuality and marriage. "A person is a subject of action; we have the ultimate responsibility for our actions. A person must not be treated as an object for use. Love is the

only way we should treat another person," Dr. Shivanandan said. "We use and abuse ourselves in subtle ways everyday."

The creation of Adam and Eve should be a template to which modern marriage should be based. "Man has a built-in need for relationships with another person. Man was not created closed, but open to a relationship," Dr. Shivanandan explained. "Eve's creation was entirely an act of God. Woman was not just to be Adam's servant, but a spiritual helper. Adam first thinks of Eve as a sister before his wife. True feminism is accepting women as persons," she added.

Dr. Shivanandan agrees that women should be treated with respect and dignity, but they should not abandon their femininity. "Men turn to women to fulfill their identity and visa versa. Our culture does everything to obliterate sexual difference. Adam and Eve accepted each other in masculine and feminine difference and so should men and women today. The differences between men and women enrich life with new perspectives," she said.

The abortion culture, she declared, violates the essence of every woman. "Radical feminists fail to see women are supposed to sacrifice themselves for their child and the sin of abortion reverses this order. Abortion makes a woman betray her very self," she said. "The powers of sympathy and empathy through our role as mothers is denied in the culture of abortion."

Although the day was about female reflection, several men were present and Dr. Shivanandan addressed them in her speech. "We need masculine logic, strength and steadiness, but not at the expense of the heart. Through our sex, and not in spite of it, we will

find the path of fulfillment and holiness."

Lectures about theology of the body are an important message to convey and it will enrich the quality of life for Christians, Dr. Shivanandan said. "I hope people get a real sense of the transforming notion of the message of John Paul II and will lead them to rediscover the richness of their Christian life."

Women are also called to rediscover their true identities in a modern world. "We have lost a sense of femininity. While we rediscovered a sense of our own agency, we think we have to become like men. Women should be true to themselves."

The large turnout for Dr. Shivanandan speech included men and women as well as Christians of all ages, with a strong presence of young people.

"I was pleased to see the young people here. In Boston, the young undergraduate students can't get enough of the information," Dr. Shivanandan said cheerfully.

The older couples and single Catholics also gain important knowledge about relationships, she asserted. "I have had couples say that theology of the body has transformed their marriage. I hope men can get a real appreciation of masculinity and their role as being servant leaders. In affirming women, they in turn affirm their own masculinity."

Dr. Shivanandan became an expert in the subject when she was offered a fellowship to study theology at the John Paul II Institute. "John Paul II said that alienation from self and from the community is a major problem of our time. That statement made me interested in what I can do to heal this alienation. Studying theology of the body can heal this problem."



# Cristo Rey high school

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Father Edward Glynn, S.J., a nationally acclaimed educator, administrator, author and the former president of St. Peter's College, Jersey City, was selected as the president of the new Cristo Rey school.

In making the appointment, Archbishop John J. Myers cited Fr. Glynn's extensive experience as an educator and administrator. "Father Glynn will ensure the Catholicity of the school and foster the mission to provide an outstanding college preparatory program to the economically disadvantaged," Archbishop Myers said.

Sister Dominica Rocchio, S.C., secretary for education and superintendent of schools, said she was pleased with the selection of Father Glynn, who "comes ready to turn this exciting new school into a success story here in Newark."

Bart Erbach, an alumnus of St. Peter's College during Father Glynn's presidency and president of Erbach Communications Group, said "Father Ed Glynn brings to this new venture a lifelong commitment to education, a firm belief in the power of institutions to change lives for the better, and a passion for the promise of cities." Erbach described Father Glynn as having a great sense of humor and "the perfect choice" to lead the new Newark school.

Presently on sabbatical, Father Glynn most recently served as president of John Carroll University, Cleveland. He was president of St. Peters from 1978 to 1990. His experience includes serving as president of Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA, where he also held the post of academic vice president.

Father Glynn, during a telephone interview on March 28, said the declining qual-

ity of urban education ranks as one of the most serious problems in the United States in last 50 years. Considering the vast challenges to address this dilemma, he touted Cristo Rey as an "institutionally replicable way of improving urban education" in Newark and throughout the country.

"People in Newark will be proud of this school," he declared. Once the school is up and running and people in the archdiocese see the positive results in terms of the students it produces, "it will be like finding a cure for cancer," he said.

He spoke with a heartfelt sense of urgency regarding the crisis in urban education. "So many students have dropped out over the years," he said. "So many lives have been wasted; so much talent has been undeveloped; so many people have all but given up on urban education."

Christ the King will be launched with a class of 100 freshmen. The plan is for enrollment to grow by the same headcount during the subsequent three years to a maximum of 400 students. However, in order to reach the target goal of 100 students for the inaugural freshman class, 10 more corporate sponsors are needed to support the program. Businesses and students seeking more information about the Cristo Rey program can contact Brother Ralph Darmento, deputy superintendent of archdiocesan schools, at (973) 497-4260.

Christ the King, which will be part of a nationwide Cristo Rey network that began in Chicago in 1996, integrates academics, community activities and corporate internships. Corporate sponsors are a necessary prerequisite for Cristo Rey schools. The program calls for students to be placed in a variety of entry-level jobs to help finance

their education and support the initiative. The experience the students gain in the work place adds to their individual growth and helps to foster a sense of citizenship.

Eleven Cristo Rey high schools currently operate in Chicago; New York; Austin, TX; Cambridge and Lawrence, MA; Cleveland; Denver; Portland, OR; Tucson, AZ; Waukegan IL; and Los Angeles. In addition to Christ the King, new Cristo Rey schools are slated to open in Baltimore; Washington; Indianapolis, Omaha and Kansas City, MO; Minneapolis; and Sacramento, CA.

Cristo Rey schools serve students whose median family income is \$31,660, with an average family size of four. Students of color represent 91 percent of the Cristo Rey school population. Additional information on Cristo Rey schools is available on the Web site: [www.cristoreynetwork.org](http://www.cristoreynetwork.org).

Born in Clarks Summit, PA, the son of a prizefighter, Father Glynn entered the Society of Jesus in 1955 and was ordained a priest in 1967. He earned an A.B. (History), Ph.L. (Philosophy) and M.A.T. (Teaching) from Fordham University, and furthered his education by earning theology degrees from Woodstock College (S.T.B.), Yale University (Th.M.) and the Graduate Theological Union (Th.D.).

Father Glynn has served the civic and ecclesial communities extensively through his leadership and participation on over 20 boards and 13 public commissions and committees. He is the author of over 40 articles and 25 book reviews, and has been awarded five honorary doctorates.

(Note: The archdiocesan Schools Office and the Office of Communications and Public Relations provided information for this article.)



Photo courtesy of John Carroll University

Father Edward Glynn, pictured at John Carroll University's campus "quad," has been chosen as the president of Christ the King, which will be part of the Cristo Rey network of high schools in the United States. Slated to open in September 2007, it will be located at the site formerly occupied by Our Lady of Good Counsel Elementary School in Newark. Businesses and students seeking more information about the Cristo Rey program can contact Brother Ralph Darmento, deputy superintendent of archdiocesan schools, at (973) 497-4260.

## Audit finds archdiocese 'fully compliant' with protective charter

NEWARK—An independent audit made public last week by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops found the Archdiocese of Newark fully compliant with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.

On Oct. 26-27, 2005, the Archdiocese of Newark participated in a focused on-site audit by the Gavin Group of Boston, Massachusetts, which had been contracted to conduct audits of all Catholic dioceses in the United States. The Archdiocese of Newark received a focused on-site audit because, at time of its October 2004 on-site audit, the archdiocese had not completed background screening on a small number of priests and deacons. That screening process was completed in November 2004, and the archdiocese was determined to be in full compliance with the Charter in 2004.

The archdiocese reported that it had received 12 allegations of misconduct in 2005,

all occurring decades before they were reported. None of the allegations had been brought to the attention either of the archdiocese or local authorities previously. The archdiocese made local prosecutors aware of the allegations at the time they were brought forward, and cooperated with prosecutors. Outreach to victims was instituted, and counseling and other services were made available.

Ten priests were named in the allegations. Five were deceased at the time the allegations were brought forward, so a full inquiry was not possible. Three were removed from ministry permanently following an investigation by the Archdiocesan Review Board and appropriate canonical process. One had resigned from the priesthood many years

before the allegation was received. One returned to ministry after an investigation by the Archdiocesan Review Board determined the allegation to be unfounded.

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— Archbishop John J. Myers

The audit also sought information related to implementation of sexual abuse awareness training for children and youth served by the archdiocese. At the time of the 2005 audit, some 49,500 students in Catholic schools in the archdiocese had participated in the Teaching Touching Safety program sponsored by the archdiocese.

The 65,500 students in reli-

gious education programs were served through the Child Assault Protection (CAP) program, a state-mandated awareness program in public schools in New Jersey.

Also at the time of the audit, some 24,100 clergy, religious, lay staff and volunteers had completed the Protecting God's Children sexual abuse awareness program.

Since institution of the charter, some 22,370 priests, deacons, educators, diocesan employees, parish employees, volunteers and candidates for ordination have undergone criminal background screenings.

Since 1950, the total financial cost to the archdiocese related to allegations of sexual misconduct, including legal fees, counseling and support services and payments, has amounted to

some \$3.7 million. The amounts paid out in settlements and other fees and expenses have come completely from insurance funds and not general revenues, parish collections or funds designated for school support. Consequently, the payments made over the past 55 years have had no effect on the daily operations or existence of any parish, school or other institution of the archdiocese.

Commenting on the release of the comprehensive audit and Newark's participation in it, Newark Archbishop John J. Myers stated "The people of the archdiocese should take comfort in knowing that we take most seriously the purpose and goals of the charter. By sharing this knowledge and through training of our staff, volunteers and children, we hope to contribute to the broader awareness of this problem in society and to a deeper commitment to wiping it out."





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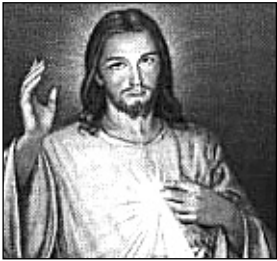
# ‘Differently-abled’ masses

MIDLAND PARK—Monthly masses for “differently-abled” persons have been scheduled at Church of the Nativity. The Sunday 9 a.m. masses will be celebrated April 23, May 21 and June 25. “These masses are specifically for families with members who are ‘differently-abled.’ Many people who are challenged behaviorally, mentally or physically, may have difficulty in traditional Sunday Mass environments. (So) the families are unable to worship together or may avoid Mass altogether. These are the families we are welcoming to attended these masses and celebrate the Eucharist with other member of the surrounding community,” explains Janet Nemec, director of lay ministries. For additional information call Nemec at (201) 444-6362. The church is located 315 Prospect St.

In the listings of 2005 donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious published on page 5 of the March 22 edition of *The Catholic Advocate*, the information in the top, right hand section of the page, should have had the heading of Hudson County. *The Catholic Advocate* regrets the error.

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 23, 2006

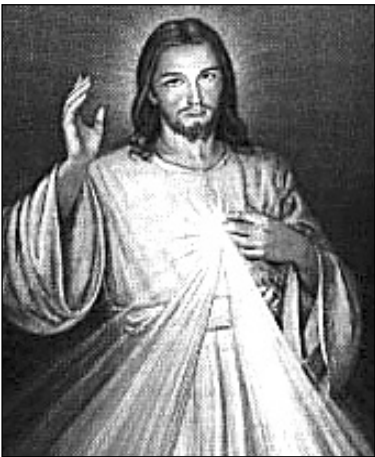


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**Saturday, April 22 at 5:00 pm** - Healing Mass  
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**April 14**

**St. John the Apostle Parish,** Linden, Divine Mercy Novena, through April 22, (908) 486-6363.

**St. Phil's Singles,** Livingston, book night, Barnes and Noble Booksellers, West Paterson, 8 p.m., (973) 248-9245.

**Our Lady of Sorrows Parish,** South Orange, Stations of the Cross, 8 p.m., (973) 763-5454 ext. 234.

**Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament,** Roseland, Passion play, 7:30 p.m., (973) 226-7288.

**April 16**

**Assumption Parish,** Roselle Park, Easter Mass for the deaf, noon, (908) 245-1107.

**April 19**

**St. Theresa Parish,** Kenilworth, annulment information meeting, 7:30 p.m., (973) 497-4327.

**Xavier Center,** Convent Station, "Wednesday for Women," 9:30 a.m., Cost: \$30, RSVP ASAP, (973) 290-5100 or XavierCenter@scnj.org.

**St. John the Apostle Parish,** Linden, Healing Mass, 7:45 p.m., (908) 486-6363.

**Holy Family Parish,** Nutley, St. Lucy Filippini Sodality meeting, 8 p.m., Call Jo-Ann Brown at (973) 667-2633 or (973) 667-0875.

**April 21**

**St. Mark Parish,** Rahway, St. Mark's Social Club for Unmarried Mature Adults (UMA) meeting, 7 p.m., Cost: \$3 donation, call Nina at (732) 381-1298 or Anne at (908) 272-8796.

**April 22**

**St. Phil's Singles,** Livingston, volleyball game, 7:30 p.m., (973) 340-4001.

**Our Lady of the Valley School,** Orange, CPR training, 9:30 a.m.-noon, (973) 674-7500.

**St. Phillip the Apostle Parish,** Saddle Brook, "Drums from Heaven" Earth Day fundraiser, 7-11 p.m., Cost: \$10 donation, call Tommy at (201) 952-1969.

**Our Lady Help of Christians Parish,** East Orange, family games night, 6:30-10:30 p.m., Cost: \$10 for adults, \$5 for children, call (973) 676-9686 or (973) 674-5046.

**Marist High School, Bayonne,** Haiti Solidarity Network of the Northeast dinner dance benefit, 8 p.m.-1 a.m., Cost: \$50 donation, (201) 779-5379 or (201) 437-0020.



**Xavier Center,** Convent Station, "The Potter Calls Us to the Center," 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Cost: \$40, RSVP ASAP, (973) 290-5100 or XavierCenter@scnj.org.

**Archdiocesan Center,** Newark, workshop on immigration reform, 9 a.m.-noon, Cost: \$10 donation, (973) 497-4341.

**April 23**

**Our Lady of Sorrows Parish,** Garfield, pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy Center, Stockbridge, MA, 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m., Cost: \$25, (973) 772-7889.

**St. Paul Parish,** Ramsey, Divine Mercy Sunday prayer service, 3 p.m., (201) 327-0976.

**St. Michael Parish,** Elizabeth, Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Life, 3 p.m., (908) 354-2454.

**St. Philomena Parish,** Livingston, Feast of Divine Mercy, Confessions from 1:15-2 p.m. with Mass to follow, (973) 992-0994.

**Assumption Parish,** Wood-Ridge, Feast of Divine Mercy, 2:30 p.m., (201) 507-5965.

**St. John the Apostle Parish,** Linden, Divine Mercy Sunday celebration, 2-3 p.m. (908) 486-6363.

**St. Catherine Parish,** Glen Rock, Divine Mercy Sunday celebration, 3 p.m., (201) 445-3703.

**Marylawn of the Oranges** Alumnae Association, reunion brunch, Rock Spring Club, West Orange, 11:30 a.m., (973) 762-9222 ext. 24.

**Immaculate Conception Parish,** Elizabeth, choir sings "The Chaplet of Divine Mercy," 3 p.m., call Mary at (908) 352-6662.

**April 24**

**St. Stephen Parish,** Kearny, the Rosary Society, will hold a social game night at 7:30 p.m. in the lower church hall. Open to those 18 and older.

**April 25**

**Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament,** Roseland, bereavement support group, 7:30-9 p.m., also on May 11, 18, and 23, call Sister Rie at (973) 403-8169 or Mildred Brunnquell at (973) 3228.

**April 26**

**St. Rose of Lima Parish,** Short Hills, redemptorist Rev. Terrence Moran, 7:30-9:30 p.m., (973) 379-3912.

**St. Matthew Parish,** Ridgefield, screening of "Therese," 7:15 p.m., (201) 945-3500.

**April 27**

**Mother Seton Council #5427 Knights of Columbus,** Washington Township, fund drive, through April 30, (201) 664-0422.

**Don Bosco Preparatory Academy,** Ramsey, benefit concert with John Pizzarelli, Bergen County Academies Auditorium, Hackensack, 8 p.m., (201) 327-2049.

**Official Appointments**

Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:

**ARCHDIOCESAN/ AGENCY MINISTRY**

**Reverend Donald K. Hummel,** Director of Continuing Education and Ongoing Formation of Priests, has also been appointed Associate Director of Formation for the Permanent Diaconate of the Archdiocese of Newark for a period of three years, effective March 17.

**Reverend Monsignor Robert J. Wister,** faculty member at Immaculate Conception Seminary, has been appointed Secretary for the Pastoral Provision Theological Faculty in addition to membership on the Pastoral Provision Theological Faculty for Church History. Both appointments are through June 30, 2011.

**Reverend Monsignor Robert F. Coleman,** Rector of Immaculate Conception Seminary, has been appointed a member of the Pastoral Provision Theological Faculty for Canon Law through June 30, 2011.

**Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D.,** Spiritual Director of Immaculate Conception Seminary, has been appointed a member of the Pastoral Provision Theological Faculty for Liturgy through June 30, 2011.

**Reverend Joseph R. Chapel, S.T.D.,** on staff at Immaculate Conception Seminary, has been appointed a member of the Pastoral Provision Theological Faculty for Moral Theology through June 30, 2011.

**Reverend Lawrence B. Porter, Ph.D.,** faculty member of Immaculate Conception Seminary, has been appointed a member of the Pastoral Provision Theological Faculty for Moral Theology through June 30, 2011.

**Reverend C. Anthony Ziccardi, S.S.L.,** on staff at Immaculate Conception Seminary, has been appointed a member of the Pastoral Provision Theological Faculty for Scripture through June 30, 2011.

**PASTORS**

**Reverend Monsignor Joseph J. Granato,** Pastor of St. Lucy Parish, Newark, has been granted an extension of his pastorate for one more final year ending April 9, 2007.

**Reverend Monsignor Edward M. Matash,** Pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Bayonne, has been granted an extension of his pastorate for a year, ending Oct. 28, 2007.

**Very Reverend John R. Connell, V.F.,** Pastor of Church of the Nativity, Midland Park, has been granted an extension of his pastorate for one year only, ending April 25, 2007.

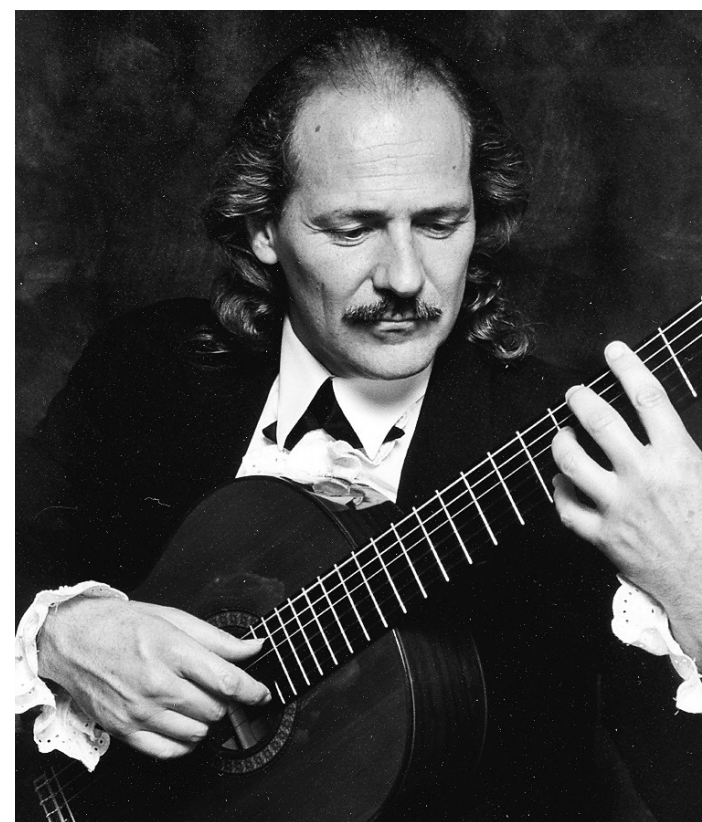
**CHAPLAIN**

**Reverend Joseph Udeze, CMF** has been appointed Chaplain at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Plainfield, as of March 15.

**RETIREMENT**

**Reverend Monsignor Richard M. McGuinness,** Pastor of St. John the Apostle Church, Linden, has been granted retirement, effective July 1.

**Reverend Monsignor Jose J. Agan,** Parochial Vicar of St. Andrew Parish, Westwood, has been granted retirement, effective April 1.



**RETURN ENGAGEMENT**—Classical Guitarist Anton Del Forno returns to Caldwell College on Friday, April 21 at 8 p.m. to perform on campus in the Alumni Theatre. Del Forno, who has performed with the Metropolitan Opera, Chicago Symphony and on Broadway, will be performing works by Villa-Lobos, Bach, Guimares, Sor, as well as his own original compositions. He has an extensive schedule of master classes and his original compositions have been aired on radio stations worldwide. Tickets are \$15 for the general public, \$12 for students and seniors. There is no charge for Caldwell College students. For more information, call Laura Greenwald in the Music Department at (973) 618-3520.



## Closer to God, closer to man via 'dialogue'

Editor,

After reading the several articles in this week's (March 8) *The Catholic Advocate* regarding the Catholic/Muslim dialogue/clash, I feel compelled to share an image that has been coming to my mind recently.

If you picture God in the center of a circle, with all of mankind lined up on the circumference (or perhaps God in the core of a large ball, with mankind covering the surface), I more and more believe that our purpose, duty and goal in this life is to come closer to God. And that can only be accomplished by coming closer to our fellow man.

Likewise, coming closer to the rest of mankind can only bring us closer to God—the center. There isn't any other way.

The neo-conservative/fundamentalist view of "I'm saved, you're not" is just sending us all our different ways—outward!

Pat Bennett  
Summit

## Generosity is appreciated

Dear Archbishop Myers:

I write on behalf of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), to thank you and your parishioners in the Archdiocese of Newark for your generous contribution of \$58,437.21 from your 2005 CCHD collection.

Last year, the incidence of poverty in our country rose for the fourth consecutive year, with most of the increases occurring

among the working poor. Without the safety net provided by safe and adequate housing, reliable transportation, functioning schools, steady employment and dependable health care, even more people will slip into an intolerable existence. Through the support of parishioners in dioceses across the country, we were able to grant \$9 million in 2005 to anti-poverty, social justice projects in 49 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. CCHD takes the risk of investing in the dignity of poor and low-income people. Your partnership with us helps break the cycle of poverty. So, in the name of those who will be helped by the generosity of your people, I say thank you, too.

In his World Day of Peace Message for 2006, Pope Benedict XVI challenges us with these words: "Peace thus comes to be seen in a new light: not as the mere absence of war, but as a harmonious coexistence of individual citizens within a society governed by justice, one in which the good is also achieved to the extent possible, for each of them."

Your support of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development helps achieve "the good" for families and communities struggling in poverty. We are grateful for your leadership and the invaluable efforts of your leadership and the invaluable efforts of your diocesan director, Catherine L'Insalata. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Timothy F. Collins  
Executive Director

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## Respect Life

## Answering an urgent call for help

BY REV. MSGR. RICHARD MCGUINNESS  
Director of the Respect Life Office

"I am a young teenager—a girl. I've gotten into trouble.

"Other kids were having sex at my age and said they liked it. It made them feel grown up. So, when this guy told me he would like to have sex with me, I said 'yes.'

"Now I'm pregnant and I don't know what to do. My boyfriend said he wanted me to have an abortion, but I don't want to kill my baby. Who will help me?"

Every parish should have an active Respect Life Committee. In that way, they could make it known that they will help this girl and others like her.

Would your parish Respect Life committee be willing to help her?

In the past, every pastor and parish

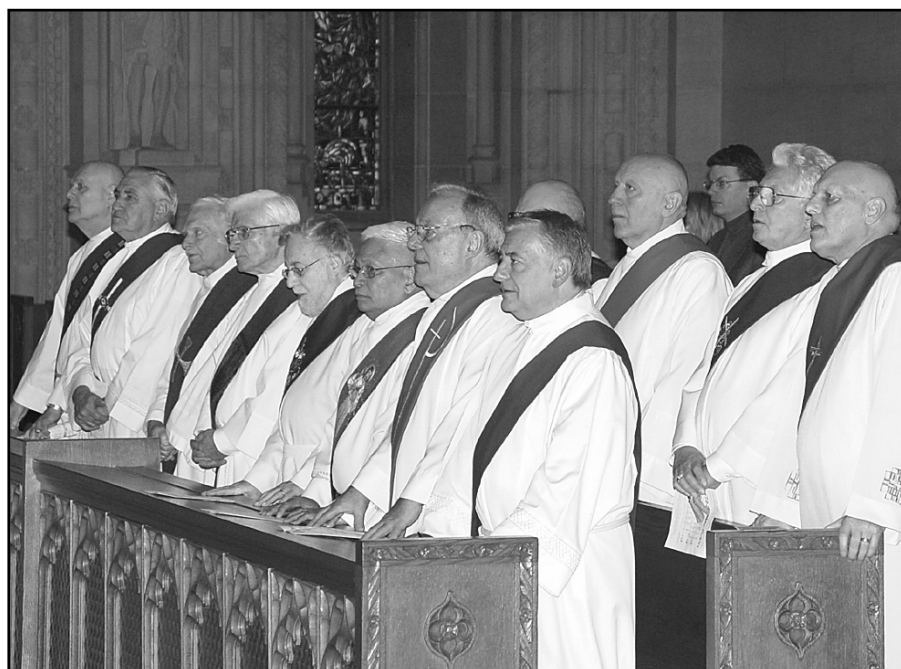
Respect Life contact has received a list of places that are willing to help girls like this. Every parish can help support these places or organizations who are willing to help. Is your parish willing to help?

If you don't already have one, how about starting an active Respect Life parish committee? If you do have one, how about trying to get other parishioners to join and help?

The Archdiocesan Respect Life Office can help you get started. Call the office at (732) 388-8211 and they can offer whatever assistance you need.

You can be the one to help girls like this who are looking for help. What would Jesus want you to do?

No one can do everything, but if each of us does something to help girls like this, you will have the satisfaction of knowing you helped a baby to live!



Advocate photo - Ward Miele

**A QUARTER CENTURY IN GOD'S SERVICE**—Archbishop John J. Myers celebrated a special Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark, on Sunday, March 12 to honor the Permanent Deacons' Class of 1981. Thanking the deacons' families for being "supportive" of their vocation, the Archbishop told the deacons they have "touched the lives" of many of the faithful throughout the Church of Newark.

## Getting an education on what Catholic high schools offer

What high school to attend is often the first "real-world" decision in a young person's life. That is what the annual High School Information Night program is all about.

Run by the schools office throughout all four counties of the Archdiocese of Newark, this year's spring program has been scheduled for later this month and early May. Parents and pupils should mark their calendars now. (See story on page 25)

Those planning to attend already know the faith-based value, quality and excellence of a Catholic education. What an information night provides is the opportunity to learn about the various high schools as the basis for determining which one will best suit a student's needs.

In an informal, relaxed atmosphere, a young person and his or her parents can visit tables set up by the high schools. Each stop affords the invaluable opportunity to pick up literature and talk to admissions directors and student "ambassadors."

A Catholic high school offers students a learning experience that nurtures mind and soul. It is available nowhere else.

## Mass to mark major milestones

A year ago the eyes of the world were on Rome and with good reason. It was last April that the incredibly lengthy and prolific pontificate of the beloved Pope John Paul II came to an end in the papal apartment as thousands of faithful stood vigil in St. Peter's Square. Just days later a new Holy Father was selected.

For a significant number of Catholics, the Polish pope was the only leader of their Church they had ever known. His successor, Pope Benedict XVI, was a front-runner and has already begun to leave his mark on the papacy.

Both milestones in the history of the Church will be remembered on Saturday, April 22, 6 p.m., when Archbishop John J. Myers celebrates a special Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

The Mass is the opportunity to remember God's gift of the life and ministry of Pope John Paul II who is destined to become a saint and giant in the history of the Church.

At the same time, the faithful throughout the Archdiocese of Newark can look ahead—confident that Catholics and their faith are in the good and loving hands of Pope Benedict XVI.



# Easter beckons during a somber spring season

I saw a welcome sign of spring the other day. For the 48 years that we have had my mother's home in Belleville, every single year the purple and white crocuses blossoms have come up, without fail, before any other bud or flower.

Most years they push their way through the snow to greet the world. This year there was no snow, but there they were—God's forerunners of the beauty of summer that is to come.

How welcome are those harbingers of new life. How fitting that the birds come back, the buds on the trees break out, and the air itself turns from dark and gloom to a fresh soft breeze and a new brighter day.

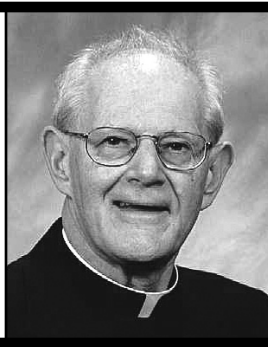
It is no accident that the resurrection of nature prepares us for the Resurrection of another Easter morning. It is the time for hope and young things, like chicks, and puppies and dancing children.

We Americans need a sense of hope, joy and optimism—now more than ever. I have lived for many years, yet never have I seen a more depressed society.

During the Great Depression we had nothing, yet we had our faith and our families. Our government did everything possible to give us a cheerful spirit. She did it by encouraging Hollywood to produce light-hearted films and Tin Pan Alley to lift our hearts in song.

## Voices

By Rev. Msgr. John Gilchrist



During World War II we had rationing and hardships of all kinds. Moreover, our young soldiers and sailors were dying at an awesome rate. But we had

patriotism and a sense of justice to buoy us up. We laughed at Hitler, Tojo and Mussolini, and our government screened us from the total horror of war. We were not presented day after day with the gory stories of death on the battlefield. Morale

was high even though we grieved at the gold stars in the windows of our neighbors.

During Vietnam the horror show began. The American spirit was broken by dissention, civil disobedience and a general uncertainty as to the justice

of our cause. But even in those days the anti-war demonstrations were accompanied by high energy. People were so angry—pro and con—that there was little room for depression. Our grief for our casualties took a toll that finally took us out of war.

But now there is a perverse, morose spirit over the land. People have generally lost their faith. The television gives us "talking heads" with endless opinions. The primetime shows are replete with murder, mayhem and gore. The so-called family shows fill the living rooms with stories of failed marriages, dysfunctional families and baby boomers—now in their fifties—acting like silly teenagers. There are also hosts of so-called "infomercials" giving endless hours of advice on how to live "happily"—endless hours of mostly nonsense.

The country is psychologically depressed. And the sad part is this: many people don't have a clue as to the sources of their own unhappiness. It is basically because they have lost a sense of their own self worth as children of God. They have forgotten that God made us to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him in this life and be happy with Him forever in heaven.

Puck said: "What fools these mortals be." Rather, should we not say: "How sad these mortals be." That is why we need Easter—resurrection, joy and a sense of hope.

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

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## Home Missions Appeal will help rural America

AREA—The Archdiocese of Newark will take part the weekend of April 29-30 in the annual Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

It is the opportunity for parishes nationwide to help fellow Catholics in rural America, from the Deep South to the Mountain West, live out their faith under difficult circumstances.

This year Catholic Home Missions is giving more than \$3 million to the dioceses along the Gulf Coast recovering from the ravages of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita late last summer.

The appeal, dedicated to strengthening the Church at home, is administered by the Committee on the Home Missions, a division of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

For additional information contact the Secretariat for the Home Missions at (202) 541-5400 or visit the website at [www.usccb.org/HM](http://www.usccb.org/HM).

## Parishes plan retreat

RAHWAY—The linked parishes of St. Mark and St. Mary will hold a parish retreat for members April 23-25 at the church hall of St. Mark Parish.

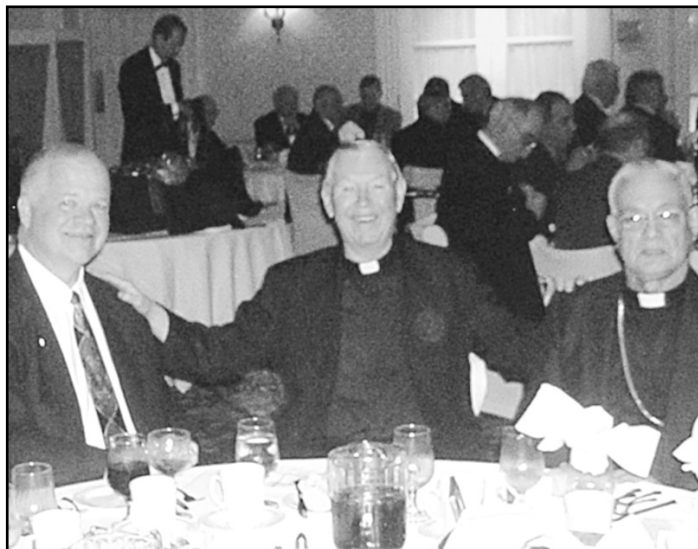
Sister Margaret Picha, SSND, who has been in the ministry of spiritual and human development for 25 years, will hold the retreat Times of Transition: God's Call to Transformation from 7 to 8:45 p.m.

Sister Margaret is a co-director of Wellsprings Outreach in Glens Falls, NY.

Her presentation will include the topics Journey into Christ: Hospitality and Healing, Coming to New Life and Call to Hope and Joy: Resurrection.

Father William T. Morris, pastor of both parishes, noted that the retreat "fits perfectly" within the Easter season and it designed to help parishioners adjust to the linkage between the two parishes. "Both parishes have responded positively to the changes that began last year when the 'New Transitions' program of the Archdiocese of Newark was implemented. We want to continue to foster good will, evangelization and spiritual development in these two communities."

Knights of Columbus State Deputy Reginald Beckett, left, and State Treasurer Herbert Meyer, right, present Archbishop John J. Myers with a copy of *A Parish Priest*, the story of Michael J. McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus. The Archbishop also accepted a check for helping those with disabilities throughout the Church of Newark. The presentation was made at the annual Bergen and Hudson County Federations' annual 'Pride in Our Priests' dinner.




Most Rev. David Arias, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark Emeritus, right, is joined by, left to right, Deacon John Sarnas and Father James Reilly of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Kearny. Father Reilly is also the Faithful Friar for Knights of Columbus Assembly 1543, Msgr. Peter B. O'Connor Council in North Arlington.



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Elected pope on the 19th.



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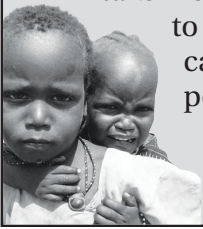
Waives 5-year waiting period for John Paul II's sainthood cause. Appoints Archbishop Levada to head doctrinal congregation.

JUNE

Denounces gay marriage, cohabitation, birth control. Meets with world Jewish leaders. Releases Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

JULY

Urges G8 leaders to take measures to eradicate poverty.



AUGUST

Visits Cologne, Germany for World Youth Day. Approves document barring ordination of men with "deep-seated" homosexual tendencies.

OCTOBER

Presides over Synod of Bishops on the Eucharist.

NOVEMBER

Says created world is "intelligent project" reflecting divine origin.

DECEMBER

Says human rights must be respected even in war. Calls for proper application of Vatican II.

2006

JANUARY


At baptism service, calls on Christians to resist "culture of death." Publishes first encyclical, "God Is Love."

FEBRUARY

Presides over discussion on reconciliation with Lefebvrites. Names 15 new cardinals. Condemns religious violence in Iraq and Nigeria.

MARCH

Visits Vatican Radio and receives an iPod nano.




Key actions and statements by Benedict XVI in the first year of his pontificate.

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The Pope Speaks

Pope Benedict XVI



Uniting Christ's disciples

Dear brothers and sisters,

The Holy Spirit is the source of the communion uniting Christ's disciples among themselves and with God.

In the fine phrase of St. Irenaeus: "Where the Church is, there is the Spirit of God, and where the Spirit is, there is the Church and all grace" ("Adversus Haereses," III, 24:1). The presence of the Spirit, however, does not eliminate human weakness, and thus, from the beginning, the Church's communion in love has coexisted with human division and disunity. The ministry of the apostles, by maintaining the Church in God's saving truth and leading her with authority, is ultimately a service to her communion in love. As we see in the book of Acts, truth and love converged in the life of the early Church: The first Christians "devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of the bread and the prayers" (Acts 2:42).

Thanks to the apostolic ministry, this communion in truth and love is constantly preserved in the Church. Through the apostles and their successors, we encounter the love of the triune God and the truth that makes us free (cf. Jn 8:32).

# A productive first year marks papacy of Pope Benedict XVI

VATICAN CITY (CNS) – This month, the Church marks the first anniversary of the death of Pope John Paul II and the election of Pope Benedict XVI, events that captured the world's attention and introduced a new style of papacy.

Pope Benedict, meanwhile, has used a simple and direct approach to win over the record crowds that are flocking to his appearances at the Vatican and elsewhere. Quietly and slowly, in more than 200 sermons and speeches, he has engaged the faithful and the wider society on fundamental issues of truth, freedom, faith and human dignity.

The new pope found himself presiding over many events scheduled under his predecessor, like the Synod of Bishops last October, several canonizations, the closing of the Eucharistic year, and numerous meetings and liturgies.

Pope Benedict has eased gently into his role. Those who hoped for tough new doctrinal pronouncements, wholesale removal of liberal bishops and a rollback in liturgical reform have been disappointed.

The pope's only major document so far has been an encyclical that focused on what he called the foundation of the Christian message, "God is love," and its implications for personal and institutional charity.

The much-discussed Vatican document barring men with deep-seated homosexual tendencies from the priesthood, although approved by Pope Benedict, was a project inherited from the previous pontificate.

The long-rumored tsunami of replacements in the Roman Curia has not hit yet. The pope's only major appointment came last May, when he named U.S. Archbishop William J. Levada as head of the doctrinal congregation and later named him a cardinal.

But in March, the pope made his first move to streamline Vatican offices. At least temporarily, the council dealing with migration was combined with the justice and peace council, and the council that dialogues with non-Christian religions—including Muslims—was combined with the council for culture.

The final alignment of curial offices is not yet clear and the changes may take months, but most expect a significant shrinking of the number of agencies.

For the last year, however, Pope Benedict's priorities have not been administrative.

He has urged Catholics to rediscover Christ as the focus of their personal lives and to resist the tendency to make the individual ego "the only criterion" for their choices. The pope has been careful to phrase this as a sympathetic invitation and not a warning.

As a teacher, he has turned to Scripture far more than doctrine, making connections between the early Christians of apostolic times and modern men and women struggling to live their faith.

Pope Benedict has tackled contemporary social and political issues by emphasizing a few main principles: that human rights rest on human dignity, that people come before profits, that the right to life is an ancient measure of humanity and not just a Catholic teaching, and that efforts to exclude God from civil affairs are corroding modern society.

He returns often to a central theme—the relationship between God and man—in language that can be clear-cut and gripping.

He has zeroed in on what he has called Europe's spiritual fatigue, occasionally rattling the cages and rallying the forces on issues like gay marriage, cohabitation and abortion.

It impressed people at the Vatican that the pope took the time to meet separately with the often-overlooked groups of employees who serve him every day, including ushers, papal gentlemen, members of the papal antechamber and the Vatican's security force.

Last year, when the pope waived the normal five-year waiting period for the start of Pope John Paul II's sainthood cause, he showed he was sensitive to the popular voice of the Church.

# Holy Father creates 15 new cardinals

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Benedict XVI created 15 new cardinals from 11 countries March 24, praying that the red garments they now wear would inspire them to an even more "passionate love for Christ, for His Church and for all humanity."

The pope told the new cardinals they would be called upon to work closely with him "and this will mean for you a more intense participation in the mystery of the cross as you share in the sufferings of Christ."

U.S. Cardinal William J. Levada, prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, was the first to receive his red hat and the scroll attesting to his membership in the College of Cardinals.

As the top-ranking member of the new group, the former Archbishop of San Francisco was called to address the pope on behalf of the new cardinals.

In accepting their new status, Cardinal Levada said, the new cardinals renew their commitment of "total love and unconditional fidelity to Christ the Lord and to the Christian people."

"This love for Jesus Christ and His Church, this fidelity to humanity which has a burning thirst for truth, we want to place into your hands," he told the pope, pledging also "our loving and devoted fidelity without any limit or reserve, free from concern for ourselves or our own lives."

In his homily at the prayer service, Pope Benedict told the entire College of Cardinals, which now numbers 193 members, that he counts on them "to proclaim to the world that God is love."

"Ensure that the principle of love will spread far and wide and will give new life to the Church," he said.

Cardinal Sean P. O'Malley of Boston was the ninth prelate dressed in a new red cassock to approach and kneel before the pope.



# Parishioners 'sing' praises of Caldwell parish

BY MELISSA MCNALLY  
Staff Writer

St. Aloysius Parish was founded in 1892 and serves the west Essex County area of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Parishioners have given of themselves to make the parish what it is today: a community of faith, prayer and service. The early parishioners built the first church within three months. Much of the work was done in the evenings after their own day's work.

That same spirit fills the parish community today. The desire to build up their own faith commitment to the Lord, to share that faith with others through worship and witness, to share with those in need and to take pride in their parish community typify the St. Aloysius faithful.

Pastor Rev. Msgr. Michael Desmond was appointed on Aug. 1, 2005. He was elected to several terms on the Priests' Senate of the archdiocese, and also to the Presbyteral Council. Msgr. Desmond has served on the Parish Aid Committee, the Vocation Board, the Pastors Committee for Development, the Adjunct Priest Board, the Bio-ethics Committee of West Hudson Hospital and the Pastoral Care Committee of Clara Maass Hospital. He was also a commissioner on the Hudson County Human Relations Commission, a leader in the Hudson County Gun Amnesty and a member of the Kearny Municipal Alliance.

Parishioners say that having a new pastor at St. Aloysius pro-

vides a fresh perspective and outlook for the future. They describe their church community as warm and welcoming, with community service being a focal point of their ministry.

Michael Brennan has been a parishioner for seven years. He is the finance committee chairman, a member of the New Energies committee, parish council and cub master of Pack 6.

"We are a close-knit group with a hard-working pastor. Msgr. Desmond is a 'people' person and encourages many social outreach programs," Brennan said.

## Saint Aloysius, Caldwell

Parishioners have a monthly food collection to St. John's soup kitchen in Newark and have donated money to the North Caldwell Fire Department.

Volunteerism, Brennan noted, is stressed to the young people he works with as Cub Scout master. "We hold pack meetings every month and organize trips and donate money to organizations. It's great to help the kids with Christian values. They can work at something that the Church teaches, but from a different perspective."

As a member of the parish New Energies Committee, Brennan is looking to share St. Aloysius Parish's resources with others in the area and hopes to see an increase in adult education programs.

"The overall focus of the pastors and assistant priests is very spiritual as opposed to institutional. Their attitude has helped me

grow in spirituality and they encourage me to look at avenues for further growth. I am encouraged to learn more about my faith and read about the Church," Brennan explained. "The church itself is a gem."

Not only are there young families active at St. Aloysius, but there are lifetime members who share in the pride of their parish as well. Howard Hardwick and his wife have been in the parish for 38 years. He is a Eucharistic minister and reader and helped in the summer Bible school for the children.

The spirit of giving has thrived at St. Aloysius during Lent and each week a collection was donated to a different charity. "The participation was outstanding. One week we donated candy for underprivileged children and we also donated things such as shampoo to people in shelters," Brennan said.

Brennan's two children are students at Trinity Academy. St. Aloysius Parish, Blessed Sacrament Parish, Roseland and Notre Dame Parish, North Caldwell sponsor the school. With 371 children from grades K to 8, it has Middle States Accreditation through 2016.

Jean Yoo has a son in 3rd

### Meet the Pastor



Msgr. Michael Desmond

**Birthday:** February 23, 1945  
**Hometown:** Plainfield  
**High School:** Seton Hall Preparatory  
**Seminary:** Immaculate Conception, Darlington  
**Undergraduate:** Seton Hall University  
**Ordination:** May 29, 1971  
**Herors:** Parents  
**Favorite Saint:** St. Francis de Sales  
**Favorite Sport:** Football  
**Favorite Food:** Steak  
**Favorite Subject in School:** History  
**Last Book Read:** *City of Fallen Angels*



The close-knit community of St. Aloysius Parish has an emphasis on social outreach, education and an active music ministry.

"Over the years, I have seen different pastors bring their different personalities to the parish. Some are more academic, some are more people oriented. I think we are getting back to being more people oriented and the priests are very active," Hardwick said.

grade at Trinity Academy. "Its a great school. There is a small network of families that are involved. It really has strong family connections. The staff is caring and creative and they motivate the children to do well. The majority of the students are members of one of the three local parishes and only a handful are not parishioners of the churches."

As the children grow older, there are several activities at St. Aloysius to encourage them in becoming a spiritual adult. Life Teen is an organization for high school students and has weekly

meetings, outreach programs, retreats and has an open youth room where teenagers can play games and listen to music in a fun environment.

The music ministry is also very active, providing many choirs for people of all ages. Suzanne LaRobardier has been music director since October. "I think the choirs reflect the people's warm, willing and welcoming spirit. It is a great way to serve the Lord," she said.

There is a children's choir, a youth choir, an adult choir and even a hand-bell choir "for those who don't have a voice," LaRobardier noted with a laugh. There is also a bereavement choir that is present at every funeral and other talented instrumentalists.

"We have music involved in religious education and we have a lot of talented young people. Music is a great way to give back to God. Singing is a very important part of our masses and it is part of our great local community," she said. "I look forward to new opportunities to bring the choirs out to people in the community. There is a warm, open, can-do spirit in all our singers and I am thrilled to be coordinator."

(St. Aloysius is located at 219 Bloomfield Ave., Caldwell.)



A sculpture of The Last Supper is illuminated at the base of the church altar. The mural of the Crucifixion on the ceiling adds to the beauty of the parish.

Advocate photos - Melissa McNally



## Caldwell plans gala

CALDWELL — The Horn Family, owners and operators of Pals Cabin and Mayfair Farms in West Orange, and Mark Corino, Caldwell College's executive director of athletics and head men's basketball coach, will be honored April 28 at the Caldwell College's annual Presidential Gala.

The Horn Family will receive Caldwell College's President's Award for their ongoing dedication to Catholic colleges, universities, schools and non-profit organizations in North Jersey. Corino will receive the same award for his "outstanding commitment to excellence in academics and athletics." The gala, which begins at 6 p.m. at Mayfair Farms, raises funds for the Caldwell College scholarship fund.

Caldwell College President Sister Patrice Werner, O.P., Ph.D., will present the awards to the Horn Family and to Corino.

Corino, who came to Caldwell College in 1988, is the only director of athletics the college has ever had, and has helped the Cougars' intercollegiate athletics department grow from three programs to 11 during his tenure.

Festivities for the evening will include a silent auction and 50/50 raffle. Tickets are \$300 per person.

The reservation deadline is April 21. Last year, the event raised over \$225,000 for the Caldwell College Scholarship Fund. Personal messages and advertisements may be purchased in a souvenir journal to recognize the honorees. For information call Cheryl Price at (973) 618-3352 or [cprice@caldwell.edu](mailto:cprice@caldwell.edu).

### Programs at Xavier Center 2006

**Wednesday for Women**  
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**Sr. Carol Heller Memorial Spring Auction**  
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**GIRL SCOUT AWARDS**—Adult leaders and family members filled the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart on Sunday, March 12 for the annual awards service. Bishop John Flesey presented individual awards to both Girl Scouts and Brownies. To Bishop Flesey's left holding the ribbons is Father Joseph Mancini, executive director of the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries. Bishop Flesey called it "a special day" commending the girls for pursuing a goal "with the spirit of being a Girl Scout" in their hearts. Bridget Greeley of New Providence was the Book Bearer and Jennifer Nicoletti from Bayonne the Miter Holder.

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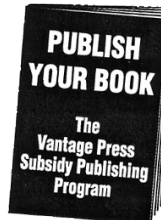
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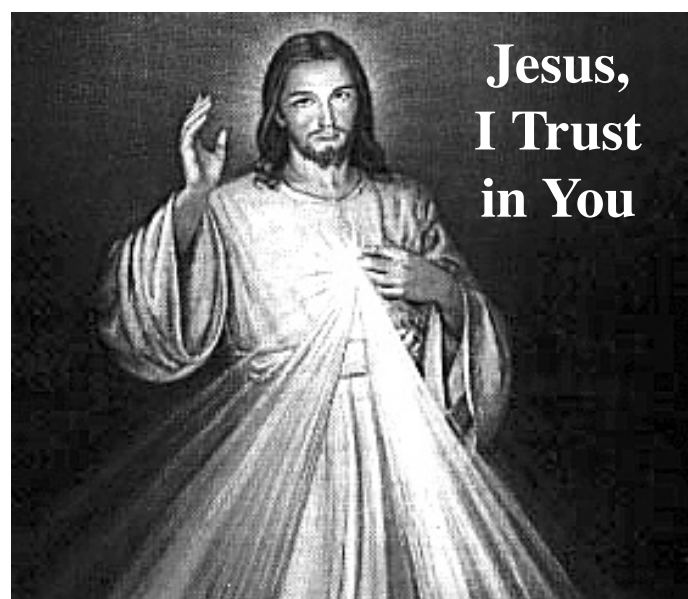
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—Our Lord's words to St. Faustina Kowalska, *Diary*, 699.



# Triduum marks milestone

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE  
Editor

UPPER SADDLE RIVER—As the Easter season draws near, the spiritual journey of more than 300 catechumens throughout the four counties of the Archdiocese of Newark will reach a milestone. The Easter triduum—Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil Mass—will mark their passage as full members of the Church.

Catechumens are those who seek initiation into the Catholic Church. Five catechumens have found a spiritual home here at the Church of the Presentation. Members of this quintet have taken part in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (typically referred to by the acronym RCIA),

a sacramental experience led by clergy and lay people that stresses formation in doctrine and liturgy, and calls upon the Church community to welcome, assist and pray for candidates.

Father Michael J. Sheehan, director of the catechumenate for the archdiocese and the pastor Annunciation Parish in Paramus, explained that the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is “a process and not a program,” noting that his ministry involves helping parishes to implement this initiation process as a celebration for the Church.

“Catechumens bring an excitement to the faith and boost the existing community in a parish,” Joseph Nuzzi, pastoral associate at the Church of the Presentation, said. “There is a ripple effect that benefits

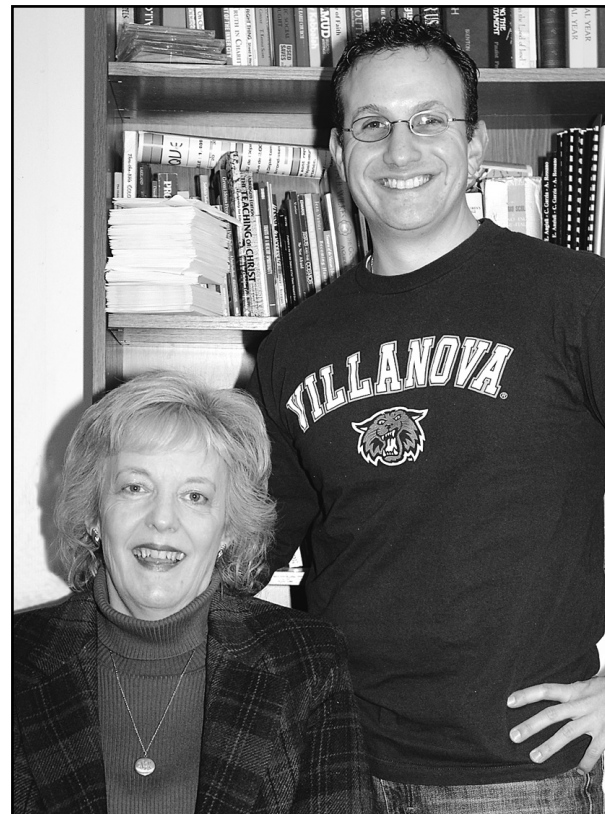
everyone.” Nuzzi leads a 14-member team at the Church of the Presentation that meets on a weekly basis to support the initiation process.

During the first stage, the “period of inquiry,” candidates are invited to ask questions about the Church and share their own faith stories. Those who do continue celebrate the Rite of Acceptance. By going through this rite they enter the catechumenate period, which lasts for at least one year.

Father Sheehan said this step involves the teaching of the faith, known as catechesis, which is an intense period of introduction to liturgy and service, drawing its inspiration from the liturgical life of the Church.

The Rite of Election, which usually takes place on the First

Sunday of Lent, marks the transition between the catechumenate and the next stage: enlightenment



Advocate photo — M. Gabriele

Joseph Nuzzi (right), a 1993 graduate of Villanova University who leads a 14-member team at the Church of the Presentation that supports the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is pictured with Margie Rightmyer, the director of volunteers. Rightmyer is coordinating an eight-day medical mission to Haiti, which will run from April 30 to May 8. The Haiti trip is one of 50 outreach ministries sponsored by the Upper Saddle River parish.

and purification. This stage includes the celebration of “the Scrutinies”—the Church’s prayers that will enable the newly Elect to uncover then heal all that is weak or sinful, as well as strengthen all that is strong and good in their hearts.

This stage involves liturgical ceremonies at Lenten masses, as well as more intense preparation through prayer and study. It climaxes at the Easter Vigil with the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist.

The final stage is the post-baptismal catechesis. This stage, lasting from Easter to Pentecost, focuses on the sacred mysteries (mystagogia—an illumination or “breaking open” of the sacraments) and Christ’s death and resurrection.

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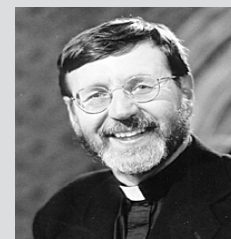
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Professionals who are members of the ministry will be on hand for tips on networking. A Q&A session will follow the formal presentation.

Those planning to attend should bring their most recent resume.

For additional information contact Carol Shea at (201) 447-4215.



**CELEBRATING MARRIAGE**—The Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark, was filled on Sunday afternoon, March 26, with couples celebrating their 5th and 25th wedding anniversaries. Most Rev. Thomas A. Donato, Auxiliary Bishop, was the main celebrant of the Mass. During Mass each held the other's wedding rings, which were blessed by the bishop. Among those taking part were John and Mary Mahoney (pictured at right) of St. Henry Parish, Bayonne. After Mass commemorative pins were presented to each couple by Bishop Donato.



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Chancery golf fund-raiser tees off June 20

NEWARK — The chancery offices of the Archdiocese of Newark will sponsor their second-annual golf and tennis outing Tuesday, June 20 at the Knoll Country Club in Parsippany. Proceeds from

the event will go to benefit facilities in the archdiocese.

Along with golf and tennis, the event will feature a brunch with Archbishop John J. Myers, a cocktail hour and reception, and an awards dinner.

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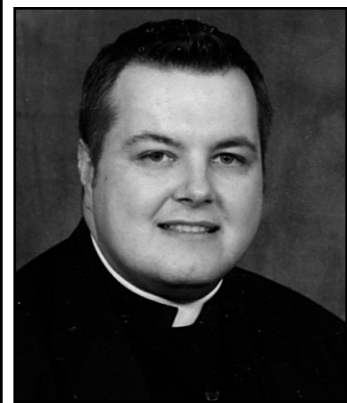
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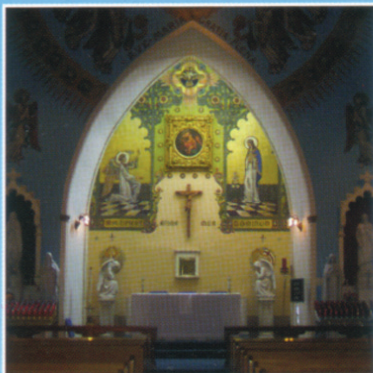
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**Most Rev. Edgar da Cunha**  
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**Holy Thursday:** 7 p.m., St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Hillside  
**Good Friday:** 7:30 p.m. service, St. Michael Parish, Newark  
**Easter Vigil:** 8 p.m., St. Raphael Parish, Livingston  
**Easter Sunday:** 10 a.m. Mass, St. Michael Parish, Newark

**Most Rev. Thomas Donato**  
**Auxiliary Bishop of Newark**  
(All at St. Henry Parish, Bayonne)  
**Holy Thursday:** 7:30 p.m., Mass of the Lord's Supper, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until 11 p.m.  
**Good Friday:** 7:30 p.m., Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
**Easter Vigil:** 7:30 p.m. liturgy  
**Easter Sunday:** 8 a.m. Mass

**Most Rev. John Flesey**  
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**Easter Vigil:** 8 p.m.  
**Easter Sunday:** noon Mass

**Most Rev. Charles McDonnell**  
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**Holy Thursday:** 7:30 p.m. Mass  
**Easter Vigil:** 8:30 p.m.  
**Easter Sunday:** 11 a.m. Mass

**Most Rev. Dominic Marconi**  
**Auxiliary Bishop of Newark Emeritus**  
**Holy Thursday:** 7 p.m. Mass, St. Hedwig's Parish, Elizabeth  
**Good Friday:** Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 7:30 p.m., St. Margaret of Cortona Parish, Little Ferry  
**Easter Vigil:** Noon blessing of the Easter food at St. Theresa Parish, Linden 8 p.m., St. Vincent De Paul Parish, Bayonne  
**Easter Sunday:** 9 a.m. Mass, St. Theresa Parish, Kenilworth.

Archbishop John J. Myers and his bishops have released their schedules for Holy Week.

**Archbishop John J. Myers**  
**Holy Thursday, April 13:** Holy Hour 11 a.m. and luncheon for the clergy of Union County at St. Theresa Parish, Kenilworth  
Mass of the Last Supper, 7:30 p.m., Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart  
**Good Friday, April 14:** 9:30 a.m., Stations of the Cross during a walk to an abortion clinic in Englewood  
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**Easter Vigil, April 15:** 8:30 p.m., Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart  
**Easter Sunday, April 16:** noon Mass at Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart

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**Most Rev. David Arias, OAR**  
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**Easter Sunday:** 12:30 p.m. Mass, St. John Parish, Orange



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and let you die  
All the people that loved you,  
turned away and cried  
The cruelty you endured will  
soon fade away  
But your love for us all is here  
to stay

They took you down and laid  
you in the tomb  
Your apostles knew that the  
day would come soon  
When you would return in  
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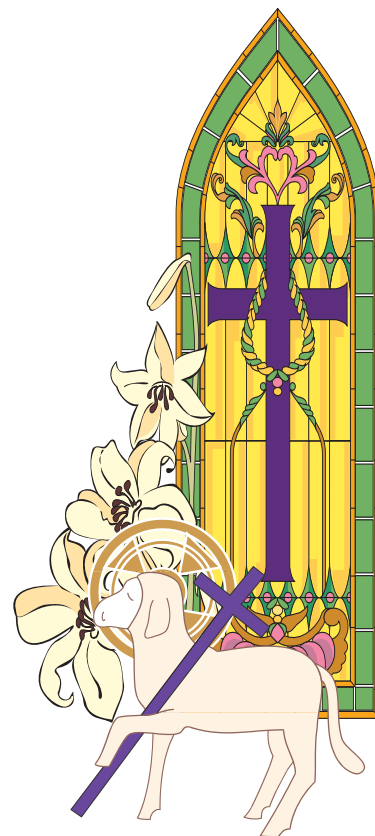
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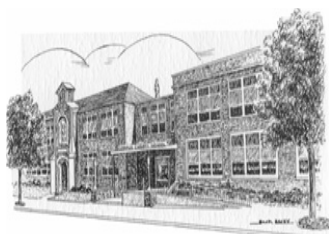
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## Obituaries

### Bishop Burke

NEW YORK (CNS)—U.S. Bishop John J. Burke of Miracema do Norte, Brazil, a native of the Archdiocese of Newark, died March 14 in Brazil during surgery to stop massive internal bleeding.

The bishop, a member of the New York-based Holy Name province of the Franciscans, was buried in Brazil March 16, on what would have been his 71st birthday.

Born in Teaneck, he had served in Brazil since 1964.

In 1995, days before his ordination as bishop, he told Catholic News Service that the diocese where he was appointed was "on

the frontier" of lawlessness, like the American Old West.

He said the diocese was three times the geographic size of New Jersey, with a population of only 200,000. The rich diversity of ethnicities in his diocese included Indians of the Xerente and Krao tribes and people of Portuguese and African backgrounds.

The terrain of the diocese is similar to the U.S. Southwest and much of it is devoted to ranching.

When he took over the diocese, which relied on aid from churches outside Brazil, Bishop Burke said he needed to focus on developing an indigenous clergy and dealing with widespread malnutrition.

Bishop Burke was ordained bishop March 25, 1995, at St. Peter the Apostle Parish in River Edge by then-Archbishop Theodore E. McCarrick, who is now cardinal in Washington.

He graduated from St. Cecilia High School in Englewood. He studied at seminaries in New York and Washington and was ordained a Franciscan priest in 1961.

A memorial Mass was celebrated March 25 at St. Peter the Apostle Church in River Edge.

### Father Storms

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on March 28 at St. Bonaventure University Chapel, N.Y., for Father Francis Storms, O.F.M., 63, who died on March 23.

He was ordained as a priest on Dec. 6, 1975 in St. Francis of Assisi Parish, New York City.

His ministry in the Archdiocese of Newark included Pastor and Guardian of Sacred Heart Parish in Rochelle Park for one year.

### Sister Mary

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Joseph Parish, Jersey City, on March 28 for Sister Mary Alexandrine McCabe, S.C., 85, who died on March 26.

Sister Mary Alexandrine received her B.S. degree from the College of Saint Elizabeth, Convent Station. She taught at All Saints School, Jersey City, from 1943-1950, Sacred Heart, Bloomfield from 1950-1960 and St. Rose of Lima, Newark, from 1960-1963.

In 1963, Sister began ministry in the office at the Academy of St. Aloysius, Jersey City, and assumed the position of treasurer from 1971-2001 when she retired.



**CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY**—The St. Martin DePorres Guild of St. Mary Parish, Plainfield, celebrated Black History Month with a Mass in memory of Archbishop Eugene Marino, the first African American Archbishop in the United States. He was Archbishop of Atlanta from 1988-90. His surviving brother is a parishioner at St. Mary Parish. Allison and Stacey Series (pictured here) were the Liturgical dancers, Deacon Martin Macaluso gave the homily and Gospel songs were sung. At a brunch that followed, there was a mini-program on Black history and quotes from famous Blacks were read by Guild members.

### Pray for them

**Michael J. Andreano**, father of Reverend Michael A. Andreano, vice chancellor/assistant to the vicar general and moderator of the curia, died April 2.

**Frank G. Francesco**, uncle of Reverend Richard G. Francesco, pastor of St. Joseph Parish, West Orange, died April 3.

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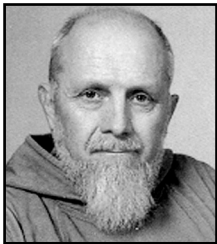
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#### 4th Day — Mon., April 17

St. Joseph, Oradell, 7:30 p.m.  
Intention-SOULS WHO DO NOT BELIEVE IN GOD AND DO NOT YET KNOW ME"

#### 5th Day — Tues., April 18

St. Paul, Ramsey, 7:30 p.m.  
Intention-"SOULS WHO HAVE SEPARATED FROM THE CHURCH"  
**GUEST SPEAKER: Fr. Benedict Groeschel, CFR**

#### 6th Day — Wed., April 19

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Ridgewood, 7:30 p.m.  
Intention - "MEEK AND HUMBLE SOULS AND LITTLE CHILDREN"  
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#### 7th Day — Thurs., April 20

Corpus Christie, Hasbrouck Hts., 7:30 p.m.  
Intention - "SOULS WHO ESPECIALLY VENERATE & GLORIFY MY MERCY"

#### 8th Day — Fri., April 21

Church of the Assumption, Emerson, 7:30 p.m.  
Intention - "SOULS WHO ARE DETAINED IN PURGATORY"

#### 9th Day — Sat., April 22

Bergen Mall Chapel, Paramus, Following 11 :00 a.m. Mass  
Intention - "SOULS WHO HAVE BECOME LUKEWARM"

**Good Friday — Stations of the Cross, Divine Mercy Chaplet — Englewood Abortion Clinic, 9:30 a.m.**  
**Divine Mercy Sunday Prayer Service April 23 — St. Paul Catholic Church, 200 Wyckoff Ave., Ramsey, NJ, 3 p.m.**



## Felician sets festival dates

RUTHERFORD — The Felician College Department of Communications is sponsoring a Spring Festival to highlight its academic achievements.

A week of special programs and screenings will be presented April 24 - 28 at 7 p.m. in The Little Theatre on the Rutherford campus, except the April 26 events. Open to the public, there is no charge to attend any event.

The schedule includes:

- April 24 - Presentation of senior research projects and readings from student screenplays
- April 25 - Screening of student digital video projects
- April 26 - Special programming at the new, Internet-based, radio station at Felician College, WRFC, located in The Little Theatre Annex
- April 27 and 28 - Staged reading of "Dead Man Walking," a play by Tim Robbins. The reading is held in conjunction with the School Theatre Project to create an opportunity to reflect on the death penalty. There will be a post-performance discussion with the cast.

For additional information about WRFC, call the station at (201) 507-0614. For information about the other programs, contact Professor Terry McAteer at (201) 507-0613.

## Prep open house nears

JERSEY CITY — St. Peter's Preparatory School will hold an open house on Sunday, April 30 from 2 to 4 p.m., at the school's 144 Grand St. campus. Interested students and their parents are invited.

Faculty, staff, coaches, moderators, teachers, students and parents will distribute information and answer questions about the school. Tours will be conducted throughout the afternoon. Last year, over 200 families attended the spring open house.

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**LEGACY TEA**—The archdiocesan Legacy Circle's Annual Prayer Service and Afternoon Tea was held March 29 in the residence of Archbishop John J. Myers. The Legacy Circle was established to honor the many individuals who believe in the future of the Archdiocese of Newark and their parishes by supporting the Church through a Planned Gift, such as a provision in their will, purchasing a charitable gift annuity, or by establishing a trust. Archbishop Myers (left) is pictured with Thomas D. Cahill and Mrs. Helen G. Cahill at the afternoon tea reception. Contact Ken DiPaola at (973) 497-4332 for more information about the Legacy Circle. Carla L. Gonzalez is the executive director of the Office of Development for the Archdiocese of Newark.




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# Priest cites 'human complicity' in Katrina's fury

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE  
Editor

NEWARK—The hand of man conspired with the forces of nature as Hurricane Katrina pulverized New Orleans last August.

This insight into the widespread devastation in The Big Easy is a story that most of the country, so far, has been slow to grasp, according to Father Mark Lomax.

Father Lomax, who recently visited the Archdiocese of Newark as a guest of St. Helen Parish, Westfield, described scenes of

destruction in St. Bernard civil parish, where his church, St. Mark, Chalmette, LA, is located (seven miles downriver, south-east, from New Orleans).

St. Mark's church and school were engulfed by a 10-foot wave of water. Then, six days after the hurricane hit, the church and school were further damaged by a 1.2-million gallon oil spill from a nearby refinery.

Father Lomax, 55, a lifelong resident of New Orleans and the pastor of St. Mark, said he buried eight of his parishioners who

drowned during the storm, including a mother and her two children.

While no city could have withstood the fury from such a monster storm, the vast destruction was amplified by human intervention, Father Lomax said. First, he explained that the wetlands surrounding New Orleans have been sliced and diced during the last 70 years due to the canals that were cut to help move oil-drilling rigs out into the Gulf of Mexico. This "honeycomb" of canals has allowed salt water to seep into the fragile tidal marshes, killing the vegetation. This is the situation the media typically identifies as the "erosion or destruction of the coastal wetlands" that surround New Orleans, but the reason behind this erosion never has been fully explained, he said.

Second, the Army Corps of Engineers designed and built the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet Canal (mocked by some Crescent City residents as the "Mr. Go" canal) in 1965 to shorten the sea



Hurricane Katrina destroyed St. Mark's Catholic school in Chalmette, LA, on Aug. 29. Father Mark Lomax, a lifelong resident of New Orleans, recently visited the Archdiocese of Newark to inform people here about the ongoing struggles of the storm-ravaged Gulf Coast.

route for ocean-going vessels between New Orleans' inner harbor and the Gulf of Mexico. Father Lomax referred to Mr. Go as a straight-shot highway that accelerated the hurricane's powerful tidal surge, which he blamed for much of the flooding in Saint Bernard civil parish. However, to be fair, this notion is controversial in the

region, as the Army Corps has disputed the canal's contribution to the overall flood damage.

Father Lomax asked parishioners in the Archdiocese of Newark to support legislation now before Congress that would close the Mr. Go outlet and restore the coastal wetlands. In recent days, President Bush has touted a \$4.1-billion bill that would serve as a block grant to aid New Orleans and the surrounding areas. Father Lomax said his bill would remedy much of the suffering.

Msgr. William C. Harms, the pastor of St. Helen, invited Father Lomax to address the Westfield parish, which has formed a 22-person committee to assist the families of St. Mark. Parishioners of the Chalmette church (1,200 families) currently drive great distances to attend Mass at Our Lady of Prompt Succor in New Orleans.

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Their efforts, which include a Math-athon to benefit St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital and Operation Rice Bowl sponsored by Catholic Relief Services to benefit overseas relief efforts, are a central part of the school's spiritual life curriculum.

"At Sacred Heart, we teach our students to put their faith into action to help others," explained Principal Margaret Smiriga. "Programs like these provide a solid moral foundation for our children and teach them that one person's contributions can make a real difference."

The St. Jude's Math-athon enables students to flex their academic muscles to benefit the children's research hospital. Grades kindergarten through eight receive a CD-ROM from St. Jude's and collect pledges for completing up to 200 math problems on the CD.

"The Math-athon can become quite competitive, especially among children in the upper grades," Smiriga said. "Students like to see who can complete the most problems and who can raise the most money. We're delighted because they're using what they've learned in their math classes while helping others in need."

While Operation Rice Bowl and the St. Jude's Math-athon have taught students the value of giving to strangers, the project that has meant the most to them has been their effort to raise funds for an ill fourth grader at Sacred Heart.

"I'm so proud of our students and parents who have reached out to help this family with its mounting medical bills," said Smiriga, adding that the student is doing well and may return to school this spring. "We're a real family here at Sacred Heart. We help each other through life's rough spots and rejoice together during good times."

Sacred Heart's spiritual life curriculum is a year-round program that includes religion classes in all grade levels, as well as service projects and fund-raisers that provide practical opportunities for students to help others.



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**SMILES FOR A CENTURY**—A Mass of Thanksgiving was celebrated at St. Lucy's Parish, Newark, on March 25 to mark 100 years of mission and ministry in the United States by the Sisters of St. John the Baptist. Bishop John J. Flesey, auxiliary bishop of Newark (center), was the main celebrant at the Mass. Pictured with the bishop are (left) Sister John Agnes Barone, C.S.J.B., provincial supervisor, and Mother John Marie White, superior general. The Sisters of St. John the Baptist minister to orphanages, schools, parishes and nursing homes.



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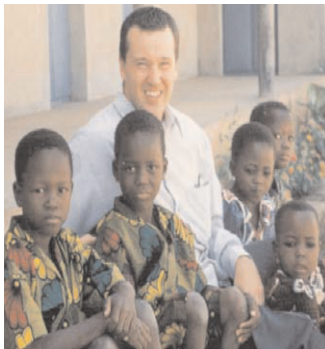
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# Charismatic priest to speak

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On Friday, April 28 the Rosary will be recited and confessions heard beginning at 6 p.m. A healing Mass follows at 7:30 p.m.

The following day the Rosary will be recited at 8:30 a.m. and 9 a.m. At 5 p.m. there will be a conference and healing Mass. Participants

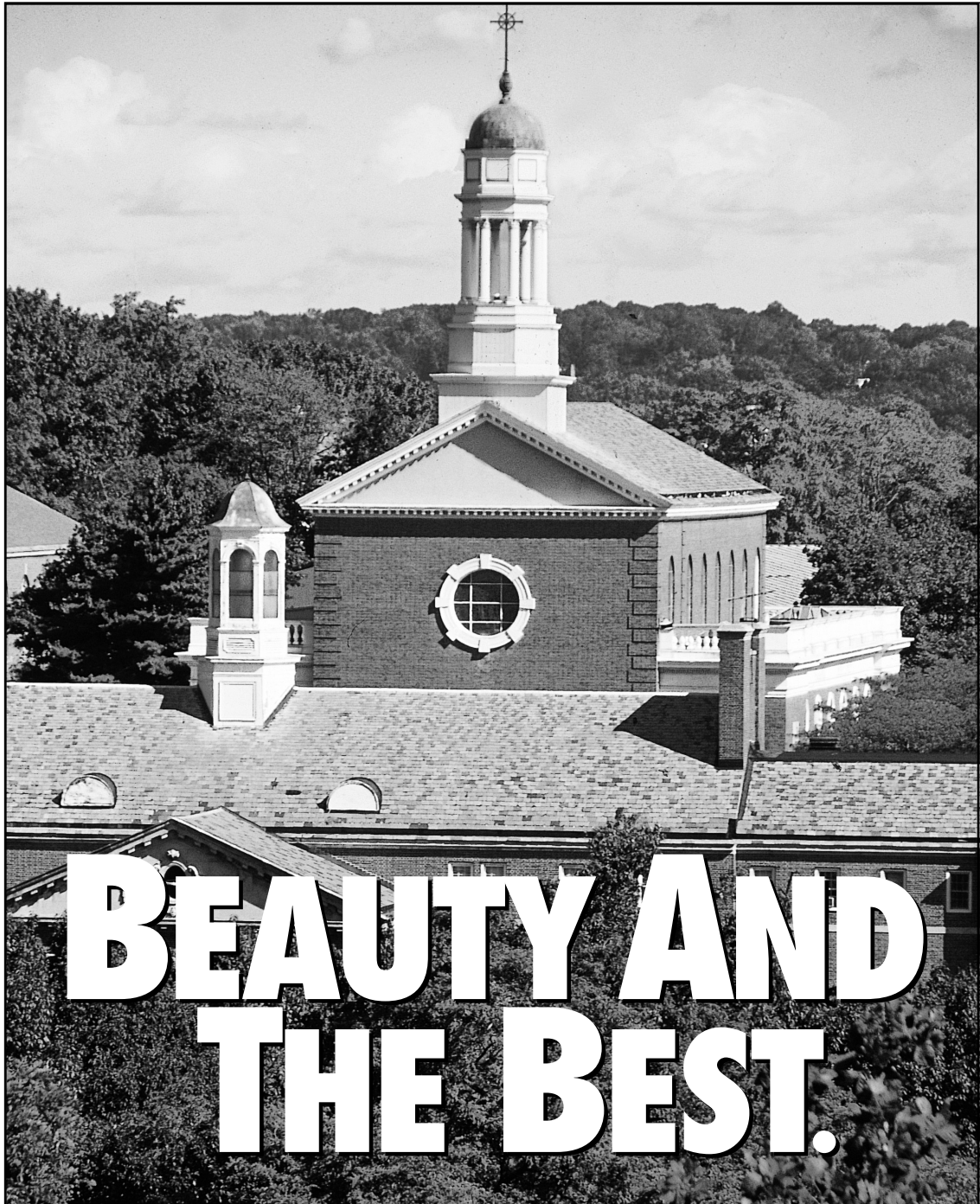
should bring their own lunch.

Sunday, April 30 begins with the Rosary at 9:30 a.m. A Charismatic Mass will be celebrated from 10 a.m. to noon.

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**“Come and see,”**  
He answered.

John 1:38-39

Have you considered following after Jesus as a Priest, Sister or Brother...?



## High school info night

AREA—The Schools Office of the Archdiocese of Newark has scheduled its spring High School Information Night program for late this month and early May.

Open to fifth through seventh grade students and their parents, sites have been selected throughout the archdiocese.

The schedule is: April 25—Our Lady of Sorrows School, South Orange; April 26—Marist High School, Bayonne; April 27—St. Michael School Union; May 2—the Archdiocesan Center, Newark;

May 3—Annunciation Parish, Paramus and May 4—Queen of Peace School, North Arlington.

Admission directors and high school student “ambassadors” will be on hand to answer questions of both students and parents in an informal setting.

Hours for all of the programs are from 7 to 9 p.m. No preregistration required and siblings are welcome.

For further information visit [www.rcan.org/schools](http://www.rcan.org/schools) or call (973) 497-4258.

## Family life, iron-clad faith guide matriarch

EAST HANOVER—Celebrating her 94th birthday on April 22, the family of Liborina Bio considers her to be a true matriarch who lives her Catholic faith every day.

Although Bio finds it hard getting around these days and just now is beginning to reluctantly use a walk support, she watches the daily Mass on Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN).



Liborina Bio

The daily Rosary and prayers sustain her spirit as well as her strength. In December she attended Midnight Mass at St. Rose of Lima Parish. She never misses the RAI, international programming from Italy, broadcasts from St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Bio always enjoys listening to Pope Benedict the XVI—just as she always did with Pope John Paul II and his predecessors.

Eucharistic ministers from St. Rose of Lima Parish in Hanover—and sometimes from St. Philomena in Livingston—provide Bio with Holy Communion when she visits her daughter, Colomba Anzalone. The Eucharistic ministers allow Bio to continue an old tradition of the Fridays of the month as a sacrifice to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and His Immaculate Mother Mary.

Bio is very devout to the Infant of Prague. That devotion began some 38 years ago when her grandson, Dr. Michael Anzalone, developed osteochondrosis of the hip, a condition little known at that time. She prayed to the Infant Jesus for her grandchild's recovery. Ever since then, Bio has believed in the protection that the Holy Infant has bestowed upon her grandchildren by continuing that devotion for her 20 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren in petition for His continued protection. Today she prays for the safe arrival of a few more children to her expectant granddaughters.

Bio was married for 67 years. Her husband, Giuseppe, died

March 14, 2000 at the age of 90. She believes her life is something of a miracle even though she has endured tragic losses in her family.

She was named “Mother of the Year” 20 years ago by a local newspaper. “She certainly is a powerful matriarch as she helps us get through life by her devotion and spiritual strength. We look up to her and are thankful for every hour of every day she can continue to light up our lives,” Anzalone said.

“Now, in the autumn of her life, she always gives thanks to God for continued strength of body, mind and spirit,” her daughter said.



Advocate photo—Melissa McNally

**YOUTHS RALLY FOR LIFE**—A youth music ministry band from St. Vincent de Paul Academy, Stirling, led over 1,000 young people in song at the third-annual Salesian Pro-Life Rally on April 5 at Seton Hall University. The rally attracted faith-filled youth from the dioceses of Paterson and Metuchen and the archdioceses of Newark and New York. The event is sponsored by the Salesians to educate and evangelize young people regarding the beauty of human sexuality, family life and the dignity of human life from conception until natural death. A story about the youth rally will appear in the April 26 issue of *The Catholic Advocate*.

## Right to Life to host banquet

AREA—New Jersey Right to Life (NJRTL) will hold its annual convention and banquet Wednesday, April 26, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., at the East Brunswick Hilton.

Featured speakers at the event will include Ann Coulter, a best-selling author and syndicated columnist, and Msgr. James

Lisante, an author, columnist and television host.

Reservations for the banquet must be made in advance by calling NJRTL at 908-276-6620. There will be no tickets sold at the door. Tickets for non-NJRTL members are \$115 per person; \$85 per person for NJRTL members.

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# Remembering Pope John Paul II 'the Great'

A year ago, the world stopped, quite literally, to honor a Polish priest and bishop who had touched hearts, minds, and souls unlike any anyone else of his era.

Millions poured into Rome to pay homage to Pope John Paul II. Two billion people participated in his funeral by television. In the year since his triple-casket of cypress, zinc, and walnut was buried in the crypt of St. Peter's basilica, millions more have come to pay their respects, to leave flowers, and to pray.

Why? What did John Paul II do, such that his death elicited such an unprecedented response from virtually every corner of the globe? What did John Paul II mean?

Historians will be exploring those questions for centuries. On this first anniversary of what he called his "Easter," let me suggest, all too briefly, what he meant to so many individual lives, and what he meant culturally, as a teacher of our times.

In Rome last April, it struck me that John Paul II had drawn such love and loyalty because he embodied paternity in a world increasingly bereft of fatherhood, with its unique combination of strength and mercy.

The past 12 months have transformed that intuition into a conviction: at the root of John Paul II's magnetism was his remarkable capacity to communicate paternal strength and com-

passion, qualities which the world may not have known it was seeking, but which millions embraced when they were offered.

Karol Wojtyla could embody paternity because he had reflected on it for a long time: on his natural father, a man of granite-

That was what John Paul II's paternity meant: in a world of delusions and illusions, he made things "fully real," because his spiritual fatherhood was a reflection of the fatherhood of God.

Then there was John Paul II, the pope who taught that "the Church proposes; she imposes nothing"—but who proposed, time and again, a powerful, alternative reading of how we might understand ourselves at this moment in human history.

The mandarins of postmodern culture insist that the roots of our religious and moral traditions are irretrievably lost, such that men and women today can't have access to what our ancestors believed to be true. John Paul II taught that Christians always have access to the origins of their faith and their way of life because the source of Christian truth, Christ, is alive and present to his Church.

Postmodern culture teaches that agreement about the truth of things can never be reached across historical epochs or between cultures. John Paul II taught that every human being, no matter what the cultural or historical circumstances, can hear a saving word of grace and mercy from God.

Postmodernism teaches us that knowledge is incoherent, that there

like integrity; on his spiritual father, Cardinal Adam Stefan Sapieha, the "unbroken prince" who took him into his home as a clandestine seminarian and who ordained him to the priesthood; on his experience of spiritual paternity with the young men and women who, with him and around him, formed a network of friendship and fraternity that would outlive his death.

In his 1964 drama, *Radiation of Fatherhood*, Wojtyla suggested that becoming a father meant being "conquered by love," which liberates us from the "terrible" (and terribly false) freedom of self-absorption. To be conquered by love in this way was to be liberated in the deepest sense of human freedom: for only in "the radiation of fatherhood...does everything become fully real."

*In a world of delusions and illusions, John Paul II made things 'fully real.'*

## The Catholic Difference



By George Weigel

is simply no way to put the world's story together. John Paul II proposed Christian faith as a comprehensive, coherent, and compelling account of human nature and human community, of human origins and human destiny.

A man of reason in a season of irrationality; a man of compassion amidst murderous passions; a man of conviction whose convictions opened him to genuine dialogue about differences; a man who asked nothing of others that he hadn't risked or suffered himself—this was paternity embodied in a world bereft of, but desperately seeking, a sense of purpose and direction. This was John Paul the Great.

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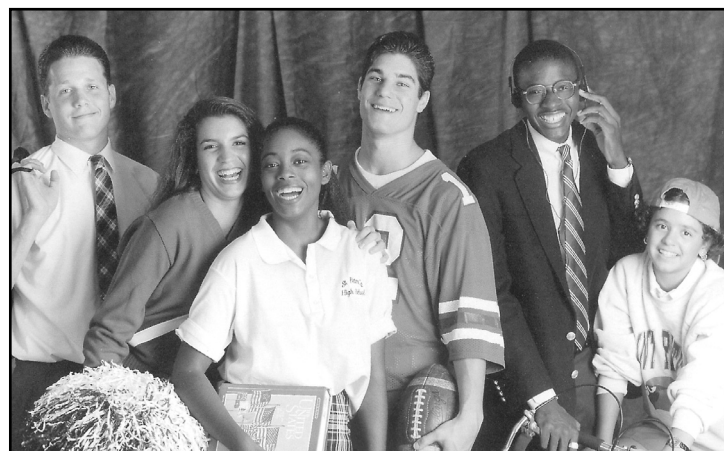
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**Qualifications include:** The applicant should possess a Masters Degree with a specialization in Administration or a related field and at least seven years of Catholic school administration. The applicant should also demonstrate initiative in fulfilling responsibilities, knowledge of verbal and written communication skills, possess a facility with Microsoft Office, and be able to provide evaluation and assessment of personnel, as well as have excellent time management and organizational skills.

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**PRINCIPAL OPENING  
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### PRAYER TO ST. JUDE

Oh, Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near Kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition (make request). In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and Glorias. St. Jude, pray for us all who invoke your aid. Amen. This Novena must be said for 9 consecutive days. Thank you for answering my prayer. **E.N.**

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### PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Oh most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me that you are my mother. Oh Holy Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to secure me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. I place this cause in your hands. Amen. Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days. Novena is published in gratitude. Thank you. **S.M.C.**

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### ST. ANTHONY INTENTION

Thank you **E.A.K.**

### PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, You who solve all problems, who light all roads so that I can attain my goals. You who give me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me, and that in all instances of my life, You are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things and to confirm once again, that I never want to be separated from You, even and in spite of all material illusion. I wish to be with You in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. Amen. Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days. Published in gratitude of grace attained and for many requests granted **J. H.**

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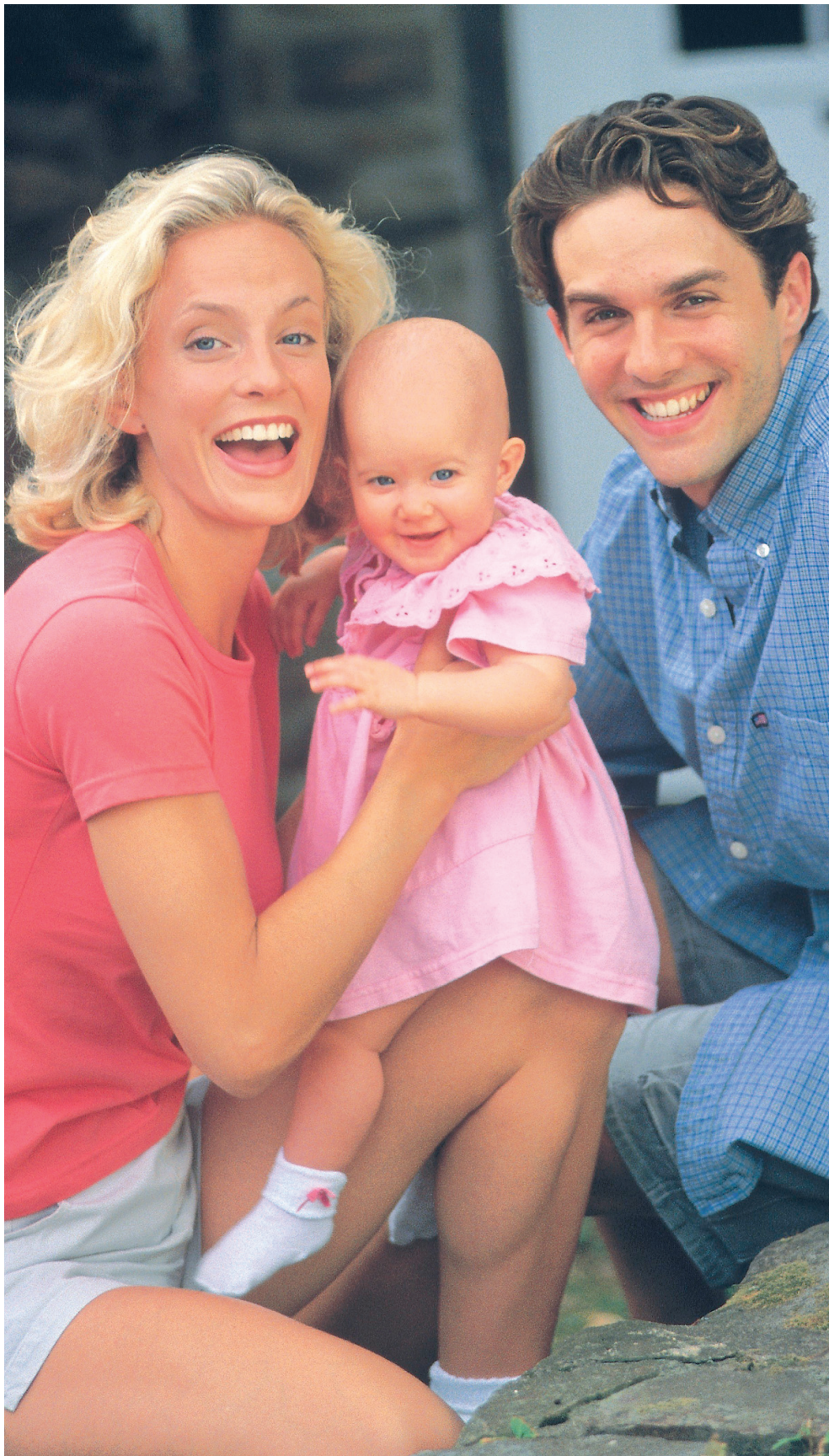
**Second**, having minor children makes planning for their care extremely important. Through a will, you can name custodians for dependents and trustees of family trusts.

**Third**, though your estate may be modest, you still have the right (and obligation) to make your own decisions regarding the disposition of your assets. This includes designating bequests for organizations like the Archdiocese of Newark that reflect your interests and values.

**Fourth**, getting your first will in place while you are younger will make it easier for you to adjust it later as the need arises.

**Finally**, peace of mind is a wonderful blessing at any age. Having a valid will in place will give you a sense of accomplishment and satisfaction. You will appreciate knowing that you have cared for one of the most important responsibilities in life.

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