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Students stress importance of tenacity

Job fair seeks to ease employment angst

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

CALDWELL—"There are jobs," Cassie Pfister, assistant director of career planning and development of Caldwell College said. "It is important to not be nervous about the lack of opportunity."

For any college senior, worrying about the future and the aftermath of graduation is to be expected. In these trying economic times, however, anxiety over job security and choosing careers is at a fever pitch.

To address the fears of students, Caldwell College held its annual Career and Internship Fair on March 4. College students in the Archdiocese of Newark readily admit their faith is being tested regarding today's job market. It is an uneasy feeling that also exists for many outside the walls of academia, including those attending the Career Resources Ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Nov. 12, 2008).

Along with Pfister, Geri Perret, director of career planning and development at the college, worked with students beforehand with a series of "Prepare for the Fair" seminars. "We had resume workshops, instructed students on how to get internships and had guest speakers. The career fair is a great way for the students to see who is out there and see who is hiring," Perret explained.

Making her office visible and available is a key to aiding students who are looking for a job. She has heard the cautions and complaints of the undergraduates and recommends internships to get their foot in the proverbial door.

"It is important for college students to talk to their career college services," she said. "We are a small college and we get to know the students on a personal level. We offer connections to the jobs out there."

Caldwell College has a Web site (www.collegecentral.com/caldwell) that lists available jobs to students and alumni. Online recruiting, Perret stressed, is only one way of finding employment. Word of mouth and networking are other avenues that are important in finding a position.

Both recent additions to the career planning and development office, Pfister and Perret resolved to create a welcoming, involved environment for all students looking

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Advocate photo – Melissa McNally

The Caldwell College Career and Internship Fair attracted more than 50 employers in diverse fields offering information on entry-level positions, internships and part-time positions—a forum designed to give undergraduates a sense of hope about the sagging job market. Over 200 students participated in the fair—a headcount that reflects worries over the unstable economic climate, attendees said.

Benkovic to provide 'reflections' on Mary at women's conference

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE
Editor

NUTLEY—The annual "Day of Reflection," sponsored and organized by the Women's Commission of the Archdiocese of Newark, will be held Saturday, April 4, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Holy Family Parish, 28 Brookline Ave.

Johnette S. Benkovic, the founder and president of Living His Life Abundantly International Inc.—a Catholic evangelization apostolate based in Oldsmar, FL, with outreaches in television, radio, print, and Internet/new media—will serve as the keynote speaker for the conference.

"Mary and the Holy Spirit" will be the theme of this year's reflection. Archbishop John J. Myers will celebrate Mass for the gathering at 10 a.m. to open the event.

Registration is \$35 per person, while the cost for students is \$25. Registration for senior citizens, along with a discount group rate (10 people or more) is \$15

per person. There is no registration charge for clergy members and Religious. The registration fee includes lunch. Contact the archdiocesan chancellor's office at (973) 497-4008 for more information. Details of the event also are available online (Web site: www.rcan.org/womcom).

Benkovic's keynote presentation will be broken out into three distinct segments: "Mary, Our Spiritual Mother"; "Mary and the Trinitarian Life"; and "Mary's Women of Grace." She is noted as an engaging, dynamic speaker who encourages audience participation.

Involved in Catholic radio and TV programming since the late 1980s, Benkovic is the executive producer of "The Abundant Life," seen internationally on EWTN, a television program that discusses contemporary issues from a Catholic perspective. She is also the host of "Women of Grace Live," a one-hour, call-in radio talk show that airs five times a week, broadcasted nationally

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**CONSECRATING
AN ALTAR**

Most Rev. Manuel A. Cruz (right), Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, consecrated the altar at the Mausoleum of the Crucifixion, Saint Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia, on March 13. Bishop Cruz told the faithful gathered that the altar will serve as a platform of faith to provide hope and ease the pain for those who have lost loved ones. Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Newark manages the cemetery and mausoleum. Andrew P. Schafer, executive director of Catholic Cemeteries, noted that the consecration of an altar represents one of the most powerfully symbolic liturgies of the Church. Pictured with Bishop Cruz is Deacon Matthew Dooley.



Advocate photo – M. Gabriele

Fr. Boadt of Paulist Press to speak on social justice

LODI—Scriptural scholar and author Father Lawrence Boadt, C.S.P., will be the featured speaker at the 2009 Pope John Paul II annual lecture held at Felician College on Thursday, April 16. The event will be held at the John J. Breslin Theatre (Albin Obal Hall), 262 South Main St.

Fr. Boadt's address, "Unmasking the Face of God: Biblical Concepts of Social Justice," will examine the biblical roots of Catholic social teaching and its implications in the 21st century.

The event, presented by Felician College and the Franciscan Center in cooperation with the Archdiocese of Newark, is free and open to the public, but the college requests that those planning to attend pre-register by e-mail (franciscancenter@felician.edu). Additional information on the event can be found on the Felician Web site (www.felician.edu).

Fr. Boadt is a Paulist Father and president and publisher of Paulist Press, Mahwah. Since 1997 Fr. Boadt has served as professor emeritus of Sacred Scripture at the Washington Theological Union, Washington, D.C. He has taught at Fordham University and Saint John's University, both in New York, and is the author of "Reading the Old Testament: An Introduction."

Born and raised in Los Angeles, Fr. Boadt was ordained a priest in 1969. His academic degrees include a Master of Arts in Religious Studies from Saint Paul's College, Washington, D.C.; a licentiate in Sacred Theology and Master of Arts in Semitic Languages from the Catholic University of America; and a licentiate and doctorate in Sacred Scripture from the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome.

He is the author of several books, including *Ezekiel's Oracles Against Egypt* (1980), a study of the poetic techniques of Ancient Near Eastern prophecy. Other major scholarly publications include the commentary on *Ezekiel* for the New Jerome Biblical Commentary (Prentice-Hall, 1990); and *Introduction to the Pentateuch* in the Oxford Catholic Study Bible of the New American Bible (1992).

Active in the Jewish-Christian dialogue, Fr. Boadt chaired a three-year colloquium on Sharing Scriptures in Jewish and Christian Scholarship at the Ecumenical Institute for Theological Research at Collegeville, MN. He is the senior editor for the Paulist Press series "Studies in Judaism and Christianity" and serves as a board member of the Stimulus Foundation for Promoting Jewish-Christian Dialogue.



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FREQUENCY FOR THE YEAR
The Catholic Advocate continues to be a bi-weekly publication. Publication dates for 2009 are April 8, 22; May 6, 20; June 10, 24; July 15; August 12, 26; September 9, 23; October 14, 28; November 11, 25; December 9, 23.

Career fair

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for direction—part of the college’s culture of Catholic outreach.
“We reached out to the lower classmen who have not been schooled on things like resume writing and interviewing skills. The juniors and seniors are on the ball. Geri and I felt that (career planning) is too important of an issue not to reach out to all students,” Pfister noted.
The assistant director also reminds future graduates to keep options open when searching for a position in today’s economy. “It’s important to be open and do not close the door on any opportunities. Be interested in everything.”
Rebecca Naylor, a senior at the college, is a psychology major with a criminal justice minor. Already taking graduate school psychology courses, she hopes to find a position in counseling at the career fair. A parishioner at Saint Philomena Parish in Livingston, she volunteers at Saint Catherine’s Nursing Home across from the Caldwell College campus.

“I’m a little nervous about getting a job,” she confessed. “I just have to sell myself as best as possible. I am in a competitive field I know I have to compete with people who may have more experience. I have my resume posted up on different career Web sites,” Naylor added.
She has attended other job fairs at Rutgers University and Montclair State University. For her, the career planning and development at her own college have prepared her for the road that lies ahead. “Geri and everyone in the office have been so helpful,” she noted. Actively pursuing a job while attending school can be a difficult task, but Naylor stressed the importance of tenacity. “You can’t just sit back. You have to keep sending out your resume and look for job postings on Web sites.”

T’Shea Sherman, originally from the Bahamas, had to adjust her future career goals due to the economic turmoil. A double major in international business and psychology, she planned to have a career in the financial services industry. “The field I was interested in is unstable now and many companies have hiring freezes. I think I will go into foreign currency exchange or currency trading. I would also like to earn a master’s degree.”
Although she is worried about life after college, Sherman believes the situation is not as bad as it seems. She has attended the career fair in previous years and noted that there is a definite increase in the number of students this year. She followed the advice of the career planning office and has interned at First Caribbean National Bank and Comcast.

The employers at the job fair offered words of encouragement to students. “The career fair is a great way for the students to hopefully gain experience in working for someone,” Emerald Enriquez Damian of Primerica Financial Services said. “We are looking for interns and would like to train and develop financial representatives.”
The Newark-based Broadway House for Continuing Care was also at the career fair reaching out for interns. It is the state’s only special care facility for people living with AIDS. “The position is great experience for psychology majors or anyone going into counseling. Internships are great because after you gain experience, it can become a full-time job.

Bishops’ Holy Week Schedule

Most Rev. John J. Myers, J.C.D.
Archbishop of Newark
(All at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark)
Palm Sunday, April 5, noon, Mass
Christm Mass, April 6, 8 p.m.
Holy Thursday, April 9, 7:30 p.m., Mass of the Lord’s Supper
Good Friday, April 10, 3 p.m., Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
Easter Vigil, April 11, 8:15 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 12, noon, Mass

Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V.
Auxiliary Bishop of Newark
Palm Sunday, April 5, 11 a.m., Mass, Saint Mary of the Assumption Parish, Elizabeth
Holy Thursday, April 9, 8 p.m., Mass of the Lord’s Supper; Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Newark
Good Friday, April 10, 3 p.m., Celebration of the Passion and Death of Our Lord, Saint Peter Parish, Belleville
Easter Vigil, April 11, 8 p.m., Saint Anthony Parish; Belleville/Newark
Easter Sunday, April 12, 11:30 a.m., Mass, Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Newark

Most Rev. Thomas A. Donato
Auxiliary Bishop of Newark
(All at St. Henry Parish, Bayonne)
Palm Sunday, April 5, noon, Mass
Holy Thursday, April 9, 7:30 p.m., Mass
Good Friday, April 10, 7:30 p.m., Solemn Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion
Easter Vigil, April 11, 7:30 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 12, 8 a.m., Mass

Most Rev. John W. Flesey, S.T.D.
Auxiliary Bishop of Newark
(At Most Blessed Sacrament Parish, Franklin Lakes)
Palm Sunday, April 5, 10:30 a.m., Mass
Easter Vigil, April 11, 8 p.m.
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NJ campaign to offer details on ‘FamilyCare’ for children

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

AREA—The New Jersey Catholic Bishops through the New Jersey Catholic Conference (NJCC), Trenton, and the Catholic HealthCare Partnership of New Jersey, are launching the “Healthy Kids in our Catholic Community” campaign, which runs in conjunction with “Cover the Uninsured Week” (March 22-29), a national project sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

The NJ groups plan to deliver important information to Catholic families about eligibility for New Jersey FamilyCare and New Jersey FamilyCare Advantage—a state program for those children who do not directly qualify for FamilyCare. Information will be made available through a variety of sources including

Web sites; newsletters, church bulletins, schools and community alerts.

On Feb. 4, President Barack Obama signed the Children’s Health Insurance Program Bill (CHIP), extending healthcare to millions of low-income children. “Many families do not realize that a change in New Jersey’s law requires every child through the age of 18 to have health insurance by the end of July 2009,” Marlene Lao-Collins, director of social concerns for NJCC, said.

Father Joseph Kukura, president of Princeton-based Catholic HealthCare Partnership, hopes that educating the Catholic community will increase the number of insured children. “In addition to working directly through our schools and religious education programs, we are asking our

time, but you have to hold your nerve.”
Caldwell senior Carole Clark, a financial economics/computer information systems major, said that having a double major enables her to consider an assortment of job prospects and expands her options after graduation. Originally from Jamaica, she describes her background as “humble beginnings” and is the first member of her family to go to college.
Although the job market is sluggish, Clark believes that through the college’s resources and her hard work, there is hope after graduation. “It is important to stay positive. There are jobs out there; you just have to be prepared. You have to be diligent.”

Pope addresses bishops in Cameroon

YAOUNDE, Cameroon (CNS) —Pope Benedict XVI, on the first full day of his visit to Africa, encouraged Cameroon's bishops to be strong preachers of the Gospel and vigilant shepherds on matters of priestly formation and behavior, liturgical dignity and Christian marriage. He met with

Cameroon's 31 bishops March 18 in the Church of Christ the King in the Tsinga quarter of Yaounde. The main purpose of the pope's stop in Cameroon was to deliver a working document for the Synod of Bishops for Africa, to be held in Rome next October. The pope said the synod would be a sum-

mons to all African Catholics to "rededicate themselves to the mission of the Church to bring hope to the hearts of the people of Africa." The pope focused on the bishops' responsibility to guide the country's priests and make sure there is "serious discernment" in choosing candidates for the priesthood. Cameroon has enjoyed a boom in vocations and

currently has 1,360 seminarians. He urged the bishops to be "vigilant regarding the faithfulness of priests and consecrated persons to the commitments made at their ordination or entry into religious life." Vatican officials previously have expressed concern that the commitment to priestly celibacy must be better understood among African clergy.



Pope Benedict XVI

Condoms contribute to AIDS problem

YAOUNDE, Cameroon (CNS) —Pope Benedict XVI's declaration that distribution of condoms only increases the problem of AIDS is one of the strongest statements in a simmering debate inside the Church. Traveling aboard his flight to Cameroon March 17, the pope was asked whether the Church's approach to AIDS prevention, which focuses primarily on sexual responsibility and rejects condom campaigns, was unrealistic and ineffective. African nations have been hard hit by the AIDS epidemic during the last 25 years. The pope did not get into the specific question of whether, in certain circumstances, condom use was morally licit in AIDS prevention—an issue that is under study by Vatican theologians. "I think the reality that is most effective and the strongest in the fight against AIDS is precisely that of the Catholic Church," the pope told reporters. "One cannot overcome this problem of AIDS only with money, which is important, but if there is no soul... (money) doesn't help. One cannot overcome the problem with the distribution of condoms. On the contrary, they increase the problem."

Cardinal George meets with Obama

WASHINGTON (CNS) — President Barack Obama met for half an hour March 17 with Chicago Cardinal Francis E. George, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Brief statements issued by the White House and the USCCB said little more than that the two had held a private, session in the Oval Office. "The president and Cardinal George discussed a wide range of issues, including important opportunities for the government and the Catholic Church to continue their long-standing partnership to tackle some of the nation's most pressing challenges," the White House statement said.



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Monday, April 6th • Tuesday, April 7th

Holy Thursday, April 9th

Morning Prayer: 9:15 am

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 8:00 pm

Good Friday, April 10th

Morning Prayer: 9:15 am

Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 11th

Morning Prayer: 9:15 am

Blessing of Food: 9:30 am

No 5:30 pm Mass

Easter Vigil, April 11th

8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 12th

7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am and 12:00 Noon

March 27

THE ACADEMY OF OUR LADY OF PEACE, New Providence, tricky tray at L'Affaire in Mountainside, 6 p.m., cost: \$45, call Jan Manger at (908) 665-2696.

DON BOSCO PREPARATORY SCHOOL, Ramsey, "Les Miserables," through April 4, 8 p.m., cost: \$15, call Terry at (201) 327-8003 ext. 126.

UNION CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, Scotch Plains, "Into the Woods," through April 4, 8 p.m., call Meg Nuwer at (908) 889-1600 ext. 318.

ISLAMIC CENTER OF PASSAIC COUNTY, Paterson, "The Sacredness of Creation: The Gift of Water," call Sister Joanne Riggs at (973) 653-3323.

March 28

THE SHRINE OF SAINT JOSEPH, Stirling, spaghetti dinner to benefit Jason, an eight-year-old boy with serious injuries, 5-8 p.m., cost: \$20 for adults/\$10 for children, call Lori at (908) 647-3139.

BLESSED SACRAMENT/ST. CHARLES BORROMEO PARISH, Newark, "No Greater Love" Lenten Revival with Richard L. Lane, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., (973) 824-6548.

March 29

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH, Newark, "Jesus the Healer" performed by the Franciscan Mystery Players of Notre Dame, 8 p.m., (973) 482-8410.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3428, North Arlington, Fifth Sunday Communion Corporate Breakfast, 10 a.m., cost: \$8 for adults/\$4 for children, (201) 991-9606.

ST. JOSEPH REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, Montvale, spring craft show and sale, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., cost: \$2, call Sue Scova at (201) 391-2099.

April 3

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3428, North Arlington, Ladies Auxiliary sponsored meatless pasta night, 6 - 8:30 p.m., cost: \$15 for adults/

\$10 for children, call Carolyn Roche at (201) 955-2240.

April 4

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH, Montclair, craft and collectible show, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., (201) 998-1144.

April 5

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH, Lyndhurst, Lenten mission featuring Bill Wegner, through April 8, 7 p.m., (201) 939-1161.

Official Appointments



Archbishop John J. Myers
has announced the
following appointments:

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Reverend Tadeusz Pieniazek, S.D.S. was appointed Parochial Vicar of Saint Helen Parish, Westfield, effective Feb. 14.

Reverend Eugene Newman Joseph was appointed Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Peace Parish, New Providence, effective March 1.

DEACON

Deacon Richard O'Hara, Permanent Deacon of Saint Joseph Parish, West Orange, was appointed Permanent Deacon of Seton Hall Preparatory School, West Orange, effective March 11.

CHAPLAIN

Reverend Lawrence J. Miller, Pastor of Saint Mary, Star of the Sea Parish, Bayonne, was also appointed Chaplain of the Hudson County Serra Club, effective Feb. 10.

RETIREMENT

Reverend Ronald R. Regula was granted retirement on medical disability effective March 1.

Reverend Monsignor Joseph J. Granato, Pastor of Saint Lucy Parish, Newark has been granted retirement effective July 1.

Reverend Monsignor Thomas A. McCarthy, Pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Washington Township, has been granted retirement effective July 1.

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CAPP to unveil goals at Caldwell forum

CALDWELL—Caldwell College will host a presentation in cooperation with the archdiocesan chapter of the lay-led pontifical organization *Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice* (CAPP) on The Gospel of Jesus: "How it's Proclaimed in Corporate America" on Wednesday, April 1, 7:30 p.m.

The event will be held at Caldwell's Alumni Theatre. Contact Sister Kathleen Tuite, O.P., by phone at (973) 618-3534 or e-mail (ktuite@caldwell.edu) for details.

Featured speakers at the forum will include Sister Patricia Daly, O.P., of the Tri-State Coalition

for Responsible Investment and David Berdish, lead designer for the Ford Motor Company's Human Rights Code of Working Conditions.

CAPP's mission is to implement Catholic Social Teaching through lay Catholic business, academic and professional leaders.

Archbishop John J. Myers addressed members of CAPP March 15 during a special Mass and reception in Newark. He recently initiated a process to establish the third U.S. chapter of CAPP in the archdiocese (the other two chapters are located in Washington D.C. and Fairfield, CT). Don Readlinger is the president of Newark CAPP, while Robert

Nalewajek is the national president and director. Contact Therese Liddy, director of CAPP programming and events, at (973) 316-0589 for more information on the group.

Pope John Paul II founded CAPP for the education and evangelization of Catholic social doctrine, as described in the encyclical *Centesimus Annus*. CAPP is made up of business, academic and professionals" (Web site: www.capp-usa.com).

Huckabee to address pro-life confab

ISELIN—New Jersey Right to Life (NJRTL), the state's largest pro-life organization, will hold its annual banquet dinner on Friday, April 17, at the Woodbridge Hotel and Conference Center, 515 Route 1 South.

The banquet is held every year to inform, unite and motivate the Garden State's pro-life community. Tickets are priced at \$85 for NJRTL members, \$115 for non-members. Call the group, located in Piscataway, at (732) 562-0562 for reservations. Information also is available on the organization's Web site (www.njrtl.org). Marie E. Tasy is the executive director of NJRTL.

Featured speakers at the April 17 event will include Mike Huckabee, former Arkansas governor and Republican presidential candidate; Jill Stanek, Illinois nurse and national pro-life activist and columnist for *Worldnetdaily.com*; and Father Frank Pavone, national director, Priests for Life and Missionaries of the Gospel of Life, and president of the National Pro-Life Religious Council. Fr. Pavone has served as an official of the Pontifical Council for the Family at the Vatican, which coordinates the pro-life activities of the Church.



Mike Huckabee



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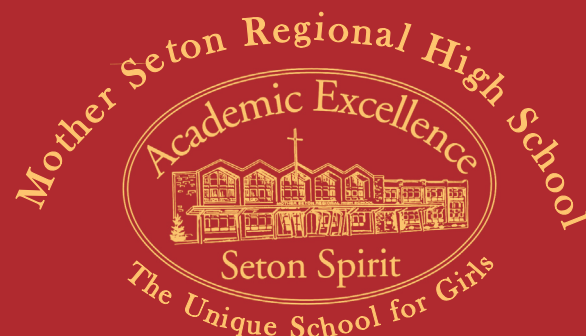
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Im. Heart of Mary	Mahwah	3,630.87
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St. Luke	Hohokus	4,415.00
St. Paul	Ramsey	12,442.00
DEANERY #1 TOTAL		\$95,062.32

DEANERY 2 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Assumption	Emerson	\$2,087.00
Im. Conception	Norwood	5,372.00
O.L. Mother Church	Woodcliff Lake	2,945.00
O.L. of Good Counsel	Westwood	6,473.00
O.L. Mercy	Park Ridge	6,858.50
O.L. Victorias	Harrington Pk.	2,532.00
Sacred Heart	Haworth	1,366.00
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St. Mary	Closter	2,861.00
St. Pius X	Old Tappan	2,023.00
DEANERY #2 TOTAL		\$45,603.50

DEANERY 3 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Annunciation	Paramus	\$3,373.00
Ascension	New Milford	2,590.00
O.L. Mt. Carmel	Tenafly	7,262.00
O. L. Visitation	Paramus	3,628.00
St. John Evangelist	Bergenfield	6,199.00
St. Joseph	New Milford	6,985.00
St. Mary	Dumont	4,299.00
St. Peter	River Edge	8,088.00
St. Therese Lisieux	Cresskill	3,678.00
DEANERY #3 TOTAL		\$46,102.00

DEANERY 4 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Korean Martyrs	Saddle Brook	\$3,029.00
Most Holy Name	Garfield	969.50
O.L. Mt. Virgin	Garfield	885.00
O.L. Sorrows	Garfield	400.00
Sacred Heart	Rochelle Park	1,903.00
St. Anne	Fair Lawn	2,646.00
St. Frances De Sales	Lodi	1,017.60
St. Joseph	Lodi	2,160.00
St. Leo	Elmwood Park	2,263.00
St. Philip Apostle	Saddle Brook	2,838.00
DEANERY #4 TOTAL		\$18,111.10

DEANERY 5 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Holy Trinity	Hackensack	\$5,918.50
Im. Conception	Hackensack	1,321.00
O.L. Queen Peace	Maywood	1,810.00
St. Anastasia	Teaneck	5,400.00
St. Francis Assisi	Hackensack	302.00
St. Francis Assisi	Ridgefield Park	1,758.00
St. Joseph	Bogota	2,145.00
St. Joseph	Hackensack	562.00
St. Margaret	Little Ferry	4,037.00
DEANERY #5 TOTAL		\$23,253.50

DEANERY 6 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Epiphany	Cliffside Park	\$2,705.00
Holy Rosary	Edgewater	837.00
Holy Trinity	Fort Lee	2,898.00
Madonna	Fort Lee	1,453.00
O.L. of Grace	Fairview	1,987.00
St. Cecilia	Englewood	3,002.52
St. John Evangelist	Leonia	2,269.00
St. Matthew	Ridgefield	1,837.00
St. Michael	Palisades Park	1,242.00
St. Nicholas	Palisades Park	726.00
DEANERY #6 TOTAL		\$18,956.52

DEANERY 7 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Assumption	Woodridge	\$2,593.00
Corpus Christi	Hasbrouck Hts.	3,816.00
O.L. Mt. Carmel	Lyndhurst	1,895.00
Queen of Peace	No. Arlington	5,430.00
Sacred Heart	Lyndhurst	2,978.06
Sacred Heart	Wallington	4,221.00
St. Joseph	E. Rutherford	1,531.00
Im. Conception	Secaucus	1,288.00
St. Mary	Rutherford	5,098.00
St. Michael	Lyndhurst	1,959.00
DEANERY #7 TOTAL		\$30,809.06
BERGEN COUNTY TOTAL		\$277,898.00

HUDSON COUNTY

DEANERY 8 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Holy Family	Union City	\$521.55
Holy Redeemer	W. New York	931.00
O.L. Fatima	No. Bergen	1,672.00
O.L. Libera	W. New York	314.31
Sacred Heart	No. Bergen	1,400.00
St. Anthony Padua	Union City	1,101.00
St. Augustine	Union City	2,457.00
Sts. Joseph & Michael	Union City	1,061.00
St. Joseph Palisades	W. New York	2,578.00
St. Rocco/St. Brigid	Union City	1,500.00
DEANERY #8 TOTAL		\$13,535.86

DEANERY 9 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
O.L. of Grace	Hoboken	\$1,392.00
St. Ann	Hoboken	1,225.00
St. Francis	Hoboken	3,475.00
St. Lawrence	Weehawken	1,318.00
Sts. Peter and Paul	Hoboken	4,617.41
DEANERY #9 TOTAL		\$12,027.41

DEANERY 10 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
O.L. Mt. Carmel	Jersey City	\$743.00
St. Aedan	Jersey City	1,141.00
St. Ann	Jersey City	577.00
St. Anne	Jersey City	1,842.00
St. John the Baptist	Jersey City	566.00
St. Joseph	Jersey City	1,344.00
St. Nicholas	Jersey City	858.00
St. Paul of Cross	Jersey City	878.00
DEANERY #10 TOTAL		\$7,949.00

DEANERY 11 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Holy Rosary	Jersey City	\$757.00
O.L. Czeszochowa	Jersey City	1,604.00
St. Anthony	Jersey City	460.00
Resurrection:	Jersey City	2,210.00
St. Bridget	Jersey City	
St. Boniface	Jersey City	
St. Mary	Jersey City	
St. Michael/St. Jude	Jersey City	
St. Peter	Jersey City	
DEANERY #11 TOTAL		\$5,031.00

DEANERY 12 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Christ the King	Jersey City	\$335.00
O.L. Mercy	Jersey City	2,751.00
O.L. Victorias	Jersey City	5,000.00
O.L. of Sorrows	Jersey City	350.00
St. Aloysius	Jersey City	4,836.00
St. Pat/Assump/All Sts.	Jersey City	109.00
St. Paul (Greenville)	Jersey City	1,700.00
DEANERY #12 TOTAL		\$15,081.00

DEANERY 13 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
O.L. Mt. Carmel	Bayonne	\$2,320.00
O.L. Assumption	Bayonne	1,229.00
St. Mary Star of Sea	Bayonne	2,450.00
St. Andrew	Bayonne	3,573.00
St. Henry	Bayonne	3,067.00
St. Joseph	Bayonne	449.00
St. Michael	Bayonne	839.00
St. Vincent De Paul	Bayonne	795.00
DEANERY #13 TOTAL		\$14,722.00

DEANERY 14 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Holy Cross	Harrison	\$1,357.00
O.L. Czeszochowa	Harrison	632.00
O.L. Sorrows	Kearny	1,000.00
St. Cecilia	Kearny	2,005.00
St. Stephen	Kearny	5,509.00
St. Anthony	E. Newark	249.00
DEANERY #14 TOTAL		\$10,752.00
HUDSON COUNTY TOTAL		\$79,098.27

ESSEX COUNTY

DEANERY 15 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Blessed Sacrament	Roseland	\$6,198.00
Notre Dame	No. Caldwell	7,065.00
O.L. of the Lake	Verona	4,427.00
O.L. of Lourdes	W. Orange	2,665.92
St. Aloysius	Caldwell	3,057.00
St. Catherine Siena	Cedar Grove	8,763.00
St. Joseph	W. Orange	3,070.00
St. Philomena	Livingston	8,515.00
St. Raphael	Livingston	2,656.00
St. Thomas More	Fairfield	3,239.00
DEANERY #15 TOTAL		\$49,655.92

DEANERY 16 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Holy Family	Nutley	\$4,868.00
Im. Conception	Montclair	3,621.00
O.L. Mt. Carmel	Montclair	1,066.00
O.L. Mt. Carmel	Nutley	4,199.00
Sacred Heart	Bloomfield	2,372.00
St. Anthony Padua	Belleville	1,685.00
St. Cassian	Up. Montclair	3,510.00
St. Mary	Nutley	2,818.00
St. Peter	Belleville	1,844.00
St. Peter Claver	Montclair	547.00
St. Thomas the Apostle	Bloomfield	6,799.98
St. Valentine	Bloomfield	2,000.00
DEANERY #16 TOTAL		\$35,329.98

DEANERY 17 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Holy Name	E. Orange	\$861.00
Holy Spirit/Help	Christ. E. Orange	1,285.00
O.L. Mt. Carmel	Orange	661.00
O.L. Valley	Orange	947.00
St. John	Orange	1,861.00
St. Joseph	E. Orange	505.00
DEANERY #17 TOTAL		\$6,120.00

DEANERY 18 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Good Shepherd	Irvington	\$362.00
O.L. Sorrows	S. Orange	3,147.47
Sacred Heart of Jesus	Irvington	607.00
St. Joseph	Maplewood	1,783.00
St. Leo	Irvington	1,011.00
St. Andrew Kim	Maplewood	1,682.00
DEANERY #18 TOTAL		\$8,592.47

DEANERY 19 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Im. Conception	Newark	\$608.00
O.L. Good Counsel	Newark	1,010.30
Sacred Heart Cathedral	Newark	1,771.00
St. Francis Xavier	Newark	1,862.00
St. John	Newark	250.00
St. Lucy	Newark	1,873.00
St. Michael	Newark	1,250.00
DEANERY #19 TOTAL		\$8,624.30

DEANERY 20 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Bl. Sac/St. Charles	Newark	\$308.00
Queen of Angels	Newark	500.00
Sacred Heart	Newark	919.10
St. Antoninus	Newark	482.89
St. Columba	Newark	284.00
St. Mary	Newark	1,344.00
St. Patrick Pro Cath.	Newark	152.89
Parish Transfiguration	Newark	282.00
St. Rose of Lima	Newark	120.00
St. Stanislaus	Newark	845.00
DEANERY #20 TOTAL		\$5,237.88

DEANERY 21 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Holy Trinity/Epiphany	Newark	\$532.00
Im. Heart of Mary	Newark	816.00
O.L. Fatima	Newark	245.00
O.L. Mt. Carmel	Newark	923.50
St. Aloysius	Newark	437.00
St. Benedict	Newark	767.00
St. Casimir	Newark	476.00
St. James	Newark	669.00
DEANERY #21 TOTAL		\$4,865.50
ESSEX COUNTY TOTAL		\$118,426.05

UNION COUNTY

DEANERY 22 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Little Flower	Berkeley Hts.	\$5,003.27
O.L. of Lourdes	Mountainside	3,741.00
O.L. of Peace	New Providence	12,179.00
St. James	Springfield	4,010.50
St. Rose of Lima	Short Hills	30,567.00
St. Teresa	Summit	11,984.64
DEANERY #22 TOTAL		\$67,485.41

DEANERY 23 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Assumption	Roselle Pk.	\$1,863.00
Christ the King	Hillside	1,836.41
Holy Spirit	Union	5,531.00
St. Anne	Garwood	1,767.00
St. Catherine	Hillside	1,011.11
St. Joseph	Roselle	626.00
St. Michael	Cranford	4,150.00
St. Theresa	Kenilworth	3,200.00
DEANERY #23 TOTAL		\$19,984.52

DEANERY 24 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Holy Family	Linden	\$482.00
St. Agnes	Clark	8,251.00
St. Eliz. of Hungary	Linden	2,455.00
St. John Apostle	Linden	5,600.00
St. Theresa of Child Jes.	Linden	1,221.00
DEANERY #24 TOTAL		\$18,009.00

DEANERY 25 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Blessed Sacrament	Elizabeth	\$937.00
Holy Ros. & St. Mich.	Elizabeth	2,020.00
Im. Conception	Elizabeth	1,860.00
O.L. Fatima	Elizabeth	421.00
St. Adalbert	Elizabeth	1,139.00
St. Anthony Padua	Elizabeth	1,390.00
St. Genevieve	Elizabeth	4,207.00
St. Hedwig	Elizabeth	770.00
St. Mary	Elizabeth	1,714.00
Immac Hrt/St. Pat	Elizabeth	626.00
Sts. Peter & Paul	Elizabeth	1,126.00
St. Thomas Aquinas	Newark	230.00
DEANERY #25 TOTAL		\$16,440.00

DEANERY 26 PARISH	CITY	AMOUNT
Holy Trinity	Westfield	\$14,503.94
Im. Hrt. of Mary	Sc. Plains	7,733.00
St. Bartholomew	Sc. Plains	3,896.00
St. Bern. & St. Stan.	Plainfield	935.00
St. Helen	Westfield	8,647.00
St. Mary	Plainfield	1,381.00
DEANERY #26 TOTAL		\$37,095.94
UNION COUNTY TOTAL		\$159,014.87

Misc. Contributions:	\$ 500.00
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Total	\$1,465.00
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Catholic Women



Lighting the Way

Deehan's support of vocations illustrates mission of Serrans

BY WARD MIELE
Managing Editor

SOUTH ORANGE—Rose Marie Deehan recently was described as the “quintessential Catholic woman.”

That view, which reflects a lifetime loving God, His Church and her faith, comes from someone who knows Deehan well—Msgr. Thomas Nydegger.

The vice rector of Immaculate Conception Seminary on the campus of Seton Hall University (SHU), Msgr. Nydegger is also chaplain of the Serra Club of the Oranges, where Deehan has been president for the last six years. As such, he has witnessed her dedication and faith in action.

Deehan grew up in East Orange and moved to Newark after marrying her husband, John. She and her late husband had 10 children. He worked as an accounting professor at SHU's Business School for four decades.

Her parents, Deehan recalled fondly, were “active Catholics.” They were Serrans as was her husband. She became a member in 1982 when the Club allowed women to join.

Deehan attended Saint Vincent Academy in Newark and went on to College of Saint Elizabeth, Convent Station, where she studied Economics. As a

college student, faith was a big part of her life. Deehan remembered attending weekly Mass “in our caps and gown.” She recalled too being an altar server back in the days when women, with the exception of the Sister of the Sacristan, were not permitted on the altar. They sat in the front pew.

Married a year after graduating college, Deehan and her husband became members of Sacred Heart Parish in the Vailsburg section of Newark. Deehan also taught CCD classes at Saint Joseph Parish in East Orange. She joined the Rosary Altar Society and became a member of the parish youth group. A South Orange resident, she has been a member of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish the past 42 years.

Reflecting on her involvement in the Church, Deehan says it springs from “such a need for God in my life. I feel sorry for people who do not have God in their lives.”

In addition to her Serra Club duties, Deehan is involved with SHU's Women's Guild, which works to subsidize pre-med and pre-dental students and since 1970 has been treasurer of the Bayley Seton League.

When asked about women in the Church, Deehan cited their role as mothers who “nourish” their chil-

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Spiritual bonding at Newman Center sustains Capella

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

NEWARK—After moving to the United States from Puerto Rico at age 11, Beatriz Capella leaned on her faith to get her through the difficult cultural transition.

“(My parents) didn't have any family here in America. I didn't speak any English and I was separated from the other kids because I was in ESL (English as a second language) classes. I felt lonely so I turned to God.”

Now, as office manager/budget coordinator at the Newman Center in University Heights, she helps college students navigate the difficult transition from childhood to adulthood. Serving the surrounding campuses of Rutgers University, New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) and Essex County Community College (ECCC), the Newman Center hosts social and spiritual events to enrich the Catholic faith of young adults.

The center offers masses, Bible study, eucharistic adoration, men and women's groups and retreats to unite the Catholic community on campus. Service to the poor is also stressed with programs such as Second Mile, where volunteers walk the streets of Newark donating food and clothing to the homeless (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Nov. 7, 2007).

While attending Rutgers University, Capella was drawn to the Newman Center one day after attending a Mass. “I transferred to Rutgers in the middle of the year and I tried to make friends,” she recalled. “I remembered needing Church and I saw a flyer for the Newman Center. I immediately felt at home. The center helped me grow in faith.”

During her sophomore year, she attended a vocational retreat hosted by the center and was surprised by the number of young people who felt passionately about their faith. “Seeing people my age so in love with God

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Beatriz Capella



Advocate photo — Ward Miele

Msgr. Thomas Nydegger (left) said the work of Rose Marie Deehan and all Serrans is vital to promoting vocations. He described Deehan as “a leader among many and for many,” citing her role with the Serra Club of the Oranges and at Seton Hall University.

Karcher shares her faith at Montclair State

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

MONTCLAIR—As a musical theater major, Kelly Karcher loves to perform in front of a crowd. As vice president of the Newman Catholic Campus Ministry at

Montclair State University, she uses her gift and talents as an expression of her faith.

“My love of music and singing connects me to God and my faith,” Karcher said. “Praise and worship is something that connects us together.”

For as long as she can remember, singing has been her passion. “Since I was two-years-old, I would sing Disney songs for my family. When I was in 10th grade, I realized that this is what I want to do. Montclair State has an amazing program. My faith makes me

more open to whatever happens. I just want to perform and do what I love,” she explained.

Another great passion of Karcher’s is campus ministry. As vice-president, she plans events and is also chair of the recently formed community service committee. She helps organize the Newman Catholic Center’s book club, game nights and monthly meetings after Mass. The students recently held its spring retreat and are planning a semi-formal.

In her freshman year, Karcher claims as few as 20 students showed up to Mass. Today, in her junior year, 80 students attended Mass. “We have 176 members in our Facebook group,” she said excitedly. The large increase, she believes, is due to the inspiration of Father Jim Chern, chaplain of the Newman Catholic Center. “He has been a great leader and helps everyone get involved,” she said.

Currently, Karcher is focusing on outreach ministry and service. “We are looking to pray at the Essex County Maximum County Jail soon and are planning to participate in the Midnight Run in New York City (to donate food and clothing to the homeless). In February, we visited the NJ Food Bank in Hillside. It was an eye-opening experience. I realized how fortunate I am.”

Last year, she found the Newman Catholic Center and felt she belonged there. “I thought ‘this is it.’ The community is amazing. Having the community draws me deeper into my faith. At my first retreat, I was with a group of people I didn’t know and at the end, everyone ended up being best friends. When you share your Catholic beliefs, you have a bond with people through faith.”

Karcher was raised in a faithful



Kelly Karcher

Catholic family that attended weekly Mass. She was a lector and cantor during high school. However, due to her busy schedule as a university student, there were times when she was less active in Church life.

“Faith has always been on my radar. When I was a freshman at Montclair State, I wanted to get involved in different things. My faith has grown exponentially since being involved in the Newman Catholic Center.”

Making an effort to focus on faith is a struggle for most overextended college students, she believes. “College kids are overwhelmed with classes and other activities. They always say ‘I will try to make it to Mass.’ If there isn’t a clear yearning within yourself to make time, you can easily turn away.”

She said that when students do find time for God, being united within a community brings out the best in each young person. “Sometimes, people who were not involved come out of the woodwork and even become members of the executive board. It is amazing to see God working and bringing people in. My faith made me who I am.”

Benkovic

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on various AM and FM radio stations, as well as internationally via short wave and satellite radio. Visit her organization’s Web site (www.lhla.org) for details on her programs.

Benkovic is the founder of Women of Grace, a Catholic apostolate for Christian women that features a number of outreaches, including conferences, curricula and study groups. In addition, she is the author of several books including “Full of Grace: Women and the Abundant Life” (published by Saint Anthony Messenger Press); “Grace-Filled Moments” (Our Sunday Visitor); and “Living

Life Abundantly: Stories of People Who Have Encountered God” (Saint Anthony Messenger Press).

After years of being a non-practicing Catholic, Benkovic experienced a deep conversion back to her faith in 1981 and discerned a call to share the Gospel message through the media. Benkovic was married to her husband, Anthony, for 34 years; he died in 2007.

Members of the archdiocesan Women’s Commission include Ann Burgmeyer, Marta Cabrera, Mary Elaine Connell, Christine Flaherty, Anna Groves, Catherine L’Insalata, Liliana Soto-Cabrera, Sister Margaret Thomas McGovern, O.P., Holly Lawmaster, Maureen Madigan and Pamela Muller Swartzberg, the chairperson of the commission.



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Free Leadership Breakfast Meetings for Young Women at St. Anthony High School, Jersey City

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SAINT ANTHONY HIGH SCHOOL will present two Leadership Breakfast meetings for young women this spring. The two meetings are geared toward girls in Grades Seven and Eight and their parents. The meetings will focus on the fields of medicine, law, philanthropy, journalism, education and accounting. Successful women in each of these fields will share with the girls and their parents what steps they need to take to get them ready for access to these careers.

The students and their parents will hear about career opportunities for young women, the need for a college degree and a high school education where girls are given every chance to become leaders.

- The first Leadership Breakfast Meeting for Young Women is scheduled for 9 a.m. on March 28 in the St. Anthony High School Auditorium. The second is on April 4, 2009.

- There is no charge for the meeting. Juice, coffee, pastries and bagels will be provided.

In addition to hearing from the speakers, the young women and the parents who attend will have an opportunity to meet with students, faculty and administrators of St. Anthony High School. The last graduating class from St. Anthony High School had college scholarship offers amounting to over \$5 million dollars. In addition, over a 16-year period, 100 percent of its graduates gained college acceptance.

- No fee to attend, but please register by mail, phone or e-mail no later than March 24.

LEADERSHIP PRESENTERS FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2009

Dr. Marjorie Jones, Pediatrician, Teaneck, NJ and St. Joseph Hospital, Paterson, NJ
Michele Hall-Duncan, Starlight Children’s Foundation for seriously ill children and their families
Christina Joseph Robinson, Assignment Editor, The Bergen Record of Hackensack, NJ

PRESENTERS FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2009

Maureen Farley, Esq., Attorney and former Assistant U.S. District Attorney – Newark.
Kathleen Glowski, College Placement Advisor, former Spanish Teacher and Dean of Students at Dwight-Englewood School in Englewood, NJ.
Michele Theuerkauf, CPA, of Victoria Michitsch, LLC an Accounting Firm in Harrington Park, NJ



Faith eases doubts, worries for Nagayo

BY DANIEL PETERSON
Special to The Catholic Advocate

JERSEY CITY — Felicitas Nagayo, a member of Saint Aedan Parish, is a woman who puts her total trust in Jesus Christ. That trust sustained her as she recently confronted a serious illness.

“My faith is the most important thing in my life,” she said. “It is the guiding light and it’s the force that keeps me together.”

Nagayo encountered a major obstacle in her life when she became very ill. “It was a hard time and I had doubts, but after praying I realized that Jesus was giving me the strength to get through it. Some friends in the parish and in the community, prayed with me and I felt a surge of confidence and strength. I knew that God was there for me and would provide and take care of me.”

“Faith gives purpose to suffer-

ing,” she said. “My suffering was miniscule compared to Jesus and it brings me closer to Him when I undergo this but I could have never done it alone.”

She slowly recovered to good health and is continuing her work as a CCD teacher and Couples for Christ Ministry.

Nagayo’s faith has led her to donate her time and talents to Saint Aedan. She served her previous parish as a eucharistic minister, but

her real joy lies in teaching the youth about Jesus as a fifth grade CCD teacher in Holy Rosary Parish and as a grammar school teacher in Resurrection School.

“Bringing Christ to the children is what brings me true joy, it is very satisfying,” she said. Saint Aedan parish has seminarians who provide the catechesis so Nagayo offered her time at neighboring Holy Rosary.

Nagayo and her husband Dante are involved in “Couples for Christ,” an international lay movement intended for the renewal and strengthening of the family life. CFC (Couples for Christ) supports Christian couples and establishes Christian families committed to the work of evangelization.

The biggest effort for CFC in its work of building the Church for



Felicitas Nagayo

the poor is “gawad kalinga” or “giving care,” a program that confronts poverty and restores dignity and hope to the poor in the Philippines and several neighboring countries. Currently, *gawad kalinga* has evolved into not just work with the poor but also a work of nation building.

Capella

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and happy made me believe there was something here for me. I saw all the paths you could take but one mission. I saw that being Catholic is great. My roots have been planted and replanted so many times and though Him, I came to know and connect with more people.”

After graduating in 2006, Capella began to work at the

Newman Center full-time. Today she has come full circle—reaching out to help students as the center once reached out to her.

“There is a couch in my office if anyone wants to talk. We welcome anyone. It’s easy to relate to the students because I am like their older sister in a way. As I grow older, that might change.”

Volunteering and faith have always been central in her life. Growing up in Puerto Rico, she attended weekly Mass with parents and both pairs of grandparents. All three generations of the family were close and very faithful. However, while working to build a new life in America, her parents no longer attended Mass. Now, still living in their home country, she encourages her parents to return to their faith.

“After we came to America, my parents were trying to support me and my siblings and they stopped going to Mass,” she said.

“I hope by my example they can go back to the Church.”

Making time for God is a concern not only for Capella’s parents, but the young adults she serves at the Newman Center. “Most students don’t dedicate time for God and get caught up in worldly things such as drinking and their new friends. It is important to reach students when they first come to college. The younger they are, the more open they are to faith,” she explained.

She noted that there are more young people coming to the center with 30 regular “core” students and many others attending social and volunteering events. Inspired by the students, Capella has grown to be more passionate in her faith. “I learn from the students much more than they learn from me. They are a constant reminder of what I need to strive for. There is a fire within the students. They look forward to the future and stay positive.”

Deehan

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dren in the Church and teach them “to love God.” Loving God, she stressed, means loving Him “with your whole heart and whole soul.” Deehan, who attends Mass daily, is a firm believer in the power of prayer. God, she pointed out, is “a crutch” that everyone needs.

The primary mission of the Serra Club is “to pray for and encourage” vocations to the priesthood and Religious life, she said. A mainstay activity of the group is what she described as “self-education”—most often by bringing in speakers, both clergy and lay people, who are involved in a significant degree in the Church.

Deehan is encouraged by the status of vocations in the Archdiocese of Newark, citing the number of young men enrolled at Immaculate Conception. Her role in promoting vocations through the Serra Club of the Oranges, Deehan said, has been gratifying. However, because the work involves years of patient, faithful service, she said Serrans often are cautioned that sometimes “you never see the results of your prayers.”

To someone considering a vocation to the priesthood or Religious life, Deehan said is it “a wonderful life,” adding that families must play a pivotal role in encouraging vocations.

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Holy Thursday, April 9, 7:30 p.m., Mass in Spanish, Saint Rocco/Saint Brigid Parish, Union City,
Good Friday, April 10, 3 p.m., Liturgy, Saint Teresa of Avila Parish, Summit
Good Friday, April 10, 7 p.m., Seven Last Words service, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Newark, in Spanish
Easter Vigil, April 11, 8 p.m., Saint Rocco/Saint Brigid Parish, Union City, in Spanish
Easter Sunday, April 12, 10 a.m., Mass, Saint Aloysius Parish, Jersey City, in Spanish

Most Rev. Dominic A. Marconi
Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Newark

Palm Sunday, April 5, 10 a.m., Mass, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, Linden
Holy Thursday, April 9, 7 p.m., Mass, Saint Adalbert Parish, Elizabeth
Good Friday, April 10, 7:30 p.m., Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Saint Margaret of Cortona Parish, Little Ferry
Holy Saturday, April 11, noon, Blessing of Easter Food, Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish, Linden
Easter Vigil, April 11, 7:30 p.m., Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, West Orange
Easter Sunday, Mass, April 12, 9 a.m., Saint Theresa Parish, Kenilworth

Most Rev. David Arias, O.A.R.
Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Newark

Palm Sunday, April 5, noon, Mass, Saint Cecilia Parish, Englewood
Chrism Mass, April 6, 8 p.m., Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark
Holy Thursday, April 9, 7 p.m., Mass, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Newark
Good Friday, April 10, 6:30 p.m., Procession from SS. Peter and Paul Parish to Our Lady of Grace and Saint Joseph parishes, Hoboken; Liturgical Service, 7:30 p.m., Saint Joseph Parish, Hoboken
Easter Sunday, April 12, 11:15 a.m., Mass, Sacred Heart Parish Vailsburg (Newark)

Most Rev. Charles J. McDonnell
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(All at Holy Trinity Parish, Hackensack)
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Easter Vigil, April 11, 8:30 p.m.
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Holy Saturday	April 11	9:00 pm	Easter Vigil Mass
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Chul S. Hyun, M.D., Ph.D., the center's principal architect and director, commented.

Hyun stressed that a focus area for the liver center is its hepatitis B clinic. In the Asian-American population, 10 out of 100 people are carriers of the hepatitis B virus. Although not all carriers of the virus will have symptoms, 25-30

percent may suffer some form of chronic illness due to the virus, including cancer or cirrhosis.

"This center and what it offers to the community are essential," Hyun explained.

The objectives of the clinic include: screening for those at risk for carrying the hepatitis B virus; medical intervention with antiviral treatments for those at risk; community outreach to educate the population; educating general practitioners about the importance of screening for hepatitis B; and creating a standard of care for hepatitis B-positive pregnant women.



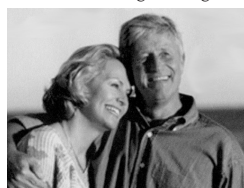
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The extended-care center was a voluntary participant in the na-

tionwide Nursing Home Quality Initiative (NHQI), a three-year project sponsored by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Last year the center was recognized for its "outstanding" care in rehabilitation, reduction of the use of patient restraints, improvement of pain management and depression among residents as well as "dramatic results" in the treatment of pressure ulcers, commonly known as bedsores.

Trinitas Regional Medical Center is a Catholic community teaching hospital sponsored by the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth in partnership with Elizabethtown Healthcare Foundation. For more information on Trinitas Hospital visit the Web site (www.TrinitasHospital.org) or call (908) 994-5138.

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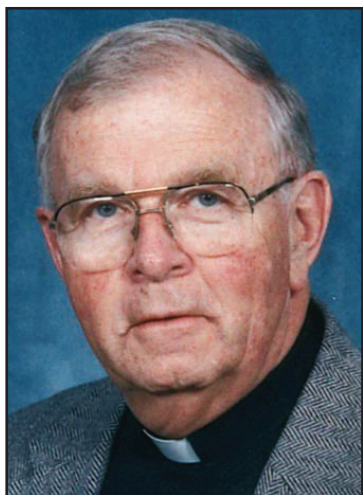
FamilyCare

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churches to use parish bulletins as an avenue to alert parishioners about FamilyCare," Fr. Kukura explained.

Information about NJ FamilyCare can be found on the Web site (www.njfamilycare.org) or by calling (800) 701-0710. The site offers an extensive list of contacts for each county. For more information about "Cover the Uninsured Week," visit the Web site: <http://covertheuninsured.org>. Information about the program also will be delivered to all NJ Catholic hospitals.

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Father Joseph Kukura

Kukura believes that many residents are not aware that their children qualify for FamilyCare. "The

benefits range from no-cost insurance to a co-pay insurance depending on family income," he said. "The eligibility is broad and has been expanded in New Jersey since last year. Our campaign is an attempt to contribute to the substantial effort of 'Cover the Uninsured Week.'"

That effort is especially important due to the current economic

turnmoil. "This time is a critical time," Fr. Kukura said, adding that now, more than ever, having affordable health insurance is a necessity. "Many children are becoming uninsured because their parents were recently laid off or are unemployed. FamilyCare has a small window of opportunity for parents to also get health insurance."

Fr. Kukura believes the week-long program this month is crucial to helping more than 280,000 children in New Jersey who are uninsured. "It is important to teach Catholics that healthcare is a basic human right," he said. "This campaign will not solve the entire healthcare situation, but it can help provide an opportunity to children who are very vulnerable."

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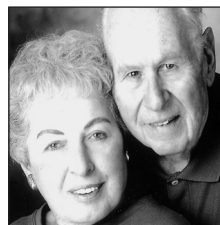
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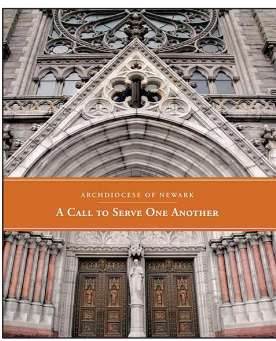
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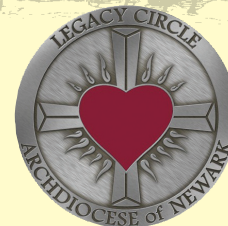
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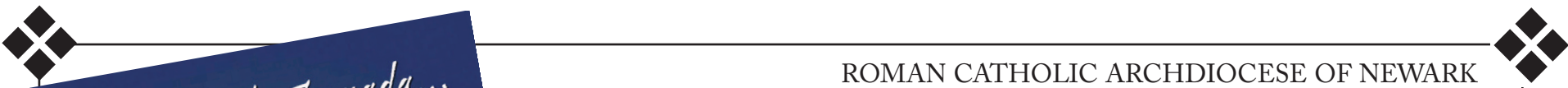
Members of the Legacy Circle Planned Giving Society are invited to special Archdiocesan events and receive other news and information throughout the year.

Please Save the Date for April 28, 2009 for a special prayer service, at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart. A reception follows in the Archbishop's Residence for all of our guests.

If you would like to be included, please contact Anne DeVivo DeMesa today at (973) 497-4048 or by e-mail at demesaan@rcan.org so that she can enroll you in the Legacy Society and include you on the list for this year's special event!



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