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A black and white portrait of a middle-aged man with thinning hair, wearing large-rimmed glasses and a dark clerical collar. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The background is dark and out of focus.

A man in traditional Scottish dress, including a kilt, sporrans, and a tam o' shanter, is playing bagpipes. He is wearing a white shirt, a dark vest, and a red and green plaid kilt. He is also wearing white socks and dark shoes. The bagpipes are black and gold.

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'Nourishing Faith' looks to fortify forums in 2010

BY WARD MIELE
Managing Editor

AREA — Faithful from throughout the Archdiocese of Newark can experience a unique evening of faith, fellowship and spiritual inspiration while supporting the evangelization work of the men's and women's commissions by attending the first-ever Nourishing Your Faith Dinner on Wednesday, Nov. 11.

The fund-raising event, to be held at Nanina's in The Park, 540 Mill St., Belleville, will begin with cocktails at 6 p.m. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit next year's Catholic Men's Conference and Women's Day of Reflection.

Tickets, priced at \$250 per person with table sponsorship available at \$2,500, are available through the archdiocesan Office of Development at (973) 497-4042.

The Men's Conference, which

made its debut last March, will be held March 13, 2010, with the Women's Day of Reflection slated for March 20. Both Saturday events will gather at Seton Hall University, South Orange.

The featured speaker for the Nov. 11 dinner will be Kevin J. Seamus Hasson, chairman, president and founder of the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty, Washington, D.C., which touts itself as a public-interest law firm protecting the free expression of religious traditions. Also taking the podium will be Major League Baseball umpire Philip Cuzzi, a member of Holy Family Parish, Nutley.

Stephen Doocy, co-host of the TV show "Fox and Friends," will serve as the master of ceremonies. Archbishop John J. Myers, a strong proponent of the work of the men's and women's commis-

sions and honorary chairman of the dinner, also will attend.

Doocy, a lector at Saint Elizabeth's Parish, Wyckoff, is the bestselling author of "The Mr. and Mrs. Happy Handbook," a humorous account of marriage and family life. Hasson, also an author, penned "The Right to be Wrong: Ending the Culture War over Religion in America."

Deacon Joseph A. Dwyer Jr., archdiocesan Vice Chancellor for Administration and co-chairman of the Men's Conference, described the Nourishing Your Faith Dinner as a "springboard" to launch the March 13 gathering of men from all corners of the Church of Newark. He said that the Nov. 11 dinner is an additional opportunity for spiritual enrichment.

"We witnessed the power of the Holy Spirit at the first Men's Conference last March, when some 2,500 men gathered to worship the Lord in great fellowship," Jorge Repollet, director of marketing for the men's com-

mission and the other co-chairman, commented. "As we embark on the second annual Men's Conference, we pray that the Holy Spirit will once again guide us. We ask for prayers and financial support of our brothers."

Pamela Muller Swartzberg, chairperson of the Women's Commission, said her organization looks forward to working with the Men's Commission in hosting the Nourishing Your Faith Dinner. Both commissions, she noted, "work to bring the teachings of the Catholic Church to the people of our archdiocese."

"The dinner is an opportunity to highlight aspects of our faith through the stories and testimony of our speakers, who are Catholics living their faith in the public arena," she said.

Co-chairs of the Nourishing Your Faith Dinner are Linda Graves and Robert Gillespie. In urging the faithful to attend, Gillespie said the dinner "will bring together friends and sup-

porters from around the region for a great evening in support of the Church." Archbishop Myers, he pointed out, chose the dinner theme "to emphasize that it is all about strengthening the Church."

"I have been involved in the archdiocese and the Women's Commission for a number of years," Graves noted. "It is exciting to see this event come together and to know that the proceeds will provide the critical underwriting that is needed for these important faith initiatives, which help connect people more deeply with their faith."

Graves described Hasson as "one of the leading Catholic intellectuals on the role of the Church in modern society."

The Nov. 11 dinner will include a Silent Auction featuring such prizes as VIP tickets to the Yankees, Giants and Devils, a large flat-panel television, a tour of NBC's New York studios and tickets to TV show "Late Night with Jimmy Fallon."

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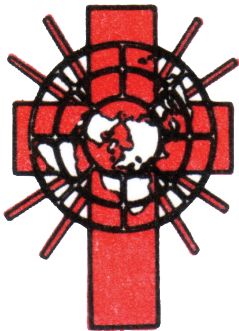


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GRADUATION DAY—Sixty-four members of the Archdiocese of Newark celebrated the rite of commissioning for completing the three-year Christian Foundations for Ministry (CFM) program. Graduates were recognized during a Sept. 27 prayer service at Saint John the Apostle Parish, Linden. Father Michael M. Walters (right photo), the director of the archdiocesan Center for Ministerial Development, praised the graduates, saying their mission was to make “God’s love visible in our world. Ministry is a way of life. Your call to ministry is a call to be an example. We are all called to serve one another in His name.” Most. Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark (pictured above), presented Wanda Moreno, a member of Resurrection Parish, Jersey City, with her certificate. Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Arnolds, archdiocesan Vicar for Pastoral Life; Very Rev. Robert G. McBride, the pastor of Saint John; and Deacon Michael York took part in the afternoon prayer service.


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Catholics respond to Asian disasters

JAKARTA, Indonesia (CNS) —Following a recent string of natural disasters in late September/early October in Asia and the South Pacific, Catholics gathered to pray for victims and assist survivors. Much of the worldwide aid is being coordinated by Caritas Internationalis (Web site:

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www.caritas.org), the Catholic Church's global network of charitable agencies. In Indonesia, where two earthquakes hit within 48 hours, Catholics in Padang attended Mass outside the damaged cathedral. Neighboring villages reported that at least 80 percent of homes were damaged and uninhabitable. In the South Pacific, where more than 170 people died from earthquake-triggered tsunamis Sept. 29, Christians gathered to pray for victims and give thanks for their own survival. In the Philippines, nearly 300 people died in and around Manila from Typhoon Ketsana, while Typhoon Parma left at least 16 people dead. Weather officials predicted Parma would linger, as another typhoon, Melor, churned east of the Philippines. And in southern India, Church workers joined rescue and relief efforts after torrential rains caused floods and mudslides, claiming more than 200 lives and displacing nearly 750,000 people, according to reports from UCA News, the Asian Church news agency.



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A dazed child sits in the mud in Montalban Rizal, west of Manila, Philippines, Oct. 2. The Philippines declared a nationwide state of calamity following Typhoon Ketsana. A Catholic Relief Services representative described the deadly typhoon as “the Katrina of the Philippines.”

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Oct. 17 Mass to honor Pope John Paul II

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE
Editor

NEWARK—The Polish-Slovak Apostolate of the Archdiocese of Newark will host the celebration of a Mass 11 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 17 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 89 Ridge St., to commemorate the 31st anniversary of Pope John Paul II's election to the papacy.

Archbishop Szecepan Wesoly of Rome and Bishop Tadeusz Bronakowski, of the Diocese of Lomza, Poland, will concelebrate the Mass, which also will offer prayers for Pope John Paul II's beatification. Father Andrzej Ostaszewski, Ph.D., the pastor of Saint Casimir Parish, is the coordinator of the archdiocesan Polish-Slovak Apostolate. Call the apostolate at (973) 344-2743 for more information.

Many members of the archdiocese fondly recall when Pope John Paul II came to the Newark Cathedral on Oct. 4, 1995 and presided at an evening prayer service in the presence of many dignitaries including President Bill Clinton. It was that same day that the Cathedral was elevated to the dignity of a minor basilica.

Four years ago, Josef Cardinal Glomp, the Primate of Poland, concelebrated a Mass in Polish with Archbishop John J. Myers and archdiocesan priests. Immediately following that Mass, which was celebrated July 10, 2005, Cardinal Glomp dedicated a bronze statue installed in the West Tower lobby of the Cathedral that depicts Pope John Paul II and Stefan Cardinal Wyszyński.

According to biographical information found on the Vatican



Bishop Tadeusz Bronakowski

Web site, Pope John Paul II was elected pope at the conclave of Oct. 16, 1978. His pontificate, one of the longest in the history of the Church, lasted nearly 27 years until his death April 2, 2005.

Karol Józef Wojtyła was born in the Polish town of Wadowice—a small village near Krakow—on May 18, 1920. In 1942—surrounded by the horrors of World War II—he became aware of his

call to the priesthood and began courses in the clandestine seminary of Krakow.

He was ordained to the priest-

hood on Nov. 1, 1946. Pope Paul VI appointed him archbishop of Krakow on Jan. 13, 1964 and made him a cardinal by June 26, 1967.

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Union Act. “The debate is not about benefits and rights,” the bishops charged. “The same-sex marriage political initiative is an attempt to change the historic structure of marriage as a union only of a man and a woman. This initiative ignores human nature, because throughout all of human history marriage has

required the complementarity of man and woman.”

As part of the ongoing initiative by the NJ bishops, parishes throughout the Garden State this month have been collecting petitions in support of traditional marriage that will be hand delivered to legislative offices. Earlier this year, the NJ bishops designated Feb. 22 as a day of prayer to strengthen and preserve marriage (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Feb. 18).

Jim White, a spokesman for the NJ Knights of Columbus, said that the Oct. 25 Trenton rally will echo the Bishops’ message that governments have a duty to protect this permanent institution of marriage rather than attempting to redefine it arbitrarily for transitory political or social reasons. White and Brannigan urged residents from the Archdiocese of Newark and throughout the Garden State to come to Trenton to support the rally.



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‘Recognitio’ approves U.S. catechism change

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The Vatican Congregation for Clergy has approved a change in the U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults, which is going into its second printing, clarifying Catholic teaching about God’s covenant with the Jewish people.

The Vatican gave its “*recognitio*” to the change—an official statement that a document is in keeping with Catholic teaching.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) announced Aug. 27 that the Vatican had granted its “recognition” to a one-sentence revision of the catechism, which was approved by the U.S. bishops at their June 2008 meeting in Orlando, FL.

The revised sentence, in a section that explains relations between the Catholic Church and Jews, reads: “To the Jewish people, whom God first chose to hear His word, ‘belong the sonship, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and of their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ’” (Rom 9: 4-5; cf. CCC, No. 839).

The original sentence read: “Thus the covenant that God made with the Jewish people through Moses remains eternally valid for them.”

The USCCB said the clarification “reflects the teaching of the Church that all previous covenants that God made with the Jewish people are fulfilled in Jesus Christ through the new covenant established through His sacrificial death on the Cross. Catholics believe that the Jewish people continue to live within the truth of the covenant God made with Abraham, and that God continues to be faithful to them.”

The USCCB, in a prepared statement, pointed out that the clarification is not a change in Church teaching. “As the Second Vatican Council taught, and the Adult Catechism affirms, the Jewish people ‘remain most dear to God, for God does not repent the gifts He makes nor of the calls he issues’” (Lumen Gentium, No. 16).

According to the USCCB, The Catholic Catechism for Adults is about to go into a second printing. The 664-page adult catechism was adopted by the U.S. bishops in November 2004 and later approved by the Vatican.

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Founded in 1950, SBA (Web site: www.stbacademy.org) is a Catholic elementary school for students in grades Pre-K through eight. Sister Elizabeth Calello is the principal of the academy. The academy, which already is home to several students from the new parish sponsor, houses 250 students and is under the direction of

the Religious Teachers Filippini, Morristown.

Father Frank Rose, pastor of Saint Bernard of Clairvaux and Saint Stanislaus Kostka, said the parish family is “honored and excited to be able to participate in the excellent work being done at Saint Bartholomew Academy through our co-sponsorship. We have al-

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Bishop Saltarelli succumbs

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bodied the priestly ideal—he not only represented Christ to people, he also saw Christ in everyone he met,” Archbishop John J. Myers said on learning the news of Bishop Saltarelli’s passing. “I am grateful that I too came to know this holy man who influenced and helped deepen the faith of so many people in this archdiocese and in Wilmington.”

Bishop Saltarelli was born in Jersey City on Jan. 17, 1932—the fifth of seven children of Angelo Michael and Caroline Marzitello Saltarelli. He attended Holy Rosary Parish and Elementary School and Ferris High School in Jersey City and received a bachelor of arts degree from Seton Hall University, South Orange in 1956. He continued his studies in theology at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington. In 1975, he received a master’s degree in Religious Studies from Manhattan College.

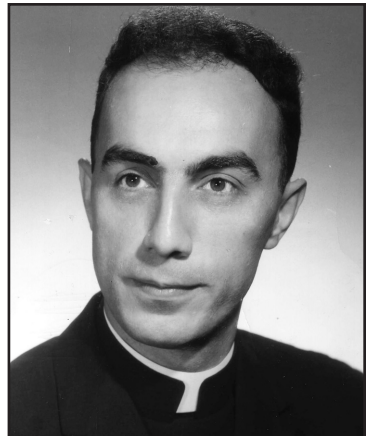
Ordained to the priesthood at then-Sacred Heart Cathedral in Newark on May 28, 1960, he was assigned to Holy Family Parish, Nutley, where he became a favorite priest of the large Italian-American community.

After serving at Holy Family for 17 years, he was appointed pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Bayonne, on Aug. 22, 1977. He was there until August 1982 when Archbishop Peter L. Gerety appointed him as the archdiocesan executive director for pastoral services. Two years later Pope John Paul II named him a “Prelate of Honor” with the title monsignor.

On June 1, 1985 he was appointed pastor of Saint Catherine of Siena Parish, Cedar Grove, and then was tapped one year later by Archbishop Theodore E. McCarrick as the archdiocesan vicar for priests. He also was the state chaplain for the NJ Knights of Columbus.

Most Rev. Thomas A. Donato, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark and the pastor of Saint Henry Parish, Bayonne, said his family was close with the Saltarelli family during their years growing up in Jersey City. Their paths crossed many times as both men answered their respective calling to the priesthood.

“Bishop Saltarelli was a deacon at Darlington seminary when I was there as a junior philosopher,” Bishop Donato recalled. He described Bishop Saltarelli as a friend and mentor. “I succeed him as pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption. He was a lovable man and endeared by all the priests



Bishop Michael Saltarelli, April 1960, his graduation photo from Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington.

of the archdiocese. When he was installed as Bishop in Wilmington, many priests from our archdiocese, including me, went to his episcopal ordination.”

Father Michael A. Hanly, pastor of Our Lady of the Lake, Verona, met then-Father Saltarelli right after he arrived at Holy Family in June 1960. Fr. Hanly, at the time, had just graduated from Nutley High School.

He vividly recalled an experience that helped him connect with “Father Salt.” Fr. Hanly and his friends would spend time in the Holy Family schoolyard during the summer evenings and Fr. Saltarelli often would come out to talk with the teens.

“One night Father Salt said he wanted to go out to eat to a place he had heard about called Rutts Hut,” Fr. Hanly said. Rutts Hut, a venerable NJ establishment still located in Clifton (a short drive from Nutley), is famous for its deep-fried “ripper” hot dogs.

“He drove us to Rutts Hut and on the ride there we listened to Cousin Brucie play rock and roll on the radio—and Father Salt knew all the songs!”

Fr. Hanly entered Seton Hall University in the fall of 1960. Fr. Saltarelli proved to be a strong influence on Fr. Hanly, who decided in his junior year to enter the seminary. “I wanted to be like him,” Fr. Hanly said. “He was my role model—the best example of what a parish priest should be. He had a tremendous love for the priesthood. He had a presence about him and the ability to touch people in the deepest places in their hearts.” Fr. Hanly was ordained in 1967.

(Editor’s note: The Diocese of Wilmington, DE, provided information for this story. The diocese is planning a series of public services for Bishop Saltarelli. Check The Catholic Advocate’s Web site—

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Priesthood Sunday



Opportunities

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being lost by the youth of today is profound, yet this could be God's hour—a beautiful opportunity to discover a profound sense of your vocation ministry.

“With great humility, put your experience to the service of others,” Archbishop Sambí continued, making frequent references to Pope Benedict XVI's prayers for vocations in this the global celebration of the “Year for Priests” (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Sept. 9 and April 22). “The Lord is ready to use you as an instrument to call all the priests needed to serve the churches of the United States.”

His address also presaged the annual observance of Priesthood Sunday, which will be celebrated Oct. 25 throughout the archdiocese. Describing priestly vocations as a “gift and mystery” from God, Archbishop Sambí advised the assembled vocation directors to pray frequently “so that those hearing your voice will hear the calling of Jesus. You will have vocations and, you never know, one of them may be a future saint.”

A telling sign to indicate that someone is discerning a vocation is when, through prayer, a person is able to go outside of themselves to support the needs of others.

“Selfishness and egoism—these are the greatest enemies of vocations,” he said.

Among the difficulties faced by vocation directors, Archbishop Sambí made a pointed reference to the fallout from the child sexual abuse scandal. “I can understand how the sex scandal can make it difficult for you to speak about vocations,” he declared. “How can the people in front of you receive this message of vocations when priests have violated our children?”

Despite these challenges, he urged vocation directors to persevere and push forward in their ministry. The Church in the United States will pass through difficult times and a “new springtime” will emerge, he predicted. It will be a time with “more and better-quality priests. I am convinced that, today like yesterday, the Lord gives needed vocations to His Church.”

Offering perspective, he cited turbulent situations in the early 1970s, when the governments of India and Indonesia passed laws to bar the entry of missionaries. However, today the two countries are among the greatest generators of Catholic vocations.

“What we considered a disaster at the time, God has transformed into a miracle,” he said, pointing out that similar miracles are “possible in the United States.”

Vocation directors will not at-



Advocate photo — M. Gabriele

Following his presentation to North American vocation directors, Archbishop Pietro Sambí (far right) posed for a photo with Archbishop John J. Myers, Father John D. Gabriel, the current archdiocesan director of vocations, and Father Brian Plate, the previous director. Parishes throughout the archdiocese will celebrate Priesthood Sunday on Oct. 25.

tract anyone if they are “sad priests,” he warned. “But everyone will be interested in your source of joy as a happy priest. You need not fear because you don't work alone.”

The pope's visit to the United States last year may have planted the seeds of miracles to spur a new generation of vocation candidates, according to Archbishop Sambí. Though acknowledging it's difficult to fully measure the effect of a papal visit, he said Pope Benedict's U.S. sojourn in April 2008 consolidated the call for vocations. In particular, he recalled the pope enjoyed his encounter with more than 20,000

Catholic young adults and seminarians during a rally at Saint Joseph Seminary in Yonkers, NY. Archbishop Sambí said that, nearly 18 months after the papal visit, the pope's words continue to resonate with people throughout the United States.

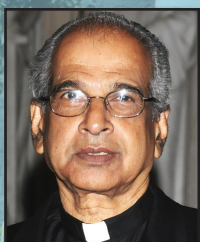
Rosemary Sullivan, the executive director of Huntington, NY-based NCDVD, said the gathering in the Archdiocese of Newark was slightly less than last year's conference in Denver. Though the vast majority of vocation directors were from the United States, she said this year's head count included representatives from Canada, Australia and Europe.



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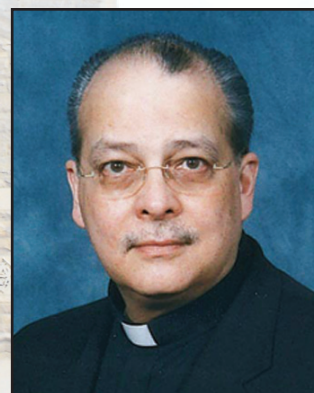
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Young men at Kearny parish employ 'team' concept

BY WARD MIELE
Managing Editor

KEARNY—The Ceremonies Team at Saint Stephen's Parish is a groundbreaking, teen-oriented altar server program that has enhanced the liturgy and, it is hoped, will foster vocations to the priesthood.

Parochial Vicar Father Joseph Mancini is the driving force behind the Ceremonies Team, which is designed for high-school aged boys. Working with young people is nothing new for Fr. Mancini, who serves as the archdiocesan executive director for Youth and Young Adult Ministries.

The idea for the effort surfaced while Fr. Mancini was attending Mass at the Vatican during

Christmas time last year. The Vatican has a standing contingent of altar boys who assist visiting priests at a private Mass or at Masses with groups.

Fr. Mancini had been struggling to find ways to hold onto experienced altar servers when they enter high school. As in most parishes, young people begin as altar servers at Saint Stephen's Parish in the fourth grade.

"When they enter high school, many of the servers would either serve for only one more year or just stop serving" he said. For the major liturgies, Fr. Mancini added, the most experienced altar servers should be used. When they stop serving, it necessitates having to train servers for the major liturgies all over again.

The Ceremonies Team, which has garnered positive response from parishioners, was launched last February with six teenagers and over the course of nine months has seen its ranks increase to nine members. The new program is geared for male teens, Fr. Mancini explained, because it is designed as a possible "stepping stone" to a vocation to the priesthood.

There is no better example of that possibility than Fr. Mancini himself, who became an altar server in the third grade at his home parish, Saint Mary of the Assumption in Elizabeth. He remembers serving his first Mass at 6:30 a.m. in the middle of the summer. The retired pastor, the late Rev. Msgr. William Furlong, usually celebrated that Mass.

Fr. Mancini described Msgr.

Furlong as a very spiritual man who celebrated Mass with great reverence and devotion. "That made a big impression on me, even when monsignor seemed to be one of those larger-than-life figures."

Appreciative of the strong support of his pastor, Father Richard E. Cabezas, Fr. Mancini said the Ceremonies Team has augmented the dignity of and reverence and respect for the liturgy.


The pastor's enthusiasm for the Ceremonies Team is palpable, describing it "as another level of service to which one can aspire." Fr. Cabezas is convinced it is a pivotal experience for a young man "seriously contemplating becoming a priest." As such, he considers the Ceremonies Team as a potential "catalyst" to inspire some young men to the priesthood. Fr.

Cabezas also cited the fact that such involvement by teenagers "starts with families."

"Sometimes, young people can teach the adults," Fr. Mancini pointed out. When the Ceremonies Team is assigned for liturgies, they are very conscientious and, hopefully, foster a deep reverence among the people at Mass. Fr. Mancini has re-introduced the use of consecration torches and incense during the Eucharistic Prayer as well as the use of Communion patens during the distribution of Holy Communion.

One development that has come out of this effort is a Bible study, requested by members of the team. "For me, it is a moment inspired by the Holy Spirit when a high school sophomore asks me to

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Priests prepare faithful for journey to eternity

I am writing this column on a New Jersey Transit bus from Bergenfield to New York City. We priests don't get to travel on buses very often, or, for that matter, have a daily commute to and from work. I'm going to a reunion of cousins for lunch in midtown Manhattan, and, with the bus stop just a half block from the rectory, it beats tolls and parking fees several times over. The proposed expansion of mass transit in Bergen County makes sense as populations increase and roads become increasingly congested.

As you can see, this edition of *The Catholic Advocate* anticipates the celebration of Priesthood Sunday, which is officially observed on the last Sunday of October. It is a somewhat awkward occasion, insofar as it is theoretically an opportunity generated by the laity to show appreciation for their priests, currently sponsored by the USA Council of Serra International. Much of the publicity for it, even to the placing of ads in this newspaper, gener-

ally depends on the pastor or parochial vicar to arrange.

Humanly speaking, everyone enjoys an occasional pat on the back or recognition for a job well done. Most priests don't do what they do for their own glory, but we do like to believe that we are having a positive impact on those we serve. The Daisy Movement organizes parishioners in a weekly commitment of prayer for the priests they know, and many parishioners regularly pray on their own for the well being of their clergy.

have their spiritual needs addressed through their parish priest. Whether diocesan or Religious, the pastors and parochial vicars of our parishes provide continuous service to the communities entrusted to them.

They gather their people together around the eucharistic table of the Lord, in most places on a daily basis, to feed them with the power of God's Word and the grace of Christ's Sacramental presence. In the privacy of the reconciliation room, they forgive people's sins

In collaboration with deacons, Religious and laity, priests extend the bishops' ministry to teach, govern and sanctify. They prepare children and adults for the sacraments, counsel those in all types of difficulty, gather people into groups, associations, organizations, and ministries to enhance spiritual growth, social outreach and community interaction.

They oversee the care of parish buildings and financial resources, encourage the laity to use their gifts and talents for the greater good of the whole Church, and rejoice and mourn with individuals and families who reach milestones of accomplishments and moments of anxiety and crisis.

Priests strive to grow in holiness as they help others do the same. We succeed and yes, sometimes fail, to mirror our Good Shepherd and Eternal High Priest, Jesus Christ. In this Year of the Priest, we acknowledge the humility and dedication of Saint John Vianney, patron of parish priests.

SEEING & BELIEVING



By Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Arnholds

Let us all pray in loving memory of the priests who have influenced our lives, in gratitude for those who currently serve us, and in earnest supplication that those whom God is calling to be the priests of tomorrow will generously answer His gentle call.

(Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Arnholds is pastor of Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Bergenfield, and the archdiocesan Vicar for Pastoral Life.)

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John 1:38-39

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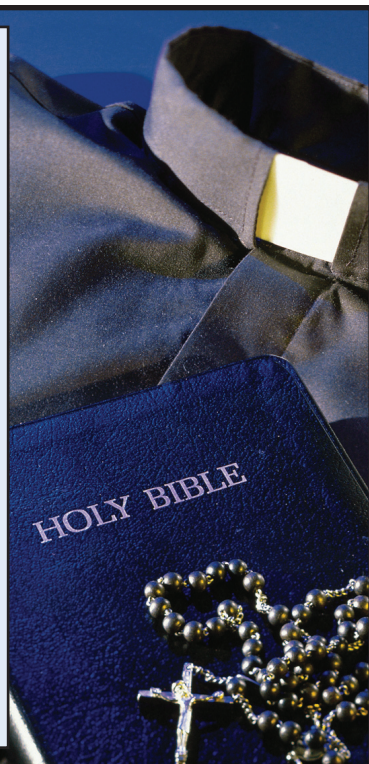
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Team concept

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make (a Bible study) a reality," Fr. Mancini said. Team members meet once a week to read and discuss Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday. "I'm amazed at the serious approach they take, wanting to know more, wanting to deepen their knowledge of the faith."

Parishioners enjoy seeing the Centennial Team members in their cassocks and surplices, Fr. Mancini observed. "They really appreciate the reverence and, quite honestly, the intensity the boys bring to these liturgies." He recalled a longtime parishioner who said after this year's Holy Thursday Mass that it felt as if one was at the Vatican.

He cited two key factors in the program's success: the willingness of team members to freely participate; and approval of parents. Family support is key to fostering Church vocations, he emphasized.

"My ultimate joy would be that one or more of the boys would consider becoming a priest, but for now I'm just happy that they are involved in the liturgical life of the parish and, in the process, are strengthening their relationship with the Lord."

Ceremonies Team members shared experiences prior to the Sept. 20 noon Mass at Saint Stephen. Michael Pego, a Union Catholic Regional High School sophomore, said he enjoys serving at special liturgies. His continuing involvement with the parish, Pego is convinced, will make him a "better Catholic." Seton Hall Prep sophomore Matthew Schirm expressed an interest in the priesthood and sees the Ceremonies Team as an important step in his discernment process.

Michael Haefner, a senior at High Tech High School in North Bergen, said participation in the Ceremonies Team is a good way for someone like himself who is not attending a Catholic high



Father Joseph Mancini

school to "keep the Church in my life." Matthew Foley, a junior at Saint Peter's Prep whose freshman brother Billy is also a team member, described himself as involved with the parish and someone who "takes pride in helping out."

The Ceremonies Team also has two members from nearby Queen of Peace High School in North Arlington—freshman Andrew

Discernment programs help ponder 'the call'

NEWARK—The Vocations Office of the Archdiocese of Newark is sponsoring outreach programs for men and women discerning a call to Religious life.

A vocation discernment retreat for men considering the priesthood will be held Jan. 8-10, 2010 at Carmel Retreat House, 1071 Ramapo Valley Rd., Mahwah. The cost for the weekend is \$100 (scholarships available) and participants must be 18 years old or older. Contact Father John D. Gabriel, archdio-

san vocations director, by phone (973-497-4365) or via e-mail (gabriejo@rcan.org) to register.

A discernment discussion group for women will meet once a month (through May 2010) on Wednesday evenings, 7:30-9 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Seminary, on the South Orange campus of Seton Hall University. Upcoming sessions are slated for Nov. 11, Dec. 16, and Jan. 13, 2010. Call Sister Theresia Maria, associate vocations director, at (973) 497-4368 for more information.

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Chunka and senior Glen Lane. Chunka has been an altar server a long time and “enjoys” being active in his parish. Lane expressed similar sentiments, adding being a team member will solidify his strong bonds to the Church.

For Ryan Michaels, a freshman at Kearny High School, the Ceremonies Team is a way to serve the parish and “do my part” for the Church. Chris Manley, a sophomore at Saint Peter’s Prep, also enjoys serving his parish.

Father John Gabriel, archdiocesan vocations director, is also an avid supporter of the Ceremonies Team. As vocations director, he explained, he notices when talking to men interested in the priesthood if they are “eucharistic-oriented.”

Such spiritual orientation, Fr. Gabriel noted, is something he looks for when a man expresses an interest in the priesthood.



Advocate photo – Ward Miele

Archbishop John J. Myers (second from right, waving to parishioners) was the main celebrant at the Sept. 20 noon Mass at Saint Stephen Parish, which marked the 70th anniversary of the dedication of the church. In his homily, Archbishop Myer expressed his thanks to “all those who have gone before us at this great parish.” Members of the Ceremonies Team described their program as a joyful way of giving back to the parish community. “I feel better walking out of church than when I walked in,” Ryan Michaels said of his service.

In this year of the Priest, the Women’s Commission of the Archdiocese of Newark joins all the faithful in praying for our priests and praising God for their faith, courage and generosity.

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Service and suffering in the spiritual life

Throughout the world thoughtful people seek answers to the riddles of human life. "The problems that weigh heavily on the human heart are the same today as in past ages. What is the meaning and purpose of life? What is upright behavior and what is sinful? Where does suffering originate and what purpose does it serve? How can genuine happiness be found?" (Vatican II, Declaration on the Relation of the Church to Non-Christian Religions, No. 1).

Probably many people do not ask such questions formally in the course of daily life. They seek the means to achieve happiness, yet need to be challenged to define it.

The shadow of suffering passes over every human life, but few people consider this mystery before something tragic befalls them.

It is extremely important that people be taught the principles that will enable them to choose the proper ways to promote their happiness and to sustain them in suffering. How did Jesus deal with these issues?

The sons of Zebedee were among the first disciples of Jesus, so they thought that they had special prerogatives. Happiness for them would be to sit at the right and left of Jesus when He would come in glory. But Jesus insisted that there can be no crown without the cross.

The Greek term *baptizo* means "I am plunged into" something—usually water. However, Jesus used the term as a complement to the image of a cup that represents suffering. He assured them that indeed they would share in His agony, but they should learn that happiness should not be considered in terms of rank and privilege.

The pattern proposed by Jesus is for disciples to imitate His work, serving the needs of all He encountered. Moreover, they, too, must be served by Him. "The Son of Man has not come to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for the many" (10:45).

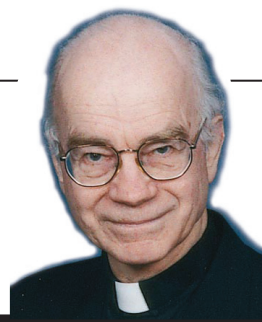
The ideal of service has been recognized, at least symbolically, by leaders in every nation. However, both the sons of Zebedee and the rest of us need to accept Christ's supreme act of service in His passion and death. That is essential for understanding our own suffering and the true meaning of happiness.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
(Oct. 18, 2009)

Readings:
Is 53:10-11;
Ps 33;
Heb 4:14-16;
Mk 10:35-45.

SUNDAY READINGS

By Rev. Lawrence Frizzell



The concepts of service and deliverance (redemption) are linked to the Israelite experience of solidarity as a community committed to the worship of God. Not by chance is worship called a "service" and its leaders designated as "ministers." The Gospel drew upon the ancient biblical title 'servant of God' to describe Jesus, especially on passages in the second part of Isaiah (42:1-4; 50:4-9; 49:1-6; 52:13-53:12). The brief text in this Sunday's liturgy should be placed in that context. The person's suffering and death as part of a response to God's will are not only meritorious but possess a vicarious dimension. "Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many and

their guilt he shall bear" (Isa 53:11). The assurance of victory is clear: "If he gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life..." (53:10). Is the concept of vicarious suffering unique to the New Testament? No. Those who had suffered persecution (167-164 B.C.) under Antiochus IV of the Seleucid dynasty are said to understand it. "Like my brothers, I offer up my body and my life for our ancestral laws, imploring God to show mercy soon to our nation..." (2 Maccabees 7:37).

Supposing that the disciples of Jesus knew the prophet Isaiah and perhaps the tradition preserved in the Second Book of Maccabees, we can see that they should have been disposed to understand Jesus' teaching. Privileged to witness both the transfiguration of Jesus (Mk 9:2-8) and His agony in Gethsemani (14:32-42), they did come to know the magnitude of His service on their behalf.

May we who receive the Eucharist find Christ to be strength in our suffering and the source of our happiness!

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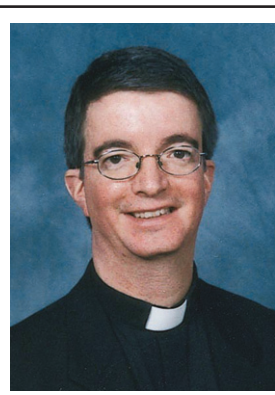
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Serving as an intermediary between heaven and earth

BY FR. EUGENE PALUMBO
Special to The Catholic Advocate

Priests are mystery men. They come in assorted sizes, ages and weights. They are found everywhere—speeding, perspiring, walking, kneeling, praying, laughing, preaching, teaching, pardoning and playing baseball. Little children run to them, teenagers marvel at them, senior citizens turn to them, lay people treasure them, non-Catholics stare at them and Mary watches over them.

A priest is prudence in a T-shirt, fortitude with a breviary in hand, justice on a baseball diamond and temperance at any party. He is faith with a blueprint, hope with a sense of humor and charity with a golf club in hand.

A priest may be anything from a contemplative monk in a monastery to a magazine editor on Wall Street, from a labor mediator to a TV personality, from a student to a professor. Formerly known as the boy around the corner, he’s a member of every family yet belongs to none. He hears secrets, shares sorrow, heals wounds. He has the trust of a child, the kindness of a best friend, the sternness of a top sergeant, the daring of a tight-rope walker, the authority of an encyclopedia and the

versatility of a commando. A priest is a humble creature. His hours are the longest, his salary the smallest, his boss the best. He likes good pastors, smiles of children, a good sermon, a home-cooked meal and the name “Father.” A priest is all things to all people in the sight of God. He may be misquoted, mistaken and misunderstood, but he’ll always forgive, because he’s a mediator, a peacemaker and an intermediary be-

tween heaven and earth. It’s no wonder God loves him. He’s a man standing at an altar, clothed in holy clothes, who while being aware of his own nothingness, speaks to God for us and to us for God. And although his greatest act is to offer sacrifice, his most consoling one is to say: “Go in peace, your sins are forgiven.”
(Editor’s note: Father Eugene Palumbo, S.D.B., M.A., M.Ed., is a Salesian and stationed at Don Bosco Prep, Ramsey.)



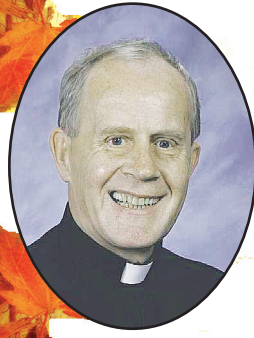
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This year marks the 150th anniversary of Saint John Vianney, depicted in a stained-glass window in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark. Pope Benedict XVI, formally opening the “Year for Priests” June 19, declared Saint John Vianney as the universal patron of the world’s 408,000 priests. The saint, also known as “the Cure of Ars,” had been the patron of parish priests.

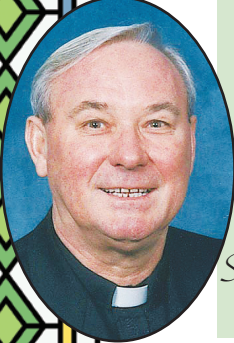


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LEADERSHIP SKILLS—Last summer Camille Manhit, a junior at Union Catholic Regional High School, Scotch Plains, participated in the exclusive “Running Start” program of the Young Women’s Political Leadership Retreat. The three-day workshop, held in Washington, D.C., enabled young women from all across the United States to take part in hands-on exercises designed to empower them with leadership skills and a sense of confidence to bring about positive change in their communities. One of only 50 selections from among 5,000 applicants, Manhit networked with lawmakers from Capitol Hill and was especially impressed with the presentation of Alyse Nelson, president and chief executive officer of Vital Voices Global Partnership, Washington D.C. (Web site: www.vitalvoices.org), a non-governmental organization that identifies and trains emerging women leaders worldwide. Manhit is a member of Student Movement Against Cancer (SMAC), Peer Ministry, Service Club, the Big Brother/Big Sister Program and the Union Catholic Angels. She is also a volunteer for the Jersey Cares program.



BR. STANLEY VILLAVICENCIO



Br. Stanley is a lay person from Cebu, Philippines, who was in a deep, death-like coma for three days in 1993, during which he encountered Christ, Who told him to “go back to the world for he still has a mission to do.” Stanley has been given permission by Ricardo Cardinal Vidal and Rt. Rev. Cristobal E. Garcia of Cebu to give witness to this event in his life and to spread the message of Divine Mercy.

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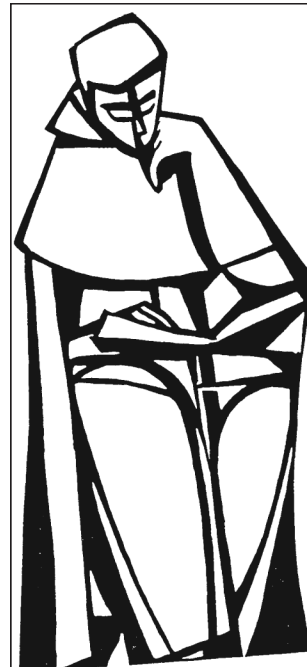
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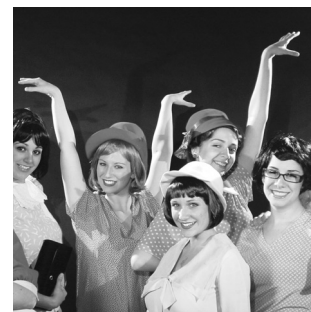
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Mission funds open windows to needs of far-away neighbors

BY WARD MIELE
Managing Editor

NEWARK—The letters piled high on the desk of Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Fuhrman, archdiocesan director of the Pontifical Mission Societies, are both heartfelt and heart wrenching.

Despite the one-year worldwide economic freefall, Msgr. Fuhrman is confident that the annual World Mission Sunday collections at parishes throughout the four counties of the archdiocese during the weekend of Oct. 17-18 will continue to rank the Church of Newark among the nation's top-10 U.S. dioceses in mission giving.

In urging the faithful to help support the worldwide evangelization work of the missions, Msgr. Fuhrman—who also serves as pastor of Saint Gabriel the Archangel Parish, Saddle River—explained “caring is not optional for Christians.” World Mission Sunday, he emphasized, “is not just another second collection.”

Referring to Pope John Paul II, who called the missions the “holiest and greatest work of the Church,” Msgr. Fuhrman added “the Church is missionary by nature and Mission Sunday provides a stream of grace and help to some 1,200 dioceses in the developing world.”

His sentiments were reflected by Monica Yehle, director of development for the national office of the Pontifical Mission Societies of the United States, which is based in New York City. The evangelization work of the Church, she noted, is “among the poor and suffering who make up two-thirds of the human family” in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and remote regions of Latin America. Most, she lamented, “don’t know Jesus Christ” as the reason for hope in their lives.

Yehle explained that the essential role of the Pontifical Mission Societies is to support the local Church in its work helping those who suffer. She stressed too the “greatest and first gift” anyone can give is daily prayer for the work of the missions.

The Pontifical Mission Societies has four components: The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, the Society of Saint Peter the Apostle, the Holy Childhood Association and the Missionary Union of Priests and Religious. Each organization has a different emphasis and is sup-

ported at the diocesan level throughout the world.

One focal point of the effort is the Missionary Cooperative Plan, which originated in the Archdiocese of Newark in the 1930s and is now a worldwide means of essential support to the mission world. Most Rev. William Griffin, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, devised the cooperative plan.

Msgr. Fuhrman said that from 2004 to 2008, the Archdiocese of Newark Fund donations each year totaled \$783,239; \$1.1 million; \$930,168; \$1.6 million; and \$2.1 million. After all administrative expenses in 2008, a full 91.7 percent of donations from the Church

of Newark went to the missions. “We try to be very frugal,” Msgr. Fuhrman said, noting that the United States is “the most generous” nation in the world, per capita, when it comes to support of the missions. Second is Germany.

In a June letter to Archbishop John J. Myers thanking him for last year’s donations, Rev. Msgr. John E. Kozar, national director of the Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States wrote “many thanks for your mission generosity,” adding “your director (Msgr. Fuhrman) is terrific.”

Sister Arline Zurich, O.S.B., archdiocesan director of the Holy

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Bishop Antonisamy Francis (right) from the Diocese of Kumbakomam in southeastern India visited Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Fuhrman, archdiocesan director of the Pontifical Mission Societies, in Newark Oct. 1. Bishop Francis presented Msgr. Fuhrman with a shawl given, he said, to great dignitaries. Bishop Francis explained the shawl is a sign of respect.

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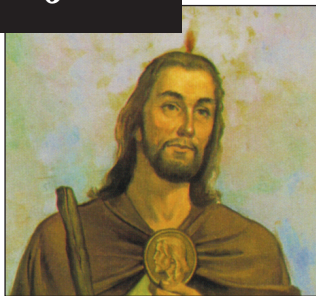
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Fr. Bismarck to ask the 'what if' question

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE
 Editor



NEWARK — Father Pedro Bismarck Chau, the parochial vicar of Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish, Garfield, will be the featured speaker at "Vocation Awareness Day," to be hosted Tuesday, Nov. 3, 8 a.m., by Saint Benedict's Prep School, 520 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd.

Born in Managua, Nicaragua, Fr. Bismarck, 41, was ordained to the priesthood May 24, 2008 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart. His message to those attending Vocation Awareness Day will be to keep in their hearts and minds the "what if" question regarding a spiritual calling to the

priesthood or Religious life.

"My presentation at Saint Benedict's will be to have people consider the 'what if' possibility," he said. "There are many callings and many ways to serve God."

His calling to the priesthood first came at the age of 18, not long after he and his family relocated to Brooklyn, NY, from Nicaragua.



Father Pedro Bismarck



Brother Patrick Winbush

celebrates Mass for deaf Catholics, completing a course last year at Seton Hall University, South Orange, in liturgical American Sign Language (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Aug. 20, 2008). Interviewed two years ago, he said working with young people continues to motivate him "in

my response to God's call to the priesthood."

Brother Patrick Winbush, O.S.B., the director of vocations at Saint Benedict's Prep., organized a vocations event earlier this year, which included members of the "Fishers of Men" discernment group (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Feb. 18). Those seeking more information on vocations can contact Br. Patrick by phone at (973) 792-5772 or via e-mail at pwinsbush@sbp.org.

According to information found on the school's Web site (www.sbp.org), Saint Benedict's Prep is a community of more than 550 young men and over 50 faculty members. The Benedictine Monks of Newark Abbey, committed by a vow of "Stability of Place," have sponsored the Catholic preparatory school for boys, grades 7-12, in Newark since 1868, guided by "the Rule of Benedict," which was written in the sixth century.

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Sr. Kathleen traces journey of faith from Ireland to NJ

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

NEWARK—"I just knew (being a Sister) was for me," Sister Kathleen Egan, mfc said reflecting on her 60-year jubilee. "I have mostly good memories. I have had ups and downs, but the good far outweighs the bad."

Sr. Kathleen was among the many archdiocesan jubilarians celebrating special anniversaries earlier this year (see *The Catholic Advocate*, June 10). Born Jan. 7, 1929, in Ballybrogan, Lecarrow, County Roscommon, Ireland, she is a graduate of Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, and received a master's degree at the University of Steubenville, OH. Her first profession was June 29, 1949.

Sr. Kathleen believes religious life "found her" as a young



Sister Kathleen Egan

woman. "The Lord caught me and I decided to become a Sister." Originally, she was to enter the order of Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, but Sister M. Christine Killion, mfc, a fellow jubilarian, persuaded her to visit with the Missionary Sisters of Saint Francis.

Since professing her vows, Sr. Kathleen has been assigned throughout the United States, including stops in Florida, Georgia, Minnesota and Pennsylvania. Her first U.S. assignment was in Brooklyn, NY.

"It was my first experience with the Italian community and I loved it. We would feed the homeless and hungry in the back of our church," she recalled.

She has grown in faith throughout her years as a Sister and has witnessed many miracles. "I spent 10 years in Arkansas and we prayed for a man suffering from

cancer and he is still alive. The Lord let us know that we are working with Him and He is working through us."

Currently assigned at Saint Francis Academy, Union City, Sister Kathleen assists children

competing in the Catholic Challenge, a contest centered on faith. The academy, in recent years has been the frontrunner in the competition and the experience has been rewarding for the jubilarian.

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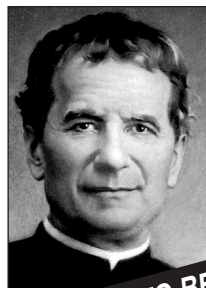
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NJ young adults to share faith Oct. 17 at Kearny conference

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Described as the largest gathering

of Catholic young adults in the Garden State, the conference is open to those in their 20s and 30s—married and single. Organizers say the conference gives NJ young adults the opportunity to meet and share their experiences of faith.

A registration fee of \$20 per person includes lunch and materials. For additional information or to register online go to www.njyoungadultconference.org or call the Kearny center at (201) 998-0088, ext. 4147. Registration on the day of the conference

begins at 11 a.m.

The theme for the conference is "I Am The Potter, You Are The Clay." Keynote speaker, teacher and artist Ray Boswell, symbolically uses a potter's wheel and clay to demonstrate concepts of God's creative, life-shaping love.

The event will include an opening prayer, lunch, workshops, praise and worship music, prayer opportunities and Mass celebrated by Most Rev. Thomas A. Donato, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark.

There will be a workshop in Spanish and another in English and Spanish.

(Editor's note: As a clarification for an article that ran in the Sept. 23 edition of The Catholic Advocate, Sister Marilyn Minter is the contact person for archdiocesan Young Adult Ministry programs at the Kearny center, such as the Oct. 17 conference. She can be reached by e-mail (minterma@rcan.org) or by phone at (201) 998-0088, ext 4147).



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NEWARK—The courage of Pope John Paul II will be explored during a Catholic men's day of prayer Saturday, Oct. 24, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., hosted by Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, 375 13th Ave.

Keynote speaker George Weigel, distinguished senior fellow of the Ethics and Public

Policy Center, Washington, DC, and a national syndicated columnist, will address the topic "A Challenge to Men to Live a Courageous Gospel Life."

Registration opens 8 a.m. the day of the forum, but pre-registration is recommended by calling (973) 622-6622. Included in



George Weigel

the retreat will be Mass, confession, adoration, prayer and fellowship. A light breakfast and buffet lunch will be provided. For additional information, go to the friar's Web site (www.franciscanfriars.com) and click on "Events" link.

An acclaimed Catholic theologian, Weigel is the author or editor of 20 books, including *Against the Grain: Christianity and Democracy, War and Peace* (Crossroad, 2008).

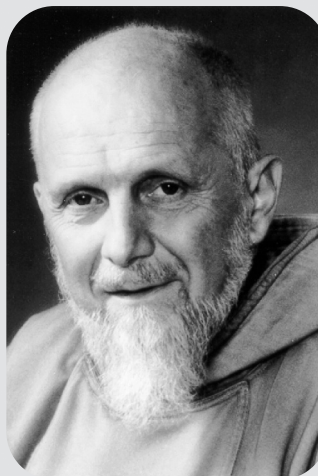
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SOUTH ORANGE—Serra International, District 22, will hold its second annual Communion breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 1 in the Bishop Dougherty Student Center on the campus of Seton Hall University.

Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, will celebrate Mass at 9:30 a.m. Father Benedict Groeschel, C.F.R., co-founder of the Capuchin Community of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, is the featured speaker.

Tickets are \$25 per person, \$15 for students and \$12 for children under 12 years of age. Contact Rose Marie Deehan phone: 973-762-6180 e-mail: jpdeehan@aol.com) or Joseph Scibetta (201-332-8657 e-mail: jtsibetta@verizon.net) for reservations.

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Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:



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Reverend Monsignor Frank Del Prete, Pastor of Ss. Peter & Paul Parish, Hoboken, has also been appointed to the office of Judge in the Metropolitan Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Newark for a three-year term, effective Oct. 1.

Reverend Monsignor James M. Sheehan, J.C.D., Judicial Vicar of the Metropolitan Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Newark, has been appointed to the Presbyteral Council for a three-year term, effective Sept. 17 and ending Aug. 31, 2012. He has also been appointed Secretary for Canonical Affairs, effective Sept. 22.

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Richard J. Arnholz, Pastor of Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Bergenfield, has been appointed to a third six-year term, ending June 30, 2016.

Very Reverend Steven Conner, V.F., Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, Fort Lee, has been appointed to a second six-year term, ending Jan. 31, 2015.

Very Reverend Gerald T. Hahn, V.F., Pastor of Saint Anthony Parish, Northvale, has been appointed to a second six-year term, ending Jan. 31, 2015.

Reverend Stanley S. Kostrzomb, Pastor of Saint Michael Parish, Lyndhurst, has been appointed to a second six-year term, ending Jan. 31, 2016.

Very Reverend Thomas P. Lipnicki, V.F., Pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Oakland, has been appointed to a third six-year term, ending Jan. 31, 2017.

Reverend Felix R. Marciniak, Pastor of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Wallington, has been appointed to a third six-year term, ending June 30, 2016.

Reverend Donald J. DiPasquale, Pastor of Epiphany Parish, Cliffside Park, has been appointed to a second six-year term, ending June 30, 2012.

Reverend Joseph P. Pietropinto, Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, Secaucus, has been appointed to a second six-year term, ending Jan. 31, 2016.

Reverend Charles Pinyan, Pastor of Guardian Angel Parish, Allendale, has been appointed to a second six-year term, ending Feb. 1, 2016.

Reverend Floyd J. Rotunno, Pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Mahwah, has been appointed to a second six-year term, ending Jan. 31, 2015.

Reverend Monsignor Joseph T. Slinger, Pastor of Our Lady of Visitation Parish, Paramus, has been appointed to a third six-year term, ending Jan. 31, 2012.

ADMINISTRATOR

Reverend Francisco Dols, T.O.R., has been appointed Administrator of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Newark, effective Aug. 20,

Reverend Luigi Zanotto, M.C.C.J., has been appointed Administrator of Saint Lucy Parish, Newark, effective Oct. 4.

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Reverend Robert E. Tooman, has been appointed parochial vicar of Saint Vincent de Paul Parish, Bayonne, effective Sept. 15.

Reverend Edmund Walker, O.F.M., Cap, has been appointed parochial vicar of Saint Ann Parish, Hoboken, effective Sept. 22.

DEAN

Reverend Jan Sasin, Pastor of Saint Francis Xavier Parish, Newark, has also been appointed Dean of the North Newark Deanery, Deanery 19 for a five-year term, ending Sept. 16, 2014.

CHAPLAIN

Reverend James Ferry, Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, West Orange, has been appointed Campus Minister at Fairleigh Dickinson University (Metropolitan Campus), Teaneck, with residence at Saint Peter the Apostle Rectory, River Edge, effective Oct. 21.

Reverend Krzysztof K. Maslowski, Pastor of Saint Joseph the Carpenter Parish, Roselle, has also been appointed Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, Saint Joseph the Carpenter Council #3946, Roselle, effective Sept. 30.

Reverend Brian G. Plate, Pastor of Saint Teresa of Avila Parish, Summit, has also been appointed Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, Monsignor Francis X. Coyle Council #5560, Springfield, effective Sept. 22.

Reverend Paul J. Prevosto, Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, Hackensack, has also been appointed Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, Trinity Council #747, Hackensack, effective Sept. 22.

RELEASE

Reverend Alfonso Picone, released for service in the Diocese of Bridgeport, CT., has been granted an extension for another three years, ending June 21, 2012.



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As it begins its second century of service, Saint Anne, 15-05 Saint Anne St., will host a four-

day parish retreat: "Celebrating the Core of Our Catholic Faith." The retreat will be launched with masses on Sunday, Nov. 1,

continuing through Nov. 4 with morning and evening services (8:45 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.). Call the parish at (201) 791-1616 for additional information.

In addition, there will be a 100-year anniversary Mass on Saturday, Dec. 5, 5:15 p.m., celebrated by Archbishop John J. Myers. Father Joseph C. Doyle is the pastor of Saint Anne. A gala reception at The Brownstone, 351 W Broadway, Paterson, will follow the Mass.

Father Jim Kelly, O.F.M., a charismatic friar and a pastoral psychotherapist for over 30 years,



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will lead the November parish retreat. Fr. Kelly is a familiar figure to many parishioners, having spent a year at Saint Anne as a deacon.



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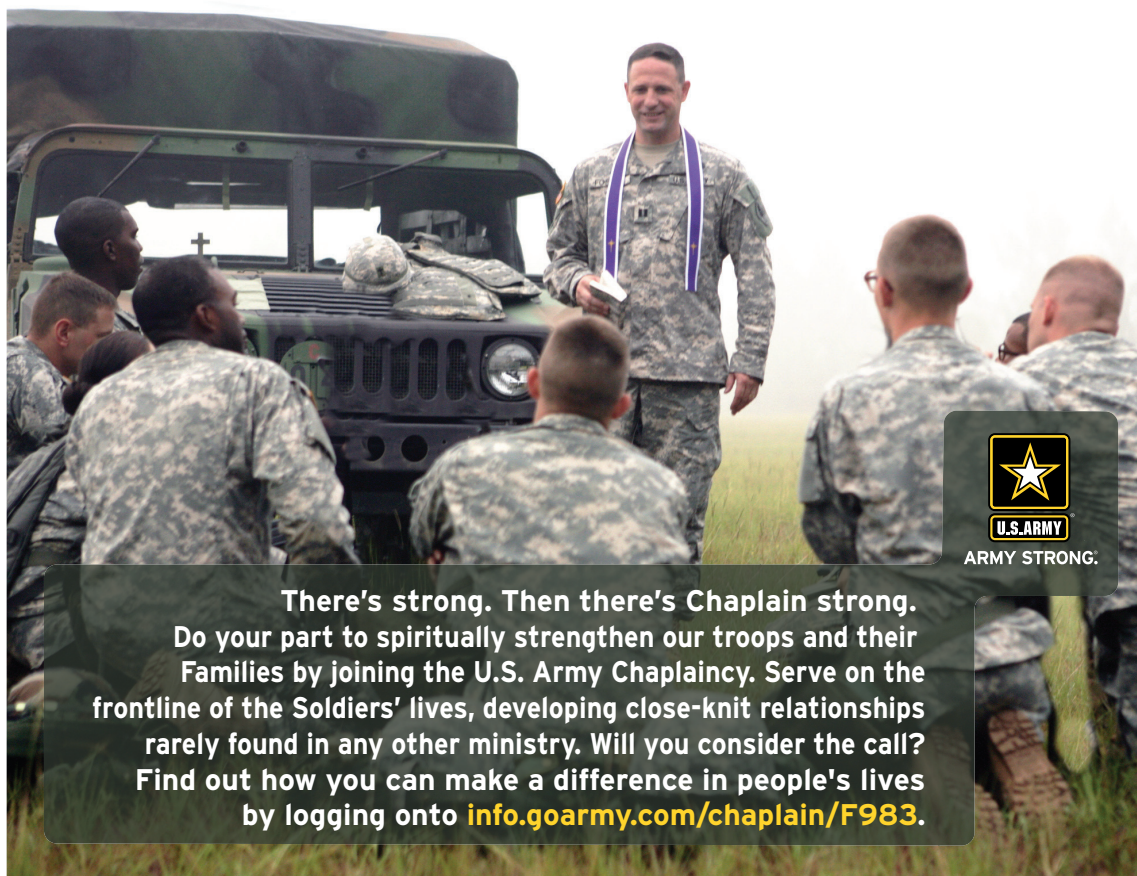
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Light supper will be provided. Seating is limited. Contact Theresa Lynch at (973) 497-4042 or e-mail PGINFO@rcan.org for details.

The archdiocesan Office of Major Gifts, Planned Giving/Development will sponsor the forum. Sal Salvo, the co-founder of the Institute for Family Wealth Counseling, Parsippany (Web site: www.thefamilywealthinstitute.com), will lead the seminar. Salvo has made appearances throughout the archdiocese in recent months to discuss Catholic financial planning strategies.



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Fatima ‘Sanctity of Life’ event offers prayers for world’s ills

WASHINGTON, NJ — The World Apostolate of Fatima USA will host a day of prayer for life and peace Sunday, Oct. 18, at the national Blue Army Shrine of Immaculate Heart of Mary, 674 Mountain View Rd., a 150-acre site in Warren County.

“Worldwide Fatima Sanctity of Life Day is a call to people of all faiths to pray according to their faith for God’s help in the fight to save souls and to bring peace to earth,” Michael La Corte, executive director, World Apostolate of Fatima USA, explained. Call the apostolate at (908) 213-2223 for more information.

La Corte said the event will be broadcast live 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network). He said people of all faiths worldwide will join with one voice to pray for an end to war, abortion, terrorism and genocide.

The day of prayer will include Mass, a rosary walk, candlelight procession and music by the famous toe-picking Christian guitar player Tony Melendez and his band. Internationally acclaimed speakers, including EWTN personalities Father Clement Machado and Father Andrew Apostoli will offer presentations. The Catholic Church affirms the message the Blessed Virgin Mother relayed to the world through an apparition to three shepherd children in Portugal in 1917.



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The national Blue Army Shrine of Immaculate Heart of Mary is located in Warren County—part of the Diocese of Metuchen. The Church recognizes the 62-year-old World Apostolate of Fatima/Blue Army as an international pontifical public association of the faithful.

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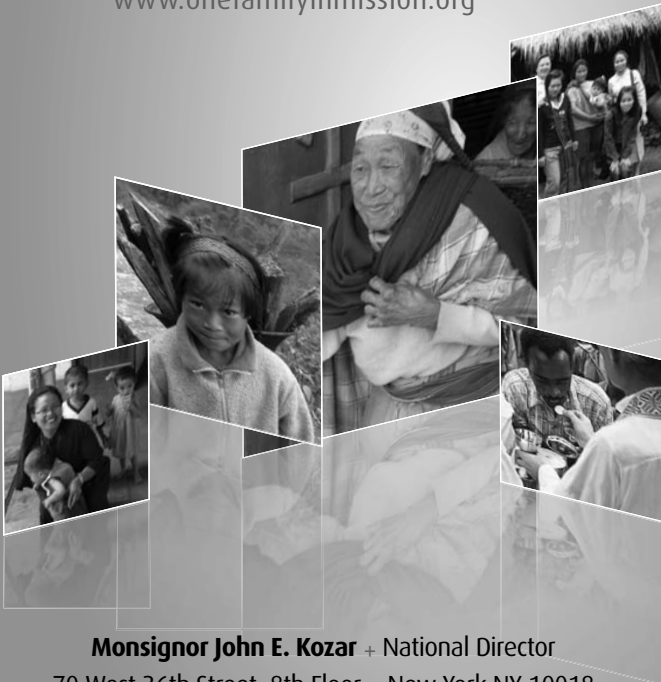
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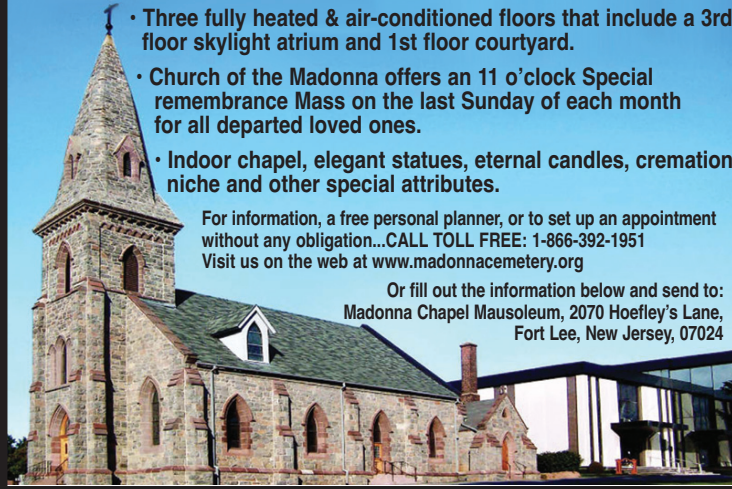


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Parishes reach out, offer confabs to aid job seekers

AREA—Parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark continue to answer the call to support those pummeled by job losses from the ongoing global economic meltdown.

A free workshop, hosted by Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, 217 Prospect St., South Orange on Saturday, Oct. 17, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., will feature a presen-

tation by John Harvey, a leadership coach and the co-founder of TransitionWorks (Web site: www.transitionworks.org).

Harvey, a Maplewood resident, will offer tips on how job seekers can distinguish themselves in a crowded market, identify unpublished employment opportunities and strengthen communication skills.

Seating is limited and registration is required. To register, call (862) 216-2425 or e-mail Harvey at johnharveyt2p@comcast.net.

The parish's Holy Name Society (of men), the program sponsor, requests that participants consider a free-will donation to cover the cost of a light breakfast to be provided. Participants also are invited to bring their own light lunch.

Separately, the Career Resources Ministry of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 1 Passaic St., Ridgewood, will host the second in its four-part fall/winter workshop series on Sunday, Oct. 18, at noon.

"Define Your Target Market" is a workshop session that will explain how to clearly identify realistic career goals and preferred business sectors, allowing job seekers

to streamline efforts and focus on specific organizations to find employment.

Workshops are held in the meeting room located in the lower church and are designed to assist those seeking employment or pursuing new career opportunities. Ministry members are profes-

sionals in the job-placement field.

Admission is free and the public is invited to attend, regardless of religious affiliations. Light refreshments will be served. Call Tom Lewis at (201) 445-1864, Ed McCabe at (201) 652-3130 or Carol Shea at (201) 447-4215 for more information.

Knights of Columbus seek new members to join ranks

AREA—The Knights of Columbus, the world's largest Catholic family fraternal service organization, is seeking new members.

October is the statewide recruitment campaign month for



the Knights. Newly elected Grand Knight Nicholas Cerchio of Queen of Peace Council, North Arlington, and Deputy Grand Knight Robert Tarantula invite those in the Archdiocese of Newark to consider joining the organization.

Visit the Web site at (www.kofc.org) and click on the links "Learn About Us" and "I Want to Join" for details on membership. A Knight from the applicant's area then will contact the individual.

Last August Herbert C. Meyer was installed as state deputy for the Knights during a Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Aug. 12). The Knights' international headquarters is located in New Haven, CT. Founded 127 years ago, the group has more than 13,000 councils and 1.7 million members throughout North America, Mexico and other regions.



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Childhood Association said the as-
sociation cultivates the practice of
“children helping children though
a variety of programs that assist
youngsters in mission lands to see,
know and love Jesus.”

Realizing that “the future of the
world and the quality of its faith
are in the hands of today’s chil-
dren,” Sr. Arline visits schools
and religious education programs
throughout the archdiocese “to
help children understand the joy of
sharing what they have with the
needy.” Last year children of the
Archdiocese of Newark collected
\$32,189 “to help their young con-
temporaries in the missions,” Sr.
Arline commented.

Totals for the Pontifical Mis-
sion Societies’ general fund in the
United States for 2008 shows
American Catholics donated \$50.7
million, which was distributed by
the Vatican to 99 separate entities
worldwide. The general fund of
the Propagation of the Faith is the
basic means of support for the
Church’s worldwide missions
where hundreds of millions of

Catholics live. Normally, Msgr.
Fuhrman explained, subsidies are
sent by the Vatican to the papal
nuncio in a missionary territory
“who then distributes them as
needed to the bishops in a partic-
ular country.”

Among the recent letters
sent to Msgr. Fuhrman’s
Newark office was one
from Father Terence J.
Lee, M.H.M. from the
Mill Hill Missionaries of
the Saint Joseph Mis-
sionary Society. He was
writing, Fr. Lee explained,
“on behalf of approximately
400 members of the society
most of whom are actively
engaged in missionary work in 39
different areas in Africa, Asia
and South America.” The Newark
Archdiocesan Mission Office,
Msgr. Fuhrman pointed out,
“helps American missionaries
such as the Passionists, Mill Hill
Fathers, SMA Fathers, Francis-
cans and many others in their for-
eign mission work.”

Most Rev. Prasad Gallela,
Bishop of the Diocese of Cudda-
pah in India, wrote the donations
are “a great help to us in spreading

the Gospel and enkindling the
faith among the people.”

From the country of Mozam-
bique in Africa, Most Rev. Ernesto
Maguengue of the Diocese of
Pemba wrote Msgr. Fuhrman “I
come to you again, hat in hand, for
your help.”

Most Rev. Antonisamy
Francis, the Bishop of
K u m b a k o m a m
Diocese in southeastern
India, who visited
Newark Oct. 1, said
in his region there are
230,000 Catholics out of a
population of some 7.6 mil-
lion. Most villagers are daily
laborers earning only \$2 a day.

Bishop Francis said the three
primary needs of his diocese
are religious, educational and
healthcare.

Stressing the need for teachers
and schools, Bishop Francis said
that without education there is no
future for the children in his com-
munity. Bishop Francis cited the
need for free healthcare and
money to pay doctors, nurses and
for medical supplies and medicine.

The missions in 2009, noted
Msgr. Fuhrman, are marked by a

trend toward “self-sustaining”
local vocations. “Home-grown
clergy is one of our goals.” The
Propagation of the Faith, he con-
tinued, “is not a relief agency. It
is primarily Gospel-centered,
faith-oriented.”

Msgr. Fuhrman placed equal
emphasis on the role of estate be-
quests for the missions. “If con-
cern for the poor and the spread of

the Catholic Faith are important
during one’s lifetime, a bequest to
us will carry on those principles in
a long-term tribute to the power of
faith. I wish and hope that every
Catholic would leave a percent-
age, even 1 percent of their legacy
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Their influence would reach the
very needy and lead them closer
to God.”



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