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Charity TRUTH



Encyclical cites human value in economic plans

Pope Benedict XVI, in his new encyclical "Caritas in Veritate" ("Charity in Truth") stresses that ethical values are needed to overcome the global financial meltdown. The Vatican released the encyclical July 7. Charity, the pope wrote, is essential for building sustainable economic development as well as a just, moral society. "The primary capital to be safeguarded and valued is man—the human person in his or her integrity." Visit The Catholic Advocate's Web site to click on a link that provides the entire document. A news recap and analysis of the pope's social encyclical can be found on page 4.

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Sister Loretta bids fond farewell, plans journey to Midwest

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

KEARNY—After four "wonderful" years as the associate director of parish outreach and training at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center, Sister Loretta DeDomenicis, F.M.A., is leaving her beloved post and heading west.

Along with three other Salesian Sisters, Sr. Loretta will minister in St. Charles, IL, working in young adult ministry and adult faith formation at Saint Patrick Parish. Located about 45 minutes west of Chicago, the parish is booming with 4,500 families and faithful young adults.

"The last four years at the Youth Retreat Center have been a gift from God. I will miss it so much," Sr. Loretta said. "I hope the distance between New Jersey and Illinois gets smaller and smaller."

When first arriving at the Kearny center, she eagerly dove into working with young adults and felt right at home. "I was supposed to start my position in August, but I couldn't wait so I came in July," she recalled. "I fell in love with the place and felt it was perfect for me. There was great ministry already here. These young adults were just waiting to be tapped into. The center is a holy place and I feel like God is here. It is a prayerful and fun place to gather."

Through her leadership, Young Adult Month was formed and Theology on Tap blossomed in the archdiocese. Held in January, Young Adult Month spiritually and sociality engages young adults with retreats, workshops and a trip to the March for Life in Washington D.C.

"I heard about young adults taking leadership in lay ministry in their parishes. When the first Young Adult Month started in 2006, I was amazed at the number of people who showed up. There was this incredible sense of Church present here."

The young leaders who frequent the Youth Retreat Center are saddened by Sr. Loretta's departure, but are grateful for the indelible mark she leaves on their faith. On June 19, a celebration was held in the dining hall of the center and everyone shared their love and support for Sr. Loretta and wished her well.

"The young people are disappointed that I am leaving, but many have said that I have empowered them to do more. I feel like I have received more than I have given. These young adults continue to inspire me. The young adults are like the flowers growing out of the rocks. In a culture

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Advocate photo - Melissa McNall

Sister Loretta DeDomenicis, reflecting in the gardens of the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center, shared her joy from working with young adults. Sister Marilyn Minter, C.S.S.F., the former campus minister at Immaculate Conception High School and director of music and liturgy for the Felician Sisters in Lodi, will replace Sr. Loretta at the Kearny center.

Prestigious award helps 'renew' Sr. Alice's zest to serve others



Sister Alice Yohe

BY MELISSA MCNALLY Staff Writer

ROSELLE—For her years of service with RENEW International, Sister Alice Yohe, S.S.J., was honored with the organization's "President's Award" on June 4.

Sr. Alice was executive assistant to RENEW International founder/president Msgr. Tom Kleissler for 23 years and still volunteers as the organization's archivist. She is also director of religious education at Saint Joseph the Carpenter Parish, Roselle, and volunteers as administrative assistant to the school's principal.

"Sr. Alice is an incredible gift to the Church, both locally and far beyond our archdiocese," Msgr. Kleissler said. "She was often the face of RENEW and the person people first came in contact with. Her pleasant and winning ways guided them. She is a great factor in the tremendous growth of RENEW in her time."

When first asked to accept the President's Award, Sr. Alice was hesitant. "I was humbled by the nomination. At first, I had to think it through. I am very pleased to receive the award and I accept it on behalf of all the religious Sisters who have dedicated their service to RENEW," she explained.

For Sr. Alice, the organization brings the faithful closer to the Church and she is grateful to aid in the mission. Based in Plainfield, RENEW works to revitalize parish life and faith communities through-

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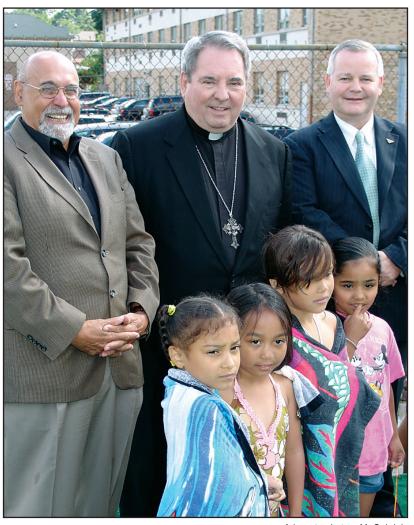
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SMILES—Archbishop John J. Myers (center) toured the CYO Summer Day Camp at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center. Kearny, on July 9. He was joined by Angelo J. Genova (left), a partner with the Newark law firm Genova. Burns & Vernoia, and David Jones, president of the State Troopers Fraternal Association of New Jersey, Manasquan. Genova and Jones will be honored at the 17th annual Archbishop's Business and Labor Recognition Reception, which will be held Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at Mayfair Farms, West Orange. Each year the

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Msgr. Joseph Chiang shared a happy moment with his grand niece, Teresa Jiang, who attended the Mass at Saint John Vianney Residence, Rutherford, earlier this year to celebrate Msgr. Chiang's golden jubilee. Jiang recently graduated from the College of Saint Elizabeth, Morristown.

A long road marks golden journey for Msgr. Joseph Chiang

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE **Editor**

t was, in many ways, a golden moment for Msgr. Joseph Chiang when members of his family were on hand to celebrate the 50th anniversary of his ordination during a Mass at Saint John Vianney Retirement Home, Rutherford, earlier this year.

Having family members there to mark his five decades in the priesthood was especially significant for Msgr. Chaing. Fifty years ago, when he was ordained a priest in Manila, Philippines, his family members, unfortunately, were not able to attend.

"It is a great joy for me," Msgr. Chiang said standing with his family members following the Mass at Saint John Vianney. However, at the same time, he also thought of those relatives who were not present, especially his "dearest aunt," Sister Anna Tchang, a member of the Sisters of Saint Paul DeCharteres in Hong Kong, who died in 1996. "She was the most influential person to me," he said.

Another family member unable to attend the Mass was his own sister, Sister Mary Chiang, O.P., who celebrated her own 50th anniversary of religious service last year in Macau—an island located off the southeast coast of China, about 40 miles from Hong Kong, where she teaches at a school for 3,000 students.

Archbishop Emeritus Peter L.

Gerety presided at Msgr. Chiang's joyful anniversary on March 15, which included many other retired priests who live at the southern Bergen County residence. The following day, Msgr. Chiang celebrated a Solemn Mass at Saint Joseph Parish, 5 Monroe St., which is located in New York City's Chinatown district. Msgr. Chiang maintained an office at this parish's school for five years, which became the home base for his work to counsel Chinese immigrants in the Big Apple.

Msgr. Chiang's path to the priesthood spans 50 years and thousands of miles. He was born in Fuzhou City, China, on Jan. 30, 1931. At the age of 18 he left his hometown in mainland China and went to Hong Kong, where he joined the Dominican Order. Eventually he was sent him to Manila to complete his theological

Following his ordination in Manila, he relocated in Kaohsiung City, Taiwan 1960 where he taught English at Saint Dominic High School for three years. While in Kaohsiung City he also taught as a professor of Catholic Religion History at Saint Joseph's Seminary until 1967. That year he traveled to the United States and, in 1970, earned a master's degree in the Department of Modern Language at Catholic University of America, Washington D.C.

Highlights on Msgr. Chiang's resume include working as the co-

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Pope eyes moral undercurrents of economics

Pope Benedict XVI's new encyclical, Caritas in Veritate ("Charity in Truth"), breaks new ground on topics such as globalization, commerce and morality and the concept of putting one's wealth at the service of the poor, according to Catholic scholars and Church leaders.

Commentators said the 30,000word document—released July 7 at the Vatican-takes on a variety of issues not previously addressed in such a comprehensive way.

Vincent Miller, associate pro-

fessor of theology at Georgetown University, Washington, said Pope Benedict "rejects the dominant vision of economics as abstract, technological efficiency and calls for a 're-visioning' of economics as an essentially moral undertaking."

"His complex thought does not fit easily into our political map, but there is no doubt that Benedict is much more critical of contemporary economics than any political party in our country," Miller said.

Bishop Michael P. Driscoll of Boise, Idaho, said the encyclical

will be particularly helpful in these "difficult times for the poor in Idaho or anywhere around the world. The Holy Father, who has seen the terrible toll these times have taken, has given us a new vision on which to build a 'just' economy, where all can thrive, not merely the rich and powerful. We cannot achieve true prosperity unless it is built upon a foundation of justice and care for all, including the poor."

Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron of Detroit said people in southeast Michigan "are living through profound changes in the social and economic fabric of our community. All of us citizens, and especially our leaders, need to make wise and farsighted decisions in order to lay the foundation for the better future we want to hand on to succeeding generations.

"The Holy Father's new encyclical, as the latest application of the Church's social teaching, offers an important resource for us in the great project we are engaged in," Archbishop Vigneron said. "In particular, it will give us guidance about how to build a society that is grounded in the foundational truths about the human person, wisdom for a future that advances the true dignity and real progress of every individual."

Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl of Washington said the encycli-

cal is "very welcome and particularly timely as our political and economic leaders struggle to address the devastating global economic crisis." Archbishop Wuerl said the document states that "responsibility does not stop at a nation's borders nor does it fall solely to political leaders. Universal human truths about human dignitv transcend geographic, economic and political boundaries."

Terrence Tilley, who chairs the theology department at Fordham University, New York, and is immeof the Catholic cal at the Vatican July 6.

Theological Society of America, said the encyclical makes a 'pedagogical attempt to get people out of the mindset that charity is just giving money to those poor people 'over there." The pope rejects such a dismissive attitude, he said.

Cardinal Francis E. George of Chicago, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, said the encyclical provides guidance for finding answers to the social, economic

diate past president Pope Benedict XVI signs a copy of his encycli-

and moral questions of the contemporary world in a search for truth. The document offers sound reflections on the vocation of human development as well as on the moral principles on which a global economy must be based, he added.

(Editor's note: Visit The Catholic Advocate's Web site, www.rcan.org/advocate, to click on a link to the Vatican's Web site, which provides the full text of the pope's encyclical).



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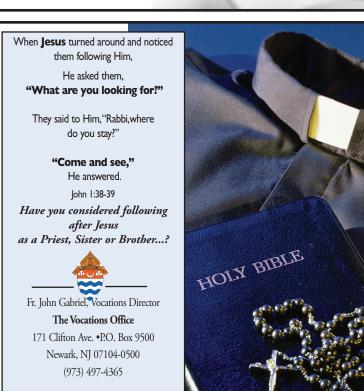
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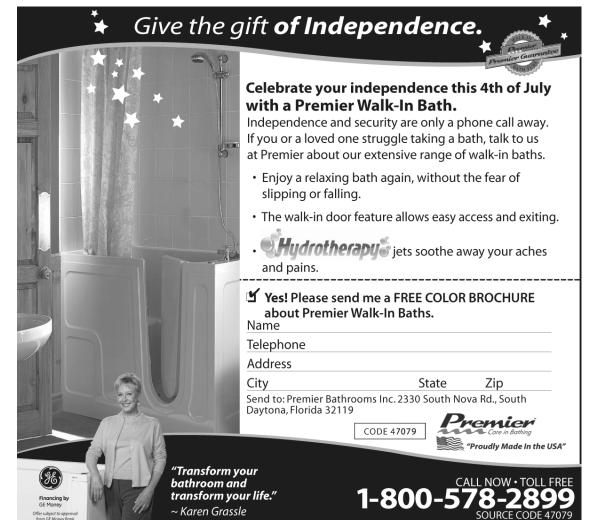
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Schools Office congratulates archdiocesan Bloustein scholars

AREA—The Schools' Office of the Archdiocese of Newark has released the names of the academic year's Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars.

To qualify for the academic honor, students must place in the top 10 percent of their class and have a minimum combined SAT score of 1260 (critical reasoning and math), or are ranked first, second or third in their class, as of the end of their junior year. The 187 Distinguished Scholars for the 2008-2009 academic year received award offers of up to \$1,000 annually.

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Most Reverend John W. Flesey, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark and pastor of Most Blessed Sacrament Parish, Franklin Lakes, has been reappointed a Consultor of the Archdiocese of Newark for a five-year term effective July 1.

Reverend Monsignor Richard Arnhols, Vicar for Pastoral Life and pastor of Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Bergenfield, has been reappointed a Consultor of the Archdiocese of Newark for a five-year term, effective Sept. I.

Very Reverend Joseph S. Bejgrowicz, V.F., pastor of Saint Theresa Parish, Kenilworth, and Dean of the Union North Deanery, Deanery 23, has been reappointed a Consultor of the Archdiocese of Newark for a fiveyear term, effective Sept. 1.

Reverend Joseph Ferraro, pastor of Saint Anthony Parish (Belleville), Newark, has been reappointed a Consultor of the Archdiocese of Newark for a fiveyear term effective Aug. I.

Reverend Monsignor Edward G. Bradley, Minister for Retired Priests, has been appointed to the Presbyteral Council of the Archdiocese of Newark, effective July 1.

Reverend Monsignor Kevin Hanbury, Vicar for Education and Superintendent of Schools, has been reappointed to the Presbyteral Council of the Archdiocese of Newark for a three-year term, effective Sept. 17 ending Aug. 31, 2012.

Reverend Marc Vicari, Vicar for Family Life, has been reappointed to the Presbyteral Council of the Archdiocese of Newark for a three-year term, effective Sept. 17 ending Aug. 31, 2012.

Reverend Monsignor Ronald J. Rozniak, pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood, has been reappointed to the Finance Council of the Archdiocese of Newark for a five-year term, effective Sept. I.

PASTOR

Reverend Jose Amante M. Abalon, pastor of Holy Cross Mission, Grand Turks Island, BWI, has been reappointed to a second three-year term ending June 30, 2012.

Reverend Monsignor Ronald J. Rozniak, pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood, has been reappointed to a third six-year term as pastor ending June 30, 2015.

Reverend Clement M. Krug, CSsR, parochial vicar of Saint

lames Parish, Newark, has been appointed pastor effective July 15.

PASTOR EMERITUS

Reverend Monsignor Thomas A. McCarthy has been named pastor emeritus of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Washington Township, effective immediately.

SUMMER PAROCHIAL VICAR

Reverend Almas Archangelus has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Assumption Parish, Emerson, effective July I through Aug. 31.

Reverend Devis Chenginiyaden has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Saint Mary Parish, Dumont, effective July 1 through Aug. 15.

Reverend Wilson Chu has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Bergenfield, effective July 1 through Sept. 30.

Reverend Amrafil M. **Gadon, Jr.,** has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Nutley, effective July I through Sept. 30.

Reverend Kingsley Ihejirika

has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Holy Name of Jesus Parish, East Orange, effective July I through Sept. 30.

Reverend Alphonse Kabore

has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Saint Agnes Parish, Clark, effective July I through Sept. 30.

Reverend Mathew Kallinkel

has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Saint James Parish, Springfield, effective July 1 through Aug. 31.

Reverend Jude Likori Omukaga has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Nativity Parish, Midland Park, and Saint Luke Parish, HoHoKus, effective July I through Sept. 30.

Reverend Noel G. Rabago has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Ascension Parish, New Milford, effective July I through Sept. 30.

Reverend Shamas Simon has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Saint Mary Parish, Nutley, effective July I through Aug. 31.

Reverend Ravindranath Jose Talari has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Sacred Heart Parish, North Bergen, effective July I through Sept. 30

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Reverend Richard Tan has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Saint Mary, Star of the Sea Parish, Bayonne, effective July I through Aug. 31.

Reverend Hippoletus

Toppo has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Mountainside, effective July I through Sept. 30.

Reverend Kazimierz Torla

has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish, Linden, effective June 26 through Aug. 31.

Reverend Gregorio M.

Uanan has been appointed summer parochial vicar of Our Lady of Victories Parish, Jersey City, effective July 1 through Aug. 31.

CHAPLAIN

Reverend Monsignor Venantius Fernando, Pastor of Christ the King Parish, Hillside, has been appointed chaplain for the Hillside Police Department, effective immediately.





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AREA—The weather is hot, the month is July and the delicious aroma of Italian food is floating on the breeze; it must be the season for outdoor festivals at parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Newark.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 259 Oliver St., Newark, will host its 119th annual feast July 16-19, 6-11 p.m., featuring a July 17 healing Mass at 7 p.m., celebrated by Most Rev. Nicholas DiMarzio, the Bishop of Brooklyn, NY. The feast includes candlelight processions, food and musical performances. Call (973) 589-2090 for details.

Saint Ann's Parish, 7th and Jefferson streets (Saint Ann's Square), Hoboken, will kick off its 99th annual Italian festival July 22-26. The event runs 6-11 p.m. July 22-25 (Wednesday

through Saturday) and noon to 11 p.m. on Sunday, July 26.

A procession will weave through the streets of Hoboken July 26 immediately following the noon feast-day Mass. Call (201) 659-1114 for more information.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 94 Pine St., Montclair, will celebrate its namesake summer festival July 17-19. The event will run 6-10 p.m. on Friday, July 17, and 4-10 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, July 18 and 19. A special Mass will be celebrated July 19 at 10 a.m.

Featured performers at the Montclair festival include NJ troubadour Uncle Floyd Vivino on July 19 at 8 p.m., and Shirley Alston Reeves—the original lead singer of the legendary 1960s girl group, the Shirelles—on July 18 at 8 p.m. Call (973) 744-1074 for more information.

NOVENAS

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

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

P.C.

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by Your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your devine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers. Say for nine mornings for anything you may desire. It has never been known to fail, so be sure you really want what you ask.

J.M.C.

PRAYER TO ST. CHRISTOPHER

O Glorious St. Christopher you have inherited a beautiful name. Christbearer, as a result of the wonderful legend that while carrying people across a raging stream you also carried the Child Jesus. Teach us to be true Christbearers to those who do not know Him. Protect all of us that travel both near and far and petition Jesus to be with us always Amen.

R.C.

PRAYER TO ST. THERESA

Oh Glorious Saint Theresa, whom almighty God has raised up to aid and counsel mankind. I invite your miraculous intercession. So powerful are you obtaining every need of body and soul, our Holy Mother Church proclaims you a "Prodigy of Miracles." Now fervently I beseech you to answer my petition (mention here) and carry out your promise of doing good upon earth of letting fall from heaven a shower of roses. Henceforth, Dear little flower, I will fulfill your plea to be made known everywhere and I will never cease to lead others to Jesus through you. Amen. (Say prayer everyday for 9 days. By 4th day, ask for a sign. If prayers are to be answered, between 4th and 9th day, you will see a rose in magazine, TV picture or receive roses. You can also get a strong scent of roses in home even if no roses present. Must promise publication. Thank you.)

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A special prayer of thanksgiving to St. Jude for answering my prayer. All glory to God for His mercy and grace in the lives of His faithful. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. Triune God–Father, Son, and Holy Spirit–pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, continue to pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, always pray for us. May we be forever grateful for the intercession of St. Jude in our times of need. Amen. Published in a true spirit of gratitude to Almighty God. Thank you, St. Jude.

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Msgr. Chiang

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ordinator for the archdiocesan Chinese Catholic Apostolate from 1979 to 1990. Prior to that he served for three years as the vicar general for the Chinese Dominican Order in Taiwan. He was the representative of the Holy See to North American for the Chinese Apostolate (1985-88) and is the founder of the Sino-American Club of New Jersey.

Msgr. Chiang was the parochial vicar at Holy Rosary Parish, Jersey City, for 20 years (1970-90). He then served as pastor for the parish for five years before retiring on July 1, 2003.

Over the years, during his travels throughout Asia and North America, Msgr. Chiang has communicated his ministry to the faithful in English, Spanish, Italian, Latin as well as five Chinese dialects.

As he reflected on his 50 years in the priesthood, he shared some thoughts in a written statement. He offered thanks to God that, after two cancers and other illnesses, he was able to celebrate his golden jubilee Mass. "Let us do our best in the days ahead," he wrote. "Let us pray that our future will be a better world, so that all of us can live in safety, joy, happiness and peace."

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Celebrating the ministry of Msgr. Wojtycha

BY FATHER JOHN J. CRYAN Special to The Catholic Advocate

(Father John J. Cryan, the pastor of Our Lady of Mercy, Jersey City, submitted the following article as a remembrance and appreciation for his "dear mentor and friend" Rev. Msgr. Edward F. Wojtycha, who died June 8 in Stuart, FL, at the age of 95. Last year Msgr. Wojtycha celebrated the 70-year anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. He was the oldest priest of the Archdiocese of Newark.)

ev. Msgr. Edward F. Wojtycha was the beloved son of the late Frank and Marie (Zablocki) Wojtycha; the brother of the late Chester Wojtycha and Dr. Bernard J. Wattiker; the beloved uncle of Dr. Edward B. Wojtycha, Anne Ciesla, Katherine Olivette,

Wattiker, Paula Majors, Peter Wattiker and Barbara Stellway.

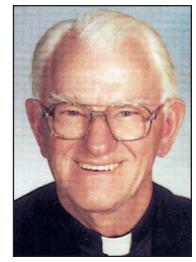
Born in Jersey City, Msgr. Wojtycha graduated from Saint Peter's Prep, Jersey City; Seton Hall University, South Orange; and continued studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington. He was ordained June 11, 1938 and said his first Mass of Thanksgiving at Our Lady of Victories, Jersey City.

Msgr. Wojtycha served in three parishes during his priestly career. His first assignment was Saint Vincent de Paul Parish, Bayonne, from 1938 to 1963, where he was an administrator for seven years. In 1963 Archbishop Thomas A Boland appointed Msgr. Wojtycha as the founding pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Jersey City, where he served until his appointment as pastor of Saint Andrew's Parish, Bayonne, in 1970.

He ministered to the faithful of the Bergen Point area of Bayonne until his retirement in 1985. Two years earlier Pope John Paul II had elevated him to the rank of domestic prelate.

Pastoral administration was among the strongest of his many gifts. Throughout his extraordinary ministry, Msgr. Wojtycha saw the "burning of mortgages" of Saint Vincent de Paul Parish and Our Lady of Mercy Parish. In addition, his consistent priestly witness allowed 29 young men to hear the call to ordained ministry.

Besides being a hard-working pastor, Msgr. Wojtycha was a member of the Archdiocese of Newark's Assessment and Review



Msgr. Edward Wojtycha

Board. He assisted in the formation of the archdiocese's first Priests Personnel Board.

Reaching out to the community at large, he served as auxiliary naval chaplain at the Bayonne naval base and was named "Man of the Year" from organizations such as the state and national Junior Chamber of Commerce; Kiwanis; Rotary; Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree; Disabled War Veterans; and American Legion. He received the NJ "Governor's Award" and is cited in the records of the U.S. Congress and NJ State Legislature. He also received the VFW National Youth Award.

Of all his exceptional achievements, his most cherished was the founding of the Saint Vincent's Drum and Bugle Corps. The corps won 10 national championships and 22 state championships.

The corps had the honor of marching in the inaugurations of presidents Truman, Eisenhower and Kennedy. For all of this, Msgr. Wojtycha was elected to the National Drum Corps Hall of Fame as well as the New Jersey and Massachusetts drum corps halls of fame.

(Editor's note: Archbishop Emeritus Peter L. Gerety presided at the Mass of Christian Burial for Msgr. Wojtycha at Saint Vincent de Paul Parish on June 15.)

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Sr. Loretta

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of death, they are vibrant and full of life; they energize me and give me passion," she explained.

During her time at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center, Sr. Loretta organized a monthly Festival of Praise. Held at a different parish every month, young adults participated in Eucharistic Adoration with music and social activities. The Kearny center also had workshops on creating a young adultresponsive parish. She credits priests and bishops of the archdiocese for reaching out to young people.

"Young adults want to gather, but they need a pastor and a community that is open to them. The archdiocese has been so open and priests have shown great enthusiasm. Some parishes are under financial straits and cannot hire a full-time youth minister. We have tried to support and train these parishes.'

Sr. Loretta cites Âl Forsythe, director of youth and young adult ministry, as a major influence in her work at the Kearny center. "I am grateful to have worked in an environment open to ideas. Al likes when there is life and enthusiasm.'

Forsythe believes young people responded well to Sr. Loretta due to her genuine and welcoming spirit. "She has a passion for young adult ministry. She affirmed the young adults' gifts and empowered them. She makes young people feel like the work they are doing is important."

Sr. Loretta is proud to have helped young adults connect with other faithful youth. As a result of the sense of community at the Youth Retreat Center, two young women have entered the order of Salesian Sisters and five young couples who bonded at the center plan on getting married. She hopes that young adults continue to grow in their

"I am grateful for my four years here and I feel like I have touched the grace of God. I

hope the ministry continues and that the young adults continue to develop their gifts. I want them to keep the fire burning and let nothing stop them in God's plan for their lives.'

She encourages young adults not to be afraid and continue on in their mission to spread the Gospel. Content with being behind-the-scenes, Sr. Loretta is appreciative of the work of youth ministers who volunteered their time and talent to the center. "I like to motivate others. I'm not the one that does all the work. I don't want to think everything will fall apart because I am not here. Each person uses their gifts."



Al Forsythe, director of youth and young adult ministry, said it would be a "seamless transition" as Sr. Marilyn (left) assumes the duties of Sr. Loretta at the Kearny center, noting they have the "same infectious enthusiasm."



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Bloustein scholars

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McAuliffe, Christopher Nelson, Nicholas Santangelo, Charles Stewart, Michael Van Dorn, Anthony Wassef, John Wiet, David Williams, Peter Wojtal

Saint Vincent Academy,

Duran.

Newark—Rachel Georges, Morit Segui, Melissa Silva Lacordaire Academy, Upper Montclair—Abigal Saunders, Laura Urbanovich, Lindsay

LOCKS OF LOVE—Kathleen McQuillan, who just completed her sophomore year at Union Catholic Regional High School, Scotch Plains, recently donated 10 inches of her hair to "Locks of Love," a program that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children battling longterm medical conditions that cause hair loss. McQuillan is a member of the school's lacrosse and soccer teams and participates in the service club and gospel choir.



Saint Dominic Academy, Jersey City—Rachael Campbell, Alison Hernandez, Lydia Mokaya, Radha Nayak, Payal

Shah, Mitali Thakore

Marist High School, Bayonne—

Diana Betancur, Karina Sabas,
Nicholas Silva

Saint Mary's High School, Jersey City—Lianne Garcia, Tracy



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Soriano, Melfa Moitui **Hudson Catholic Regional High School, Jersey City**—Michael Marmora, Binal Patel, Rutul Shah

Saint Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City—Joseph Candela, Sebastian Garcia, William Kender, Daniel Londono, Bryan McTiernan, James Murduca, Swetal Patel, Philip Reynolds, Craig Styles, Louis Sullivan, Jonathan Wong

Saint Anthony High School, Jersey City—Dwayne Parris, Raven Tait, Marah Tarawally

Saint Joseph of the Palisades High School, West New York— Alki Ayoub, Bernadette Lamey, Garamy Martinez

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School, Clark—Erin Croft, Amanpreet Mashiana, Victoria McCarthy, Monica Mikhiel, Chamanchandi Randhawa, Tanya Slabbert, Katrina Vidal, Ada Yeung

Roselle Catholic Regional High School, Roselle—Michelle Cocuzza, Maria Lopez, Caitlin Forde, Meghan Owens, Vanessa Pinhiero, Louise Tonic

Benedictine Academy, Elizabeth – Stefannye Barragan, Niochka



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Marist High School, 1241 Kennedy Blvd., Bayonne, celebrated the achievements of its three Bloustein Scholars (left to right): Diana Betancur, Karina Rae Sabas and Nick Silva. Brother Steve Schlitte is the principal of Marist High School, which was founded in 1954 and is owned and operated by the Marist Brothers of the Schools.

Celi, Tatiana Charles
Union Catholic Regional High
School, Scotch Plains—Steven
Berger, Chris Brown, Melissa
Carey, Gina Egidio, John
Szilagyi, Ashley Wytenus
Saint Mary of the Assumption

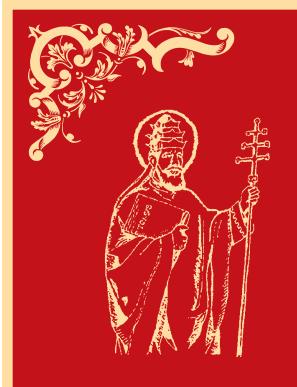
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Deanna Luis, James De La
Cruz, Smitha Thomas

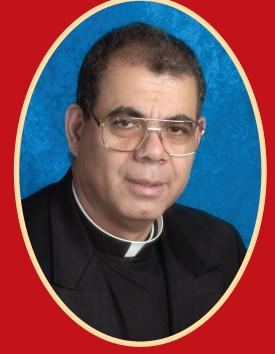
Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child, Summit—Sarah

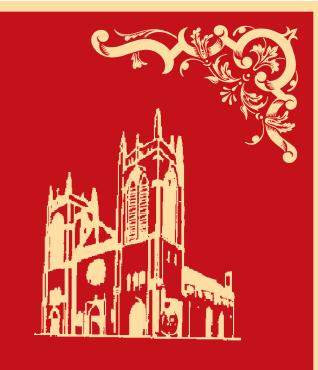
Gepicon, Lauren Stanley, Katherine Thiemer, Mary Turner

Saint Patrick High School, Elizabeth—Dean Kowalski, Veronica Rodriguez, Melissa Lomax

Oratory Preparatory School, Summit—Christopher Geissler, John Grover, Christos Kazameas, Jay Rosania, Steven Zychowski.







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The Clergy, Staff and Parishioners of St. Leo Church - Irvington, congratulate Rev. Msgr. Beaubrun Ardouin, our Pastor, and offer him heartfelt, grateful, prayerful and loving best wishes as he receives this great honor from our Holy Father.



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A WELCOME PRESENCE - Deacon Gregory C. Quinn (second row, left), director of the archdiocesan Office of Prison Ministry, poses with volunteers who minister Friday nights and Sunday mornings at the Essex County Correctional Facility in Newark. The facility has a population of 3,200-17th largest in the nation. The ministry group includes (left to right, first row), Brendan Nolan, George Bailey, Jr., Sister Faustine of Jesus, C.S.J., Anthony DeLorenzo, (second row) Deacon Quinn, David Quinn, Sister Mary Victor D.D.L., Catherine Attara-Fink, (third row) Father Marianus, C.S.J.; Yvette Lochard, Sister Mary Henrietta, D.D.L., Father Paul Nolan and Erick Fernandez. Those interested in volunteering for prison ministry can contact Deacon Quinn at GCQuinn57@aol.com.

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Service scales boundaries to help neighbors in need

TENAFLY—Fanning out to a variety of metropolitan area worksites, over 300 people participated in the second annual "Day of Service" organized by Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

'Service is a conversion, a conversion that transcends age, racial, religious, social or economic boundaries," Elliot Guerra, the director of youth ministry at the parish who founded the program, explained. Guerra praised people of faith who are taking part in this conversion, especially during the current turbulent economic climate.

Community service projects were held throughout the archdiocese, in Paterson and New York. The list included renovations at the Cranford offices of Catholic Charities; repairs at the Interfaith Fellowship Emergency Shelter in Englewood; visiting residents, cleaning windows and serving lunch at the Brightside Manor in Tenafly; scraping and painting over 100 radiators at the Paterson YMCA; and cleaning and painting the studios of Downtown Community Television in Manhattan, which provides film screenings for low-income youth.

Other projects involved repair work at Saint Paul Community Emergency Men's Shelter in Paterson; environmental cleanup along the Hackensack River; repairs and cleanup work at Siena House in the Bronx, a shelter for women and their babies; and repairing fencing and flooring at Saint Simon Parish, also in the Bronx, which is the "sister" parish Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

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Fr. McGovern leads retreat to West Virginia

CRANFORD—A recent retreat to the Appalachia region of West Virginia was "a spiritual experience of physical labor and social service," according to Father John P. McGovern, pastor of Saint Michael Parish, who led the long-distance outreach effort.

Thirty-six Union County teenagers took part in the retreat—

19 from Saint Michael's youth ministry; a dozen from Saint Theresa Parish, Kenilworth; and five from Saint Genevieve Parish, Elizabeth. Nine adults also participated including Dan DiFabio of Reynolds Plumbing, who took a week off to be with the archdiocesan ministry group and supervise the renovation and repair work.



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Father John P. McGovern (left), pastor of Saint Michael Parish in Cranford, along with volunteers Rita DellaValle (foreground) and Hanna McHugh, are pictured during a service retreat to West Virginia. One project involved renovating a bathroom to accommodate the needs of an eight-year-old boy suffering from cerebral palsy.

The annual Appalachian retreat experience is a "week-long service effort that integrates worship, life, work and our commitment to Christ by helping people," Fr. McGovern explained. The effort typically focuses on refurbishing houses and mobile trailer homes. An appeal to archdiocesan parishioners during Lent raised \$8,000 needed for materials and tools.

"The teenagers worked doing jobs they would probably never do at home or their parents would not let them attempt," Fr. McGovern said. "They worked with their hands, on their hands and knees, wore breathing and face masks, were up on the roof, often in mud and rain, on the floor and even under floor boards."

As he interacted with the teenagers during the retreat, "I realized I had to back off and let them do the work," Fr. McGovern said. "I would guide a nail or a screw into a stud and often finished the process. Whatever they were asked to do or needed to be done, they did it willingly."

Three work sites were established during the retreat—a mobile

home, a community center and "the Shack." The Shack was where food was prepared. The community center needed painting and plumbing work while the mobile home had a myriad of needed repairs such as a new roof, replacement tiles in the kitchen and the bedroom had the floor and ceiling replaced.

One heartfelt incident during the retreat made a particular impression on Fr. McGovern. As he drove into a parking lot, the local young people, "almost in a procession," led by a boy carrying a child with cerebral palsy came towards him.

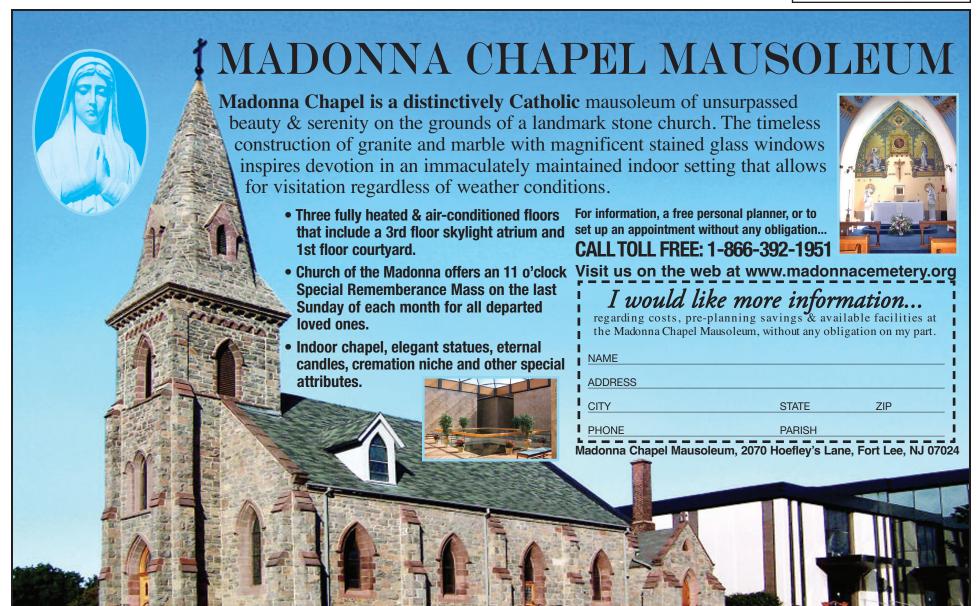
"The child's arms were around the boy's neck and the lower part of his legs swung freely," he recalled. "A girl followed carrying the boy's crutches while holding onto a child and the remainder of the teenagers followed each with a child in hand." It was, Fr. McGovern said, a sight that brought tears to everyone's eyes. "Jesus was acting among us."

Each day began at 7:30 a.m. with breakfast followed by Mass. Work hours during the retreat ran from 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.



HONORED FOR SERVICE-

Sir Knight John Wolf, Jr. of the Msgr. Peter B. Connor Assembly 1543, North Arlington, was named Sir Knight of the Year in the First New Jersey District. Wolf was selected for his "significant contribution in furthering the principles of patriotism for the Church, country and the Order of the Knights of Columbus." Wolf is active in veterans' causes and administering to the needs of hospitalized children. His award marks the third won by members of the Msgr. Peter B. Connor Assembly.



Sr. Alice

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out the United States and in 23 countries through ministry services and education programs.

"RENEW helps people get in touch with their own faith experience," she explained. "The Small Christian Community group is very important and I was coordinator for the group at Saint Joseph the Carpenter Parish. It is enriching and the group offers support through hard times. I've seen people who were at first timid start to open up and share their experiences."

Sr. Alice was involved with RENEW before it was a world-wide operation and has enjoyed watching it expand throughout the globe. "People were very responsive. There were lots of people hungry for spirituality. I would take inquiry calls and you can hear and experience the spirit moving in a particular town," she remembered.

Working closely with Msgr. Kleissler for years, she described him as a "faith-filled person" who knows the spiritual needs of the community. "He works well with people and he helped to carry them through. Sometimes I had to keep up with him, but it gave me energy and it was rewarding."

One of her fondest memories was participating in the international training sessions in the late 1980s. During the summer sessions in Plainfield or Convent Station, teams from diverse countries as Samoa, Guam, India, South Africa and Australia came to RENEW International for a sixweek immersion experience. Each country prepared a liturgy or prayer service and, in turn, shared their culture and spirituality with the group.

"No matter where you are in the world, there is a hunger for God. It was a broad experience of faith and Church," Sr. Alice said.

She recalled a particularly touching session with a RENEW team from South Africa. "It was the time of apartheid and we had a group of both white and black Africans. It was hard for them to open up. It just showed how people came together in faith and, no matter what your ethnic group, the Church is for everyone."

As coordinator of volunteers, she oversaw many people from her parish and around the archdiocese who offered their time and talents to RENEW. "I invited ladies from Saint Joseph the Carpenter Parish to help and they stayed with us. When we expanded, we received even more volunteers. I'm not afraid to ask for help and people usually respond. The



Advocate photo - M. Gabriele

Sister Alice Yohe (center) received RENEW International's President's Award at the group's 10th annual gala held June 4. Presenting the award is Msgr. Tom Kleissler (left) and Sister Theresa Rickard, executive director of RENEW. Sr. Alice, who has a master's degree in library science, said archiving the work of RENEW is one of her labors of love. "When the history of the Church is written, RENEW will be a part of that history."

volunteers were involved in everything from retreats to celebrations. We were always a family."

Always looking for new, innovative ways to minister, Sr. Alice took her hobby of making candy and turned it into "Morning Star Chocolates" in 1990. With a store located in the basement of Saint Joseph Parish, proceeds from the sales go to the retirement fund of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace, Chestnut Hill, PA.

"At first I made chocolates for families and sold them at my community's Christmas bazaar. The table was very successful and my brothers purchased a candy case for me. I started making the chocolates in the convent basement and sold them outside of Saint Joseph the Carpenter Parish around the holidays. We now have a store in the former music room of the parish."

As director of religious educa-

tion at Saint Joseph Parish, she heads a group of volunteers and close to 100 children in the Roselle/Linden area. She also works in the school and finds the experience of helping the diverse parish rewarding. Parishioners from Haiti, Central America and the Philippines make up the faith community.

"I'm a people-person and I feel that it is my place to welcome the immigrants. It is all fun

to me and I do balance my time," she explained.

With her many activities, Sr. Alice is grateful for her busy schedule. "This flexible ministry is very rewarding. Wherever there is need, you respond. I feel blessed that the Lord has given me the opportunity and good health. I live in a wonderful local community with 10 sisters. We support each other—that is what gives me the energy."

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