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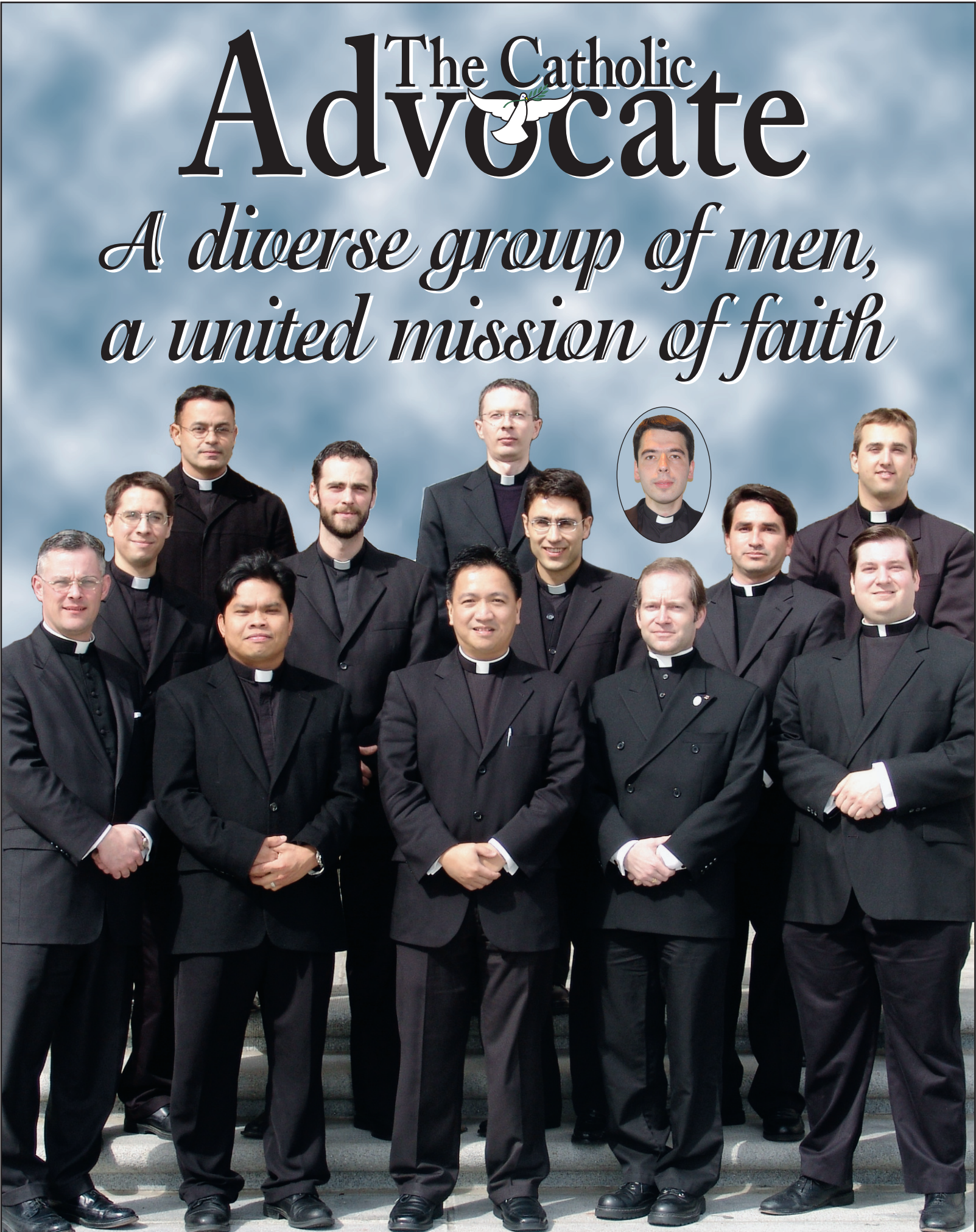
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Elizabeth resident finds inspiration in Benedictine values of love, prayer, support, hospitality and perseverance.

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CALLED TO SERVE GOD’S PEOPLE—The 13-member ordination Class of 2007 for service to the Church in Newark, one of the largest in the nation, will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, May 26 at 10 a.m. by Archbishop John J. Myers in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark. The ordinands include (left to right, back row) Father Oscar Fonseca, Father Robert Gajewski and Father Maciej Zajac; (middle row) Father Mariano Dellagiovanna, Father Sebastian Garcia, Father Manuel Duenas and Father Jose Tovar; (front row) Father Charles Kelly, Father Wilson Paculan, Father Renato Bautista, Father Michael Trainor and Father William Benedetto. Father Piotr Koziolkiewicz (inset) was unavailable for the group photo. Biographies and photos of each new priest appear on pages 11-13.

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Book on Jesus reads as the pope's signature moment

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The emphasis on Jesus' centrality to the Catholic faith in Pope Benedict XVI's first book as pope is likely to permeate his papacy, panelists told a Washington audience during a book launch event for *Jesus of Nazareth*, which was held May 15.

Bishop William E. Lori of Bridgeport, CT, and Vatican analysts George Weigel and John Allen discussed the book at the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center here.

Archbishop Pietro Sambi, apostolic nuncio to the United States, and Bill Barry, publisher in the Doubleday religious publishing division, hosted the event.

Jesus of Nazareth, published in April in Italian, German and Polish, was unveiled last week in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom.

"It's not easy to present a book of your boss," said Archbishop Sambi with a laugh. "But I am happy to do so because the author is a very competent and learned teacher, and the subject is a fascinating one."

Allen, Vatican correspondent for the *National Catholic Reporter* and CNN, said Pope Benedict had demonstrated his commitment to the centrality of Jesus during his just-completed trip to Brazil.

The three "news flashes" from the trip—the pope's comments on abortion and Catholic politicians, his condemnation of drug dealers and his criticism of both capitalism and Marxism—were reported as distinct from one another. However, taken together, the three statements in Brazil had a common thread in "the false promises of ideologies" that seek to replace Jesus in people's lives, Allen explained.

In his talk to the bishops of Latin America and the Caribbean, Pope Benedict made clear that "preaching Christ is not a distraction from the work of social justice; it is working for justice," he added.

The new book "is much more than an academic exercise," Allen noted. "It is the Magna Carta of Benedict's pontificate."

Bishop Lori said the book arose from Pope Benedict's "pastoral concern over distorted and relativistic views of Jesus," such as those promoted by author Dan Brown in *The Da Vinci Code*, also published by Doubleday. More than an "exposition of theory," the pope's book "aims to open our hearts and minds to Jesus," he said.

Bishop Lori recalled riding in a small plane in rough weather years ago with then-Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, who became Pope Benedict. Despite feeling ill, the cardinal patiently answered

questions from others in the plane.

"He was like a revered professor and a gentle pastor all rolled up in one," the Bridgeport bishop recalled. "And now that person is shared with a worldwide audience."

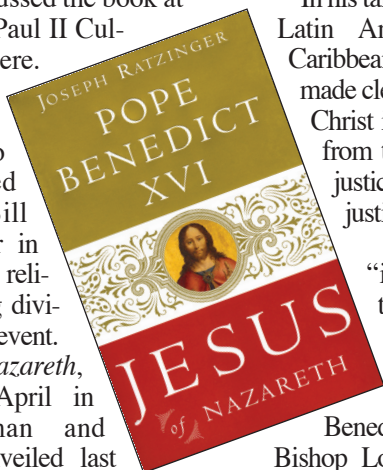
Weigel—who's column "The Catholic Difference" appears in *The Catholic Advocate*—noted

that *Jesus of Nazareth* was written by "a man who, at the core of his person, is a teacher...who wants to invite everyone into the conversation about who Jesus is."

Pope Benedict, "a man of deep prayer," issues through his book "an invitation to think while we're praying," Weigel said.

Responding to a question from

the audience, Weigel said the new book also demonstrates the pope's "deep appreciation of Judaism" and his "strong rejection" of the tendency in some Christian circles to regard the New Testament as divisible from the Old Testament. The book "could be useful as a bridge for Christian-Jewish understanding," he said.



ARCHBISHOP AWARDED DOCTORATE—Mount Saint Mary's University, Emmitsburg, MD, awarded Archbishop John J. Myers a Doctor of Humane Letters degree (*honoris causa*) at the university's annual Installation Mass on April 27. University President Thomas H. Powell stated this honor is presented to an individual who embodies the calling and promise of "faith, discovery, leadership and community—hallmarks of the Mount's mission." Citing the archbishop's "tireless and selfless service both to the archdiocese and Mount Saint Mary's," Powell conferred the doctorate upon the archbishop with the words: "You have rightfully earned the respect, admiration and recognition of our university community and we proudly confer on you our highest academic honor." Pictured with Archbishop Myers (right) at the Installation Mass are Msgr. Steven P. Rohlf (far left), rector of Mount Saint Mary's Seminary at the University, and Powell.

Submitted photo

Archdiocese adds assistant directors to guide revamped diaconate program

BY WARD MIELE
Managing Editor

NEWARK—The Permanent Diaconate program in the Archdiocese of Newark now has two new assistant directors of deacon personnel who are convinced their appointments were the result of divine intervention.

At the recommendation of Deacon John McKenna, director of deacons' personnel, Deacon Joseph Mantineo and Deacon James Tobin will assist in steering and supporting "project-driven" aspects of the busy Permanent Diaconate, such as bi-monthly continuing education seminars and deacon assignments.

Deacon Mantineo, 60, was first assigned to Saint Philip the Apostle Parish in his hometown of Saddle Brook and has been at Church of the Sacred Heart since January. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Italian Language from Rutgers University where he graduated Cum Laude and went on to earn a Masters Degree in Italian Literature. He is the recipient of two federal grants to study Italian in Florence, Italy, and attended two Fulbright Seminars to study Italian in Perugia, Italy. He retired in 2002 after teaching Italian for 35 years in Princeton and Dumont.



Deacon Joseph Mantineo

After graduating from high school, Deacon Tobin served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam in 1968. He recalled when Catholic chaplains flew into the temporary defensive hilltop perimeters in Vietnam's central highlands to celebrate Mass on sandbag bunkers. "I will always remember how God and His

"The Lord moved me in this direction. I am his humble servant," Deacon Mantineo said. "I gain 10 times more helping and serving the people of the parish. It is very rewarding."

A New York City native, Deacon Tobin credits the Christian Brothers and Paulist priests with giving him the foundations of his Catholic faith. Moving to Dumont, his family became members of St. Mary Parish. He continued to be an altar server and was active in the CYO.

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Church did not forget us during that trying time," he said.

Discharged from the Army in 1970, he married and began a career in law enforcement that included seven years as a police officer in Hillside and 19 years with the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office retiring with the rank of captain. He spent over nine years in the homicide squad.

Deacon Tobin explained that this new phase in his spiritual life "sort of happened. I did not seek it out. The Holy Spirit was pushing me."

The two deacons were ordained five years ago. Deacon McKenna said his new assistants "complement each other well in terms of personality, style and viewpoints."

Under the leadership of Father James Teti, parochial vicar at St. Teresa of Avila Parish in Summit, and Deacon McKenna, an overall revamping of the permanent diaconate program is under way (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Feb. 21). The formation period has increased from four to five years and a new Web site was launched (go to www.rcan.org and click on "ministries offices").



Deacon James Tobin

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Kiniery and classmates teach adults how to protect, respect environment

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

BAYONNE—Being more environmentally responsible is not only a talking point for politicians, it spurs the imagination of youngsters hoping to better their world.

Liam Kiniery, 12, a student at Saint Vincent de Paul School, was the grand-prize winner in "Be an Agent for Change," a national contest sponsored by *Time for Kids* magazine. The children designed pamphlets on how to save resources and conserve energy.

Two other students from Kiniery's sixth grade class—Kristen Costanza and Andrew Miltner (both age 11)—were first-prize winners and had their submissions published on the *Time for Kids* Web site (www.timeforkids.com).

Teacher Susan Pelliccia made the contest into a class assignment and submitted her students' work in for consideration. "We just happened to be on a chapter about Earth science. The kids were very interested in the topics," Pelliccia said. Marilyn Skillender is the principal of Saint Vincent de Paul.

"The Earth is in trouble," Kiniery warned. His submission, a how-to guide called "How to save the Earth," included ways to conserve energy.

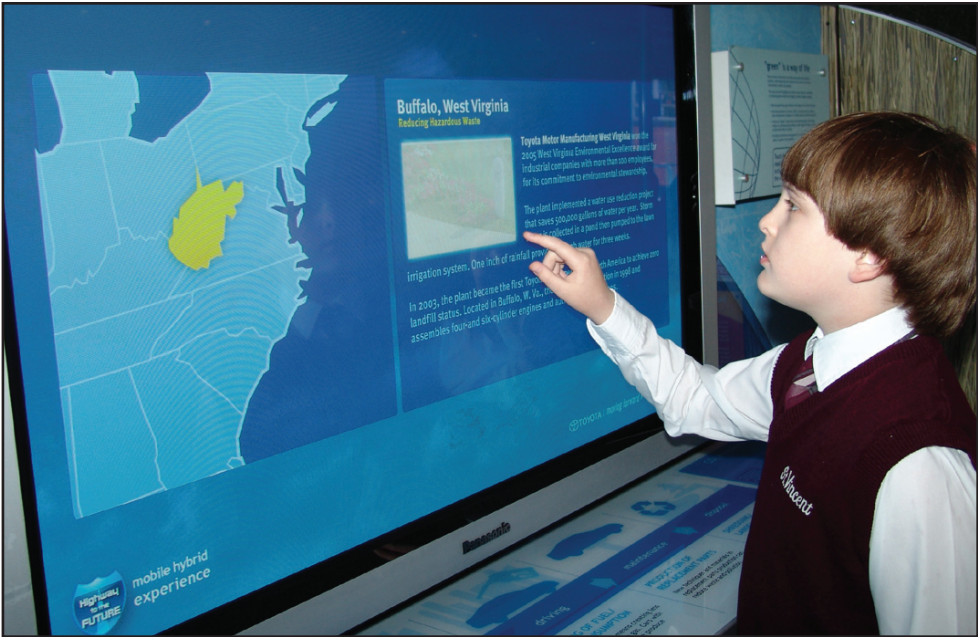
Miltner's entry, on compost boxes, made him more aware of the damage being done to the planet. "To make a compost box, you just put all the waste in it and you can use it as a fertilizer," he said. "All over my block, I see that there is trash everywhere. People just throw it on the floor. They are ruining the Earth. I encouraged my neighbors to be more careful."

Costanza's guide on preventing global warming included small suggestions on conservation that could yield big results. "You can turn down lights or turn them off when no one is around and turn off video games when no one is using them," she said. "Some people are ignoring the problem of global warming, but we need to reduce our use of fossil fuels. I think I will try to help the environment in the future."

In honor of Kiniery capturing the national grand prize, the Toyota Motor Corp.'s "Highway to the Future: Mobile Hybrid Experience" tour came to Saint Vincent de Paul School for a day. Open to the entire school and the public, attendees had the opportunity to get behind the wheel of the Prius, Camry Hybrid and Highlander Hybrid to experience Toyota's Hybrid Synergy Drive system for themselves. Along with the cars, a trailer, or "mobile museum" featured exhibits on alternative fuels, environment resources and hybrid technology.

"I am really into cars so I thought that part was really cool," Kiniery said. "They had huge flat-screen TVs with information about the Earth on them."

As attendees went to each exhibit, they collected points. Those who acquired many points became eligible to have a tree planted in any forest in the United States under their



Advocate photo — Melissa McNally

As the grand-prize winner of *Time for Kids* magazine's "Be an Agent of Change" contest, Liam Kiniery, a sixth grade student at Saint Vincent de Paul School, had Toyota's Mobile Hybrid Experience tour bus stop at his school in Bayonne. Kiniery, pictured here, interacts with the "Environment and Resources: Small Steps, Big Difference," an exhibit that shows attendees what they can do to improve the environment.

name for Arbor Day. Toyota will plant more than 50,000 trees in honor of those visiting the experience in conjunction with the National Arbor Day Foundation. Toyota officials said that planting these trees will help offset the "carbon footprint" of the trucks transporting the tour across the country.

"The tour will help educate kids and adults about the environment. The population

has really depleted resources," Joel Franco Chakkalakal, road producer for Toyota's Mobile Hybrid Experience tour, explained. "The exhibit shows what kids need to do as conscious citizens and they can figure out ways to help the environment. The tour promotes awareness of the environment and explains how critical our resources are. We have to do something."



Advocate photo — Ward Miele

CELEBRATING VOCATIONS—The 53rd Archbishop's Vocation Fund Dinner, sponsored by Serra International District 22 of the Archdiocese of Newark, was held last month at Mayfair Farms, West Orange. Joseph Pagano, Governor of District 22 (far left), Father Brian G. Plate, archdiocesan director of vocations (second from right), and Rose Marie Deehan, president of the Serra Club of the Oranges (far right), congratulated this year's award winners (left to right): Msgr. Donald Guenther, the pastor of St. Elizabeth Parish, Wyckoff, the recipient of the Governors' Award; Barbara Kelly, executive secretary in the archdiocesan vocations office, who received the Junipero Serra Award; and Vincent Russo, Serra Club of West Essex, cited with the Robert F. Searson Award. In his keynote address, Msgr. John E. Doran, archdiocesan Vicar General, called vocations a "great priority" of the Church and said Serrans were "key" to that effort. Archbishop John J. Myers was presented with a \$5,000 check from District 22.

Bishop resigns; pontiff accepts

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (CNS)—Pope Benedict XVI has accepted the resignation of the controversial head of Argentina's military diocese, who submitted his resignation at age 75 in accordance with canon law. There was no immediate word on who would succeed Bishop Antonio Baseotto, who clashed with the government of President Nestor Kirchner two years ago. Pope Benedict accepted the bishop's resignation May 15. Earlier this year, an Argentine legislator drafted a bill to eliminate his position. Kirchner clashed with Bishop Baseotto in early 2005 after the bishop wrote a letter to Health Minister Gines Gonzalez Garcia containing a quotation from Mark 9:42: "And if anyone causes one of these little ones who believe (in me) to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea." The health minister has supported broadening Argentina's abortion law. Kirchner expressed offense at what he claimed was an allusion to the notorious death flights during Argentina's military dictatorship in the 1970s, when government

opponents were dumped from airplanes into the sea.

Religious sisters open their home

MENDHAM, N.J. (CNS)—For 1-year-old Ismerlyn Vasquez Mercedes, life is changing. The tiny toddler from the Dominican Republic is one of 36 children receiving medical care through the efforts of the local chapter of "Healing the Children." Sister Immaculata Aborline, with the help of her fellow Sisters of Christian Charity at Malinckrodt Convent in Mendham, is host parent to Ismerlyn, who came to the United States with her mother, Inmaculada Mercedes, to receive care for a right-leg deformity. This is the second time the Sisters of Christian Charity have welcomed a child who was receiving health-care in the United States. Recently, an Iraqi boy and his mother stayed with the sisters for five months. He is now living with a Muslim family as he continues his recovery. "We feel so happy we can help," said Sister Pierre Koesters, a former provincial for her order who has been translating for Mercedes and the sisters. "Everyone's so in-

terested in what is going on. When we came home from the doctor's, they all asked: 'What did the doctor say?'"

Sale of chancery funds settlements

LOS ANGELES (CNS)—Cardinal Roger M. Mahony of Los Angeles said the Archdiocese of Los Angeles would sell its chancery building, the Archdiocesan Catholic Center, to help fund future settlements in sex abuse cases. In December the archdiocese settled 46 civil cases of sexual abuse for \$60 million. Its share of the settlement was about \$40 million, with the remainder covered by insurance companies or religious orders. At the time the settlement was announced, the archdiocese said its share had been anticipated and set aside in 2005. Cardinal Mahony said the archdiocese now must be prepared to fund its share of coming settlements in all remaining cases, estimated at more than 500. According to Cardinal Mahony, the archdiocese would either lease office space for chancery functions, or lease back some space in the existing building.



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OPEN ARMS— Pope Benedict XVI embraces a group of children during his visit to Fazenda da Esperança ("Farm of Hope") drug rehabilitation center in Guaratingueta, Brazil on May 12. The Franciscan-founded facility treats those who have failed to kick their addiction in other programs.

Gaza violence worries parish

JERUSALEM (CNS)—Exploding violence in the Gaza Strip has left the people weeping and trapped in a war zone, said a local parish priest. "We are very anxious about our students. This has touched us through our students," said Msgr. Manuel Musallam of Holy Family Parish in Gaza. The priest added that anyone who could get out of Gaza had left. In a May 16 telephone in-

terview, he told Catholic News Service that, after days of intensive infighting between gunmen of the Palestinian Hamas and Fatah factions, he had offered to protect local children at the church, but there was no safe way to get them to the building. Msgr. Musallam said he closed the parish elementary and high schools May 16 although students were in the middle of exams, because there was a "feeling of deep anxiety" among the students and their parents.

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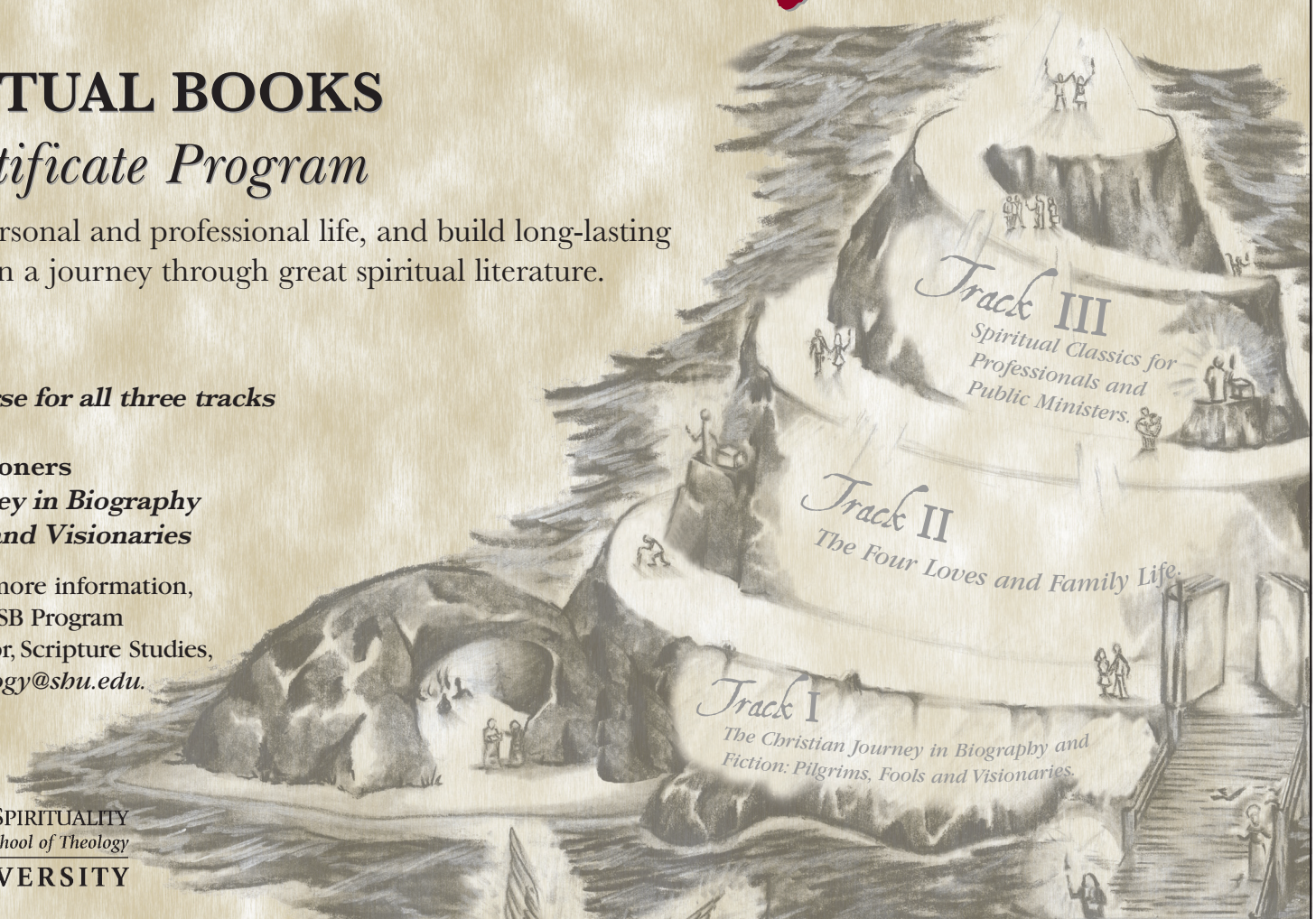
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Kearny school savors the sound of silence

RIBBON CUTTING ON MIDLAND AVENUE—Madeline C. O'Sullivan (far right), the principal of St. Stephen's School in Kearny, assembled students, faculty and dignitaries for a ribbon-cutting ceremony on May 11. The school, located on Midland Avenue, has completed a \$6.5-million renovation project involving the installation of soundproof windows and a new central air conditioning and heating system. The renovation was a 12-year quest, led by O'Sullivan, to shield the Kearny school and its students from the daily window-rattling din of jet-liners on their flight paths in and out of Newark Liberty International Airport (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Nov. 22, 2006). Father Joseph A. Mancini, a parochial vicar at St. Stephen's Parish, blessed the building during the ceremony. Kearny Mayor Alberto G. Santos and officials from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey took part in the ribbon cutting. Also on hand were archdiocesan officials from the Schools Office and the Office of Property Management Administration.

Retreat to assist couples dealing with extra stress

SPRINGFIELD—The archdiocesan Office for Pastoral Ministry with Persons with Disabilities, in collaboration with Family Life Ministries and the New Day Community of the Archdiocese of Newark, will sponsor "Nurturing Your Marriage," a special retreat for couples with children with developmental disabilities.

The retreat will be held here at

Saint James the Apostle Parish, 45 S. Springfield Ave., on Sunday, June 10, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Featured speakers on the program include Kathy and Tim Labosh from Harrisburg, PA, and Laura and Bernie Franc from Sparta. Both couples have children with autism and will share their experiences and insights.

Monday, June 4 is the deadline for pre-registration. The cost is \$35 per couple, which includes lunch. Checks can be mailed to Judy Miller, the director of Family Life Ministries, the Archdiocese of Newark, 171 Clifton Ave., Newark, N.J. 07104. Call Miller at (973) 497-4324 for more information on the event.

Couples attending the gathering are invited to relax and experience prayer in a new way, enjoy lunch and be inspired by stories of parents with children with developmental disabilities. Those attending will be invited to learn about Centering Prayer.

Anne Masters, M.A., the director of the archdiocesan Pastoral Ministry with Persons with Disabilities, an office within the vicariate for Pastoral Life,

said the retreat will help support couples of children with developmental disabilities—to nurture their relationship with each other and God. The event will offer prayer experiences, strategies and ideas to provide quiet, sacred time in their hectic days.

Couples with children with developmental disabilities have marital stresses that are a constant presence, Masters explained. "The purpose of this day is to provide an

opportunity for couples to take a break and hear stories of people who have been navigating this terrain for a while and have been nourished by their faith," she said.

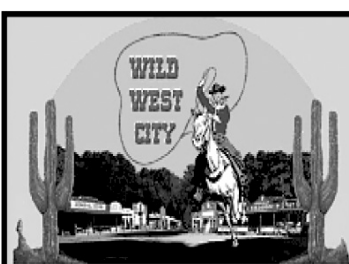
Youth group will sponsor two concerts

BLOOMFIELD—The Senior High Youth Group of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, 60 Byrd St., will conclude its spring calendar of events with two concerts.

The first show, to be held on Sunday, June 3 at 7 p.m., features John Angotti (Web site: www.johnangotti.com), who was honored as the "2006 Male Vocalist of the Year" by the United Catholic Music and Video Association (UCMVA). His most recent album, "Angotti Live," won the UCMVA's pop/contemporary "Album of the Year" award.

The second concert, slated for Sunday, June 10 at 7 p.m., will showcase singer/songwriter Scott Krippayne (Web site: www.scottkrippayne.com), who recently released his eighth album, which features the songs "Cross of Christ" and "I'm Not Cool."

The two events are offered as an outreach to Catholic teens and young adults. Contact the parish's Office of Youth Ministry at (973) 338-9190, ext. 43, for more information.



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Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, "Spotlight on Human Trafficking," 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Call Kelly Baker at (908) 994-7452.

May 31

St. Phillip the Apostle Parish, Saddle Brook, Living Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 7 p.m. Call (201) 791-4640.

June 1

St. Bartholomew Parish, Scotch Plains, Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, noon. Call Loretta Santacroce at (908) 889-6426.

Sodality of the Children of Mary of St. Teresa, Jersey City, recitation of the "Little Office," 3:15 p.m. Call Katherine Crossan at (201) 689-1471.

Our Lady Mother of the Church Parish, Woodcliff Lake, "JOY with Dan Schutte: A Family Event," 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$10, (201) 391-2826.

June 2

Our Lady Mother of the Church Parish, Woodcliff Lake, workshop for lectors, eucharistic ministers and catechists, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Cost: \$10, (201) 391-2826.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Orange, rummage sale, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Buy a table for \$25, (973) 674-2052.

Archdiocesan Center, Newark, "JustFaith: Putting Faith into Action," 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Cost: \$35, (973) 497-4341.

St. Joseph Parish, Demarest, walking meditation through Labyrinth, 3-7 p.m., also on June 3, (201) 768-2371.

June 3

SS. Peter and Paul Parish, Elizabeth, Lithuanian Festival, noon-4 p.m., (908) 352-2271.

Bergen Catholic High School, Oradell, graduation at Felician College, Lodi, 11 a.m., (201) 261-1844.

Immaculate Conception Convent Chapel, Lodi, Taize Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, 7-8 p.m. Call Sister Marilyn Minter at (973) 473-7447.

June 5

Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, "Healing the Soul During and After the Cancer: An Inspirational Talk," 4-6:30 p.m., (908) 994-5138.

St. Peter Claver Parish, Montclair, Healing Mass for cancer survivors, 7 p.m., (973) 783-4852

June 6

Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, "The Sandwich Generation," 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., (908) 994-5138.

Holy Spirit Parish, Union, Holy Hour for Life, 7:30 p.m., (908) 687-3327.

Other

St. Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, student art exhibition, through June 1, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Call Megan Klim at (201) 547-2316.

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Bloomfield, Ministry of Spiritual Direction will hold a "retreat by the beach" program July 5-8. Call Anna Graziano at (973) 338-9538.

Catholic Cemeteries masses

All masses are held at 9:30 a.m. Call (866) 773-7526 for more information.

June 1
Good Shepherd Chapel, Colonia

June 5
Gate of Heaven Chapel, East Hanover

June 6
Holy Cross Chapel, North Arlington

Memorial Day masses

Monday, May 28, 2007

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Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington
Holy Name Cemetery, Jersey City
Gate of Heaven Cemetery, East Hanover
Saint Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia
Holy Sepulcher Cemetery, East Orange
Maryrest Cemetery, Mahwah

Official Appointments

Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:

ARCHDIOCESAN/ AGENCY MINISTRY

Reverend Monsignor Ronald J. Rozniak, pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood, has been reappointed a consultor of the Archdiocese of Newark, for a period of five years, effective May 11 and he has also been appointed to the Presbyteral Council of the Archdiocese of Newark for a period of three years, effective May 11 and ending Aug. 31, 2010.

PASTOR

Reverend John J. Cryan, pastor of Our Lady of Mercy and Our Lady of Sorrows parishes, Jersey City, has been appointed to a third six-year term, ending June 30, 2013.

Reverend Lawrence J. Fama, parochial vicar at St. Helen Parish, Westfield, has been appointed pastor of Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, Maywood, effective July 1.

Reverend Luis O. Gonzalez, parochial vicar of St. John the Baptist Parish, Fairview, has been appointed pastor of St. Columba Parish, Newark, effective July 1.

Reverend William A. Mahon, pastor of St. Joseph Parish, East Orange, and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Orange, has been appointed pastor of Our Lady of Peace Parish, New Providence, effective July 1.

Reverend Sean Mary Lacrosse Britto, C.F.J., and **Reverend Victor Sheomaker, C.F.J.** have been appointed pastors "in solidum" of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Orange, and administrators "in solidum" of St. Joseph Parish, East Orange. Both appointments are effective July 1.

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Reverend Michael Otuwurunne has been appointed summer parochial vicar of the Church of the Visitation, Paramus, effective June 1 through Aug. 31.

Reverend Jimel D. Varela has been appointed summer parochial vicar of St. John the Baptist Parish, Hillsdale, effective April 19 through Oct. 31.

Reverend Wojciech Kotowicz has been appointed summer parochial vicar of St. Anthony of Padua parish, Jersey City, effective May 10 through June 15.

RETIREMENT

Reverend Monsignor Edward M. Matash, pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Bayonne, has been granted retirement effective July 1.

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.

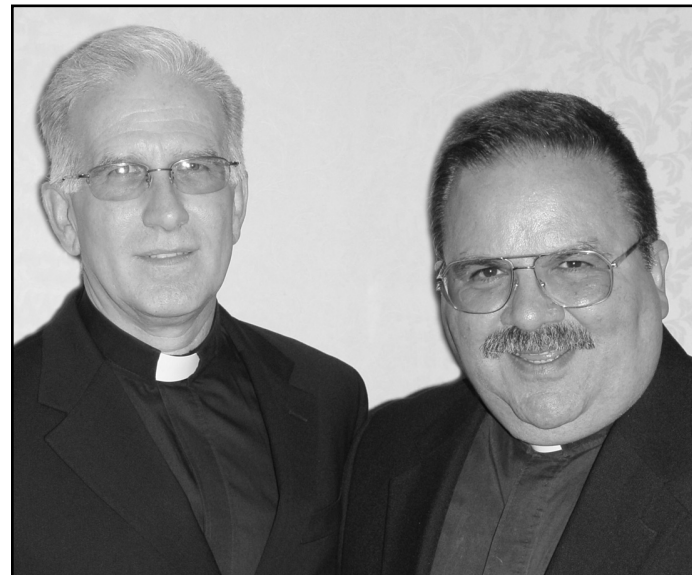
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COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES—Msgr. Frank G. Del Prete (left), the pastor of SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Hoboken, and Father Joseph A. Petrillo, the pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes in West Orange, represented the Presbyteral Council of the Archdiocese of Newark at the 39th annual conference of the National Federation of Priests' Councils (NFPC). Priests from throughout the United States gathered in Tampa, FL, April 23-26 to discuss the NFPC's theme of "Many Gifts, One Body: Intentional and International Presbyterates," which focused on a priority of building unity among priests representing dioceses with a vast diversity of cultural and ethnic backgrounds. Father Richard Vega of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and the president of Chicago-based NFPC, set the tone of the conference, declaring that "we are a country of immigrants all seeking their place at the table, desiring to add their gifts to this country and to the mission of Jesus Christ." In addition to their duties as pastors, Msgr. Del Prete serves as judicial vicar in the archdiocesan Tribunal Department, while Father Petrillo is the executive director of the office of Clergy Personnel.

After 50 years on the job, focus remains on 'we'

On May 25, 2007, I will have been a priest for 50 years. The years have flown by in a blur of faces, activities and changes both ecclesiastical and cultural. But the one thing that has remained constant is the priesthood itself.

The best definition I know of the priestly vocation comes from Saint Paul's Letter to the Hebrews. It has been burnt into my inner psyche since seminary days.

"A priest is a man, chosen from among men, and appointed in the things that pertain to God, that he might offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to sympathize with sinners for he himself is beset by weakness and so he must make offerings for himself as well as the people. One does not take this honor on his own initiative but only when called by God." (Hebrews 5:1-3)

Each day a priest stands at the altar—a mediator between God and the people—yet knowing full well that he is completely unworthy to serve in such a role. For who can stand in "*persona Christi*" (the person of Our Lord) and utter His words and yet feel that he is worthy or adequate spiritually to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass to the Father on behalf of the people.

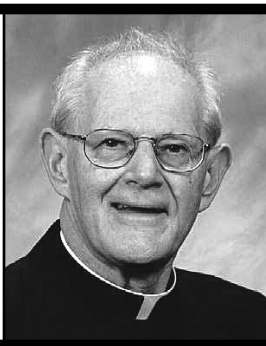
Therefore, the second part of the words from the Hebrews is most consoling. For we priests celebrate the Holy Liturgy despite our own sins and weaknesses. If it were not for the words of reassurance, what priest would approach the sacred mysteries without fear and trembling?

As it is, we realize that we have been chosen in order

I often point out to people that—except at the beginning of Mass, during the words of Consecration and at Communion—the priest never uses the words: I, me or mine. It is always: we, us and ours.

Voices

By Rev. Msgr. John Gilchrist



that Christ might come to His faithful. We are instruments; flawed, yes, but necessary in God's Providence that the spiritual yearnings of God's people might be satisfied by the Bread of Life. We can adapt the words of Scripture and say, "Who has God so close to us as we do?" (Dt. 4:7)

There is one more aspect to this liturgical life of the priest that is, at least for me, vital and central. Vatican II tells us that every liturgical celebration is the "action of Christ the priest and His Body" (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy 1:7). When we gather to celebrate the Holy Rites of our Liturgy, we are the Body of Christ. He is the head and we are the members.

Over the years at Holy Mass I often have pointed out to

the people that—except at the beginning of Mass, during the words of Consecration and at Communion—the priest never uses the words: "I," "me" or "mine." It is always: "we," "us" and "ours."

Every time I perform a baptism, I remind those in attendance that all of us, like the newly baptized, are prophets who carry Christ wherever we go. We are kings because we are heirs of the kingdom who have a royal dignity. And we are priests.

Saint Peter says we are a "priestly people, a holy nation, offering acceptable sacrifices to God through Jesus Christ." (1 Peter 2:5, 9)

Therefore, at Holy Mass the faithful are not just spectators as if they were present but merely watching a performance. I, the priest, am your hands, your mouthpiece, but you also are offering Christ to His Father once again with Him, in Him and through Him with me.

That is why when I celebrate the liturgy I often wish that I had a magic button. During the Liturgy of the Word I would have the church as it is. It is perfect for preaching because I can speak to the people about God—face to face and eye to eye—and they can hear His Holy Word.

But then at the offertory it would be wonderful if suddenly I could press a button and miraculously the configuration of the church would be transformed. The church would come into the round. The people would be in a circle surrounding me. Together we could offer Our Lord, to the Father; the mystical body in action with one heart, one mind and one soul.

The priesthood is so beautiful a life. It has never been "me" alone. It has always been Jesus and His people—we, us and ours.

(Msgr. John Gilchrist is the pastor of Holy Cross Parish, Harrison.)

Gonzalez v. Carhart rekindles a 'central' dispute

The day after the Supreme Court upheld the federal partial-birth abortion ban by a 5-4 vote, the pseudonymous "Diogenes" offered a rather chilling commentary on the Catholic World News Web site:

"In her angry dissent in Gonzalez v. Carhart, (Justice) Ginsburg writes that the majority decision '...cannot be understood as anything other than an effort to chip away at a right declared again and again by this court, and with increasing comprehension of its centrality to women's lives.' Now imagine you're speaking to an anthropologist who has just returned from a previously undiscovered primitive tribal community on a remote island in the South Pacific. If he reports that the ability to bear children is a central factor in the lives of the tribe's women, you might figure that you'd met another one of those remarkable social scientists who has found a way to earn a living by saying the blatantly obvious. But if he told you that the right to kill their own children was essential to these women, you'd have to conclude that the island is a terrible place, populated by bloodthirsty, pagan savages, and any sane traveler should stay away."

Yet that seems to be precisely what Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg was asserting: that the legal right to kill their offspring is "central" to the lives of American women.

Not good.

The anti-Catholic bigots quickly exposed their hand in the wake of Gonzalez v. Carhart. The morning after the decision was handed down, *Philadelphia Inquirer* cartoonist Tony Auth depicted nine Supreme Court justices behind the bench, five of them wearing miters. University of Chicago law professor Geoffrey Stone noted in a blog posting that "(all) five justices in the majority are Catholic" and charged that the papist quintet had "failed to respect the fundamental difference between religious belief and morality." About which my colleague, Edward Whelan, made two telling observations:

The Catholic Difference

by George Weigel



(1.) It is absurd on many levels to suggest that Chief Justice Roberts and Justices Kennedy, Scalia, Thomas, and Alito were imposing their religious beliefs on the nation. Rather, Whelan wrote, "they were deferring to the entirely reasonable moral judgments of the American people, manifested through bipartisan majorities in Congress." How is it an imposition of religious belief to uphold the constitutionality of a law democratically enacted with bipartisan support? Were all the members of the Senate and the House of Representatives who voted to ban partial-birth abortion imposing Catholic dogma on the republic? Please.

(2.) The legal and historical facts of the matter, Whelan continued, are that the four dissenting justices in Gonzalez v. Carhart—Ginsburg, Stevens, Souter, and Breyer—"have a consistent record of misconstruing the Constitution to impose their own substantive preferences,"

which is to say, their preferred policy outcomes, like an unrestricted abortion license.

Thus the attempt to defend the constitutionally indefensible (Roe v. Wade) continues to unhinge prominent legal scholars like Geoffrey Stone. To suggest that Roe can only be opposed on grounds of religious dogma is to betray an ignorance one would prefer not to associate with faculty members of a distinguished law school: an ignorance of both elementary embryology (the product of human conception is a human being) and the first principles of justice (do no harm to the innocent). Like Justice Ginsburg's assertion of what's "central" to women's lives, this intellectual bewitchment bodes ill on many fronts.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV), who had voted for the partial-birth abortion ban, criticized Justice Samuel Alito for upholding the ban, which suggested a certain, er, senatorial inconsistency. But perhaps the truer consistency here is the consistency of political expediency, for Senator Reid knows that the pro-abortion lobby, a crucial component of Democratic fund-raising, will brook no dissent from its extremism. This puts Democrats who may have qualms about infanticide (as Senator Reid evidently once did) in a very tight box.

A smart Democratic presidential candidate would embrace the Supreme Court's decision as the beginning of a new, rational consideration of the abortion issue in American public life. As things stand now, Democratic candidates are expected to defend infanticide. That's not a task the more thoughtful of them are likely to welcome.

(George Weigel is a senior fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, D.C.)

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Sister Mariette professes vows at monastery

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE
Editor

ELIZABETH—Sister Mariette Therese Bernier, O.S.B., professed her final vows of the Benedictine monastic way of life (stability, obedience and fidelity to the monastic way of life) during a special Mass on April 28 held at Saint Walburga Monastery.

Sister Sharon McHugh, monastery prioress, received Sister Mariette's vows on behalf of the community. As a response to Sister Mariette's perpetual profession, the prioress reflected on passages in Chapter 58 of the "Rule of St. Benedict," which speak to the virtues of perseverance, not perfection, as the path that leads people to God.

Father Eamon Drew, O.S.B., a monk from St. Mary's Abbey in Morristown, who was ordained just 14 days prior to the vows of Sister Mariette, served as the main celebrant at the Mass. Father Drew lauded Sister Mariette for her faith and dedication to the Benedictine tradition. Following the Mass, monastery leaders praised Sister Mariette's profession of faith as "the beginning of a commitment to a lifelong journey."

The Benedictine Sisters of Elizabeth originally inspired her during her grammar school days, Sister Mariette recalled. She said she continues to receive support and inspiration from Sisters in the community who demonstrate the Benedictine values of love, prayer, support, hospitality and perseverance. She also thanked her parents for their faith and recognized the community life and prayer life that has fostered her vocation.

Sister Mariette attended Elizabeth High School and St. Genevieve's Elementary School. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Kean College and a Master of Arts degree from Seton Hall University, South Orange. She is a licensed professional counselor and registered play therapist.

She entered St. Walburga Monastery on Jan. 7, 2001. As for her near-term plans, Sister Mariette will stay at the monastery to continue her ministry with Catholic Charities as a school counselor. She will teach and counsel students in grades K-8 at St. Joseph's School in East Orange, Sts.



Sister Mariette Therese Bernier, pictured in a solemn moment of prayer beneath the outstretched hand of Father Eamon Drew, has embarked on "a lifelong journey" in the Benedictine monastic tradition. Sister Mariette professed her final vows on April 28 during a Mass at Saint Walburga Monastery in Elizabeth.

Mary and Elizabeth in Linden and St. James in Springfield.

Her other duties include serving as a co-chair of the monastery's Benedictine Oblate Program. The program functions as a community outreach effort, which connects with laypeople who study and absorb Benedictine principles in order to apply those concepts to their everyday family and professional lives. Sister Mariette also participates as a member of the monastery's liturgy and futuring committees.

Pope approves stricter guidelines for saints' mandatory feast days

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Pope Benedict XVI has approved stricter guidelines for determining which saints will be remembered with mandatory feast days.

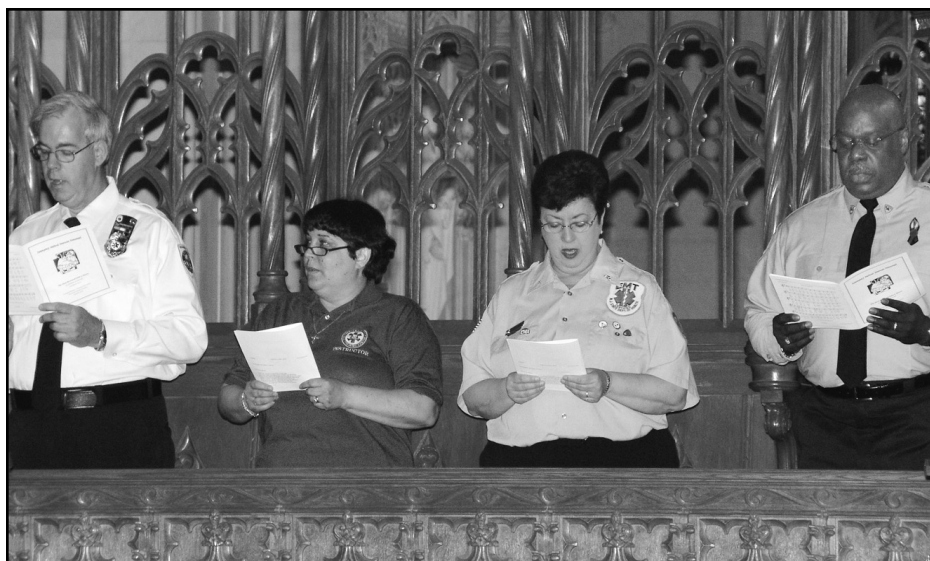
The General Roman Calendar, the universal schedule of holy days and feast days for the Latin rite of the Catholic Church, is so packed that more selectivity is needed, according to new norms and a commentary published in the official bulletin of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments.

The pope determines who makes the universal calendar based on recommendations from the congregation, the commentary said. According to the new norms published in the bulletin in mid-May, those recommendations will be more difficult to obtain.

Special consideration will be given to saints from countries not already represented in the general calendar and from underrepresented categories, such as laypeople, married couples and parents, the norms said. In addition, the norms said, 10 years should have passed since the canonization ceremony to ensure ongoing, widespread devotion.

The process for adding a candidate, it said, should begin with a two-thirds favorable vote from the bishops' conference where the saint was born, lived or died. In addition, the congregation will ask the opinion of at least three other bishops' conferences on different continents.

Advocate photo — M. Gabriele



EMERGENCY SERVICES SALUTED—Members of area Emergency Medical Services (EMS) prepare to participate in the reading during the annual Mass, Sunday, April 29 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark, which salutes their profession and mission. Msgr. Richard Arnholts, the archdiocesan Vicar for Pastoral Life, said in his homily that the dedication of EMS workers to care for the sick is a corporal work of mercy.

Advocate photo — Ward Miele



FIRE SERVICE HONORED—Archbishop John J. Myers celebrated the annual Saint Florian Mass, honoring the men and women in the fire service, on Sunday, May 6 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. Remembered were the six Garden State firefighters who lost their lives in the line of duty during the past year. The archbishop told the firefighters and their families that their courage and mission is important because "lives are at stake."

Advocate photo — Ward Miele

A weekend set aside to 'rejoice' and count blessings

Teens, young adults gather to share faith experiences

BY CHRISTY GUERRA

Special to The Catholic Advocate

KEARNY—Nearly 200 teenagers and young adults from across the Archdiocese of Newark gathered here at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center on April 20-22 to attend Rejoice 2007.

The event was a chance to unplug from the distractions of the outside world and focus on faith. Instead of iPods, cell phones or MySpace, those attending the re-

treat opted to spend time in the presence of the Eucharist and in the company of other young people. All those who gathered were searching for one thing: a closer relationship with Jesus.

Distractions were left outside the front door of the Youth Retreat Center, but inside there was plenty of "noise." Along with booming worship music provided by The John Flynn Band, the gym at the center was full of the sound of prayer, inspirational

talks and group discussions.

The Rejoice retreats, which have been organized by the Archdiocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry since 1998, have become a key source of information about the joy of living the Catholic faith, as well as providing encouragement to those who are familiar with navigating the ups and downs of Catholic life in a secular world.

That world was very much at the forefront of the retreat as young people paused and recalled the April 16 massacre at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. The participants of Rejoice 2007, in the wake of this violent incident, joined their prayers with prayers said around the world for the Virginia Tech victims.

Retreat emcee Michael Manhardt told those attending the retreat that their lives represent God's love and grace—made for selflessness not selfishness. "There is never a time in the Bible where you read that Jesus was selfish," said Manhardt, who has emceed the Rejoice retreats since 2001.

Father Joe Mancini, executive director of the center, who celebrated the retreat's welcoming Mass, echoed Manhardt's message of unity. "We've come to be in the presence of Him who brings us together," Father Mancini, a parochial vicar at Saint Stephen's Parish, said. "Nothing else matters except that we are here with Jesus. We will be transformed by Him just as He is transformed into the Eucharist."

Enthusiastic presenters from across the Catholic spectrum—priests, religious sisters and young adults—reiterated the theme of selflessness during the retreat. David O'Brien, a former youth minister for the archdiocese who now works for the Archdiocese of Mobile, AL, addressed the crowd on Saturday afternoon, asking the participants to "love thy neighbor" and embrace Catholic social teaching.

"Being Catholic means helping each other. Helping those in need directly—at a food pantry or homeless shelter—is great," O'Brien said. "But we should also commit ourselves to social action, which is getting to the root of the problem and doing what we can to prevent the pain in the world."

Michael and Faith Rose, a young married couple who also participated in last year's Rejoice program, explained how selflessness and charity helps

their marriage stay strong.

"Until I put Jesus first, I didn't know what it was like to live," Michael Rose confessed. Faith agreed, adding that "love doesn't destroy; it brings life. We wanted to experience the kingdom of Heaven on Earth. God gave us power to relate to one another, according to His will, not ours."

As the retreat weekend progressed, the participants had the opportunity to examine their hearts and discover what God might be saying to them. In particular, this reflection came during an intense time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament on the evening of April 21.

Father Bernard Murphy, C.F.R., of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, led the young people in a time of meditation, focusing on the mercy and the goodness of God. The Blessed Sacrament was slowly processed through the crowd, giving each participant a chance to encounter Jesus in a physical way—something that many found to be an exhilarating, emotional experience. Many in the crowd began to cry; others were inspired to move silently among the participants and gently lay their hands on them in prayer.

On April 22 the young people were invited to share their thoughts in small groups, ponder-

ing the next steps they might take to "keep the fire burning" and focus on God. Increasing daily prayer, especially the recitation of the rosary, was a common suggestion. Other ideas included making a commitment to avoid criticizing or making negative comments about others at school or at work.

"It's not enough to talk the talk," said Father Mancini declared in his homily during the retreat's closing Mass. "We have to be willing to back up our words with our actions. Jesus asks us if we love Him each and every day; hopefully, this weekend, you've realized if you are indeed ready to follow Him."

Just before the close of the retreat, participants listened as Msgr. Thomas Nydegger, vice rector and director of formation at Immaculate Conception Seminary on the campus of Seton Hall University, South Orange, described the joy of following Jesus and giving your life fully to Him by living as a priest or consecrated religious brother or sister.

"We are all called to serve God in a concrete way," Msgr. Nydegger said. "He calls us deeper into His life so you may find the joy of following God."

(Christy Guerra is a public relations assistant in the archdiocesan Communications Office.)



Retreat emcee Michael Manhardt addresses teens and young adults at Rejoice 2007. After six years as youth minister in the Diocese of Denver, Manhardt founded the first Office of Catholic Youth Ministry for the Catholic diocese of the Island of Bermuda. This was his sixth year hosting Rejoice, which was held April 20-22 at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center.

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Sister Loretta DeDomenicis (left), a guiding light for the Rejoice 2007 retreat, serves as the associate director of parish outreach and training at the Kearny Youth Retreat Center. Nearly 200 teens and young adults attended the annual event, which was launched nine years ago. Seated next to Sister Loretta is a young woman who obviously was enjoying the various retreat festivities.

Advocate photos - Christy Guerra

Molded by hand of God, 13 men open their hearts and souls to the joyful calling of the priesthood

Argentina, Philippines, Poland serve as starting points of faith journeys

BY WARD MIELE
Managing Editor

Reflecting the rich cultural and ethnic diversity of the Archdiocese of Newark, Archbishop John J. Myers will ordain 13 new priests on Saturday, May 26 at 10 a.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

After leading the nation last year with 17 ordinands (see *The Catholic Advocate*, May 24, 2006), the Archdiocese of Newark is again among the leaders with this year's class.

"This achievement of the archdiocese is the fruit of much prayer, effort and commitment," Father Brian Plate, the director of vocations for the Archdiocese of Newark, said, citing the Class of 2007. "The perseverance of these men is a tribute to their faith and the formation and faculty of our seminary."

"This local Church in Newark and the Universal Church together are blessed through the faith and commitment that these men give us today," Archbishop Myers noted. "They join the order of the ordained priesthood of Our Lord Jesus Christ from all walks of life and with many different experiences. As the Church continues to face many challenges, she welcomes them, knowing that their love of God and His people will strengthen her."

Msgr. Thomas P. Nydegger, vice rector/business manager and director of formation at Immaculate Conception Seminary on the South Orange campus of Seton Hall University, praised the dedication of the men in this year's ordination class. "From day one they immersed themselves in priestly formation," Msgr. Nydegger said. "There are great expectations for the priestly ministry they will exercise here in the Archdiocese of Newark."

Biographies of the 13 new archdiocesan priests follow:

Father Renato J. Bautista



A deacon at St. Henry Parish in Bayonne, Father Renato J. Bautista, 44, had his life turned around five years ago when he left his native Philippines for a vacation in the United States.

That trip took an unexpected direction from what he called a "vacation with the Lord" into a vocation. At the time he had a "promising" banking career in the Philippines. He already had two years of college seminary experience

"and the thought of entering (the seminary) then leaving again was just ridiculous," he said.

Looking back on his banking career, Father Bautista remembers he began "to allow God to enter my life again. I began to experience a growing joy and peace within me. I really thought God was only calling me to be more active in the Church. I got really scared when the idea of the priesthood starting popping into my head. What I did differently this time was that, instead of running away or hiding through

work and other worldly diversions, I prayed more to God and turned to the Holy Eucharist.

"I think the key is to allow God's 'hand' to mold one's heart and mind to truly be another Christ for God's people," he continued. Father Bautista hopes to be "an earthen vessel through which God's grace is shared with everyone that He places in my care."

Before entering the priesthood, Father Bautista attended the University of St. Thomas and the Dominican House of Studies both in the Philippines. He has a Master of Divinity Degree. He will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at 5:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Jersey City, on May 26. He will be the homilist.

Father William F. Benedetto



Just a year ago, Father William Francis Benedetto made history at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. On May 21, 2006, when he was ordained to the diaconate, it marked the first time in the history of the Cathedral Basilica that a deacon was vested at a Mass of Ordination by his father—a permanent deacon.

A native of Belleville, Father Benedetto, 29, attended Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, and Immaculate Conception Seminary, South Orange. He majored in Chemical Biology at Stevens and earned a Master of Divinity and Master of Arts, with a concentration in Systemic Theology. As a deacon, Father Benedetto served at the Cathedral Basilica.

The formation program at Immaculate Conception Seminary, he says, "was far more than the learning of the faith. It was about living the faith. There was great emphasis on becoming men of fervent faith and deep prayer, of profound and personal relationship with the Lord, of courage and intense zeal for the Church."

Prior to entering the seminary, Father Benedetto wanted to become a doctor. As his studies progressed something began to "bother" him. "I could be the greatest surgeon or the most competent physician in the world and I still would not be able to prevent someone from ultimately dying. It was then that I began to seriously reconsider another ambition that I had since I became an altar server at nine years old—one that I never really let go of even as I pursued a career in medicine, that of becoming a priest." Through discernment he realized he could do much more as a "physician of the soul. I aspire to spend myself in the service of the Lord until there is nothing else to give and to be profoundly joyful doing it."

Father Benedetto will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at noon on May 27 at Queen of Peace Parish in North Arlington. Rev. Msgr. William Fadrowski, the pastor, will be the homilist.

Father Mariano N. Dellagiovanna



After leaving his native Argentina, Father Mariano Nicolas Dellagiovanna recalled that Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary, Kearny, gave him "a home, a new family and new friends."

Father Dellagiovanna, 30, holds a Bachelor of Art Degree from Thomas Edison College and a Master of Divinity Degree from Seton Hall University. He was a deacon at St. Mary Parish in Plainfield. He served field education and summers at St.

Joseph and St. Michael Parish and St. Anthony of Padua Parish both in Union City.

He hopes to serve God's people "without looking for my own benefit but with the only purpose of bringing them to the Father. I hope to be an instrument of mercy in God's hands. Many people, even Catholics, live a relationship with God based in fear. But, He loves the sinner. This is the message I want to give to the people: that God loves us as we are."

Father Dellagiovanna learned to "read the events" of his life as a word from God through the Neocatechumenal Way. "This is how I came to discern my vocation," he said. He will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Mary Parish, Plainfield, at 1:30 p.m. on Pentecost Sunday. He will be the homilist.

Father Manuel Dueñas



As part of his formation, Father Manuel Dueñas, 30, spent three years doing missionary work, with most of that time on the Pacific island of Guam. During that period he saw "the joy God gave people through the Church."

Father Dueñas—a native of Spain—studied engineering at the University of Spain, before entering Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary. He confronted personal tragedy at the age of 18 when

his father died in a traffic acci-

dent. "I believe that this event was a turning point in my life and in my vocation," he said. "At that moment the only thing that was able to help me and my family was the support of the Church. I felt compelled to offer my life to the Church to announce the Good News, the announcement of salvation, that the doors of heaven are open and that it is possible to be happy regardless of the events and circumstances we face in our daily lives."

Through his ministry, he said he wants to "open the doors of heaven" for those who do not believe that the Church can give them happiness. "My biggest hope for the priesthood is to make a difference in people's lives; to give them a word that may console them in times of distress, a word of courage in times of uncertainty."

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Father Dueñas will return to Holy Family Parish, Nutley, where he served as a deacon, to celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at noon on May 27. Rev. Msgr. Paul L. Bochicchio will be the homilist.

Father Oscar D. Fonseca



A former Major in the United States Air Force, Father Oscar Daniel Fonseca intends “to live an enriching and prayerful life in the Archdiocese of Newark wearing myself out for the people of God.”

The 41-year-old native of Puerto Rico earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in the Sciences of Physical Therapy at the University of Puerto Rico and Masters Degrees in Divinity and Systematic Theology from Seton Hall University.

Serving as a priest, Father Fonseca hopes to keep a “profound love and respect for the people of God.” As part of his spiritual vocation, he plans to utilize his seven years of Air Force training as a physical therapist. “I believe that seeing the physical pain of people helped me discern my vocation to the priesthood,” he said. “I am very blessed these days because I feel I can use my skills as a physical therapist and still be a priest.”

Father Fonseca will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Francis deSales Parish in Lodi, where he served as a deacon. The Mass will be celebrated May 27 at 1:30 p.m. Father Fonseca will be the homilist.

Father Robert S. Gajewski



Born in Krakow, Poland, Father Robert Gajewski, 32, holds a Master of Divinity Degree. He attended SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary in Michigan and was a deacon at St. Teresa Parish in Kenilworth.

Father Gajewski will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at noon on May 27 at St. Theresa Parish.

Father Sebastian Garcia



“I hope to be humble enough to let the Lord lead my life in the way He wants” says Father Sebastian Garcia, 28, as he looks ahead to his life as a priest.

A deacon at St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Union City, Father Garcia attended Liceo Castilla School in his native Spain and Seton Hall University. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in education and Masters Degree in Theology.

What struck him most about his life at Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary was

“the immense patience the formators and my brother seminarians had with me.” Before the seminary, the future priest was a high school student about to go to college. “However, God had other plans,” he recalled.

His decision to become a priest also was inspired by his attendance at World Youth Day events since 1993. The “bottom line” of his vocation, declared Father Garcia, is “gratefulness.” He is grateful to the Church “for what she has done in my life and the life of my family.”

As he enters into the priesthood, his dream is “to have the same heart of Christ. I want to be an instrument and not an obstacle for evangelization.” Father Garcia will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Anthony of Padua Parish at 11:30 a.m. on May 27. He will be the homilist.

Father Charles M. Kelly



A Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus, Father Charles Martin Kelly, who hails from Scranton, PA, fervently wants to be “a happy, healthy and holy parish priest.”

Father Kelly attended the University of Scranton, St. Pius X Seminary in Scranton and Immaculate Conception Seminary. He has Bachelor of Arts degrees in History and Philosophy. As a deacon he served at St. Thomas More Parish in Fairfield, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish

in Newark and Emmaus House also in Newark.

Citing the encouragement of his parents, Father Kelly said his formation was fostered primarily by 24 years of Catholic education, which “keeps a young man close to the Church.” Father Kelly said “learning and practicing obedience was one of the most important and fundamental aspects of my formation. The salvation of souls is the work of the priest and I am humbled to be called to do that. I think Our Lord may have called me, with all my weaknesses and shortcomings, so that it will be completely obvious that it is always Him at work and not me.”

Father Kelly will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at 2 p.m. on May 27 at Holy Rosary Parish in Duryea, PA. The homilist will be Rev. Msgr. Joseph G. Quinn, J.D., J.C.D. He will celebrate another Mass of Thanksgiving June 3 at noon at St. Thomas More Parish in Fairfield.

Father Piotr Koziolkiewicz



Father Piotr Koziolkiewicz will return to his native Poland on June 3 to celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish—the 445-year-old church where he received the sacraments of Christian Initiation.

“The first Mass is a very significant event in the life of a priest (because) it is the transition point between seminary formation and the beginning of priesthood life.” It

will be a moment, he stressed, that he wants to share with family and friends of his homeland.

Father Koziolkiewicz attended the Diocesan Major Seminary in Legnica, Poland; the Papal Faculty of Theology in Wroclaw, Poland; Seton Hall University;

and SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary in Michigan. His advanced degrees include Master of Divinity, Papal Faculty of Theology earned in Poland and at the seminary level, Master of Divinity from SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary.

Preparing for the priesthood, Father Koziolkiewicz served locally at Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish, Harrison, Epiphany Parish, Cliffside Park and St. Aloysius Parish, Caldwell. He was a deacon at St. Gerard Parish in Michigan.

His most vivid memory from his seminary formation days was the cultural transition to the United States from Poland. “I discovered that the liturgy celebrated in some parishes is sometimes different than the one I experienced in my country,” he said. “It took some time to adjust myself to the new reality.”

Father Wilson A. Paculan



“A life of witness in ways of service, love and respect” is how Father Wilson A. Paculan, 35, views his priesthood. “My only hope is to remain faithful, open-minded and to persevere in the ministry.”

Born in the Philippines, he attended Christ the King Mission Seminary and Divine Word Seminary in his native country. Father Paculan was a student at the Melbourne College of Divinity in Australia. His advanced degrees include a

Bachelor of Theology and Masters Degree in Pastoral Ministry. As a deacon at St. Anthony Parish in Belleville, Father Paculan attended seminary at Holy Apostles Seminary in Connecticut.

Father Paculan will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Anthony Parish at 4 p.m. on May 27. Father Joseph Ferraro, the pastor, will be the homilist.

Father Jose H. V. Tovar



Father Jose Helber Victoria Tovar, who was born in the Republic of Colombia, entered the seminary when he was 17 year old. Before that he had worked on the family farm. Father Tovar attended the seminary in Colombia earning advanced degrees in Philosophy, religious education and Theology. He also served St. Columba Parish in Newark.

Reflecting on his childhood, Father Tovar said “living and working close to nature helped me to see

God in all creation.”

His vocation, explained Father Tovar, was “encouraged” by the pastor of his home parish. One of his greatest joys of seminary life was being able to spend time in the chapel with the Blessed Sacrament, he said.

Father Tovar, who served as a deacon at St. Thomas More Parish, Fairfield, looks forward to living “a wonderful priesthood and perhaps someday encourage vocations and help in the formation of new priests.” Father John D. Gabriel, pastor of St. Thomas More Parish in Fairfield, will be the homilist at Father Tovar’s first Mass of Thanksgiving at 3 p.m. on May 27.

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Father Michael S. P. Trainor



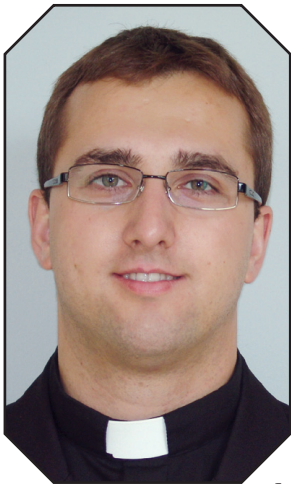
When he was baptized, the priest told Father Michael Sean Patrick Trainor’s parents that God had “special plans” for their son. The pastor’s pronouncement came after doctors had told his parents he would not live for long because the lungs of their one-month premature son had not fully developed and that the baby had other health issues.

The 38-year-old Jackson, N.J. native remembers wanting to be a priest during his altar server days at St. Veronica Parish in Howell. Members of his high school graduating class voted him “most likely to become a priest.” He attended Ocean County College in Toms River and Franklin Pierce University in New Hampshire. Father Trainor received his priestly training at Immaculate Conception Seminary. As part of his field education, Father Trainor served at the Newman Center at Rutgers University in Newark, St. Michael’s Medical Center also in Newark and Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish in Garfield. He was a deacon at Our Lady of Mercy Parish in Jersey City. After college graduation in 1991, he went to work as an insurance company claims adjuster. Despite promotions and raises, Father Trainor explained, he discovered “there was something missing from my life—it was a

void in my heart. I found that serving others through the Church was helping fill that void in my life.” In the summer of 2002, his parish, St. Michael in Cranford, was assigned a new weekend assistant: Father Richard Kelly who at the time was vocations director for the Archdiocese of Newark. Although thinking he was “too old” at age 32 to enter the seminary, Father Kelly spoke about vocations and told of a program at the seminary for older men. “At that point I sat back in my pew and looked up to heaven and stated ‘I get it already,’” Father Trainor recalled fondly. That very day he called Father Kelly to gather information. “If I manage to make a difference to even one person; if I make just one person’s life better and happier and perhaps help that person make it to heaven, then my life will have been worth living,” he said of his calling to the priesthood. Father Trainor will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at 2 p.m. on May 27 at Our Lady of Mercy Parish in Jersey City. The homilist will be Msgr. Thomas P. Nydegger, vice rector of Immaculate Conception Seminary.

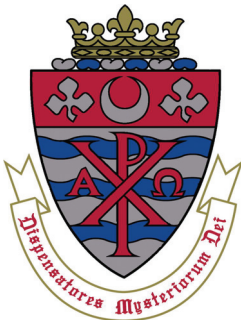


Father Maciej J. Zajac



Before entering the seminary in his native Poland, Father Maciej J. Zajac was “very involved” in high school life. His schooling in Poland included the Diocesan Seminary in Tarnow, the Pontifical Academy of Theology in Krakow and the Diocesan Seminary in Radom at Cardinal Wyszynski University in Warsaw. Father Zajac also attended SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary in Michigan and the University of Detroit Mercy in Detroit. He holds advanced degrees of Master of Divinity and Master of Arts in Religious Studies.

A deacon at both Our Lady of Refuge in Michigan and St. Teresa of Avila Parish in Summit, Father Zajac served locally at St. Elizabeth Parish in Wyckoff, St. Aloysius Parish in Jersey City, Most Sacred Heart Parish in Wallington. “I do not aspire that my priesthood will be easy and dream-like,” Father Zajac said. “I strongly hope that God and His people will help me rise to eventual challenges as much as they will share the joy of successes that are to come.” Father Zajac will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Teresa of Avila Parish on May 27 at 10:45 a.m. The pastor, Rev. Msgr. Robert E. Harahan, will be the homilist.



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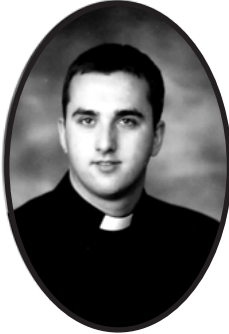
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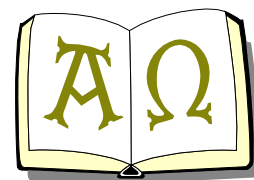
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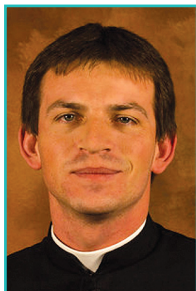
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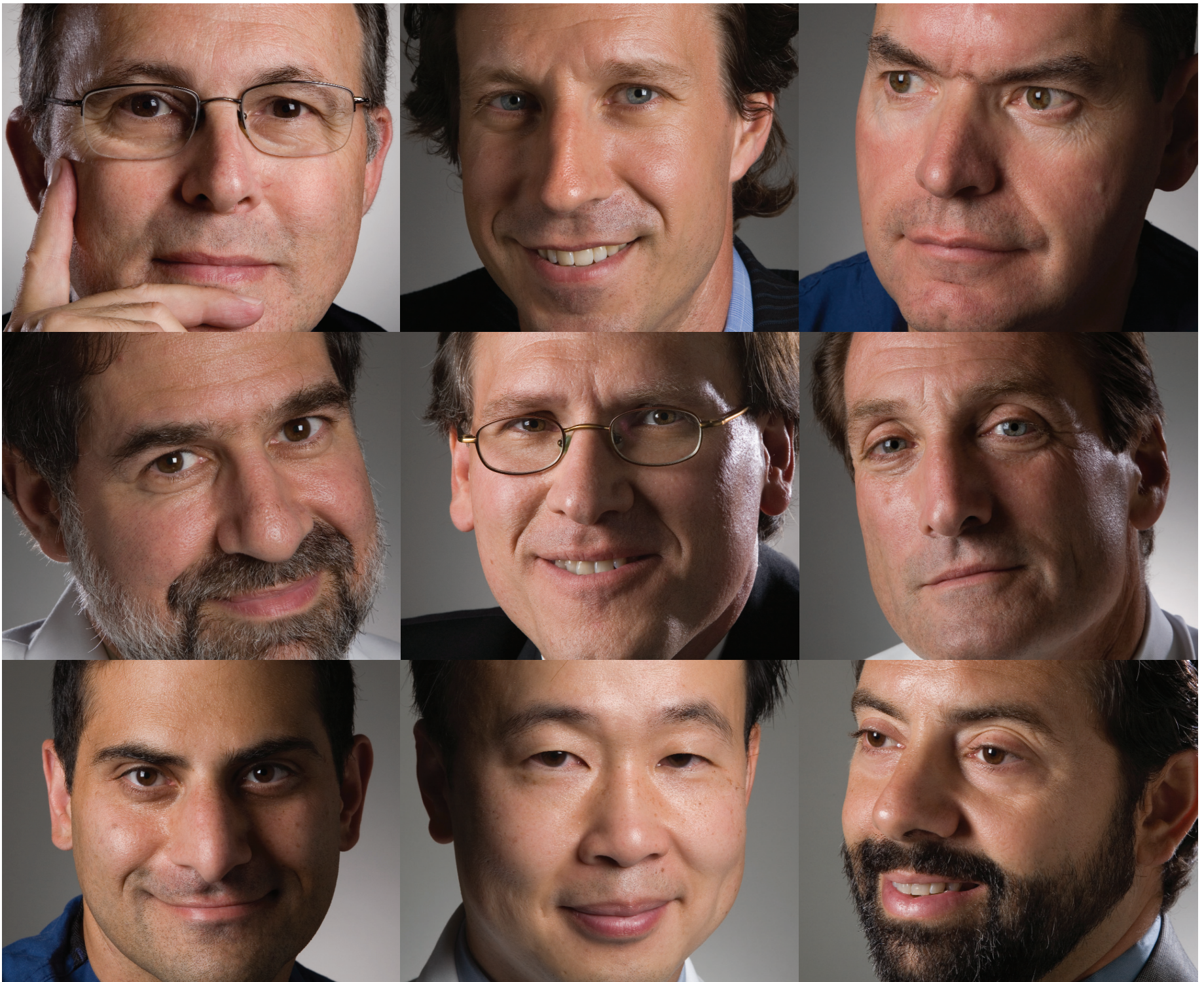
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National survey constructs a profile of diverse ordinands in Class of '07

WASHINGTON (CNS)—Results of a survey released April 30 show that the average age of the 475 priests expected to be ordained in the United States this year is 35 and one-third of this year's new priests were born in another country, primarily Vietnam, Mexico, Poland and the Philippines.

The 13 priests that make up the ordination Class of 2007 here in the Archdiocese of Newark reflect many of these national trends (see story on page 11 of this edition).

According to the national study, the ordination Class of 2007 also shows that the new priests are well educated. More than six in 10 completed college before entering the seminary and some have advanced degrees in law, medicine and education.

The annual survey of new priests initially was developed in 1998 by the U.S. bishops' Secretariat for Vocations and Priestly Formation. Last year, the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) at Georgetown University began conducting the survey for the U.S. bishops.

For this year's analysis, CARA researchers contacted

the 475 ordinands by e-mail, telephone and fax. A total of 282 ordinands responded, or roughly 60 percent. The group includes 221 who will be ordained

for dioceses and 60 for religious orders. One respondent did not specify.

Respondents represent 98 archdioceses, dioceses and

eparchies and 33 religious orders.

Seven in 10 respondents reported their primary race or ethnicity as Caucasian, European American or white. Eleven percent are Asian/Pacific Islander; 11 percent are Hispanic/Latino; and 5 percent are African-American.

According to the survey report, nearly all of the new priests have been Catholic since birth; 6 percent joined the Catholic Church from mainline and evangelical Protestant traditions and one converted from Buddhism.

Half of the ordinands attended Catholic elementary school, as have almost half of all U.S. Catholics, the report said. They attended Catholic high school and college in

larger numbers than the overall U.S. adult Catholic population.

About two-thirds of the ordinands had full-time work experience, primarily in education, before entering the seminary. On average, nearly one in 10 served in the U.S. Armed Forces, with several men indicating that the U.S.-led Iraq War directly impacted them.

Although several of the ordinands have had teaching experience, the others hail from a wide range of professions. The group includes a former attorney, an accountant, an architect, the vice president of an advertising agency, a bank vice president, a professional musician and a practicing psychologist. Two of the seminarians are pilots.



Advocate photo — Ward Miele

The hands holding rosary beads belong to the Class of 2006 ordinandi in the Archdiocese of Newark. The photo was taken in the garden of the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart last year, just before the Saturday morning ordination Mass. Last year's class of new archdiocesan priests, which totaled 17 men, was the largest in the nation.

Msgr. O'Leary to celebrate five decades in priesthood

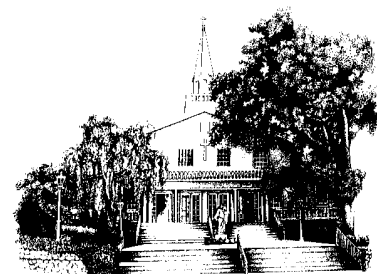
WYCKOFF—Rev. Msgr. Thomas M. O'Leary will celebrate 50 years as a priest in the Archdiocese of Newark on Sunday, June 3, with a special liturgy at 12:45 p.m. at St. Elizabeth's Parish where he was pastor for 15 years.

Father Thomas A. Dente, director of the archdiocesan Worship Office will serve as the homilist and Msgr. O'Leary will be the principal celebrant.

Msgr. O'Leary was ordained a priest on May 25, 1957 by Archbishop Thomas A. Boland in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

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Holy Name excels in quality review by J.D. Powers

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Power and Associates National Hospital Service Performance Study, the Outpatient Service Performance Study and the Emergency Performance Study.

The telephone-based research focused on five key drivers of patient satisfaction with their overall hospital experience. These drivers, which were identified in the national studies, included: dignity and respect; speed and efficiency; comfort; information and communication; and emotional support.

"Based on the rigorous standards of our national hospital service performance research, only 20 percent of the hospitals in the nation will be qualified to achieve this distinction," said David Stefan, the executive di-

rector of the Healthcare Division of J.D. Power and Associates. "Holy Name Hospital is among an elite class of hospitals."

Holy Name Hospital, a 361-bed acute-care medical center, exceeded the national benchmark study score for overall inpatient, outpatient and emergency department satisfaction by a significant margin. Inpatients also gave high marks on the speed and efficiency of the hospital, particularly on the availability of the doctor and the nurses' performance of their regular duties.

Outpatient performance at Holy Name was highest compared to the national study on the information and communication patients receive, espe-

cially on the primary caregiver's ability to explain their condition and treatment and on the clear explanation of how to manage their care after leaving the facility. Similar to the inpatient experience, providing patient with a comfortable experience was highly rated.

The emergency department at Holy Name performed well on treating patients with dignity and respect. Courtesy from both the radiology staff and the doctor are highly rated. In addition, Holy Name did well in the

area of overall information and communication. In particular, it showed the greatest difference from the national norm in explaining how to manage their care after leaving the emergency room and in the availability of the doctor.

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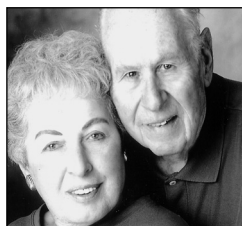
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HEARTY EFFORT—Kindergarten and seventh grade students at St. Paul Interparochial School in Ramsey participated in the American Heart Association's fund-raising program: "Jump Rope for Heart" (Web site: www.americanheart.org/presenter.jhtml?identifier=2360). Among those taking part in the heart-healthy activities were (left to right) Aidan Youngs, Tomas Todisco, Nicholas Carapezza, Tyler Donigian, and Brendan Brown.

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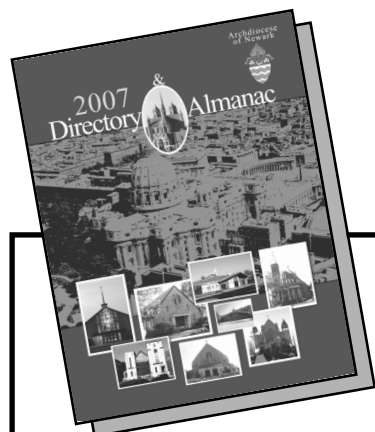
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Mary Higgins Clark to speak at Stewardship event

NEWARK—The Archdiocese of Newark will host its annual Stewardship Day on Saturday, Nov. 3, at Paramus Catholic Regional High School, 425 Paramus Rd., Paramus.

Mary Higgins Clark, renowned author of suspense novels and an active member of the Catholic community, will serve as the keynote speaker for the event. A resident of New York, Clark has

written 24 novels since 1975, which have sold more than 80 million copies.

A Spanish track at the Stewardship Day event also will be offered with Father John J. Galeano, parochial vicar of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Jersey City, as the keynote speaker for that segment. Father Galeano participated as a featured speaker at the third-annual Hispanic

Stewardship Day event, which was held March 24 at the Archdiocesan Center.

As a related activity, the archdiocesan Stewardship Office will sponsor three stewardship contests for youths, which will be launched in September. The first will be an art contest for students in grades three through five. The art must depict the true meaning of being a good and prayerful steward of

Jesus Christ, including the giving of "time, talent and treasure."

The second contest will focus on essays that explain the meaning of being a good Steward. Students in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades will be eligible. The third contest will involve essays that describe a stewardship volunteer activity completed within the past year, either as an individual or as a group. Students in grades nine through 12 are eligible.

Students enrolled in Catholic schools and religious education programs within the Archdiocese of Newark automatically qualify to enter the contests. Monetary prizes will be awarded to the schools or parishes attended by the winners.

Further details on stewardship activities will be announced in early September. Contact Lynn Gully, the associate director of stewardship and special projects for the archdiocesan Development Office, at (973) 497-4589 for more information.



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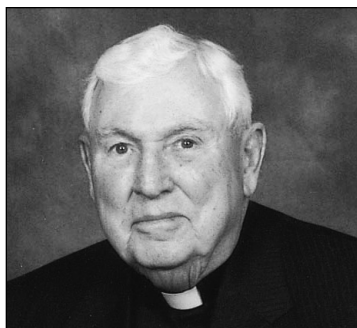
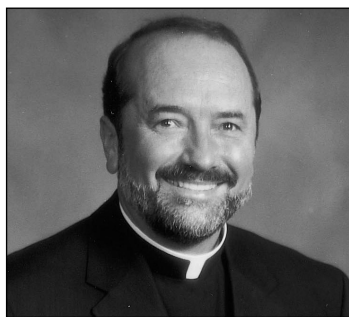
NEWARK'S EFFORTS SALUTED—Sharon Reilly-Tobin (left), director of the Emergency Food and Nutrition Network (EFNN), presented a certificate of merit for Newark's outstanding participation in the federal School Breakfast Program to Carolyn and Cary Booker (middle, right)—the parents of Mayor Cory Booker—on May 4 at City Hall. Sponsored by the EFNN and Meeting Needs with Dignity (MEND), the presentation was part of the fourth-annual Essex County "Walk to End Hunger" event that raises awareness and funds for families who come to food pantries for help. EFNN, a unit of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark, supports a network of 75 emergency food pantries in Essex, Bergen, Union and Hudson counties. Newark ranks number one in the state for providing breakfast to all children, regardless of family income.

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Rahway parish enjoys the enthusiasm of many volunteers at ministry fair

RAHWAY—It was a day to celebrate parishioner enthusiasm.

More than 25 people signed up for various ministries and educational offerings at a ministry fair held recently after Sunday masses at St. Mary Parish.

"I call that a success," Rose Henderson, chairperson of the event, said.

Carolyn Gering, chairperson of the Sandwich Project for the Needy, agreed. "Six people signed up at my table," Gering said.

"Even if each person made 12 sandwiches that would be great."

About 10 people signed up for the eucharistic ministry, with a special emphasis on hospital and geriatrics visitations, which are coordinated for the parish by Tony Hudzik. Other areas of interest were Bible study, folk group and the lector ministry.

"My daughter signed up to be a lector," Cheryl Picard, administrative assistant with the parish's Religious Education Center, said.

The center spearheaded the event.

The parish's Religious Education Office, under the direction of Theresa Mikajlo, joined forces with Janice Fech, director of music/liturgy; Janice McEwen, the director of parish youth minister; and Brother Bill Lavigne, director of adult faith formation to give a comprehensive ministerial presentation to parishioners.

"I felt it was important to bring all our ministries together where parishioners could see the full strength of our services to the community, while at the same time encourage others to join our ranks. The fair seemed the perfect way," Mikajlo noted.

The event reflected the recent call by Archbishop John J. Myers for laypeople to enlist in their parish activities, based on their areas of interest and professional expertise (see *The Catholic Advocate*, May 9).

As a backdrop to the floor activities during the fair, a "Power Point" slide show of past parish events, put together by Mikajlo, flashed across the screen on the auditorium stage. The slide show soon became the highlight of the day as parishioners enjoyed seeing photos of themselves and their friends.

"It became more than an informational fair," said Mikajlo.

Nearly 20 ministries under the cluster groups of word, worship, service and parish life were represented. Information tables included eucharistic ministry, lectors, education (children and adult), catechists, ushers, music liturgy, choir, outreach, hospital visitation and geriatrics, right-to-life, the sandwich project, maintenance, stewardship, parish activities, folk group, and youth ministry (youth group, altar servers).

Henderson knew the day was a success when Allan Martin, a parishioner, tapped her on the shoulder and asked: "Are you the chairman?" She told him she was. "Can I give you a suggestion?" Martin asked. "Do more of these."

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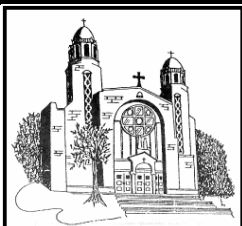
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Program explores forensics

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The program accentuates the usefulness of the social, behavioral and physical sciences in understanding and exploring criminal behavior and answering legal questions.

Dr. Marylee Reynolds, professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice, said students enrolled in the program “will develop an informed appreciation for and basic familiarity with forensics so that they will be better prepared to make an informed decision.”

“The certificate program will provide students with a competitive edge in their careers,” Reynolds said.

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TROPHY TIME—The forensics team from St. Francis Academy of Union City captured first place at the Hudson Catholic Regional High School Forensics Tournament. The annual speech and debate tournament featured 108 students who participated in drama, declamation, oral interpretation, original oratory and duo interpretation. Accepting the first-place trophy are (left to right) Sister Dora Sartino, president of St. Francis Academy, Gia Lombardo, forensics moderator and Sister Eilish Kelly, math teacher.

Immaculate Conception lauds nine Honor Society students

LODI—The Mother Angela Chapter of the National Honor Society at Immaculate Conception High School recently inducted nine new members at an evening candlelight ceremony.

Immaculate Conception students selected included: Ashley Crandall and Jacqueline Zygadlo (class of 2007); Elizabeth De Carlo, Casey Dotson, Ricci DiGirolamo, Jaclyn McLaughlin, Megha Mehta, Ellen Pulsinelle and Danielle Petrizzo (class of 2009); Rebecca Pianese, Felicia Ramirez and Christina Sawires (class of 2008).

Students must possess the qualities of scholarship, leadership, service and character in order to be eligible for membership.

HOBY leadership group taps Holuba of Bergen Catholic

ORADELL—Jack Holuba, a sophomore at Bergen Catholic High School, has been chosen to represent the school at the Hugh O'Brian Youth (“HOB”) Leadership Seminar.

A panel of faculty members selected Holuba, who will attend the HOB seminar in June at Georgian Court University in Lakewood.

Recently named to the school's “Principal's List” (a student who maintains an academic average of at least 95), Holuba is a member of the Blessed Edmund Rice Scholars and the school's Red and Gold Club. He also was a starting offensive lineman for the school's varsity football team and is a member of the lacrosse program.

The mission of HOB (Web site: www.hoby.org) is to recognize and develop leadership potential in high school students. HOB fulfills its purpose through a series of unique programs during which students are introduced to distinguished leaders of the community from various sectors



Jack Holuba

of society (such as business, technology, education, government, arts and science).

HOB participants get a realistic look at their nation, its people and their own role in the world community. The seminars are designed to teach students to think critically; to enhance their leadership skills; to learn more about free enterprise; and to discover that they are not alone in their desire to lead.



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