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# College courses seek to advance nursing careers

Educators look to address the needs of complex, ever-demanding healthcare profession.



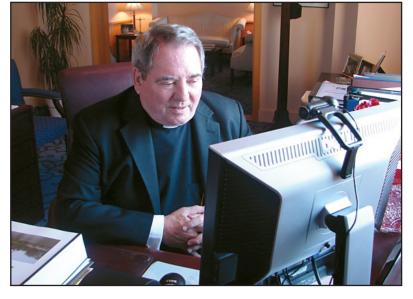
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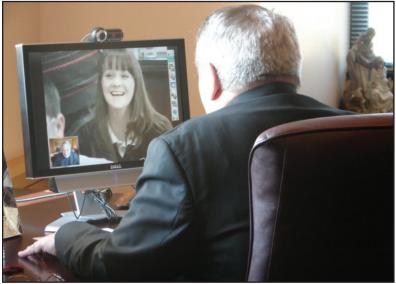
Members of Knights of Columbus Motorcycle Ministry embark on spiritual journeys to help others.

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Archbishop Myers and students from Paramus Catholic recently talked for more than an hour via the Internet about faith, goals, vocations and more.

# Archbishop 'connects' with Paramus Catholic

**BYJAMES GOODNESS** 

Director of Communications

NEWARK—"If God gave man free will, then why is there evil in the world?" the young man asked Archbishop John J. Myers when he met with a group of students from Paramus Catholic Regional High School last month.

Without hesitation, the archbishop immediately answered by saying, "If we don't give love freely, then it isn't love. God wants us to love Him freely and willingly, so He gave us the ability to choose love, to choose Him. But when man turns away from God, he opens himself to evil."

What made this exchange different from previous visits with archdiocesan students, however, was that this time the students were in a classroom at Paramus Catholic and the archbishop was 20 miles away in his office at the Archdiocesan

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# ICHS teens 'share' talents to explore healthcare careers

BY MELISSA MCNALLY Staff Writer

MONTCLAIR—Choosing the right career path can be a daunting task for any high school senior. At Immaculate Conception High School (ICHS), students in the Senior Hospital and Research Experience (SHARE) are given a head start by getting hands-on experience in the healthcare field at nearby Mountainside Hospital.

Originated in 1998, SHARE is an externship program that pairs students with medical professionals working in the hospital. In the first semester, students are given lectures by staff in diverse fields, including dentistry, nursing, pharmacy and public relations. In the second half of the school year, the seniors are matched with professionals and work alongside them in their chosen field.

Established as a selective program, there are only 15-20 student spots available each year. One hundred percent of students participating in SHARE go on to college and receive scholarships to universities around the country.

Liane Matti, who runs SHARE at the high school, is a native of East Orange and alumnus of ICHS. She teaches science to sophomores through seniors and recognizes the outstanding qualities possessed by the students in the program.

"There is an extensive application process for SHARE because the students represent the school and the community. The students have to possess good character and have exceptional academics. They also need a letter of recommendation," Matti explained.

The wide array of career options presented by the program allows students to explore varied fields. Following each weekly lecture at the

hospital, students write a reflection paper, evaluating what impacted them about the particular profession. Matti notices a change in students who participate in SHARE. "The students have a better sense of responsibility and the program clarifies a career path and enlightens certain career choices for them."

Tamara Valbrun from West Orange is inspired by her mother a certified nursing assistant—and plans on working in the healthcare field. Last year, she volunteered at Mountainside Hospital for her junior year service project in the maternity ward. "I feel comfortable work-

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# Blue Mass to celebrate valor, honor

NEWARK—The Archdiocese of Newark will celebrate its annual "Blue" Mass for law enforcement officers Thursday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m., at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 89 Ridge St. Archbishop John J. Myers will serve as the principal celebrant and homilist.

The Mass remembers with reverence the men and women who serve in the often-dangerous profession of protecting society and in particular honors those who lost their lives in the line of duty in the past year.

This year the Mass will honor Jersey City Police Department Detective Marc Anthony DiNardo, who died July 21 from gunshot wounds he received five days earlier when he and four other officers were shot while attempting to appre-

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# Youth & Young Adults





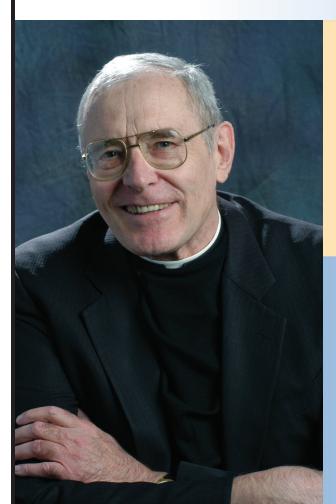
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SHAPING LIVES—The sixth annual New Jersey Young Adult Conference, held Oct. 17 at the Archdiocesan Youth and Young Adult Center, Kearny, ("I am the Potter, You are the Clay") featured artist Ray Boswell (top left photo, holding bowl). Pictured with Boswell are (left to right) Nickol Muller, Michelle Spina, Aida Flores, Sister Marilyn Minter and Lee Ann Aguila. The annual archdiocesan Youth Ministry Recognition Mass was celebrated Oct. 18 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark. Father Joseph A. Mancini, executive director, Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, delivered the homily, telling those assembled that the young adults honored at the Mass had "learned the importance of being part of something greater than yourself." Nina Lima, Christian Alvarez, Angela Rafferty and Paul Maruvcic (top right photo, left to right) were the recipients of the "Eagle of the Cross" award. Catherine (Catzel) Bumpus (left photo), the coordinator of youth ministry at Church of the Presentation Parish, Upper Saddle River, received "The Pope John Paul II Award," the highest award the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries bestows on the laity. Visit *The Catholic Advocate* Web site (www.rcan.org/advocate) for a full list of names from the Recognition Mass.

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# MM Knights see their ride as a spiritual journey

Our Archdiocese

Managing Editor

AREA—Although they might not look like it at first glance, members of the New Jersey State Knights of Columbus Motorcycle Ministry are practicing their faith and changing perceptions one mile at a time.

Known among its ever-increasing ranks simply as "MM," the unique ministry was established a year ago and they are looking K OF C for Knights from the Archdiocese of Newark to join them. Members took to the road this past spring. Ownership of a motorcycle is not a requirement to become part of the ministry.

According to its Web site (www.nikofcmm.org), MM's mission is "to expand the scope of the Knights of Columbus' exposure to the community, expand our charitable works by organizing motorcycle rides and participating in other organizations' rides and to get our Brother Knights out on bikes socially." Organizers emphasize that the Motorcycle

Ministry adheres to the Knights' principles of "charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism.'

Knights State Deputy Herbert Meyer, a parishioner at Saint Mary's Parish, Rutherford, and a charter member of the Motorcycle Ministry said, "These guys have become very popular among the biking community as well as within our own rank and file."

Meyer made special note of the Knights' Motorcycle Ministry as "a tool to attract Catholic men into our membership who may be in law enforcement, paid firefighters or servicemen who ride. They need the extra protection for their wives and children who, in the unfortunate event they lose their lives in the line of duty, know that we as Knights will care for their children's education at any Catholic college.'

John Brandon, MM president and co-founder, added that to be a part of the Motorcycle Ministry, a Knight first and foremost must by a member in good standing, uphold the order's principles and be a "positive image" to the public.

"We do whatever we can for whomever we can help," Brandon said. "I have been getting a lot of phone calls from other clubs and agencies that want the Knights to show up and help out their causes. We try to support as many as we can without burning my guys out. Luckily we are a tough bunch of men who just love to ride."

Thomas Ciborski, the Knight's immediate past state deputy, formally approved the ministry last year. The first membership drive took place at the Vincent T. Lombardi Council 6652 in Middletown. Every state Knights of Columbus officer is a charter member.

"It's not asking too much to be around good Catholic men who want to bring the Gospel to those outside our rank and file," Meyer said. "When we officers can make an appearance, we are there for these guys. They are the foot soldiers and worker bees of the ministry."

James Pesonen, MM co-



Looks can be deceiving as this tough-looking bunch of hombreswho bear an uncanny resemblance to Marlon Brando and his notorious buds from the 1953 Movie "The Wild One"-are actually members of the New Jersey State Knights of Columbus Motorcycle Ministry. The group recently got on their bikes and joined forces with other faith-based organizations to participate in the "Protect Marriage" rally, which was held Oct. 25 in Trenton.

founder, said that "we want Brother Knights to get together for the single purpose of enjoying the sport of motorcycling, meeting other people and showing that

the biker world does a lot of charity work that people of the nonbiking world never see.'

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#### Pope cites need for healthy debates

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—The Catholic Church needs healthy debates between theologians to increase the understanding of faith, but the debate must always uphold

official Church teaching and must be conducted in a way that does not confuse the faithful, Pope Benedict XVI said. The 12th-century theological debates between

Saint Bernard of Clairvaux and Abelard, a French theologian, demonstrate "the usefulness and necessity of a healthy theological discussion in the Church, especially when the questions debated have not been defined by the mag-



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isterium, which always must remain an essential point of reference," the pope said. During his weekly general audience Nov. 4, Pope Benedict spoke about what modern Catholics can learn from the debates between Saint Bernard, who followed the monastic theological tradition emphasizing faith and prayer, and Abelard, who followed the scholastic tradition emphasizing the use of reason. Abelard's theological career was marked, several times, by Church condemnations of some of his positions, particularly regarding what he taught about the Trinity. Pope Benedict said the censures of Abelard's work are a reminder that theologians must be careful to give precedence to the principles of faith that come from revelation and not to interpretations suggested by philosophy. When a theologian strays into error, the Vatican must intervene in service of the truth, said the pope, who spent more than 20 years as prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

#### **Catholics 'Walk Together' in Dallas**

DALLAS (CNS)—From strategies for coping with tragedies to reconciling the predicament of being truly Catholic and politically engaged in America, the University of Dallas Ministry Conference offered numerous insights and programs at the Dallas Convention Center Oct. 23-24. More than 4,000 attended the third annual conference to enrich their grasp of ministering to members of the Catholic Church. The conference, co-sponsored by the Diocese of Dallas and the Diocese of Fort Worth, offered numerous topics and workshops pertaining to the central theme, "Walking Together in Faith." Participants included priests and women religious; school administrators and teachers; and catechists and ministers in areas such as youth, music and grief counseling. From the outset, the atmosphere celebrated the strength and harmony possible when ministries support one another. In his Oct. 23 keynote address, Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl of Washington emphasized the importance of recalling Jesus as the eternal word, the Son sent by God to be His voice. He called on conference participants to rejoice in the Church and said Pope Benedict XVI's visit to the United States last year served to encourage evangelization, catechesis and education. "Catechists, career and volunteer, are essential teachers of the faith," Archbishop Wuerl said. "The catechist, through his/her words and deeds, bears witness to Jesus, tells the story of Jesus, lives the story of Jesus." John L. Allen Jr., senior correspondent for National Catholic Reporter and a Vatican analyst for CNN, examined U.S. Catholics' political predicaments in his Oct. 24 keynote talk, "Square Peg, Round Hole: Catholics and Politics in America." He outlined how the U.S. Church reflects overall national trends, citing parallels between findings in Bill Bishop's landmark book "The Big Sort: Why the Clustering of Like-Minded America Is Tearing Us Apart" and aspects of American Catholic demographics. "Increasingly, we have become strangers to one another," Allen warned. "The gated community is a metaphor for an entire way of life." However, he struck hopeful notes in praising U.S. bishops' initiatives for unifying Catholics active in different areas of the life issues and in his assertion that young Catholics offer hope and inspiration.

RED MASS-The 25th Annual Red Mass, hosted by Seton Hall University School of Law, was celebrated Sept. 25 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark. Named for the red robes worn by judges in the Middle Ages, the Mass invokes God's blessing in the administration of justice. Pictured at the Mass (left to right) is Father Nicholas S. Gengaro, School of Law chaplain; Most Rev. John M. Smith, Bishop of Trenton; Thomas E. Durkin, Jr., partner of Durkin & Durkin LLP, the recipient of the Saint Thomas More Medal; and Most Reverend John J. Myers, Archbishop of Newark.



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#### **HONORING A FRIEND**—Saint Vincent Academy (SVA), Newark's Catholic collegepreparatory high school for young women, honored Most Rev. Peter L. Gerety, Archbishop Emeritus of Newark (the oldest bishop in the United States), and Jeffrey Vanderbeek, chairman and managing partner of the New Jersey Devils, at SVA's 24th annual fundraising "Friends in Concert" dinner Oct. 15. Pictured is SVA administrative director Sister June Favata, S.C. (center), presenting the school's Pelican Award to Archbishop Gerety (right). Also pictured is Rev. Msgr. Francis R. Seymour, archdiocesan archivist.



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# Wefing to provide insights on life of NJ Gov. Hughes

CALDWELL—John Wefing, Seton Hall University (SHU) law professor, will present a program on his new book, *The Life and Times of Richard J. Hughes: The Politics of Civility*, (Rutgers University Press) Tuesday, Nov. 17, 7 p.m. at Werner Hall, Caldwell College. The event is co-sponsored by the college, Mount Saint Dominic Academy and the Caldwell Public Library.

Wefing will provide insights on Hughes, the first Catholic governor of New Jersey, who served as the Garden State's 45th governor from 1962 to 1970 and chief justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey from 1973 to 1979.

The program includes a lecture, slide show and book-signing segment. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Karen Kleppe-Lembo by phone at (973) 226-2837 or via e-mail at klembo@caldwellpl.org.

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#### **ICHS** teens

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ing in the medical field," Valbrun said. "SHARE gives me the opportunity to explore new horizons. I want to look into different fields of nursing."

Valbrun is grateful for the lectors who share their expertise and are helpful to inquiring students. There are 10 speakers throughout the year who provide a broad explanation of different professions within the hospital. "The lectors are always willing to help us and answer any questions we have. They are all very energetic; they tell us it is important to love what you do."

Janay Boughton, a SHARE student from Hillside, would like to start her own hair care product line and plans to major in chemistry. She has learned how a de-

gree in chemistry would be valuable in a hospital setting. "I could work in dentistry or pharmacy. When we get placed (with a mentor) in January, I hope to work in a laboratory."

Even if a student's desired field is not healthcare, Mountainside Hospital provides first-hand knowledge about diverse fields. For example, Denzel Gray, 17, would like to major in graphic design and hopes to work in the hospital's human resources or public relations department. "There are a lot of people behind the scenes of a hospital besides doctors and nurses. I'm open to anything." Aaron Bullock, a student from East Orange, plans on majoring in business administration. "I am looking forward to the hands-on experience of working in the admissions or patient care department: I'm really excited."

Jennifer Ampofo, who works



Advocate photo – Melissa McNally

Immaculate Conception High School participates in the SHARE program at Mountainside Hospital. Pairing students with hospital professionals, the program enlightens students about the varied career paths in healthcare. Liane Matti, far left, serves as the moderator of SHARE. Grettel Muscato, director of Community Services and Volunteers at Mountainside Hospital, stresses to students the importance of volunteering in the community.

part-time at Park Street Academy pre-school, wishes to continue working with children as a pediatrician. "With every new speaker, I'm excited about a new field. The lectures help you to expand and try different things."

The group dynamic of the SHARE program fosters a sense of community that enhances the learning experience. "We all help each other," Shanae Hatchett, 17, said. "(The students) are all very close. If we have any questions, we help each other out. I learned about a positive work environment."

Grettel Muscato, director of Community Services and Volunteers at Mountainside Hospital, views SHARE as a great way to expose young adults to opportunities in the healthcare field. She works closely with Matti to achieve a "perfect match" between the students and the departments they volunteer with.

"SHARE is a great program and they are all good kids," Muscato said. "I always receive positive feedback from our staff about the students. The staff welcomes them with open arms. When you are proud of what you do, you want to share that knowledge with others. (SHARE) is a wonderful collaboration between Immaculate Conception High School and the hospital," she noted.

Working with the program for

five years, she observes the lectures and notices students asking insightful questions about the respective careers in the hospital. When students complete volunteering in May, some come back to Mountainside and work during the summer. Colleges are especially interested in students who demonstrate the initiative to be a community volunteer, she said.

"In September, I usually get a list of the colleges our previous volunteers have been accepted to and it is so nice to see," Muscato said. "Colleges value when people volunteer and we give the students letters for their applications. Anything (the students) want us to do, we go above and beyond."



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# Resurrection, judgment and transformation

(Nov. 15, 2009); Readings: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 146; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32.

s the liturgical year draws to a close, the Church reminds the faithful yet again that life, for the individual and all humanity, is more than our physical and social existence on earth. There is a natural curiosity about "the end of the world," a phrase which means, not annihilation, but the consummation of history into a new order. But, in divine wisdom, God refuses to reveal the day and the hour to any creature (see Mk 13:31).

"We do not know the time for the consummation of the earth and of humanity. Nor do we know how all things will be transformed. As deformed by sin, the shape of this world will pass away. But we are taught that God is preparing a new dwelling place and a new earth where justice will abide, and whose bliss will answer and surpass all longings for peace which spring up in the human heart" (Vatican II, The Church in the Modern World No. 39).

In ancient times the Hebrew

people believed that, while each foreign nation had its guardian angel, the Israelites were protected by God himself (see Dt 32:8). However, as they came to revere the divine majesty ever more profoundly, this task was delegated to Mi-ca-el ("who is like God?"), the archangel closest to the divine throne.

During a terrible persecution under the Seleucid Emperor Antiochus IV (167-164 B.C.), the book of Daniel offered consolation to faithful Jews. "Holy Michael the archangel, defend us in the day of battle" was a prayer of Jews long before the Church was founded. Both communities stand in need of divine and angelic protection as they face the varied manifestations of evil forces in the course of history.

God gave His commandments so that His people would live (Lv 18:5). However, in time of persecution those who refused to compromise their commitment to The Covenant were the ones who died under horrendous torture. Their consolation was grounded in faith that the fullness of life is communion with the living God. From this insight came the doc-

trine of the bodily resurrection (in the Holy Land) and immortality of the soul (in Egypt during the Ptolemaic period).

Personal retribution for good or evil deeds in this life may not be resolved adequately in this life, so the faithful hoped that their names would be written in the book of life (Dn 12:3; see Ex 32:32-33). All would rise, but

We should look for the way in which each of us fulfills our own unique vocation in God's service.

only the righteous would live in the divine presence; the wicked would be punished, disgraced because they abused God's gracious gifts during their earthly sojourn.

Those who accept the divine insight into the meaning of life will shine brightly for eternity; those (undoubtedly the same wise believers) who lead the multitude

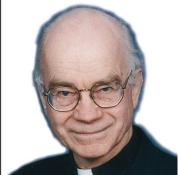
to righteousness (integrity) shall be like the stars forever (12:3). This passage emphasizes the fact that Jews (and Christians) live as a people, each adult being responsible as a leader and teacher. Those who serve God receive their reward in the company of both their benefactors and beneficiaries.

The selection from the Gospel of Mark describes the role of Jesus in the Christian vision of final judgment. As in Daniel, the passage focuses on the members of the believing community. "The Son of man will dispatch his angels and assemble his chosen ones from the four winds, from the farthest bounds of earth and heaven" (13:27).

The transformations of celestial bodies at the end of time are described in many Jewish works. Jesus also emphasized that the varied bodies of the cosmos will participate in the mystery of consummation in God. However, the lesson Jesus taught was based on an analogy with the fig tree. The phenomenon of plant growth should draw us to think of history maturing toward its goal.

Rather than look enthusiastically for secret signs that will put

# **S**UNDAY READINGS



By Rev. Lawrence Frizzell

Christians at an advantage over others concerning the final days, we should look for the way in which each of us fulfills our own unique vocation in God's service. The principles for peace with God, humanity and nature have been presented in the Law of Moses and the Gospel. While the work of preparing for The Kingdom is ultimately God's achievement, we are cooperators in the task through the response of our daily lives.

(Rev. Lawrence Frizzell is the director of the Institute of Judaeo-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University, South Orange.)



ANCIENT HONORS-Jeffrey L.T. Gluck and his wife, Kathleen, were recently promoted in rank to knight commander and lady commander, respectively, of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. This is an ancient papal order of knighthood established during the First Crusade in 1099, into which they were initially invested in 2006. The Glucks are parishioners at Our Lady of Grace Parish, Fairview. The ceremony took place in Saint Patrick's Cathedral, New York City, on Sept. 26, presided over by His Eminence, Edward Cardinal Egan, Archbishop Emeritus of New York, and Grand Prior of the Eastern Lieutenancy of the Order, and in the presence of Archbishop John J. Myers.



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PRESIDIENTIAL VISIT-Father Patrick J. Pollard, C.C.C.E., president of the Catholic Cemetery Conference and archdiocesan director of Catholic Cemeteries of Chicago, right, was welcomed to the Archdiocese of Newark Oct. 28 at a reception following the annual Catholic Cemeteries' Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. Celebrated by Archbishop John J. Myers, second from left, the Mass cites the faithful work of local funeral directors, cemeterians and bereavement counselors. Pictured with Fr. Pollard and Archbishop Myers are, far left, Deacon Joseph A. Dwyer Jr., archdiocesan Vice Chancellor for Administration, and Andrew P. Schafer, C.C.C.E., executive director of Catholic Cemeteries for the Archdiocese of Newark. In observance of the Year for Priests, the Mass also was celebrated for priests of the Church of Newark who died during the past year. Remembered too were the funeral directors who passed away since last year. The Catholic Cemeteries Conference, based in Hillside, IL, is marking its 60th anniversary this year. In his homily, Archbishop Myers praised the work of funeral directors, cemeterians and bereavement counselors, saying the services they provide are "invaluable" to families in the Archdiocese of Newark.

## Skype session

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Center—speaking via the Internet using a Skype telephone connection to his office computer.

The idea for this new way of meeting with students in archdiocesan high schools came from a conversation that Father John Gabriel, director of vocations, had with Fathers Dominic Ciriaco and Larry Evans, the chaplains at Paramus Catholic.

"Our young people are very comfortable with technology," Fr. Gabriel said. "The convenience of the link-up enabled His Grace to spend quality time with a group and still keep to his busy schedule in the chancery building in Newark."

While many questions that the students raised dealt with matters of faith and spirituality, some were personal and close to home. When one student asked, "Do you

always dress like a bishop?" Archbishop Myers laughed and said: "Generally I do, because most people expect me to dress this way." Another asked, "What do you do for fun?" The archbishop said, "I read a lot, mostly historical fiction and some spy novels." Another asked if he was writing another science fiction book. "I haven't had the time for that," he said, "but Gary (Wolf, Archbishop Myers' childhood friend and co-author with the Archbishop of the Space Vulture book) has a couple of books of his own in the works. We occasionally talk about doing another one." Did he play any instruments? "I did play the trumpet in school, but I don't play today."

When asked about his favorite subjects, Archbishop Myers said he has always been interested in mathematics, and "if I hadn't become a priest, I probably would have gone into that field." Another asked about how he became a priest, and the archbishop said he felt that he had often heard God calling him when he was a teen. "But I replied, 'Maybe You should call someone else.' When I entered college, I originally

studied mathematics, but God kept calling and eventually I entered divinity school.'

He said that his family was supportive of his decision. "I believe that is one of the key factors in any vocation." Referring to Fathers Gabriel, Evans and Ciriaco, he added "along with great priests like you have with you in the room today."

Because of the success of this first Skype Web conference,

the Vocations Office is working with other archdiocesan high school to schedule additional sessions.

At the end of the session, Father Gabriel asked Archbishop Myers if he would give a "cyber blessing" to the students. "Sure," the Archbishop began. When he finished making the sign of the Cross, he laughed and said to the students, "I've never done one of these before. I hope it takes.'

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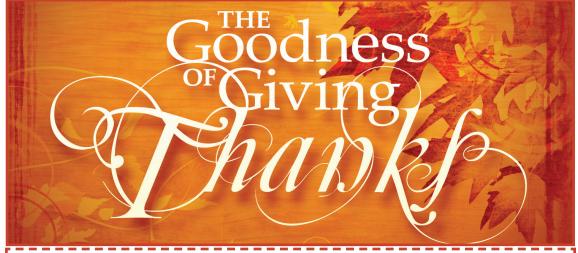
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"It is important to gather together each year to thank God for the courage and honor that He has given the many men and women who answer the call to serve and protect us all," Archbishop Myers said. "This year, we will remember Detective DiNardo and all of those who gave their lives, and continue to ask God for His blessings for those who persevere in keeping our communities safe."

Every year since its inception almost 20 years ago, atten-

dance by men and women in law enforcement has grown. This year, more than 1,000 representatives from federal, state, county, and municipal law enforcement departments and agencies, as well as many public officials, are expected to attend. Law enforcement officers from throughout the state and region, along with their families and friends, are invited to attend the Mass and offer their support. The liturgy will include a ceremonial presentation of the National Colors. Following the Mass, guests will attend a luncheon buffet at The Rink in Branch Brook Park.



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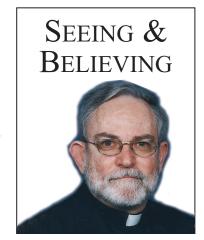
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# November's chill signals a time to gaze at the stars

wo events in the news not so long ago had people looking up into the sky. The first was the so-called "balloon boy" story from Colorado, where it seems a family allegedly staged a semi-credible hoax in the hope of landing a "reality television show." It brings with it all kinds of questions, like, "Isn't truth really stranger than fiction?" "Why do they call staged events reality?" And "What kind of family situation are those kids experiencing?"

It's one thing to read a novel and know that it is a story and nothing more. It's another thing to try to decipher from the media barrage of television and Internet what is true and what is made up. Even "CourtTV", which presents portions of court room cases as they are happening, changed its name to "truTV" and uses as its slogan, "Not Reality—Actuality!"

The other story I found even more fascinating: 32 more planets were discovered outside our solar system, once again bolstering the theory that life is possible elsewhere in the universe. Up to 400 such planets have been identified so far, as we develop means of seeing farther into the distance of space. Indeed, scientists predict



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that, in the next five to 10 years, they will have an instrument that would allow them to detect Earth twins around other solar-system-

Looking to the heavens has been part of human existence from the very beginning. Noah saw a rainbow. Moses observed fire and smoke. Wise Men saw a star. John the Baptist noticed something special when Jesus came to the Jordan. Peter, James, and John had a transfigurative vision looking up from the top of a mountain. The Apostles watched Jesus ascend into heaven. The sun danced at Fatima. Forty years

ago, so many watched in awe that "one small step for man; one giant leap for mankind"—the famous words spoken by astronaut Neil Armstrong when he set foot on the moon.

November is a month for spiritual star gazing. It starts with the Solemnity of All Saints and the Commemoration of All Souls, and near the end gives us the specter of Jesus Christ the King of heaven and earth. All these lead us to think of our eternal destiny.

As we marvel at what we can know and discover of our universe through our ongoing scientific capabilities, we ought also to muse on what the glory of heaven must truly be like. What's more, just as we hope that our earthly discoveries might help us live more appreciative lives, so too our heavenly aspirations ought to encourage us to a more compassionate interaction with the other mere mortals who populate our planet today.

Surely all of us recall some beloved family members, close friends, or noted figures whose lives mirrored those of the saints in one way or another. It is good to treasure such memories, especial-



STUDYING STEWARDSHIP-The archdiocesan Office of Development hosted Stewardship Day on Oct. 24 at Seton Hall University, South Orange, featuring workshops presented in English and Spanish. Christopher Bell, executive director of Good Counsel Homes, and Father John J. Galeano, the pastor of Saint Francis de Sales, Lodi, served as the keynote speakers for the annual gathering.

ly this month—not only in grateful remembrance of them, but also with resolute determination to conform our own lives more closely to Christ's life.

This calendar month of November also ends with the beginning of the new calendar year of the Church. As Luke's

Gospel for the First Sunday of Advent encourages: may each day be a new opportunity to "raise your heads, because your redemption is at hand."

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

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#### November 13

St. Joseph School, East Orange, auction, 7:30 p.m., cost: \$10, call Millie Foti at (973) 762-6624.

MOST HOLY NAME PARISH, Garfield, "Color of Hope" concert and reception, to raise money for building an orphanage in Guatemala, 8 p.m., cost: \$20, (973) 340-0432.

SETON HALL UNIVERSITY, South Orange, tenth anniversary commemoration of the Lutheran and Catholic "Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification," at Immaculate Conception Seminary Chapel, 2-4 p.m., (973) 792-5710. NJ BLOOD SERVICES, blood drive at St. Henry Parish, Bayonne, 1:30-7 p.m., call Marie Forrestal at (732) 616-0798.

#### November 14

St. Joseph Regional High School, Montvale, Christmas Craft Spectacular, through Nov. 15, 10 a.m. -4 p.m., cost: \$2, call Sue Scova at (201) 391-2099.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH, Hillsdale, clothing drive, 9 a.m.-noon, call Al Murphy at (201) 666-0314.

NEWARK SYMPHONY HALL, Dan Moen concert benefiting typhoon victims in the Philippines, cost: \$27, \$47 and \$57, . 800-754-3000.

HOLY NAME HOSPITAL, Teaneck, Founders Ball, at Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, New York City, (201) 833-7143. St. Thomas Apostle Parish, Bloomfield, day retreat, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., RSVP by Nov. 12, call Anna at (973) 338-9538.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3533, Livingston, beefsteak dinner, 7 p.m., cost: \$25, \$10 for children, RSVP to Carmine lacullo III at (201) 320-1281.

BENEDICTINE ACADEMY, Elizabeth. "Science on Saturday," for seventh and eight grade girls, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., (908) 352-0670 ext. 104.

#### November 15

MOST HOLY NAME PARISH, Garfield, Mass followed by blessing of new shrine dedicated to Our Lady of Guadalupe, noon, (973) 340-0432.

CARMEL RETREAT, Mahwah, movie night screening of "Doubt," supper to follow, 5-9 p.m., cost: \$30, (201) 327-7090.

MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH, Wallington, pasta dinner, 2-6 p.m., cost: \$8 for adults, \$5 for children, call MaryJane at (201) 939-8576.

CHURCH OF THE PRESENTATION, Upper Saddle River, Single's Group visit to Montclair Art Museum, "Cezanne and American Modernism" featured exhibit, meet at the church II a.m., cost: \$12 for nonmembers, \$10 for seniors and students, (973) 746-5555.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1543, Secaucus, breakfast in support of hospitalized veterans, 10 a.m., cost: \$10, (201) 866-8621.

LITTLE FLOWER PARISH, Berkeley Heights, prayer service for couples desiring children, 3 p.m., (908) 464-1585.

ORATORY PREPARATORY SCHOOL, Summit, "a Day at the Races" fall fashion show and luncheon, 10 a.m. -3 p.m., at The Dolce, Basking Ridge, cost: \$65, call Karon Rice (973) 787-7550.

#### November 17

St. Andrew Parish, Westwood, Forum on Poverty, with speaker Catherine L'Insalata, 7:30 p.m., (201) 666-1100.

XAVIER RETREAT CENTER, Convent Station, book club meeting, "Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace," by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin, 7 p.m., (973) 290-

LUMEN CENTER, Caldwell, "Muslims: Our Neighbors and Our New Friends," workshop led by Father Philip Latronico, 5-7:30 p.m., 973-403-3331 Ext. 25.

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#### Novenas

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#### PRAYER TO THE **BLESSED VIRGIN**

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#### NOVENA TO ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA (PADRE PIO) Say once a day for nine days

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Through the intercession of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, I confidently be-

seech Thee to grant me the grace of (mention your intentions here). Amen. Novena may be Published in Gratitude. Thank you St. Pio (Padre Pio) R.C.

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# Around the Archdiocese

#### November 18

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH, Linden, Healing Mass, 7:45 p.m., (908) 486-6363.

#### November 20

XAVIER RETREAT CENTER, Convent Station, "Desert Days," 9:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m., cost: \$25, (973) 290-5100.

RESPECT LIFE OFFICE, Linden. Rachel's Vineyard post abortion healing retreat, at St. John the Apostle Parish, Clark, 7 p.m., through Nov. 22, cost: \$100, (732) 388-8211.

#### November 21

Church of the Presentation, Upper Saddle River, harp and violin concert, wine and cheese reception to follow, 8 p.m., cost: \$20, \$15 for seniors, call Milli Stellatos at (201) 327-1313 ext. 812.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIO-CESE OF NEWARK, Kearny, international adoption information meeting, 10 a.m. - noon, (201) 246-7378.

CALDWELL COLLEGE, Holiday Craft Show, featuring tricky tray, raffle and food, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., call Marguerite Kenney at (973) 618-3490.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH, Montclair, Oratorio Society of New Jersey, "A German Requiem Opus 45," 8 p.m., call Preston L. Dibble at (973) 509-1111.

XAVIER RETREAT CENTER, Convent Station, "The Importance of Shame," presented by Kathleen Geelan, 2-4:30 p.m., RSVP at (973) 290-5472.

CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS POST 1612, Bayonne, blood drive, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., (201) 652-3210.

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES. Newark, Day of Reflection for Married Couples, at Holy Family Parish, Nutley, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., cost: \$95, (973) 497-4323.

#### November 22

NJ BLOOD SERVICES, blood drive at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Mountainside, 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m., call Marie Forrestal at (732) 616-0798

OUR LADY OF VICTORIES PARISH, Harrington Park, men's catered breakfast, with guest speaker Father Glenn Sudano, 10:30 a.m., cost: \$10, call Marty Coyne at (201) 767-8409.

#### November 23

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 2346, Nutley, Memorial Mass for deceased members, 8 p.m., call Joseph French at (973) 661-1864.

#### November 24

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH, Scotch Plains, book discussion, "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society" by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows, 7:30 p.m., call Felicia Levine at (908) 889-2100.

#### November 25

MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS Parish, Wallington, "Super 50/50" raffle, following Thanksgiving Vigil Mass, cost: \$100 per ticket, call Ginny at (201) 715-2087.

NJ BLOOD SERVICES, blood drive at Holy Name Hospital, Teaneck, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m., call Marie Forrestal at (732) 616-0798.

#### **Other**

FIRST FRIENDS: Elizabeth Detention

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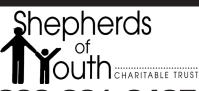
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CARDINAL ZEN VISITS DON BOSCO-Cardinal Joseph Zen, S.D.B. (seated, far right), retired bishop of Hong Kong, led a day of recollection Oct. 17 for 90 Salesian priests, sisters, brothers, novices and candidates from the metro area at Don Bosco Prep, Ramsey. Cardinal Zen, a native of Shanghai, China, spoke of Salesian spirituality and how it affected the development of his own vocation in the 1930s. He also fielded questions from candidates regarding the discernment of their own vocations. The candidates for the Salesian priesthood or brotherhood reside at Our Lady of the Valley, Orange, while the Sisters' candidates reside at Sacred Heart Center, Newton, or Mary Help of Christians Academy, North Haledon. The Salesians of Don Bosco, Eastern Province of the United States (Web site: www.salesians.org) are based in New Rochelle, NY.

# **MM** Knights

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fun and fellowship is what makes this a great group," MM member Mark Stegura, who wears a patch on his vest declaring "These are my Church clothes!," added.

Some of the charities that have

benefited from the Motorcycle Ministry's efforts so far include the Lombardi Bowling Tournament, which helps the physically-challenged; the Alzheimer's Association, the Multiple Sclerosis Association; New Jersey Special Olympics; and Big Hands for Little Hands, which works with children with birth defects.

"It would be great if we could just get the word out to all the Catholic men in New Jersey to join the Knights and be a part of this new ministry," Brandon said. "Less than 2 percent of Catholic men belong to the Knights. (Think of) what we could accomplish if we stepped that figure up to 5 or 10 percent."

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# Diagnosing shortage, Felician bolsters programs for nursing

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE

LODI and RUTHERFORD— "Family health is at the center of all our nursing education programs," Dr. Muriel Shore, Felician College's dean of nursing, said. "Like the rest of the country, New Jersey is bracing for healthcare reform initiatives that will provide healthcare access to all."

Nursing, like other health professions, is suffering from a critical national shortage, according to Shore. As an example, she pointed out that last year New Jersey hospitals provided care to 2.7 million uninsured patients seeking health services. Nurses typically work on the front lines of delivering family healthcare services, so the looming shortage represents a dilemma as well as an opportunity.

"As more people enter the healthcare system and avail themselves of comprehensive services, we have to be sure we have an adequate supply of all types of health professionals to provide these needed services," Shore explained. "Felician considers the nursing shortage situation very critical and as our nursing programs expand we want to be sure we are preparing providers at all levels to deliver these essential healthcare services."

In a recent development that illustrates the focus on nursing education, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education Accreditation (CCNE) awarded Felician College's Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program a 10-year accreditation, the maximum given by CCNE. The accreditation followed a rigorous evaluation process that included a three-day site visit by Washington-based CCNE, a national accreditation agency.

Felician's nursing program has an enrollment of more than 650 undergraduate and graduate students. The college offers a four-year baccalaureate pre-licensure nursing program; a 19-



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Felician College nursing students engage in hands-on learning in the Nursing Resource Center. Dr. Muriel Shore, Felician's dean of nursing, said the college's nursing courses incorporate cultural family influences, which typically have a significant effect on the care provided and the patient's ability to achieve wellness.

month "fast-track" program for Registered Nurses who are seeking a bachelor's degree; and an online master's program for ad-

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vanced practice nurses in the area of family healthcare.

There also is a new program designed to prepare nurses for nurse-educator positions in colleges and community healthcare facilities. In addition, Felician's business division is working with the nursing school to develop an interdisciplinary bachelor and master's degree in healthcare administration to meet the needs of those working in the healthcare field.

Felician's pre-licensure nursing program is based at the college's Lodi campus. The RN-BSN fast-track cohort program is offered on the Lodi campus as well as in healthcare locations throughout the state.



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# Mass to celebrate Cusack Center's care for the blind

JERSEY CITY — The Margaret Anna Cusack Care Center at Saint Joseph's Home for the Blind is celebrating the 125th anniversary of its founders and sponsors, the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace.

Guests will join with the Sisters and the Cusack Care Center family at a celebratory Mass on Thursday, Nov. 19, 5:30 p.m. at the center, which is located at 537 Pavonia Ave. Father James V. Pagnotta, the pastor of nearby Saint Joseph Parish, will be the celebrant. Contact Susan J. Sims by phone at (201) 653-

8300, ext. 2161, or via e-mail (ssims@cusackcarecenter.org) for more information.

"Margaret Anna Cusack, Nun of Kenmare, the founder of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace and our namesake, was a visionary—a woman who championed equal rights and education for women; very ahead of her time," explained Sister Lillian O'Neill, C.S.J.P., director of pastoral care at Cusack Care Center.

The Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace established the historic Saint Joseph's Home for the Blind in 1891. Today the center



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Sister Lillian O'Neill, director of pastoral Care; Sister Theresa Catherine Carberry, former administrator; and Sister Cabrini Delaney, L.P.N., (left to right) are pictured in the chapel of the Margaret Anna Cusack Care Center at Saint Joseph's Home for the Blind (Web site: www.cusackcarecenter.org). The center will mark the anniversary of its founders and sponsors, the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace, with a Mass on Nov. 19.

provides sub-acute and longterm skilled nursing care to 139 blind and sighted older adults at its state-of-the-art facility.

The center is one of several ministries sponsored by the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace in the Hudson County area: Saint Ann's Home for the Aged; the Concordia Learning Center at Saint Joseph's School for the Blind; and the York Street

Project—all located in Jersey City and Holy Name Hospital, Teaneck.

Through the center's almost 120-year history of caring, the Sisters have held important and vital roles. "The Jubilee provides us with an opportunity give thanks to the congregation of Sisters that began the center's work and also recognize the ongoing selfless dedication that the Sisters have

each and every day for our residents," Thomas P. Sheehy, Jr., chief executive officer and administrator, explained.

Sheehy, the first lay administrator in the center's history, joined Cusack in 2007, following in the footsteps of Sister Ann Taylor, C.S.J.P., administrator from 1997 to 2007 and Sister Theresa Catherine Carberry, C.S.J.P., administrator from 1981 to 1997.

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# Colleges expand courses for nursing

AREA—Catholic colleges in the Archdiocese of Newark, against the backdrop of rising demand for skilled nurses in an increasingly complex healthcare environment, have focused on developing advanced programs to prepare students for emerging career opportunities.

Caldwell College and Mountainside Hospital, Montclair, have formed a partnership agreement to create a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree program. The alliance between the college and the hospital was announced in October and finalization of the partnership is subject to approval of the National League of Nursing and the NJ Board of Nursing. Following regulatory approval, applications for the new undergraduate program will be accepted for classes in the 2010 fall semester.

Under the partnership, Caldwell College will offer a nursing degree for the first time in its history. The Mountainside School of Nursing will transition its diploma program into the degree partnership and be renamed the Mountainside Hospital Center for Nursing Practice.

Caldwell College will provide admissions, student services and non-nursing degree requirements, while Mountainside will teach courses in the theory and practice of nursing and clinical work will be performed at the hospital.

Paul Douillard, Ph.D., vice president and dean of academic affairs at Caldwell College, cited the work of Dr. Sook Choi, a doctorally prepared nurse and a member of the faculty, who has agreed to work with Mountainside Hospital to develop the program and serve as the first director of the college's nursing program.

Lisa Garsman, M.S., F.N.P.-B.C., the director of

the BSN program at Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, said senior nursing students in the program train at Children's Specialized Hospital, working with pediatric patients and their families with long-term, severe psychomotor and cognitive disabilities.

Garsman said in the spring 2010 semester Saint Peter's sophomore nursing students will be going to elementary schools and teaching children about nutrition, healthy lifestyle choices and exercise. Meanwhile junior students will be doing clinical work for maternal-child next semester, participating in pre-natal clinics at Jersey City Medical Center and organizing parent education classes. Nursing students also will address expectant mothers about the importance of pre-natal care, nutrition, care of the newborn, safe proofing of the home for the toddler-age children, immunizations and the harmful effects of environmental factors such as smoking and lead paint.

Seton Hall University, South Orange, offers an entry-level Clinical Nurse Leader program, which serves as a new graduate path into the nursing profession. The program allows students with a nonnursing baccalaureate degree to "fast track" straight into an intensive, masters-level nursing program.

The full-time course takes 22 months to complete. After graduation, students will be required to pass their state board of nursing licensing exam. For more information, call (973) 761-9306 or e-mail nursing@shu.edu,

Phyllis Shanley Hansell, SHU College of Nursing dean, said the Clinical Nurse Leader program prepares nurses to effectively coordinate care across the range of professional disciplines. Courses include patient-centered care, evidence-based practice, resource management and utilization of informatics.



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**MAUSOLEUMS BLESSED**—Archbishop John J. Myers (center) visited Maryrest Catholic Cemetery and Mausoleum in Mahwah—

managed by Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Newark—on Nov. 4 to bless new mausoleums that are part of the 29-acre project at the Bergen County facility. With the assistance of Deacon Joseph A. Dwyer, Jr., archdiocesan Vice Chancellor for Administration (second from right), Archbishop Myers blessed the Maryrest Mausoleum of Saint Joseph of Arimathea. He also blessed the Maryrest Garden of Faith Mausoleum and the Maryrest Garden of Hope Mausoleum. In addition to the Maryrest Chapel Mausoleum, inspired by the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart

in Newark, construction is also under way on new administration and maintenance buildings. The project features new ground-burial choices. Participating in the blessing service were, left to right, Director of Catholic Cemeteries Rev. Msgr. William B. Naedele; Rev. Msgr. Michael A. Andreano, Vice Chancellor and Secretary to the Archbishop and, far right, Executive Director of Catholic Cemeteries Andrew P. Schafer.

# Nov. 14 Mass, lunch to recall Bishop Francis

NEWARK—The annual Bishop Joseph A. Francis Award luncheon will be held at the Archdiocesan Center Saturday, Nov. 14, 12:15 p.m., as part of the Archdiocese of Newark's celebration of Black Catholic History Month during November.

The luncheon will follow an 11 a.m. Mass in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, across the street from the Archdiocesan Center, celebrated by Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark.

Tickets for luncheon are \$30 for individuals and \$300 for a table of 10. Call Marissa Acosta, administrative assistant for the Vicar for Pastoral Life, 171 Clifton Ave., at (973) 497-4013 for more information.

The late Bishop Francis, the first African-American auxiliary bishop in the Archdiocese of Newark, served the local Church for 19 of his 46 years as a priest. He was the fourth African-American bishop in the country and the first assigned in the Northeast. He was one of the first African-American priests in the hierarchy of the Church to speak out against racism. He died in 1997 at the age of 73.

Receiving awards at this year's luncheon will be Ambrose Amoakoh of Saint Mary Parish; Joyce Smith-Carter of Queen of Angels Parish; William Dabney of Christ the King Parish, Jersey City; and Georgette Delinois of Saint Anastasia Parish, Teaneck.

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