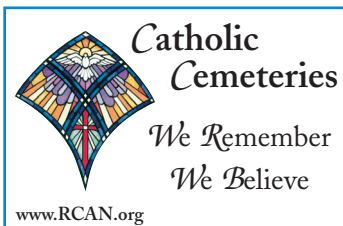




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Pictured here is a scene from the 2006 March for Life in Washington D.C., as young adults and teens carried a large banner in front of the U.S. Supreme Court building. Catholics from all four counties of the Archdiocese of Newark will travel to the nation's capital on Jan. 22 to take part in the march, lending their voices to the call to overturn Roe v. Wade—the 1973 Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion.

## Archdiocesan forces mobilize to support life march on Jan. 22

BY WARD MIELE  
Managing Editor

A cross section of the Archdiocese of Newark will be among the busloads of abortion opponents from all faiths traveling to the nation's capital on Monday, Jan. 22 to protest the 34th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court decision that made the procedure legal.

The theme for this year's march is "Thou Shalt Protect the Equal Right to Life of Each Innocent Human in Existence at Fertilization. No Exception! No Compromise!"

Nellie Gray, president of the March for Life Education and Defense Fund (Web site: [www.marchforlife.org](http://www.marchforlife.org))—the Washington D.C.-based organization that coordinates the march—said the event is aimed at "reminding Congress of its duty to stop the killing of children" and that Roe v. Wade, the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion, "must be overturned."

The Catholic Church, Gray added, has been in the "forefront" of the anti-abortion effort. Pondering the future, Gray said it will be "very difficult" for those who want to stop abortion. That is so, she explained, because of "the boldness of the feminist abortionists that is unbelievable." Roe v. Wade will be overturned "the same way slavery was abolished," she predicted.

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## Ordinations, young adults, share spotlight in 2006

BY WARD MIELE  
Managing Editor

NEWARK—Grounded in the spiritual life of those who call the Archdiocese of Newark home, the milestones of 2006 possess a uniqueness that celebrate the past while looking to the future.

It was a year in which Archbishop John J. Myers celebrated the 40th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, the Church in Newark lead the nation with 17 men ordained as priests and history was made when the archbishop ordained a married former Episcopal minister as a Catholic priest—all of which were major historical moments in time by any measure.

Here is a month-by-month look at the people, events and issues that will forever define 2006 in the Archdiocese of Newark.

### January

The United States Council of Catholic Bishops and other Catholic organizations nationwide join forces in opposition to the Border Protection, Anti-Terrorism and Illegal Immigration Control Act, which they deem as punitive.

A "Youthfest" celebration kicks off at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center in Kearny. Over 300 spirited teens and young adults turn out for a day of song, workshops and fellowship, led by Jesse Manibusan, a singer/songwriter from the Diocese of Fort Worth, Texas.

The first in a series of feature articles known as "The Living Church" begin with a discussion of the so-called "intelligent design" issue.

Fulfilling their clinical experience requirements, several nursing graduate students from Seton Hall University (SHU), South Orange,

tell of a fall trip to Louisiana to assist those whose lives were devastated by Hurricane Rita.

### February

Students at SHU are in the forefront of The Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS), a group founded in Colorado in 1998 with the goal of fostering the fullness of life and truth in the Church through small-group Bible studies and one-on-one discipleship.

The Archdiocese of Newark is once again well represented at the annual March for Life in Washington calling for an end to abortion.

Succeeding Sister Dominica Rocchio, Father Kevin M. Hanbury, Ed.D., is named vicar for education and superintendent of schools.

World Day for Consecrated Life is celebrated at a special Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

Forces on both sides grid for renewed debate over the Urban School Scholarship Act. The proposed legislation would give dollar-for-dollar tax credits to corporations that donate to a scholarship fund for children in Newark, Orange, Trenton and Camden.

### March

Deacon Robert Baker discusses his work as a member of Cop2Cop, a statewide program designed to help law enforcement officers and their families cope with the grueling stresses of the job.

Success again marks the annual Hispanic Stewardship Day held at the Archdiocesan Center in Newark.

Four "church ladies" from St. Helen Parish, Westfield, are featured in a page-one article, telling of their "centering prayer" work to inmates at East Jersey State Prison in Rahway.

### April

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

St. Philomena Parish, Livingston, hosts the annual Day of Reflection sponsored by the archdiocesan Women's Commission.

An independent audit made by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops finds that the Archdiocese of Newark is fully compliant with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.

Archbishop John J. Myers participates in the annual Prayer for the Unborn gathering in downtown Englewood—a march that eventually meets in front of a local abortion clinic.

Three archdiocesan educators—  
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# Year in review: 2006

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Sister Roberta O'Hea, S.C., principal of St. Augustine Elementary School, Union City; Dr. Joseph S. Fusco, principal of Bergen County High School, and Gladys Pozza, director of religious education at St. Lawrence Parish, Weehawken—are the recipients of major awards from the National Catholic Education Association.

## May

Sister Rose Thering, O.P., Ph.D., professor emerita of SHU and namesake of an endowment for Jewish-Christian studies at Seton Hall, dies. Born in August 1920, Sister Rose came to SHU in 1968 to establish the education outreach effort known then as the Menorah Studies Program.

Sister Mary Aurelia Cerny, O.S.F., principal of Catholic of Northern Valley in Demarest, receives the national "Innovative Projects in curriculum and instruction" award from given annually by Today's Catholic Teacher.

It is announced the Archdiocese of Newark holds the distinction of having the nation's largest ordination class with 17 men about to be ordained to the priesthood. Archbishop Myers ordains the Class of 2006 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

The annual Memorial Day masses are celebrated at the cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Newark. Over 1,300 people attend the outdoor Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery in North Arlington, where Most Rev. John W. Flesey, auxiliary bishop of Newark, serves as the main celebrant.

The Catholic HealthCare Partnership of New Jersey and the New Jersey Catholic Conference rally on the steps of the Statehouse in support of adult stem cell research in conjunction with initiatives at all state Catholic hospitals to promote donations of placenta and umbilical cord blood.

## June

In a groundbreaking effort, Church of the Nativity in Midland Park moves forward with monthly Sunday masses for the "differently-abled," mostly youngsters and young adults with Downs Syndrome or Autism.

*The Catholic Advocate* wins several awards at the annual Catholic Press Association convention, including second place for general excellence for diocesan newspapers with a circulation over 40,000.

As part of their annual Lenten project, fifth grade students at Our Lady of the Lake School in Verona donated \$4,000 to Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark, a unit of Catholic Health and Human

Services, to be divided evenly to combat human trafficking and domestic abuse.

## July

Through two programs—Why Catholic? and Disciples in Mission—Archbishop Myers' call for evange-

Catholic community within the archdiocese.

The Archdiocese of Newark, looking to preserve and protect the history and heritage of the Catholic Church, hires Troy Simmons as architectural historian/patrimony project manager.

At a forum held in the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center in Kearny, discussion focuses on a study that suggests many Catholic teenagers exhibit an indifferent attitude toward their religion with most unable to articulate their faith.

## September

The Archdiocese of Newark joins in

shared memories of the fateful day.

It is announced that the second phase of "PowerSchool" will be unveiled in the upcoming academic year throughout archdiocesan schools. PowerSchool is an online database system designed to electronically maintain student records and map curriculum, as well as provide teachers, administrators, pastors and school families with secure, real-time access to the information via the Internet.

As a seriously ill Cuban President Fidel Castro temporarily transfers power to his brother Raul, Catholic Cubans living in Union City reflect on the future of their homeland and the fate of the Cuban people in a post-Castro era.

## November

Catherine Furlani, director of the archdiocesan Office of Human Concerns, tells of her Catholic Relief Services-sponsored trip to Kenya designed to evaluate the quality of life in the African nation. Furlani was featured in a two-part series of articles.

Archbishop Myers describes himself as "saddened" by a 4-2 New Jersey Supreme Court decision that same-sex couples are entitled to the same legal rights and privileges under the state Constitution as married heterosexual couples.

A forum at Seton Hall Law School explores the legal ramifications in the courtroom and Trenton over the controversial New Jersey Supreme Court decision on same-sex marriage rights.



Advocate photos – M. Gabriele

Images from three events in the Archdiocese of Newark in 2006 (clockwise from left): a solemn procession of flags at an interfaith service on the outer point of The Peninsula at Bayonne Harbor—overlooking the Manhattan skyline—mark the fifth anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attack; teens and young adults enjoying music and fellowship last January during the big Youthfest rally at the Youth Retreat Center in Kearny; and Archbishop John J. Myers clutching his rosary beads at a march and demonstration on Good Friday in front of an abortion clinic in downtown Englewood.

## October

The Archdiocese of Newark prepares to take part in the annual nationwide celebration of Priesthood Sunday.

Cutting through red tape, Newark school officials and archdiocesan officials move fast and work to provide city school children, whose school fell victim to a lightning strike, with the use of unused nearby Catholic school facilities.

A well-attended "Legislative Dialogue" forum at Mother Seton Regional High School in Clark, an event sponsored by the Archdiocese of Newark, focuses on key Catholic issues of education and healthcare.

## December

Archbishop Myers celebrates his 40th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood and shares his memories and experiences as leader of the Church in Newark since 2001.

At Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in South Orange, Archbishop Myers ordains Alvin Kimel, Jr., an Episcopalian clergyman for 25 years and the married father of four grown children, as a Catholic priest. Father Kimel, quoted in a follow-up feature, shared his life journey that led to the priesthood. He broke with the Episcopal Church in 2003 and became a priest through the special Pastoral Provision—an intense theological and spiritual preparation program, which was instituted by Pope John Paul II in 1980.

lization is thriving in the Church in Newark. Bishop Edgar da Cunha, the vicar of evangelization, and Liliana Soto, the archdiocesan coordinator of evangelization, spearhead the effort, utilizing resources developed by Plainfield-based RENEW International.

Payments to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal (AAA) to date have registered \$7.1 million according to a midterm report of the Development Office.

William F. Bolan retires as executive director of the New Jersey Catholic Conference. Bolan served as the spokesman of the Trenton-based organization for 22 years.

## August

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark reveals the story of "detainees" from Tibet who risked their lives by leaving their troubled homeland.

A page-one article features Blessed Sacrament/St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Newark as the epicenter of a thriving African

the solemn remembrance of Sept. 11 marking the fifth anniversary of the terrorist attacks. Catholics in Hoboken and Jersey City, living in the shadow of the Manhattan skyline,



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**A TIME FOR METANOIA**—"Like a bird on the wire...I have tried in my way to be free." Sincere apologies to bard Leonard Cohen. Pigeons are silhouetted against an overcast sky one chilly Monday morning near the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark, watching passersby shiver along Clifton Avenue. Christmas presents have long been unwrapped, champagne bottles discarded. These are the pensive, restless days of the New Year; the brooding backdrop for souls to be searched. For some, it will be a winter of discontent. For others, it will be a time for metanoia—the contemplative moments when minds and hearts are illuminated through spiritual conversions, acts of repentance and reconnected with God. It is a time to pause, like birds on a wire, and reflect on the sacred mysteries that link sinners and saints. "I swear by this song and by all that I have done wrong, I will make it all up to thee." Peace.  
—Michael C. Gabriele

# Jan. 22 life march

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Father Joseph Meagher, director of the archdiocesan Respect Life Office, in his column on page five of this edition, declares: "let us approach this deplorable anniversary with prayer and penance and with profound hope in the triumph of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary."

At press time, 14 parishes within the archdiocese were coordinating bus trips to the March for Life. The parishes and their contact telephone numbers include: St. John the Apostle Parish, Clark/Linden, call the rectory at (908) 486-6363; St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Cedar Grove, call Thomas Russo (973) 746-3867; St. Philomena Parish, Livingston, Dan Kraft (973) 992-6132; St. Catherine Parish, Glen Rock, Eugene and Judy McInerney (201) 447-0957; Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Park

Ridge, Art Lavis (201) 391-6431; Knights of Columbus Council 6928, St. Cecelia Parish, Kearny, and Star of the Sea Knights of Columbus, Council 371, Bayonne, Paul Glackin (201) 998-5975 or Neal McGarrity (201) 955-2244 or e-mail him at rtarantula@yahoo.com; St. Theresa Parish, Kenilworth, Paulette Drogan (908) 241-0702 or Elaine Kozak (908) 276-8167; Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood, Father Thomas Quinn (201) 444-2000, ext. 14; Our Lady of Victories Parish, Harrington Park, Don Ulisse (201) 784-9823; St. Teresa of Avila Parish, Summit, Sister Guadalupe M. Nieto (908) 277-3700, ext. 7117; St. Genevieve Parish, Elizabeth, and St. Agnes Parish, Clark, Flo Haas (908) 654-3371; St. Elizabeth Parish, Wycoff, Jerry Colby, (845) 729-2285 (cell)

or (201) 485-8242 (home).

Many of the parishes are running the trips in cooperation with local chapters of the Knights of Columbus. In addition, Bergen County Right to Life group will have a bus leaving from Our Lady of Visitation Parish, Paramus. Call (201) 262-5230.

In conjunction with the Washington-bound parish contingents, there will be a bus of youth ministry groups from parishes and high schools throughout the Church in Newark, as well as another bus of young adults and teens who will join the March for Life. The buses will leave at 6:30 a.m. from the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center, 499 Belgrove Dr., Kearny. Youth ministry and school groups should contact Tracey Vieira at (201) 998-0088, ext. 4153 or e-mail her at viera-tr@rcan.org. Young adults should call Sister Loretta DeDomenicis at (201) 998-0088, ext. 4147 or

via e-mail at dedomelo@rcan.org.

In this month's Archdiocesan Pro-Life Commission Newsletter, chairman James Sondey writes that "we have been called by Christ to use our God-given talents to defend life, to educate others on life issues and to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves."

Thomas Russo, a member of the archdiocesan Pro-Life Committee, in the same newsletter notes "the pro-abortionists thought we would tire after a couple of years and just go away. We cannot go away as long as these holy innocents are being slaughtered and men and women are hurt by their misguided choices."

In addition to the Jan. 22 March for Life, New Jersey Right to Life will hold a rally the same day on the State House steps in Trenton from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For additional information call (908) 276-6620 or e-mail to feedback@njrtl.org.

# Classmates help QPHS junior battle diabetes a step at a time

BY WARD MIELE  
Managing Editor

NORTH ARLINGTON—  
With a lot of help from classmates

at Queen of Peace High School (QPHS), P.J. Pimpinelli is determined to defeat diabetes.

Diagnosed with diabetes 13 years ago, the soft-spoken 16-

year-old member of the QPHS junior class is hopeful the chronic disease reaching epidemic proportions in the United States will be cured in his lifetime.

His primary weapon in the fight against diabetes—a disease that can cause blindness, nerve damage, amputation and kidney failure if left untreated—is raising funds for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). The executive office for JDRF is located in St. Louis, while the international headquarters is based in New York. (Visit the JDRF Web site at [www.jdrf.org](http://www.jdrf.org)).

Pimpinelli has juvenile diabetes, also known as Type 1 diabetes. Insulin, the hormone produced in the pancreas that converts sugar in food into energy for the cells of the body, is no longer produced. Those with Type 1 diabetes must test their blood sugar and give themselves insulin injections often several times a day. For the past two and half years, Pimpinelli he has been using an insulin pump, which monitors his blood-sugar levels.

The other and more common form of diabetes is Type 2—typically referred to in the past as “adult onset.” In the Type 2 version of the disease, the body makes insulin but for unknown reasons not enough is produced or the body does not properly utilize the insulin, which results in a condition known as “insulin resistance.”

Type 2 diabetes often is associated with a sedentary lifestyle, diet and obesity—quality-of-life areas of concern for many Americans. Pre-diabetes is a condition that occurs when a person's blood glucose levels are higher than normal but not high enough for a diagnosis of Type 2 diabetes.

During the last two years Pimpinelli has taken part in the JDRF-sponsored 5K (3.2 miles) Walk to Cure Diabetes. He works with the organization's Mid-Jersey Chapter.

Funds for the walk are raised through pledges. QPHS students became involved by taking sneak-

er stickers off the wall in the cafeteria and making a pledge. Last year P.J. raised \$6,400 in pledges and this year the figure could reach \$7,800.

Pimpinelli is in the “team” category of the fund-raising effort. His team this year reached a total of 50 participants. The original goal was \$7,500. Unfortunately, due to adverse weather conditions in late October, the walk was canceled.

Elizabeth Preston, director of the Mid-Jersey Chapter of JDRF, had high praise for Pimpinelli's efforts in the team category. JDRF, Preston noted, is different and distinct from the American Diabetes Association ([www.diabetes.org/home.jsp](http://www.diabetes.org/home.jsp)), which is based in Alexandria, VA. Her organization, its chapter director explained, concentrates solely on Type 1 diabetes and research to find a cure.

That future is hopeful due to ongoing research programs and emerging technology. Preston pointed to transplantation of the islets of Langerhans—clusters of cells that contain the body's insulin-producing beta cells. There are more than one million islets. Unfortunately, she added, only a small number of diabetics are candidates for transplantation.

Preston said other examples of cutting-edge technology include an “artificial pancreas” and a developmental device that would continuously monitor glucose (blood-sugar) levels.

Living with diabetes is not easy, Pimpinelli said, noting the daily rigors in “keeping all the numbers good”—referring to his blood-sugar levels. Another part of the battle, he explained, is “staying away” from certain kinds of food.

Dealing with diabetes has strengthened his faith, he said. When there is no one to talk to about his disease and its challenges, “I talk to God,” he explained.

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P.J. Pimpinelli stops by the cafeteria at Queen of Peace High School in North Arlington to check on the progress of his “sneaker sticker” campaign to raise funds among students in the battle against Type 1 diabetes. Pimpinelli has battled the disease for 13 years.



Advocate photo—Ward Miele



# Remembering the Holy Innocents of yesterday, today

Last month we celebrated the birth of the baby Jesus. All who saw Him—Mary, Joseph, all the hosts of angels, the shepherds and the Magi—spontaneously rejoiced. In fact, all of creation was rejoicing and at peace; well, almost all of creation.

There was also a rumbling of fear, envy, hatred, rage and rebellion in the kingdom of darkness. This birth was the breaking in of the Kingdom of Light. Even though “the Light has come into the world” there are some who “loved the darkness, for their deeds were evil” (Jn 3:19).

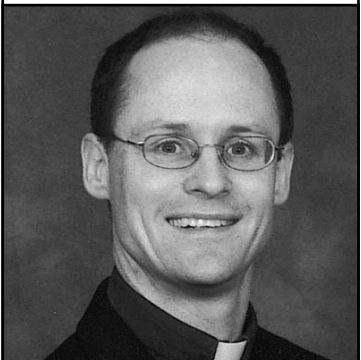
Thus, there remains a “cosmic” battle, which is sometimes hidden to the eye, but is by no means a mirage or a figment of one’s imagination. It is more real than any world war, civil war, cold war, jihad or war on terror.

Though it is elusive, this battle has immense earthly casualties as real as the slaughter in Jesus’ time of the Holy Innocents of Bethlehem. One important front in this battle will be the annual Pro-Life Rally in Washington D.C. on Jan. 22.

In Jesus’ time, at Herod’s command, the Holy Innocents—baby boys two years and younger—were mercilessly slaughtered. In our own day there is a far greater slaughter of the innocent. Since 1973 there have been over 47 million reported “legal” surgical abortions in the United States; about 3,700 babies aborted every day. For every 100 births in the United States, there are 31 abortions; that is one-third of a generation gone. This is a holocaust!

Can such a multitude of innocent preborn babies be declared

## Respect Life



**BY FR. JOSEPH A. MEAGHER**  
Director of Respect Life Office

martyrs as were the Holy Innocents of Bethlehem? There is serious discussion among some educated Catholic faithful and a few Catholic theologians among them, proposing that the Church proclaim as martyrs those killed by abortion. We wait upon the wisdom of Mother Church in this.

Sadly, among those who profess the Name of Jesus, there is a serious lack of such witnesses who will speak up for those who silently witness by their blood. May the year 2007 be marked by a profound increase in the number of generous, loving and vocal witnesses here on earth to the sanctity of all human life from natural conception to natural death, resulting in a radical reduction in the slaughter of the holy innocent unborn and soon a total elimination of this killing. “Come Lord Jesus.”

Monday, Jan. 22 marks the 34th anniversary of the legalization of abortion in America and,

scandalously, the proliferation of the lie of “choice” throughout the world through our influence.

Let us approach this deplorable anniversary with prayer and penance and with profound hope in the triumph of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, as we continue to ask the Lord to receive our prayer and to send us and other workers into the vineyard proclaiming and living the “Gospel of Life.”

We are grateful to God for

those among them who have come to know in Christ Jesus the healing grace of faith and repentance, and reconciliation with God and their babies. These men and women are—by the witness of their lives and their words—the clearest proclamation of the folly of abortion, the sacredness of all human life and the power and mercy of God.

Please call your parish and ask to speak with your parish Respect Life contact person (or offer to

become a representative if there isn’t one in your parish). Ask about coming along on one of the buses leaving from your area to attend the Pro-Life Rally in Washington D.C. on Jan. 22. Consider becoming one of those workers in the vineyard who will proclaim the Gospel of Life. “Yes Lord, send me!”

(Father Meagher is the director of the archdiocesan Respect Life Office, located at St. John the Apostle Parish, Linden.)

## Forum to explore work, faith balance

RIVER EDGE—“Finding the Work You Love,” a two-part workshop sponsored by the Christian Employment Outreach Program, part of Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology’s Institute for Christian Spirituality, will be held here Jan. 20 and Jan. 27, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Each session will cover topics that relate to the spiritual and practical aspects of finding work. Spiritual topics will include exploring work and careers that fully utilize an individuals’ gifts and talents; finding balance with

work, family time and personal time; and viewing business as a faith-based calling.

The workshop will offer practical assistance with resumes, discussion on the importance of networking and how to do it, and other topics. The forum is geared for those seeking employment or wanting to make a career change.

There is a \$15 fee for each session, which is payable at the door. The fee includes lunch. The snow date for the workshop is Feb. 3. Contact Julie Burkey, M.A.P.M. by phone at (201) 262-7990, or via e-mail at jburkey@stjosephmaplewood.org for more information.

## Knights to host sharpshooters

WESTWOOD—The Knights of Columbus Council 2188 will hold its annual free throw championship for boys and girls ages 10 to 14 on Saturday, Jan. 27, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at St. Andrew’s Parish Center.

Contact John Birkner (201) 722-5809; Steve Shanley (201) 722-1031; or Scott Loverich (201) 664-0428 for entry forms and more information on the event.

Winners progress through local, district and state competitions. International champions are

announced by the Knights of Columbus international headquarters based on scores from the state-level competitions.

Contestants must furnish proof of age and written parental consent.

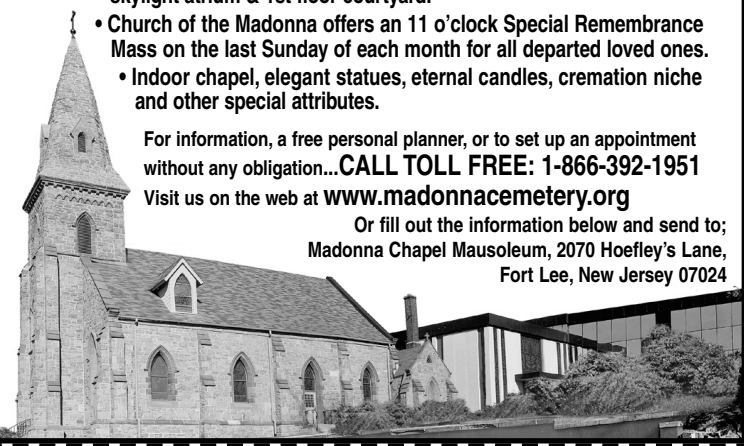
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## January 12

**St. Anthony Parish**, Belleville, Catholics Who Happen to Be Single Club dance, 8 p.m., cost: \$20, RSVP at (973) 743-6100.

## January 13

**Archdiocesan Retreat Center**, Kearny, "Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body," 9 a.m.- 1 p.m., cost: \$20, call Sister Loretta DeDomenicis at (201) 998-0088 ext. 4147.

**St. Thomas the Apostle Parish**, Bloomfield, one day guided retreat, 9 a.m.- 3:30 p.m., cost: \$25, (973) 338-9538.

**Assumption of Our Blessed Lady Parish**, Wood-Ridge, overnight Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 6:30 p.m.- 7:30 a.m., (201) 438-5555.

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



## January 14

**St. Joseph Parish**, Maplewood, discussion on race relations, 10 a.m., (973) 761-5933.

## January 16

**Holy Spirit Parish**, Union, bereavement group meeting, 7:30 p.m., every Tuesday for seven weeks, (908) 964-7653.

## January 19

**Sacred Heart School**, Lyndhurst, tricky tray, 8:15 p.m., cost: \$8, RSVP by Jan. 12, call Patty at (201) 933-0783 or the school at (201) 939-4277.

Friends of Hogar Infantil dinner dance, Feast of Our Lady of Grace; **Holy Spirit Parish**, 971 Suburban Rd., Union, 7:30 p.m., (973) 340-0032.

## January 20

**St. Phil's Singles**, Livingston, bowling at Hanover Lanes, East Hanover, 8 p.m., RSVP by Jan. 13, (973) 560-9728.

**St. Joseph Parish**, Maplewood, parish mission, 5:30 p.m., through Jan. 25, (973) 761-5933.



**Lumen Center**, Caldwell, "Soul Searching," 10 a.m.-noon, cost: \$20, (973) 403-3331 ext. 25.

**St. Joseph Parish**, East Rutherford, "Welcoming the Stranger: Immigration and the Church," 3:30 p.m., call Kathy Smith at (201) 723-1054.

## January 21

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish**, Jersey City, blood drive, 9:30 a.m.- 2 p.m., call the Knights of Columbus at (201) 946-5358.

## January 22

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish**, Scotch Plains, bereavement group session, 7-8:30 p.m., continues for six weeks, (908) 889-2100.

## January 23

**South Orange Performing Arts Center (SOPAC)**, Takacs String Quartet performance, 8 p.m., cost: \$20, \$15 for seniors and SHU alumni, \$8 for students, (973) 275-2450.

## Other

**St. Andrew Parish**, Westwood, Eucharistic Adoration in the parish center chapel every Thursday after 9 a.m. Mass. Contact Deacon Bob at (201) 358-6422.

# Official Appointments

Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:



### ARCHDIOCESAN/ AGENCY MINISTRY

**Reverend John D. Gabriel**, pastor of St. Thomas More Parish, Fairfield, has also been appointed a Consultor of the Archdiocese of Newark for a term of five years, effective Dec. 14, 2006.

**Reverend Monsignor Renato Grasselli**, Rector of Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Kearny, has also been appointed a Consultor of the Archdiocese of Newark for a term of five years, effective Dec. 14.

**Reverend Andrzej Ostaszewski**, parochial vicar of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Irvington, has also been appointed part-time Coordinator of the Polish Apostolate in the Archdiocese of Newark for a term of three years, effective Dec. 19, 2006.

### PASTOR

**Reverend Juancho G. De Leon**, administrator of St. Valentine Parish, Bloomfield, has been appointed pastor effective Feb. 7.

### ADMINISTRATOR

**Reverend Joao B. Lima**, parochial vicar of Holy Trinity-Epiphany Parish, Newark, has been appointed administrator, effective Feb. 7.

### PAROCHIAL VICAR

**Reverend Jude Caliba**, parochial vicar of Holy Name of Jesus Parish, East Orange, has had his appointment extended through January 2010.

**Reverend Pawel Molewski** has been appointed parochial vicar of St. Cassian Parish, Upper Montclair, effective Jan. 17.

**Reverend Vinh Quang Nguyen** has been appointed parochial vicar of St. Joseph Parish, West Orange, effective Jan. 17.

**Reverend John Seung-Won Yoo** has been appointed parochial vicar of St. Andrew Kim Parish, Maplewood, effective Dec. 18, 2006.

### PERMANENT DEACONS

**Deacon Joseph L. Mantineo**, permanent deacon of St. Philip the Apostle Parish, Saddle Brook, has been appointed permanent deacon of Sacred Heart Parish, Rochelle Park, effective Jan. 1.

**Deacon Vicente Rodriguez**, permanent deacon at the Parish of St. Patrick Pro-Cathedral, Newark, has been appointed permanent deacon of St. Francis Xavier Parish, Newark, effective Dec. 15, 2006.

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## Archbishop Myers praises coverage of Jubilarians

To the editor,  
I simply want to express my sincere gratitude for the recent issue (Dec. 6) of *The Catholic Advocate*, which featured so many Jubilarians in the Archdiocese

of Newark. I was honored and pleased to be included among them.  
I want to express my gratitude to everyone who purchased ads or otherwise contributed to this project. I join you in honoring the priests and religious who serve this archdiocese so well.

With kindest personal regards, I am,  
Sincerely in the Lord,  
Most Reverend John J. Myers  
Archbishop of Newark

## Reader challenges Weigel’s view on Times’ coverage of Holy See

To the Editor:  
Having just read George Weigel’s column, “Paper of record flubs coverage of pope in Turkey,” (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Dec. 20, 2006) I find myself in the unfamiliar position of defending *The New York Times*, or least two of that paper’s reporters.

While Mr. Weigel is correct that the Times’ editorial page has shown a pronounced anti-Catholic bias, it is an unwarranted leap for Mr. Weigel to assume the Times has abandoned all journalistic principles and now allows the editorial page to dictate how its reporters actually cover the news. Moreover, he should not insinuate that the Times’ recent scandals involving falsified stories can lead us to conclude that the two reporters who covered the Holy Father in Turkey were doing the same thing.

In 2004, then-Cardinal Ratzinger said Turkey’s admission to the European Union (EU) would be “a grave error against the tide of history,” noting that Turkey had always been seen as “in permanent contrast” to Europe. In his recent visit to Turkey as Pope Benedict, he reportedly told the Prime Minister “we wish for Turkey’s entry into the EU.” The Vatican spokesman did not retract or deny this characterization, but affirmed that the Holy See “looks positively and encourages the role of dialogue and the moving toward integration of Turkey in Europe,” subject to important conditions. Thus, it is not unfair for a reporter to call the Holy Father’s recent position on Turkey a reversal of his position when he was still a cardinal.

Mr. Weigel would agree, I imagine, that the pope may sometimes be well-advised to change his position on various political issues based upon new information, changes in circumstances, or changes in his own role. Certainly, Turkey’s role in Europe involves no issues of faith or morals. When the Times makes an error about our faith it deserves to be called on the error. However, this story was not one of those occasions.

John P. Sheridan  
Maplewood

## Back to basics on God’s love

Editor,  
It seems our State Supreme Court, State Legislature and Governor Corzine are very confused on the word “love.”  
Let’s go back to basics. Love is spiritual. Love is God because God is Spirit.  
Love between two persons is a relationship where each looks out for the other. Examples of such spirit unions: parent/children, aunt/nephew/niece, close friends, even charitable groups who aid those in need are unions of persons with a spirit love of the other at the core to their actions.  
While civilized and reasoned society respects the actions of these unions for they show God’s love in the good action. A reasoned, civilized, and good-spirit society understands these unions of love are not marriage unions and do not need to be

given the special recognition a marriage of man and woman should receive for the way man and woman relationships are capable of being a life creating love with our Supreme Creator.  
If as a society we indeed honor God, Creator, we honor that which God brings together for His special purpose. Such true growth is a lifetime transformation that becomes life transforming—from “mere flesh” to spirit. A life lived in God’s way of love will rise in the spirit and become one with the Creator as our Creator intended right from the beginning when He made us to be in his spiritual image.  
It is the only union we should truly want for ourselves and for neighbor. The truly mature understand this and understand it is the union we must bring our weaker brothers and sisters to understand for their eternal happiness.  
B. Ambielli  
Union

## Jan. 22—the March for Life and a prayer for the future

Too often politicians, especially those isolated in Washington, D.C., can count on apathy eventually taking over among opponents to a controversial issue. But because the daily slaughter of innocents by abortion is so vile, the outrage has not waned in 34 years.  
On Monday, Jan. 22, busloads of faithful from throughout the Archdiocese of Newark will again join abortion opponents of all faiths in the nation’s capital in the annual March for Life.

The statistics are grim. According to Father Joseph Meagher, director of the archdiocesan Respect Life Office, since the infamous 1973 Roe v. Wade decision, there have been over 47 million abortions nationwide (see related article on page five of this edition). That translates into an abortion every 24 seconds or 3,700 lives violently ended ever day.



Make no mistake about it, abortion is a violent procedure.

Progress has been made in the battle to eliminate abortion, but as part of the theme for this year’s March for Life proclaims: “No Exception, No Compromise.”

Nellie Gray is the president of the March for Life Education and Defense Fund—the non-profit organization based in Washington that coordinates the March for Life event. Contact Gray at (202) 543-3377 or visit the group’s Web site at [www.marchforlife.org](http://www.marchforlife.org) for information.

Many parishes in the archdiocese are making plans to take part in the March for Life (see the page-one story in this edition). In addition, the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center in Kearny is organizing a one-day bus ride to Washington to enable young adults and teens to participate in the march—part of the slate of activities for the center’s Young Adult Month.

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TOPNEWS

STORIES

1. ISLAM

*Muslim-Catholic tensions continue with riots, a papal comment that was viewed negatively and the pope's November visit to Turkey, a country with a Muslim majority.*

2. IMMIGRATION

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5. 'THE DA VINCI CODE'

NEWSMAKERS

1. POPE BENEDICT XVI

*During his first full year as the leader of the Catholic Church, the pope issued his first encyclical, traveled to various countries and named 15 new cardinals.*

2. PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH

3. BISHOP WILLIAM S. SKYLSTAD

4. ST. MOTHER THEODORE GUERIN

5. JUSTICE SAMUEL ALITO JR.

Pope Benedict XVI’s activities during his first full year as head of the Catholic Church made him the top newsmaker of 2006. The top stories and newsmakers were selected in Catholic News Service’s annual poll of Catholic newspaper and magazine editors.

CNS graphic

## Archdiocese enjoys busy year in 2006; more to come in 2007

Highlighted by the 40th anniversary celebration of Archbishop John J. Myers’ ordination to the priesthood, the moments of time captured forever in 2006 throughout the Church in Newark provide vivid examples of the vibrancy of its people.

While looking back on decades of ministerial service provided by the year’s jubilarians, life in the archdiocese faced the issues of today while keeping a sharp eye on the future.

Emphasis on the mind and, more importantly, the soul of youths and young adults continued at a productive pace. It was a time too of continued achievement at every educational level featuring the naming of Father Kevin M. Hanbury Ed.D. as vicar for education and superintendent of schools.

The year also marked the exciting news that the formal go-ahead had been given to the opening this fall of Christ the King Preparatory School in Newark as part of the much-touted Cristo Rey Network and the recognition of three local educators with major awards from the National Catholic Education Association.

Archbishop Myers last year led the fight at the state level for the Church position on stem cell research and same-sex marriage. At a Legislative Dialogue session held shortly before the general election, the archbishop again made clear the Church’s perspective on a number of major issues.

And who can ever forget that when 17 men were ordained to the priesthood last May—it was the largest ordination class in the country and a source of justifiable pride. Equally significant was the archbishop’s ordination of a married, former Episcopal minister as a Catholic priest.

It was some year. Welcome to 2007!



# Gifts, challenges of the vocation to married life

**T**he various aspects of the Christian teaching about marriage should be presented time and again as young people mature to adulthood and its responsibilities. A deeper understanding of marriage should come progressively to each couple as they live their vocation, wherein “they signify and share the mystery of the unity and the faithful love between Christ and the Church...” (Second Vatican Council, Constitution on the Church No. 1).

This mystery is rooted in the divine plan for the progress of human history toward its goal; its purpose was shown in the natural order since the human couple becomes one flesh (person) in the permanent, exclusive commitment that they make to each other (see Gn 2:24). This unity can be taken up into the Paschal Mystery of Christ’s death and resurrection, whereby His altruistic love became the foundation for the new creation. His sacrificial self-giving for the Church becomes the pattern for Christian marriage (see Eph 5:21-33).

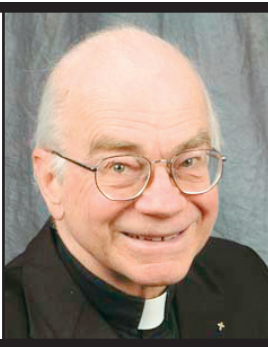
Would that all preparing for marriage develop a prayerful appreciation of the extent of Christ’s love, realizing that He offers them the graces to imitate His example. Like other profound realities of the spiritual order, a lifetime of reflection and prayer is required for its full meaning to be fathomed and applied to each couple’s unique situation.

The prophets of Israel followed Moses in trying to alert the Israelites to the many dimensions of the Covenant to which God had called them. The exclusive commitment of the wife to one husband became the human model for them to convey the serious demands of the Covenant. Idolatry was equated with adultery, for which a woman could be repudiated by her husband.

## Sunday Readings

2nd Sunday  
of Ordinary Time  
(Jan. 14, 2007)

By Father Lawrence Frizzell



Did the destruction of Jerusalem and its Temple imply that God had divorced His spouse? Jeremiah thought so, but he declared that God, not bound by the divorce law of Deuteronomy (24:1-4), could take her back (Jer 3:1). The close link between the people and

the land should be noted in both texts. The fate of the land depends on the fidelity of Israel and each of its members to the Covenant and to marriage.

During and after the Exile (587-538 BC), teachers following the inspiration of Isaiah assured the survivors that they would return to the land of Judah. God will rebuild Jerusalem and give her a new name, signifying a new destiny in divine service (Is 62:2).

Past taunts and accusations by gloating foreigners would be proven wrong as God renews the Covenant bond. “No more shall men call you ‘Forsaken One’ or your land ‘Desolate’. But you shall be called ‘My Delight’ and your land ‘Espoused’ (Beulah in Hebrew)” (Is 62:4).

The intimacy between people and land is clear

from the taunts and from the divine names of renewed nuptials. The prophet reinforced this truth by his comment: “For the Lord delights in you, and makes your land His spouse.” Having learned the bitter lesson of the Exile, the restored community would now live in fidelity to the Lord. Was this but a prophetic dream? While it is true that some failed to keep the commandments, just as some betrayed their marriage vows, the people in general did persevere in their commitment to the one God.

Jesus drew attention to His esteem for marriage and family life on many occasions, restoring the nuptial bond to its pristine exclusiveness (Mt 19:1-12). The Fourth Gospel portrays the first great sign of Jesus in the wedding feast of Cana, whereby He manifested the glory that would unfold in the Paschal Mystery and the sending of the Holy Spirit (see Jn 2:11 and 7:39).

The abundance of wine supplied by Jesus was not only to satisfy the petition of Mary, who wanted to ease the embarrassment of the young couple. It was, moreover, the great symbol of joy in the final days (see Am 9:13-15), when people would experience God’s presence as at a great banquet (see Is 25:6-10).

In Christianity this communion is rooted in the Paschal Mystery as the self-giving of Jesus for the life of the world. Thus this sign at Cana points to the multiplication of loaves and the gift of the living bread (Jn 6:48-58), and to the final sign at Calvary. Did the presence of Jesus make a lasting impression on the common life of the couple celebrating their nuptials? One hopes that they came to realize that they were drawn into the drama of salvation. More important, what impact does Christ’s presence have on the life of those entering marriage today? Do all Christians acknowledge both the gifts and the challenges of the vocation to married life?

(Father Lawrence Frizzell is director of the Institute of Judaean-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University.)

# Many languages, many faces celebrating one faith

**A** few months ago, I had the opportunity to visit the Cathedral of Ss. Peter and Paul in Cologne, Germany. It is the larger original whose design Dean Martin Gessner used to construct St. Patrick’s Church in Elizabeth, where I served as pastor for nine years.

Although not nearly as crowded as last year during World Youth Day, throngs of visitors pass daily through the doors of this magnificent house of worship in Cologne. While there, I participated in the Saturday evening Vigil Mass, which, of course, was offered in German.

Though my ancestry likely enabled me to sing with confidence the German hymn tunes, I have never actually learned the language. I was able to identify the first reading from Genesis given its familiarity and rhythm, but otherwise the proclamation of the readings and the homily were completely indecipherable to me.

I started to think of the thousands of people who have come from other countries to ours to live the American dream. While much is being made lately of trying to declare English the official language of the United States, the Catholic Church has always provided access to the sacraments in the languages of its varied parishioners, be it through designated national or personal parishes or through Masses and other services in bilingual, trilingual and multilingual settings in our territorial parishes.

Maintaining a relationship with God is so essential to living. Being able to understand the readings,

## Seeing & Believing

By Rev. Msgr.  
Richard J. Arnholds



homilies and prayers at Mass is so important for such spiritual growth, whether individuals are trying to learn the primary language of the country in which they now reside.

We are blessed in our archdiocese to have at least Sunday Mass—if not other sacramental and catechetical programs—in 16 languages, besides English, including American Sign Language. One Faith, which we all share, is nourished for so many in a way that becomes meaningful rather than prohibitive.

The Cologne cathedral is an appropriate place to think of this topic, inasmuch as it contains in a special reliquary shrine the bones of the Three Magi,

transferred from Milan in 1164. The appearance of these visitors from the East at the manger of the newborn Jesus signaled not only the longing of all people to seek the Lord where He may be found, but also the desire of God that all people might be saved through Jesus.

The visit of the Magi and the subsequent flight to Egypt of Jesus, Mary and Joseph is also the inspiration for the annual observance of National Migration Week, this year Jan. 7-15. The theme for 2007 is “Welcoming Christ in the Migrant,” which is at once an invitation and a challenge to provide welcome for the migrants, immigrants, refugees, human trafficking victims and other people on the move who come to our land seeking justice and peace.

“Grant us the grace to welcome them with Christian

hospitality, so that these brothers and sisters of ours may find acceptance and understanding on their journey... May all those who are far from their place of birth find in the Church a home where no one is a stranger. We ask this in the name of

your blessed Son, Jesus, our Lord. Amen” (Prayer for Migrants and Refugees).

(Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Arnholds is pastor of St. John the Evangelist parish in Bergenfield, and archdiocesan vicar for Pastoral Life.)

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**FEAST DAY, PARISH COUNCIL**—St. Columba Parish, Newark, celebrated a feast day Mass on Nov. 19 (“Prayers for the Virgin Mary, Mother of the Divine Providence and Patroness of Puerto Rico”). Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, auxiliary bishop of Newark (right photo), was the main celebrant at the Mass, joined by Father Jose Maria M. Parcon, the administrator of St. Columba. The Mass also formally established a parish council (top photo) for St. Columba. Bishop da Cunha, in his homily, urged St. Columba parishioners to take pride in their various Hispanic cultural identities while focusing on their Catholic faith, which provides them with an underlying spiritual bond as members of the extended family of the Archdiocese of Newark. After the Mass, parishioners gathered for a gala reception with food and music. St. Columba, an Italian-French Renaissance-style church located at 25 Thomas St., was built in 1899 and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1972.



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When **Jesus** turned around and noticed them following him,

He asked them,  
**“What are you looking for?”**

They said to him, Rabbi, where do you stay?”

**“Come and see,”**  
He answered.

John 1:38-39

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



# It's 'everyone's business' to cultivate vocations

BY REV. BRIAN PLATE

*Special to The Catholic Advocate*

NEWARK—The first message of Pope Benedict XVI for “World Day of Prayer for Vocations” inflamed the hearts and minds of many to a renewed commitment to the vocation ministry. His message began by

telling us about the great gift we have received in being called to share in the God’s divine life.

Even after two thousand years of history, we must still be embraced by the love of God and consider how wonderful it is “to live as brother and sisters of Jesus, to feel that we are sons and daughters of the same Father” within the

community of the Church.

The Holy Father repeats a constant message about the beauty of our faith. I try to repeat this message in my own ministry, especially in my interaction with the young. Following Jesus is our gain and represents the fullness of life and joy.

However, in the midst of such beauty, we are tempted to be self-sufficient. We still look for joy in all the wrong places and consequently “we close ourselves to the mysterious plan of God.”

Young people must be warned about the distorted message of the world as a way to happiness, found so often on television, music and in today’s culture. It is a message that often leads them away from prayer and participation in the life of the Church.

The Holy Father in his address reminds us about the universal call to holiness for everyone, despite our poverty and need of conversion, “in order that holiness, which is a gift from God, can shine...in all its splendor.” Our weakness and human limitations are not obstacles to God if we are humble and open to be helped through grace, reconciliation and counsel to follow the Lord in our particular vocation.

Through holiness all vocations will be strengthened, enriched and fulfilled. Consequently, vocations to priesthood and religious life will “blossom.” Pope Benedict XVI called the vocation to the priesthood something “that cannot be substituted.” It affirms with certitude that Christ continues “to raise up men, who like the Apostles, leaving behind all other work, ded-



**Father Brian Plate**

icate themselves completely to the celebration of the sacred mysteries, to the preaching of the Gospel, and to pastoral ministry.”

The late John Paul II, during a previous World Youth Day of Prayer, encouraged the faithful that “the promotion of vocations to the priestly ministry, a ministry that is one of the elements of the Church, must acquire a total character of priority.”

Vocations are a priority. Pope Benedict, like John Paul before him, never fails to invite young people to commit themselves to following Jesus and to consider a life of service in the Church as a priest or religious.

Too many of us leave the work of vocations to popes, bishops, vocations directors, parish priests and religious, but several years ago the Knights of Columbus provided an expression that would make a fine motto for us today: “Vocations are everyone’s business.”

*(Editor’s note: Father Brian Plate is the director of vocations for the Archdiocese of Newark. He can be reached at (973) 497-4365.)*



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## CSE ‘instant’ decisions set

CONVENT STATION—Instant Decision Week at College of Saint Elizabeth (CSE) runs through Jan. 13.

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## New associates pledge to aid Charity mission

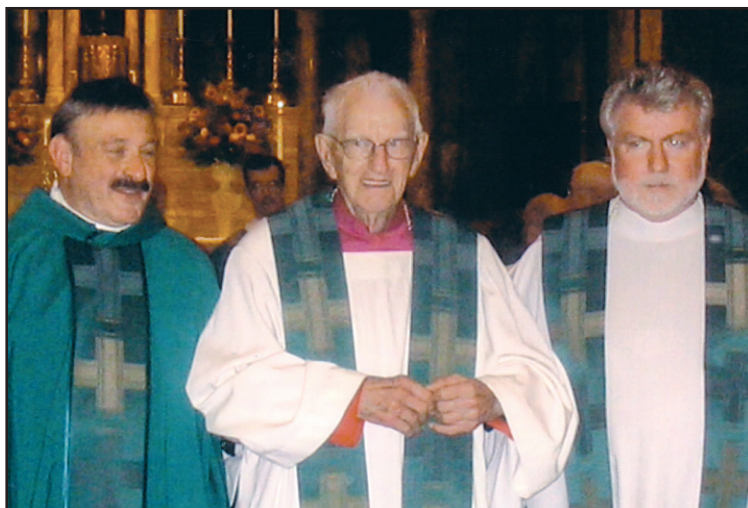
CONVENT STATION—Inductions into the Seton Associations program of the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth were held recently at Holy Family Chapel.

Seven new associates made commitments during the induction program, while six current associates made lifetime commitments and others renewed their annual commitments. In all the local program has 285 members, 117 of whom have made lifetime commitments.

The Sisters of Charity invite men and women who want to share their mission and spirit to join them as associates in a non-canonical relationship of mutual prayer and support. Contact Sister Marge Brennan for additional information at (973) 290-5336 or mbrennan@scnj.org or log on to www.SCNJ.org.

Associates share this mission in a variety of ways, including prayer for the congregation's mission; full-time, part-time or occasional ministry with emphasis on helping the poor, sick and uneducated; as well as sharing in congregational retreats, liturgies and area group meetings.

The program was endorsed by the congregation in 1987.

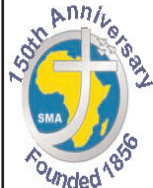


**HONORED GUEST**—Msgr. Edward Wojtycha (center), who was pastor of St. Vincent DePaul Parish in Bayonne for a quarter century, is escorted out of the church by the current pastor, Father James Manos (left), and Father Jack Cryan, pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Parish in Jersey City, following a concelebrated Mass for the Feast of St. Vincent DePaul. The church was filled with well-wishers.

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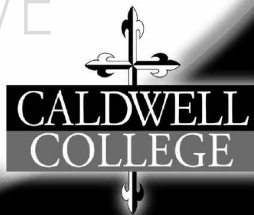
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**EQUESTRIAN ORDER**—Archbishop John J. Myers (left) recently recommended and acknowledged Father Anthony Kulig's investiture as a Papal Knight of the Holy Sepulchre. The installation was held last September at Saint Patrick's Cathedral, New York. Membership in the Jerusalem order is one of the highest papal honors, representing meritorious work for the Church. Father Kulig serves as a member of the formation faculty at Immaculate Conception Seminary on the campus of Seton Hall University, South Orange. Along with Father Kulig, Father Anthony Figueiredo—currently on assignment in Rome—also received the Papal Knight honor.

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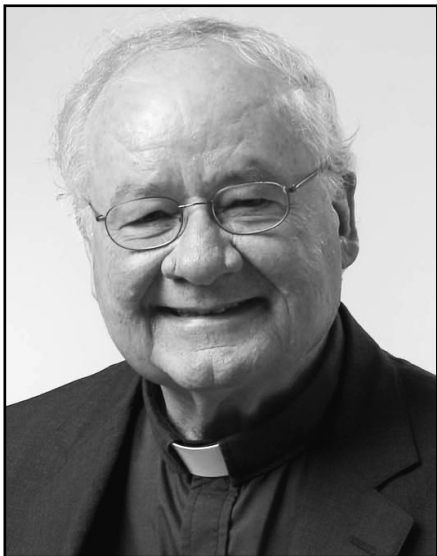
## Father James N. Loughran; served as 21st president of St. Peter's College

JERSEY CITY — Father James N. Loughran, S.J., the 21st president of Saint Peter's College, died Dec. 24. He was 66. Father Loughran served as president of the college since in 1995.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, on March 22, 1940, Father Loughran was a 1957 graduate of Brooklyn Prep. He entered the Society of Jesus in July of 1958. Father Loughran attended the College of the Holy Cross and Fordham University, earning a bachelor's degree in History, summa cum laude, from Fordham in 1964. He also earned a master's degree and a doctorate in Philosophy from Fordham. He studied Theology in France and at Woodstock College in New York.

He was ordained on June 11, 1970 and took his final vows on Dec. 8, 1978. Since 1984, Father Loughran served as president at four colleges: Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles from 1984-1991; acting president of Brooklyn College in 1992; interim president of Emmittsburg, Maryland from 1993-1994; and St. Peter's.

"Throughout his life, Father Loughran put into practice the words of Saint Ignatius, the founder of the Jesuits, to serve as a man for others," said Eugene J. Cornacchia, Ph.D., Saint Peter's College provost/vice president for Academic Affairs. "He welcomed the opportunity to return to Saint Peter's as its president more than 10 years ago after serving as a Philosophy teacher here in the 1960s. Father Loughran led our institution with



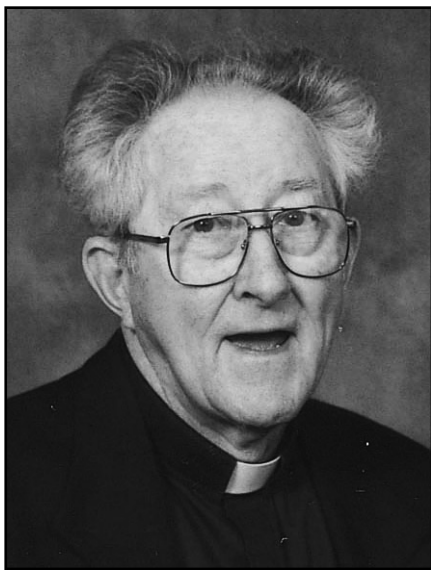
Father James N. Loughran

grace, dignity and a profound enthusiasm for all associated with Saint Peter's."

Father Loughran also served in a variety of teaching and administrative posts. He was an associate professor of Philosophy at Fordham from 1974-1984. Father Loughran held the Edmund Miller, S.J., Philosophy Professorship at John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio from 1992-1993.

Prior to returning to Saint Peter's as president, Father Loughran was interim vice president for academic affairs and interim dean of the Arts and Sciences faculty at Fordham. He authored many articles for various publications.

## Rev. Walter A. Debold, 90; assistant professor at Seton Hall University



Rev. Walter A. Debold

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Dec. 14 at the chapel of the Immaculate Conception, South Orange, for Rev. Walter A. Debold, 90, who died on Dec. 10.

Ordained in 1942, Rev. Debold was an assistant professor of religious studies at Seton Hall University. Shortly after ordination, he served in the Armed Forces as Army chaplain.

For more than 20 years, he was a member of the Cultic Studies Journal editorial board and has lectured and written about cult issues.

Rev. Debold's assignments in the archdiocese included: Epiphany Parish, Cliffside Park, parochial vicar; St. Joseph Parish, Jersey City, parochial vicar; EMS chaplain of the archdiocese and chaplain at St. Michael Villa, Englewood Cliffs.

## Pray for them...

**Alice M. O'Connor Worry**, mother of Very Reverend Benedict M. Worry, O.S.B., pastor of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, Linden, died Dec. 19

**John J. Chapel**, father of Rev. Joseph R. Chapel, associate dean, Immaculate Conception Seminary, School of Theology at Seton Hall University, died Dec. 25.

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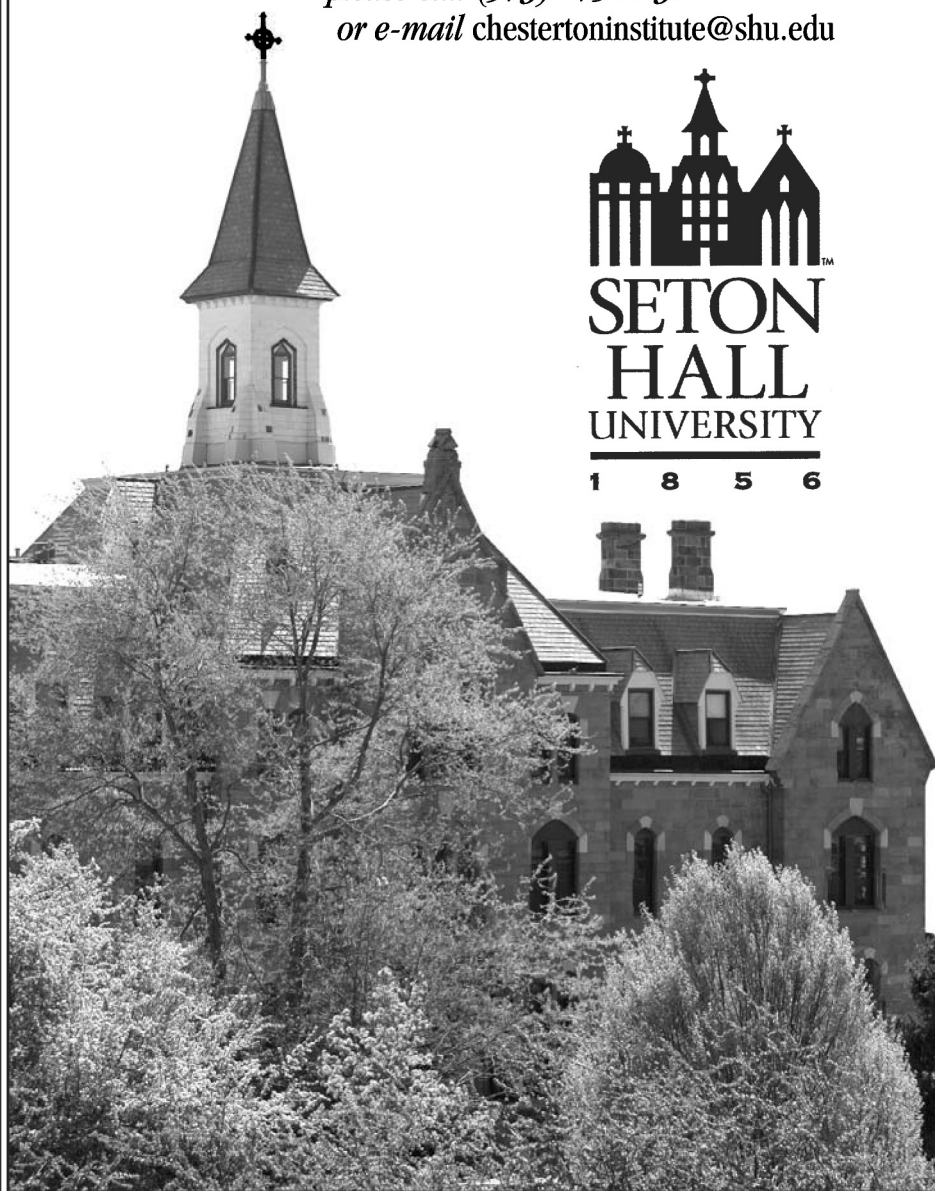
February 2, 8 p.m. - Dramatic reading of Newman's *The Parting of Friends*, arranged by James P. McGlone. Commentary by Monsignor Richard Liddy and Monsignor Gerard McCarren.

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*The school now seeks applicants for the following positions: principal, director of admissions, director of corporate internship program, director of development and business manager. Deadline for applications is January 23, 2007. Salaries depend on experience and qualifications and are negotiable.*

**PRINCIPAL****REPORTS TO:** President

The Principal directs and coordinates the day-to-day operations of the academic, religious and extracurricular life through the faculty, the Dean of Students and the Guidance staff.

**PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES :** \* Appoints, supervises and evaluates school personnel, including teachers, department chairs, guidance personnel, the Campus Minister, coaches and moderators.

\*In cooperation with the school's Director of the Corporate Internship Program is responsible for students' admission as well as for the dismissal of students for disciplinary reasons.

\*Collaborates with the Director of the Corporate Internship Program in scheduling, student work assignments, discipline and overall progress of the students and the scheduling of the school calendar and program.

\*Participates in meetings of Board of Trustees and implements directives of the Board, as delegated by the President.

\*Represents Christ the King Preparatory School to the Archdiocesan Office of Education, state Board of Education, accrediting bodies, and principals' meetings (e.g., archdiocesan, state, national, and Cristo Rey Network).

\* Directs the faculty's work on curriculum development and coordinates the development of fundamentals for the academic program of the school, working closely with the Curriculum Coordinator and College Counselor.

\*Performs other duties as required

**POSITION REQUIREMENTS:** Master in Education and/or Education Administration required. Minimum 5-6 years comparable experience required. 5 years teaching experience required.

**STARTING DATE:** As soon as possible

**DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS****REPORTS TO:** President

The Director of Admissions directs and administers the admissions process along with the President, Principal and Director of Corporate Internship and is concerned with the development of potential students academically, professionally and spiritually, according to the mission of Christ the King Preparatory School as a Cristo Rey High School.

**PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:**\*Coordinates and develops the admissions program, focusing on the perspective students' growth in accordance with the mission of Christ the King Preparatory School.

\*Organizes and coordinates recruiting efforts by proactively visiting elementary schools and attending public relations events in the community.

\*Designs and develops recruitment and admissions materials in consultation with the President and appropriate staff.

\*Meets with parents, perspective applicants and school representatives to promote Christ the King Preparatory School.

\*Communicates the philosophy and programs of Christ the King Preparatory School as a Cristo Rey High School to the parents' groups and the general community.

\*Represents the school at civic, religious and other public functions as requested.

\*Coordinates and conducts tours of the school and introductions to faculty.

\*Directs the administration of the admissions process, which includes testing, observation day and interviews with admissions' team.

\*Collects and evaluates information from perspective students such as applications, test scores, recommendations, family financial status, school records, etc.

\*Presents recommendations for admissions to the President, Principal, Director of Corporate Internship and other faculty.

\*Notifies applicants of acceptance or rejection to the school, and follows up on the waiting list.

\*Conducts an annual evaluation of the admissions program.

\*Produces and presents reports to the President regarding recruitment successes and challenges, and any recommendations for changes.

\*Assists the Director of Corporate Internship with student and family orientations.

\*Performs other duties and special projects as required.

**POSITION REQUIREMENTS:** Bachelor's degree or equivalent work experience. Experience in high school admissions preferred. Sensitivity to the ethnic, racial and religious backgrounds of the student body. Ability to articulate the mission of Christ the King Preparatory School as a Cristo Rey High School. Fluency in the native language of the school's students and parents is preferred.

**STARTING DATE:** As soon as possible.

**DIRECTOR OF THE CORPORATE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM****REPORTS TO:** President

The Director of Corporate Internship is responsible for the Corporate Internship Program (a.k.a. work-study program).

**PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:** \*Administers the school's Corporate Internship Program, including developing and maintaining relationship with potential job sources, procuring job placement, overseeing student job preparation, monitoring student performance while on the job, supervising the intern evaluation process, and overseeing student transportation to and back from the job location.

\*Hires and supervises all staff in the Corporate Internship Program.

\*Serves as a member of the school leadership team and advises the President on operations, school policies, budget matters and other issues related to the running of a Cristo Rey school.

\*In cooperation with the Principal, is responsible for students' admission as well as for the dismissal of students for disciplinary reasons.

\*Participates in general and committee meetings of the Board of Trustees and implements directives of the Board, as delegated by the President.

\*Performs other duties as required.

**POSITION REQUIREMENTS:** Masters in business, Finance or related field required. Minimum 5 years experience in business administration, including staff supervision, required. Sensitivity to cultural differences and personal alignment with Cristo Rey's mission required.

**STARTING DATE:** As soon as possible.

**DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT****REPORTS TO:** President

The Director of Development is a member of the school's leadership team together with the Principal, Director of the Corporate Internship Program and President and is responsible for fundraising and the day-to-day operation of the school's Development Office.

**PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:** \*Responsible for overall communication with the public, day-to-day supervision of the Development Office, and direction of the school's annual giving and capital campaigns.

\*Responsible for ensuring consistent and clear communication with the public through the quarterly newsletter, all mailings, events and communication to the media.

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\*When and where appropriate, solicit major gifts from potential school benefactors.

\*Develop an annual strategic fundraising plan for approval by the President and presentation to the school's Board of Trustees.

**POSITION REQUIREMENTS:** Bachelor of Arts or Sciences. Minimum 5 years experience in development/advancement or professional sales organization. Sensitivity to cultural differences and personal alignment with Cristo Rey's mission required.

**STARTING DATE:** As soon as possible.

**SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGER****REPORTS TO:** President

The Business Manager is responsible for the financial administration of the school and the maintenance of its facilities.

**PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:** \*Oversees all financial activities for the school, including preparing the overall budget for submission to the Board of Trustees as well as managing the school's financial /banking relations, supervising the collection of tuition, payment of bills and collection of income. Also coordinates the implementation of the school's investments strategy.

\*Manages the facilities staff, including the supervision of the vendors for janitorial and food services as well as the supervision of all building upkeep and asset procurement and maintenance (furniture, office supplies and equipment, technological hardware and software).

\*Oversees all human resources processes and record-keeping, including benefit administration, performance evaluation/ compensation system and employee file maintenance.

\*Approves all expenditures of supervised personnel.

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**STARTING DATE:** July 1, 2007

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# Inclusive Ministries recognizes 7 archdiocesan hearts of gold

BY WARD MIELE  
Managing Editor

NEWARK—The accomplishments of men and women throughout the Archdiocese of Newark working with the faithful of all ages challenged by disabili-

ties were recognized recently by the New Jersey Coalition for Inclusive Ministries.

Seven of 18 recipients at the coalition's annual dinner call the Church in Newark home. The reception, which also marked the group's 10th anniversary, was held

Nov. 2 at the First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens, Somerset.

Archdiocesan honorees swept the Religious Educator Awards. Cited were Robert Korn of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Bergenfield; Patricia Schwam from St. Anne Parish in Fairlawn;

Beverly Brachocki working at St. Stephen Parish in Kearny; and Peggie Faulkner at St. Andrew Parish in Bayonne. Brachocki and Faulkner garnered Honorable Mention recognition.

Cheri Castellano, MA, CSW, LPC, of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish in Roseland, won a Lay Leadership Award while a Self Advocacy Award went to Mary Ryan of Holy Trinity Parish in Westfield. Mary Beth Walsh, Ph.D., a theologian who teaches in the Pastoral Ministry Program at Caldwell College, was honored with the Family Award.

Dr. Walsh concentrates on raising awareness within the Catholic Church about inclusion issues for persons with autism and other disabilities. As a theologian she speaks of inclusion as matter of justice, not charity. Dr. Walsh reaches out to other parents who have children with disabilities and are struggling to find a welcoming faith community.

"Definitely honored" was the reaction of Dr. Walsh to her award, stressing how vital it is for those with disabilities "to feel included." For parents, she went on, it is "so important" for their child's inclusion "in the sacramental life of the Church."

Anne Masters, M.A., director of Pastoral Ministry with Persons with Disabilities for the Archdiocese of Newark, noted that "Mary Beth has been extremely helpful in preparing to launch a project to broaden availability of religious education for children with the archdiocese. She has also been part of raising the importance of attention to issues of religion and spirituality with the Center for Outreach and Services for the Autism Community."

Korn is coordinator of the Special Needs Religious Educa-



Cheri Castellano gives her son Domenick a hug at the New Jersey Coalition for Inclusive Ministries' awards dinner.

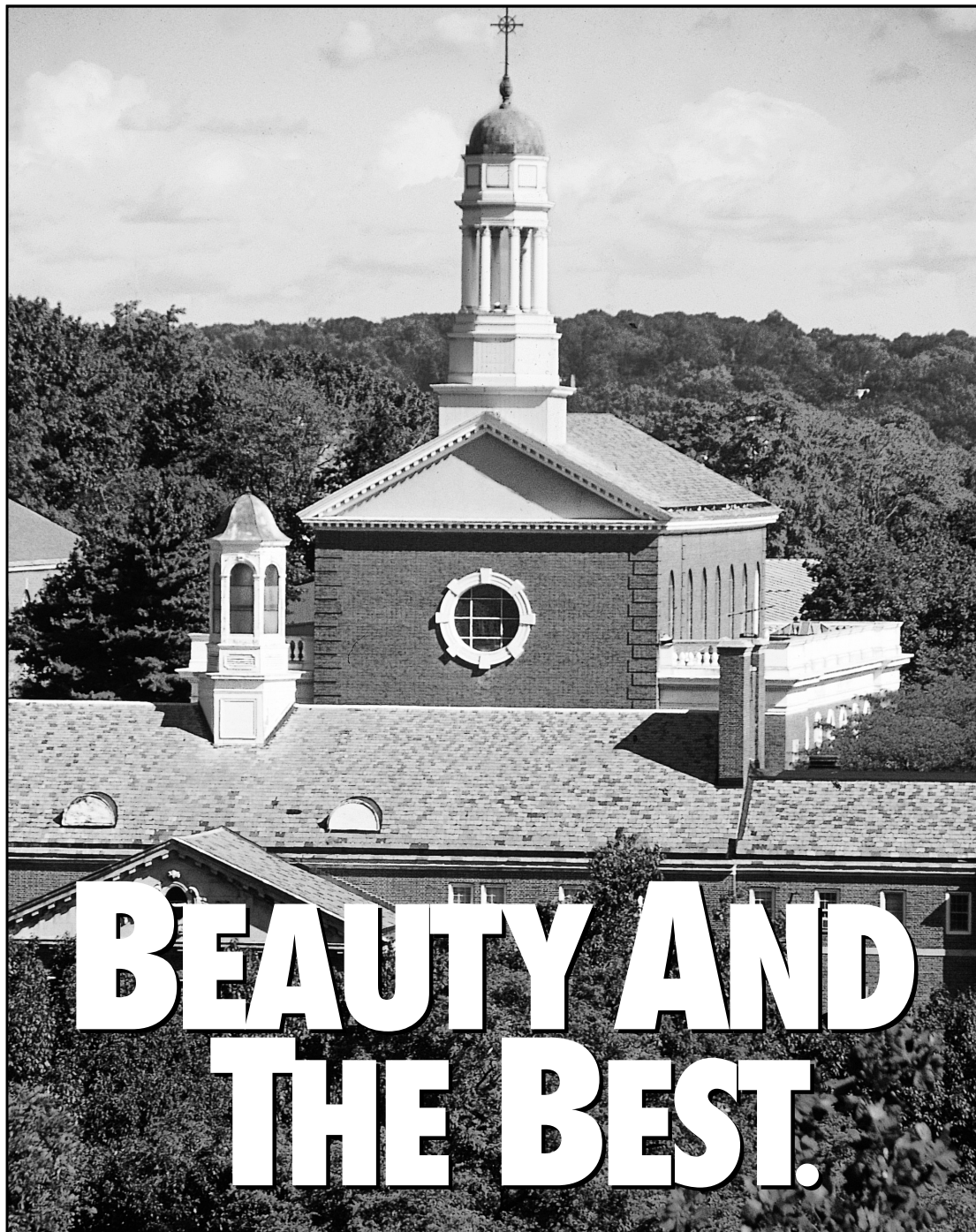
tion program at his parish that he has been with since its inception a quarter century ago. He has, stressed Masters, "responded with an open heart and a willingness to learn in order to provide religious education to children with disabilities."

"Very surprised and honored" is how Korn described himself about receiving the award. He feels it vitally important that parents with special-needs children know about the availability of programs to help the young people. He placed equal emphasis on such children receiving the sacraments.

Schwam was recognized for her parish work as a catechist for children with special needs. In conjunction with parish catechetical leader Donna Stickna, who nominated her, Schwam devised a flexible curriculum teaching according to the interests, ages and abilities of her students.

When her parish wanted to establish a religious education program for children with special needs, Brachocki stepped forward. "Beverly has been involved in catechesis with persons with disabilities since 1976 after her own Baptism," Masters said. "She is a

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# Seven hearts of gold

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faith-filled woman who happily shares her skills as a certified special-education teacher.” Her “real passion,” Masters stressed, is “nurturing the spiritual life of adults with developmental disabilities.”

Castellano worked with Sister Rie Crowley in establishing “And a Child Shall Lead Us,” a spiritual support group for mothers of children with special needs. A Mass for special needs families has met with success. Castellano, explained Masters, “has used her skills as a therapist to engage herself and other mothers of children with development disabilities in a faith-based journey using Mary as their guide.” Her work is “especially touching,” Castellano explained, because of her special needs five-year-old son.

Sister Rie called the program “wonderful” for mothers of children with developmental disabilities. Typical sessions, she explained, include an opening prayer and meditations followed by a questions based period focusing on the mothers’ relationship with God.

A major concern of the mothers, Sister Rie said, is that their children are not accepted in many aspects of everyday life. Noting that those who don’t understand special-needs children often “make a judgment” about them, Sister Rie said the message the mothers want to get out is not to judge their children.

“Mary (Ryan) is a born leader” declared Deacon Thomas Smith, director of Pastoral Ministry with the Deaf for the Archdiocese of Newark.

Active in her parish, Ryan has presented disability awareness training sessions at various archdiocesan facilities including the deacon formation classes the past two years.

She described herself as “very honored” to receive the award. Inclusion, she noted, “is what Jesus is all about.” He never “labeled” people, Ryan added.

Ryan broke ground of sorts when she became a eucharistic minister at her parish. Concerned about what those receiving Communion “would have to do” to receive from her, Ryan explained, she cancelled two meetings about it with her pastor, Rev. Msgr. Joseph Masiello. When she did meet with the pastor, Ryan recalled quite vividly what he told her.... “this is not a Church of exclusion.”

Some 22 years ago, three years after losing her sight, Ryan, the mother of three sons, decided to

foster children through Catholic Community Services. Not once during the interview process, she emphasized, did her blindness come up. Ryan went on to foster 31 infants.

When she had her sight, Ryan explained, she thought what had to be done was to “reach out with kindness” to the disabled. Now she is a firm believer that the disabled must “reach out” with their talents. Those talents, she laments, are often “minimized” by the disabled themselves.

Faulkner has used the St. Andrew School building to conduct a special-education program for children from every parish in Bayonne. Working with the pastor,

Father John Doherty, she coordinates liturgical celebrations for Christmas, Easter and other special occasions. Her students are mainstreamed into parish celebrations of the sacraments. Describing herself as “extremely pleased and honored” with the award, Faulkner was quick to add she does what she does “not to look for the accolades. Working with these children is its own reward.”

Noting that Faulkner is “an experienced special educator who has a strong background in spirituality and catechesis,” Masters went on to say “for many years she has combined her skills with her huge faith and creativity to provide a welcoming environment for religious education and faith development for people of ages five through 16 and even older.”



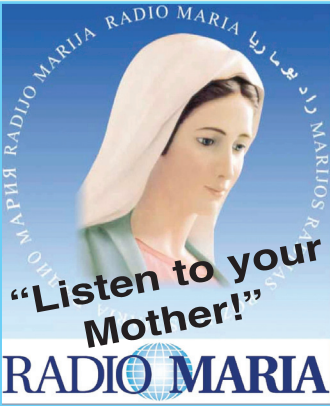
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Award winner Robert Korn (center) is congratulated by Paula Andrade, a catechetical leader at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Bergenfield, and Rev. Msgr. Richard Arnholts, pastor. Andrade nominated Korn for the award.



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**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**—Saint John the Apostle Parish, Linden, celebrated the 10th anniversary of its Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel with a Mass on Dec. 8. The late Msgr. Richard M. McGuinness, who served as pastor of Saint John for 18 years, started the perpetual adoration chapel—the first in the archdiocese. Michelle Krystofik, who serves as the associate director of the archdiocesan Respect Life Office, described the chapel as an “oasis of silence,” where over 400 volunteers have signed up to take turns being present for continuous adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 24 hours a day. Krystofik said the chapel is part of a growing, national faith-based movement. Father Robert G. McBride is the pastor of Saint John.



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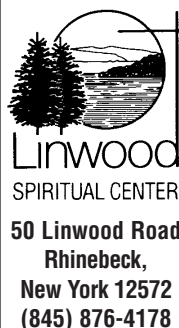
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