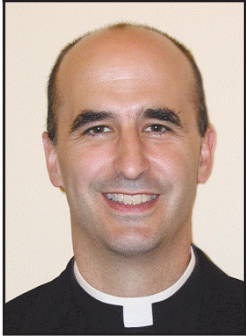




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Fr. John Grimm to contemplate 'Gospel of Life'

Seton Hall professor to serve as keynote speaker for annual Life Issues seminar, to be held Oct. 2 at Queen of Peace High School, North Arlington.

N. Arlington parish to host documentary on Archbishop Sheen

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

NORTH ARLINGTON — On Sunday, Oct. 3, Queen of Peace Parish, will host the showing of “Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen: Servant of All,” a documentary film chronicling the life and legacy of the influential evangelist and radio/television personality.

As a backdrop to the documentary, the canonization process for Archbishop Sheen is underway (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Nov. 25, 2009). He would be the first American-born male saint in history.

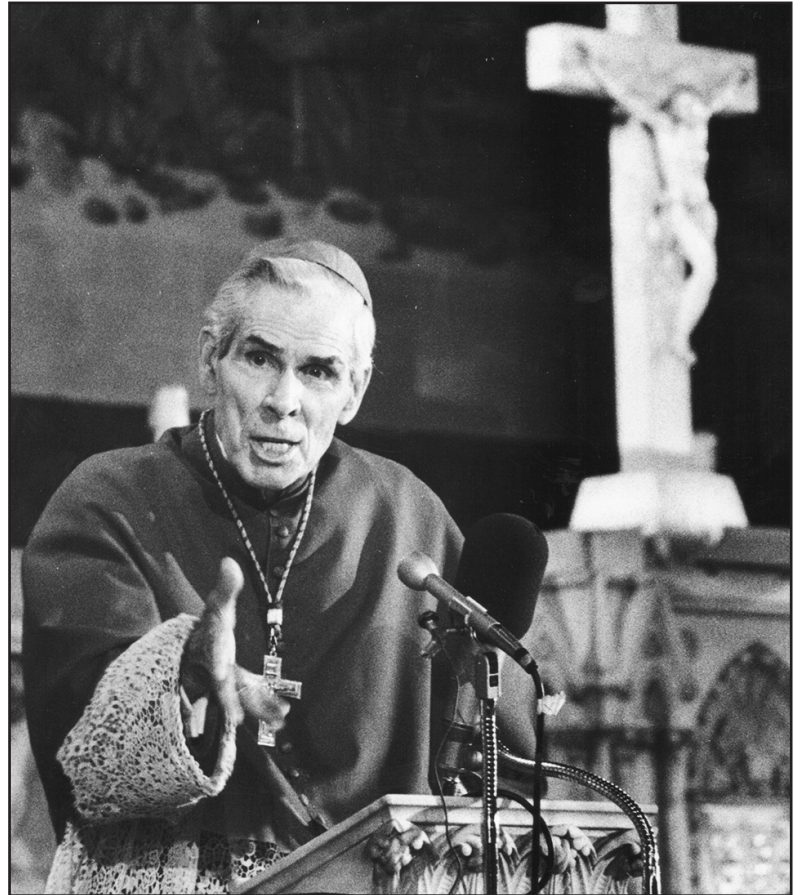
Archbishop John J. Myers is on the episcopal advisory board for the beatification cause of the Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Foundation, based in the Diocese of Peoria, IL. Archbishop Myers came from the Diocese of Peoria, also Archbishop Sheen's birthplace, in 2001 and has strong ties

to the cause (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Nov. 12, 2008).

During the 1950s the telegenic archbishop became an iconic figure in the Church and is considered a media pioneer. In 1926, he began his first radio program broadcast in the New York City area and went nationwide with his program “Catholic Hour” from 1930–1952. His popular television series “Life is Worth Living” (1952–1957) was viewed by 30 million people and earned an Emmy Award in its second year. He died on Dec. 9, 1979, at the age of 85.

Lo Anne Mayer is president of the advisory council and is on the board of directors for the Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Foundation. A Morristown resident, she contacted Queen of Peace Parish to show the documentary. The film, which will be shown in the parish's grammar school auditorium, is a biography of

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Queen of Peace Parish will show a documentary on the life of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Sunday, Oct. 3, 3 p.m., in the parish's grammar school auditorium, 21 Church Pl., North Arlington. Admission is free (first come, first serve). Call the parish at (201) 997-0700 for more information.

Faith outreach seeking souls 'born to run'

Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha to lead a field of joggers at Newark's Branch Brook Park, an exercise in aerobic evangelization.

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A CENTURY OF SERVICE—




The Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark was filled to capacity on Sept. 11 in celebration of 100 years of service in the United States by the Religious Teachers Filippini of Saint Lucy. Justin Cardinal Rigali, Archbishop of Philadelphia, was the main celebrant. Concelebrants included Archbishop John J. Myers. Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli, Bishop of the Diocese of Paterson, was the homilist. In his welcoming remarks, Archbishop Myers cited the Order for its "continuing commitment to their charism of teaching." Attending the Mass was Superior General Sister Nicolina Bandiera, M.P.F. from Rome and the local Provincial, Sister Betty Jean Takacs, M.P.F.

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NEWARK—The Archdiocese of Newark's annual Stewardship Day will be held Saturday, Oct. 16 at two locations: Mother Seton High School, 1 Valley Rd., Clark; and at Immaculate Heart Academy, 500 Van Emburgh Ave., Washington Township. This is the first time Stewardship Day will be held simultaneously at separate locations.

There is no cost to attend the events in Bergen or Union counties and a free continental breakfast will be served at each location from 8 to 8:45 a.m. Presentations will start at 9 a.m. Registration can be done online (www.rcan.org/stewardship) or by contacting Lynn Gully, associate director of stewardship by phone

at (973) 497-4589 or via e-mail (gullylyn@rcan.org).

"During these difficult economic times, parish stewardship is more important than ever," Carla Repollet, executive director of the Office of Stewardship and Development, said. "It is the process that teaches pastors and stewardship committees how to build strong faith communities with additional parishioner involvement, how to develop meaningful parish ministries and how to strengthen financial resources."

Stewardship presentations will feature the following topics: "D.I.Y. (do it yourself) offertory increase—how one pastor single handedly increased his parish offertory;" "How to organize a

parish stewardship day;" "Benefits of a parish stewardship committee;" and "Our youth are the cornerstone of the future."

In addition, there will be inspiring presentations on personal stewardship journeys and group discussions specially designed for parish stewardship committee members. Father John J. Galeano, the pastor of Saint Francis de Sales Parish, Lodi, will conduct Spanish language track presentations at Immaculate Heart Academy.

The day's program at both locations will conclude at noon. Pastors, parochial vicars, parish stewardship committee members and interested parishioners are invited to attend.



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CFM classes offer basics for ministry

AREA—The Christian Foundations for Ministry (CFM) classes at parishes throughout the four counties of the Archdiocese of Newark are slated to begin in October.

CFM provides the knowledge and tools necessary for lay persons to share their faith through various parish ministries. It consists of nine eight-week courses over three years and provides basics about Scripture, liturgy, Church history and evangelization.

The cost for attending CFM classes is \$50 per person. Some parishes offer full or partial scholarships. For additional information on CFM and to obtain specific dates and locations for classes, contact Father Mitch Walters, director of the Center for Ministerial Development by phone at (973) 497-4350 or e-mail (waltermi@rcan.org).

Last year, 64 CFM graduates received certificates during a prayer service at Saint John the Apostle Parish, Linden (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Oct. 14, 2009).

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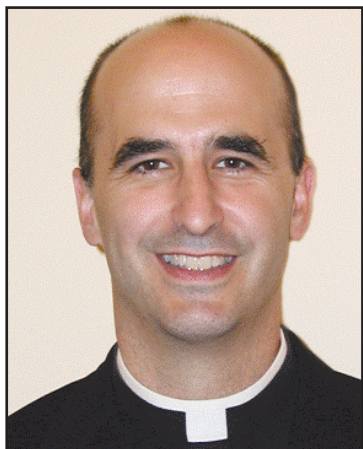
Fr. Grimm to mull the 'Gospel of Life'

NEWARK—Father John S. Grimm, J.D., assistant professor of Moral Theology at Seton Hall University's (SHU) School of Theology, South Orange, will be the keynote speaker for the annual Life Issues seminar, which will be held Saturday, Oct. 2, at Queen of Peace High School and Parish, 10 Franklin Pl., North Arlington.

Most Rev. John W. Flesey, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark and the pastor of Most Blessed Sacrament Parish, Franklin Lakes, will preside at 11 a.m. Mass, which will be celebrated prior to the start of the seminar.

The Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark and the archdiocesan Pro Life Commission is the sponsor of the annual Life Issues lecture series. Father Joseph Meagher, parochial vicar of Saint John the Baptist Parish, Jersey City, serves as the director of the archdiocesan Respect Life Office.

The title of Fr. Grimm's pres-



Father John Grimm

entation is "Living the Gospel of Life: Common Misconceptions and Practical Responses." His talk will address questions such as what are the common misconceptions on life issues in Catholic teaching?; and what are some real-life examples of areas where people of faith can defend life?

Registration for the seminar is required by Friday, Sept. 24. Registration fee for general admission is \$10, while the fee for students and parish pro life representatives is \$5. Call the archdiocesan Respect Life Office, headquartered in Linden at Saint John the Apostle Parish, at (732) 388-8211 for information.

Fr. Grimm joined the SHU faculty in July 2007. In 2002, he completed his Masters of Divinity degree at the Theological College, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, and was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Wilmington, DE.

Golf outing to benefit Caldwell fund

CALDWELL—Caldwell College will host its 22nd annual golf and tennis tournament on Monday, Oct. 4, at the Essex Fells Country Club, 219 Devon Rd.

The event features 18 holes of golf, a tennis clinic and a round-robin competition. Registration and brunch begin at 10:30 a.m.; the tournament and clinics at noon; cocktails at 5 p.m.; and the awards dinner at 6 p.m.

To date, the tournament has raised nearly \$900,000 to benefit the Caldwell College Scholarship Fund. This year's goal is to meet or exceed the \$1-million mark.

The tournament also honors the memory of Jerry Greco, a longtime friend and benefactor of Caldwell College, who launched the golf fund-raiser. A former mayor of Verona, Greco served as an Essex County Freeholder for many years and was a member of the board of regents of Seton Hall University, his alma mater.

The rain date for the golf outing is Tuesday, Oct. 12. Sept. 28 is the deadline for registration. For more information, contact Jamie Nash by e-mail (jnash@caldwell.edu) or phone (973-618-3352).

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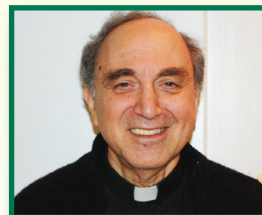
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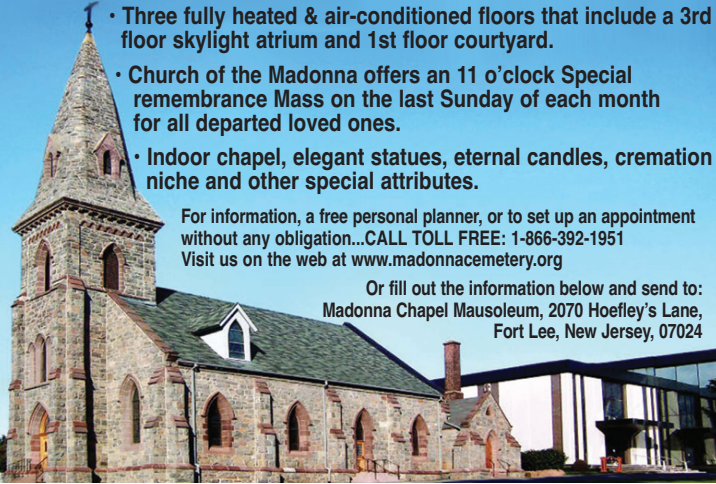


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Mass to recall Pope John Paul II's papacy

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE
Editor

NEWARK — The Polish-Slovak Apostolate of the Archdiocese of Newark will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 89 Ridge St., on Saturday, Oct. 16, 11 a.m., to commemorate the 32nd anniversary of Pope John Paul II's election to the papacy.

The president of the Vatican's Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Healthcare Workers, Archbishop Zygmunt Zimowski, will serve as the celebrant and homilist for the Mass, which will offer prayers for Pope John Paul II's beatification into sainthood. Call Father Andrew Ostaszewski, Ph.D., the coordinator for the Polish-Slovak Apostolate, and the pastor of Saint Casimir Parish, at (973) 344-2743 for more information.

Earlier this month Archbishop Zimowski addressed the "Celebration of Love and Life," a four-day seminar that marked the 25th anniversary of the Pope Paul VI Institute, which is based

in Omaha, NE. Appointed April 18, 2009 to head the pontifical council, Archbishop Zimowski, 61, was ordained Bishop of Radom, Poland, on May 25, 2002.

Pope John Paul II was elected pope at the conclave of Oct. 16, 1978. His pontificate lasted nearly 27 years until his death on April 2, 2005. Karol Józef Wojtyla (Pope John Paul II) was born in the Polish town of Wadowice, a village near Krakow, on May 18, 1920. In 1942—surrounded by the horrors of World War II—he became aware of his calling to the priesthood.


After the War, he continued his studies in the major seminary of Krakow and was ordained to the priesthood on Nov. 1, 1946. Pope Paul VI appointed him archbishop of Krakow on Jan. 13, 1964 and he became a cardinal on June 26, 1967. As pope he traveled extensively, visiting over 100 countries. He also was a prolific writer, generating 14 encyclicals, 15 apostolic exhortations, 11 apostolic constitutions and 45 apostolic letters.

Pope John Paul II

Bishops issue book on pope

WASHINGTON—The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), with Sheed & Ward, an imprint of Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, has issued a new book "Benedict XVI: Essays and Reflections on His Papacy," an unprecedented look into the first five years of Benedict's reign.


Edited by Mercy Sister Mary Ann Walsh, director of media relations for the USCCB, it features forewords by King Abdullah II of Jordan and President Shimon Peres of Israel, and articles by Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone, Cardinal Francis George, OMI, USCCB president, and John Thavis, Rome bureau chief for Catholic News Service.








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Aerobic evangelization: joggers to go the distance, touch souls

NEWARK—Attention faithful joggers and exercise walkers: the Archdiocese of Newark's Office for Evangelization will host the "Soles for Faith" 5K run on Saturday, Oct. 2, an event that kicks off at the Elwood Avenue entrance of Branch Brook Park.

Outdoor activities will include a 5-kilometer run, a 3-kilometer walk and various "fun dashes" for children. Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, will be among the intrepid participants.

Registration for the event begins at 7:45 a.m. The 5K run and 3K walk are slated to start at 9:30 a.m., and the kids' dashes will start at 10:30 a.m. An awards ceremony is scheduled for 10:45 a.m.

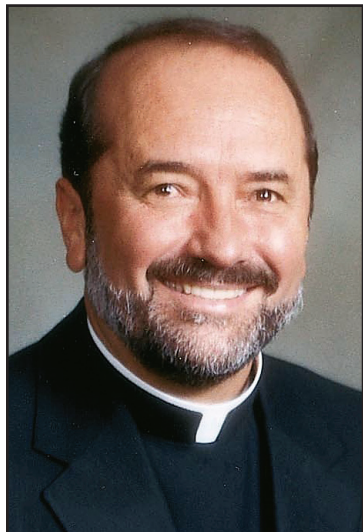
In addition to welcoming participants, the fund-raiser is seek-

Soto-Cabrera said. Outreach efforts at the event will include a prayer service and literature tables.

"Our hope is that this race will not only raise funds to help many families send their children to a Catholic school and to assist our evangelization efforts, but also to bring the presence of the Church, faith and prayers to a family sport event," Bishop da Cunha said. "We want this to be an opportunity to reach out to inactive Catholics. If they don't go to

Church, the Church goes to them."

Proceeds from the Soles for Faith fund-raiser will benefit the Scholarship Fund for Inner City Children (SFIC) and the Office for Evangelization. Since 1983 the SFIC (Web site: www.sficnj.org) has been providing partial-tuition scholarships for children of low-income families—living in the inner cities of Essex, Union, Hudson and Bergen counties—to attend private and parochial schools.



Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha

ing sponsors. The event will include custom T-shirts, a DJ, prizes and refreshments. Contact the Office for Evangelization by phone (973) 497-4353 or e-mail (sotolili@rcan.org), or visit the Web site (www.solesforfaith.org) for more information. Registration information is available online www.raceforum.com/solesforfaith.

Liliana Soto-Cabrera, archdiocesan coordinator for evangelization, said the race is organized by the Soles for Faith Catholic Running Team, which is part of the Outreach to Inactive Catholics Committee of the Office for Evangelization.

"The goals of the Soles for Faith Running team are to expand a passion for running into a passion for Christ and His Church, to grow in faith in a Christ-centered running community; to experience a new way to pray; to identify with and build friendships with like-minded Catholics and join area races, running as a team,"

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A GREAT DAY IN JERSEY CITY—Three Deanery 10 Catholic elementary schools—Saint Anne, Saint Joseph and Saint Nicholas—gathered at Pershing Field in the Heights section of Jersey City on the sparkling morning of Sept. 10 to celebrate a Mass of the Holy Spirit and kick off the new school year. Most Rev. Thomas A. Donato (right), Auxiliary Bishop of Newark and the pastor of Saint Henry Parish, Bayonne, presided. “I’m from Jersey City,” Bishop Donato proudly declared to the students, “and I’m here today with great joy. I also feel a sense of oneness. We have three distinct schools assembled here, but really we’re all part of one big school. Place your trust in God and you’ll have a great school year.” In addition to launching the school year, the Mass proved to be a sentimental Jersey City reunion. Rev. Msgr. Kevin M. Hanbury, archdiocesan vicar for education and superintendent of schools, who attended the Mass, is a 1960 graduate of Saint Nicholas (the church is pictured at the far left). Bishop Donato is a graduate of Holy Rosary School (1953) and Saint Michael High School (1957). Brother Ralph Darmento, F.S.C., deputy superintendent of schools, along with pastors, principals and Jersey City Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy—a 1964 graduate of Saint Michael Elementary School, Union City—attended the celebration.

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Lawmakers, citizens to interact at Legislative Dialogue program

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

CLARK—Faithful citizens of the Catholic community will get the chance to have their voices heard by participating in an “Evening of Legislative Dialogue,” which will be held Wednesday, Oct. 20, 7:30-9:30 p.m., at Mother Seton Regional High School, 1 Valley Rd.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Hosted by Archbishop John J. Myers, the forum provides an opportunity for participants to directly voice their concerns to state lawmakers on topics such as education, healthcare and social justice issues.

Mary McElroy, director of the NJ Network of Catholic School Families and Lawmakers will interact with attendees in a town-hall style meeting format. Sign-language interpreters will attend and there will be simultaneous



Mary McElroy

translation available for Spanish speakers. For more information, call McElroy at (973) 467-9396 or Marissa Acosta at (973) 497-4013.

Four years ago the forum drew 250 citizens with assemblywomen, assemblymen and state senators responding to the Catholic perspective on important issues. Father Timothy Graff, director of the

archdiocesan Office of Human Concerns, believes the event fosters dialogue between politicians and their Catholic constituents.

“The (Evening of Legislative Dialogue) communicates what is important within the Catholic Church and helps define our opinions. It is a way to show legislators the (political) strength of Catholics,” Fr. Graff explained.

At this year’s event, the Office of Human Concerns will present its view to lawmakers on the DREAM Act. The pending legislation would legalize immigrant high school graduates of good moral character who were brought to the United States at a young age without legal status.

Students who complete two years of college education or military service would be eligible for a green card. A prayer vigil in support of the DREAM Act and comprehensive immigration reform was held at Felician College,

Rutherford, on Sept. 15 (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Sept. 8).

McElroy penned a guest article in the Aug. 25 edition of *The Catholic Advocate*, outlining the status of Senate Bill S1872, also known as the Opportunity Scholarship Act (the OSA). Having passed the Senate Economic Growth Committee, the bill remains stalled in Trenton and awaits action by the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee. She is a strong supporter of the OSA, which seeks to establish a pilot program that would be the first of its kind in the state, providing scholarship funds and educational options for New Jersey’s neediest families.

Sponsored by senators Ray Lesniak and Tom Kean, Jr., as well as assemblymen Angel Fuentes, Ralph Coutinho, Gary Schaer, and Alex DeCroke, McElroy said the OSA enjoys bipartisan support in the state Senate and Assembly.

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language for our students,” he added.

Joining the BC staff is Zhen (Jen) Li, a teacher with nine years of experience. He was a resident of Yantai City of the Shandong Province, and is a graduate of Yantai Teachers' College.

“Mr. Li comes to Bergen Catholic with fine teaching credentials,” McElhinney said. “In his short time in the United States he has already demonstrated a great deal of enthusiasm for our school, the local community, and most importantly, in his desire to work with Bergen Catholic students.”

The Chinese Guest Teacher Program provides an experienced language teacher from China for the host school for one to three years. Since the program was launched in 2006, over 450 guest teachers have been placed in grammar school and high school classrooms across 38 states. This year BC is the only New Jersey school out of more than 100 participants.

A partnership between the

College Board and the Hanban/Confucius Institute, headquartered in China, promotes the Chinese Guest Teacher Program. It was created to help U.S. schools develop Chinese language and culture study programs and to promote international exchange between the United States and China.

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Marist slates an open house

BAYONNE — Marist High School, 1241 Kennedy Blvd., will hold an open house for parents and students in grades five through eight on Sunday, Oct. 3 at 3 p.m. The event will spotlight the coed school's college preparatory curriculum and academic life, which includes computer labs and a library/media center. Call Marist at (201) 437-4544 for details.

IHA to show film describing ‘silent epidemic’ in schools

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP — Immaculate Heart Academy (IHA), 500 Van Emburgh Ave., will present a screening of an education documentary, “Race to Nowhere,” on Tuesday, Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. IHA is one of only two venues in the state of New Jersey screening this film as it debuts nationwide.

The film examines the “silent epidemic” of the high-pressure, high-stakes U.S. culture and its impact on the lives of high school students. The documentary is a call to action for families, teachers and education policy makers to challenge current assumptions on how to best prepare the youth of America to become healthy, educated citizens. As education reform has become a national priority, the film provides a voice for those on the front lines—students and teachers.

Tickets are priced at \$10 and a theatrical trailer preview is available online (visit Web site: racetonowhere.com). Contact Tara Driggs at IHA by phone at (201) 445-6800, ext. 134, or via e-mail (tdriggs@ihahs.com) to make reservations.



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AFRICAN FESTIVAL—The American Province of the Society of African Missions (SMA Fathers) hosted its eighth annual African Festival Sept. 11 at its headquarters in Tenafly. Bishop John W. Flesey (second from right) presided at an African-style Mass. Guests of honor included Dr. Josephine OJiambo (second from left), Kenya’s ambassador to the United Nations, and Peter Rustin (far right), the mayor of Tenafly. Also pictured is Father Michael Moran, SMA provincial supervisor. The quartet planted a Japanese Maple tree in a ceremony to commemorate the victims of 9/11. The initials SMA stand for the Latin phrase *Societas Missionum ad Afros* (Society of African Missions).

Obituaries

Father George Keating, 82

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Aug. 6 at Saint Theresa Parish, Kenilworth, for Father George M. Keating, 82, who died Aug. 3.

Born in Hartford, CT, Fr. Keating resided at Saint Theresa Parish for the past 30 years. He attended Seton Hall University, South Orange, and Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington. His first assignment was parochial vicar at Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Newark, where he primarily worked with children. After six years, he returned to the seminary as a spiritual director.

Fr. Keating was chaplain at Saint Barnabas Hospital, Newark, and Union Hospital, with a short period as archdiocesan director of pastoral services.



Sr. Phyllis Coughlin, O.S.F.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated July 29 at Saint Elizabeth Motherhouse, Allegany, NY, for Sister Phyllis Coughlin, O.S.F., 87, who died July 27. Sr. Phyllis was received into the Congregation of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany, on Aug. 15, 1946, and professed her final religious vows on Aug. 16, 1953. She lived the Mission of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany for over 60 years.

Sr. Phyllis attended grade school at Saint John School, Jersey City and high school at Saint Michael, Union City. Her education ministry ranged from grades six to the university level. She served in schools of the congregation in New York, New Jersey and Florida. For her last 25 years in teaching, she was assigned to Saint John the Baptist High School in West Islip, NY.

Official Appointments

Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:

PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor Beaubrun Ardouin, Pastor of Saint Leo Parish, Irvington, has been appointed to a second six-year term ending Jan. 31, 2016.

Reverend Monsignor Paul L. Bochicchio, Pastor of Holy Family Parish, Nutley, has been appointed to a second six-year term ending June 30, 2016.

Reverend George D. Gillen, Pastor of Saint Genevieve Parish, Elizabeth, has been appointed to a second six-year term, ending Jan. 31, 2017.

Reverend Gerald F. Greaves, Pastor of Saint Raphael, Livingston, has been appointed to a second six-year term ending June 30, 2016.

Reverend Michael J. Kreder, Pastor of Saint Mary Parish, Rutherford, has been appointed to a third six-year term ending June 30, 2016.

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Reverend Edison Escario was appointed Parochial Vicar of Saint Mary, Star of the Sea Parish, Bayonne, effective Sept. 1 through Sept. 30, 2010.

CHAPLAIN

Reverend James F. Spera, Pastor of Assumption Parish, Roselle Park, has also been appointed Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus Monsignor Joseph F. Loretto Council No. 3240, Roselle Park. The appointment was effective Sept. 9.

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Church values moral truth in pursuit of knowledge

NEWARK—Last month the Church celebrated the 60th year of the encyclical “*Humani Generis*” (Of the Human Race) by Pope

Pius XII. I am sure that, except for theologians and philosophers, not many people remember or are impressed by the importance of that

letter. Yet, it gives the Roman Catholic population of the world an opportunity to view the Church and its relationship to the pursuit

of scientific inquiry.

The Church is a wonderful teacher and protector of truth. But as far as public relations are concerned, she needs a little work. If you ask ordinary people about the history of the Church, they will remember all the negative events: the Crusades; the Inquisition; Galileo; and, in general, our opposition to “progress.” Progress for most people means the “enlightenment” philosophy with all of its modern agenda, most of it a secular humanist design for the human race that rejects the Creator.

Yet, we Catholics can stand with the Church and its record of human advancement with no apologies and with absolute pride. In almost all of Western history, the Church has been at the cutting edge of societal evolution. But she has never made the mistake of accepting new theories without adequate proof or seeing and weighing all the evidence and placing it on a moral balance.

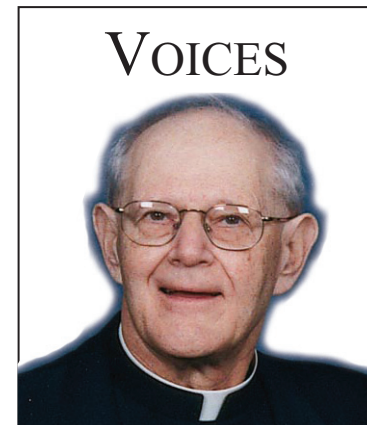
When Galileo made his discoveries, the Church was caught in a seeming contradiction between science and the words of Scripture. She held back from accepting the new evidence in the heavens and then, unfortunately, wronged a great scientist. However, once astronomers brought forth an irrefutable vision of the universe, the Church moved ahead in the pursuit of truth.

In 1582 Pope Gregory sponsored a committee to study the science of astronomy. In 1774 the first observatory was built in Rome. Father Angelo Secchi, S.J. was the very first astronomer to classify the stars. Religious-order priests have served in the observatory at Rome since the beginning. Later in 1930 a new observatory was built at Castel Gondolfo. I myself was once privileged to meet a Jesuit priest who had spent his entire life serving at the “*Specola Vaticana*,” the Vatican Observatory.

In 1993 the Vatican, in cooperation with the University of Arizona, built one of the largest telescopes in the world—the Mount Graham International Observatory. It is on the forefront of astronomical research.

Secondly, since the 1600’s wave after wave of archeologists, linguists, biblical scholars and historians have subjected the Sacred Scriptures to scientific investigation. By the mid-20th century it seemed that the so called “higher criticism” would tear the sacred books to shreds.

Meanwhile, for 150 years Catholic scholars were held to traditional teachings of the Church in



By Rev. Msgr. John Gilchrist

the field of Scripture. In the 1930’s the Ecole Biblique (the Biblical School) in Jerusalem where the Dominican Fathers, especially Father Lagrange, pursued modern studies was regarded as a place of near heresy.

Then, suddenly, on Sept. 20, 1943, Pius XII opened the gates to Catholic scholars for the scientific pursuit of Scripture studies in his encyclical “*Divino Efflante Spiritu*” (Inspired by the Holy Spirit). Almost instantly priestly scholars like our own Bishop Dougherty went to work. Within years our priests not only matched in many ways but surpassed the rest of the academic pack in unraveling the mystery of God’s word. And they gave us a wonderful new vision of how the Holy Scriptures came to be.

Thirdly, as scientific advancement began to disclose nature’s deepest secrets, Darwin’s theory of evolution became the rage of the age. Again the Church held her ground. Then on Aug. 12, 1950 came the encyclical “*Humani Generis*.” The Church was ready to open another door. “As far as it (science) inquires into the origin of the human body as coming from pre-existent and living matter, the Church obliges us to hold that souls are immediately created by God,” Pius XII wrote. “Research and discussions may take place in conformity with the present state of human sciences.” However, the Church rejects “polygenism” (that Adam represents a certain number of first parents). The human race is all one family with one common ancestor.

“With regard to new questions which modern culture and progress have brought to the foreground, let them engage in careful research, but with necessary prudence and precaution,” the pope warned.

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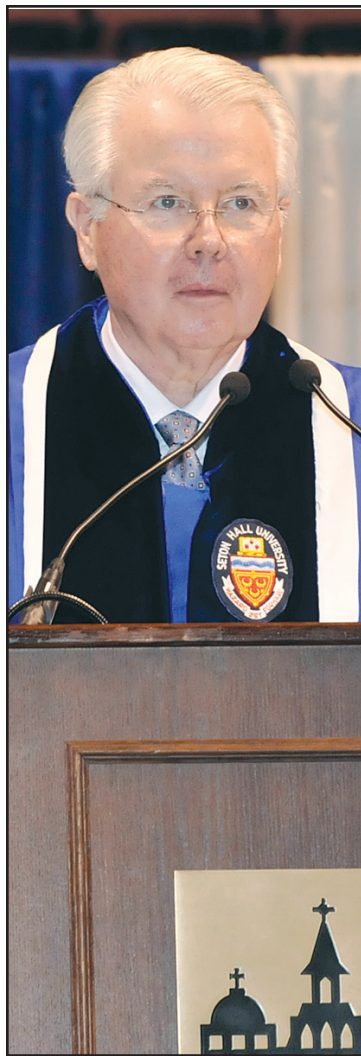
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Kurt Borowsky

Borowsky steps down as chair of SHU board

SOUTH ORANGE—Kurt T. Borowsky has stepped down as chairman of Seton Hall University's (SHU) board of regents after serving at the helm for seven years. Borowsky made the announcement at the board's Sept. 17 meeting.

As an alumnus of SHU, Borowsky has been a member of the Board of Regents since 1993 and has served as chair since 2003.

"I have been honored to be a part of this great institution for so many years to help carry on the mission of Catholic higher education," Borowsky said regarding his time as chairman, which he described as a "truly gratifying experience."

In 1996, SHU's Center for Leadership Studies and the alumni council of the Stillman School of Business honored Borowsky with its first "Leadership Award."

Eight years ago, in recognition of his outstanding lifetime achievements and his commitment to the values and vision of the university, Borowsky

received the alumni association's highest honor: the "Many Are One Most Distinguished Alumnus Award."

"Kurt has served Seton Hall University with great energy and distinction for many years," Dr. A. Gabriel Esteban,

SHU interim president, said. "He leaves our board of regents with my gratitude for his dedication to the Catholic mission of this university and the progress we have made as an institution during his term of leadership."

The SHU board of regents has selected members for a nominating committee to replace Borowsky. In the interim, John J. Schimpf, vice chair of the board of regents, will manage all activities until a successor is named.

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NEWARK—A series of six courses designed to introduce adult Catholics to key teachings of their faith will take place in October and November as part of the archdiocesan Catechetical Office’s “Spotlight” program.

“Spotlight on the Catechism” offers a course on the four parts of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Courses are open to the public and certificates will be issued upon completion of the course. Parish catechists, Catholic school religion teachers and others in catechetical ministries can earn certification from the Catechetical Office by completing the entire Spotlight series.

Participants are asked to register at least one week in advance of each course. Registration fee is \$40 for Saturday courses, which includes lunch, and \$30 for evening courses. Brochures can be downloaded from the Catechetical Office Web site (www.rcan.org/catechet). For additional information, contact Dr. Eugene Tozzi at the Catechetical Office by phone at (973) 497-4288 or e-mail (tozzieug@rcan.org).

On Saturday, Oct. 16, Paul Gibbons will present the Spotlight on the Old Testament with “Roots: Meeting Our Ancestors in Faith.” The one-day course will take place at Saint Michael Parish, Cranford, from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Gibbons is an adjunct professor at Seton Hall University, South Orange.

Starting Monday, Oct. 18, Dr. Mary Beth Walsh is the instructor for Spotlight on the New Testament, “The Word of God in the Life of Faith.” Scheduled to run 7-9 p.m., at Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Leonia, the course continues Oct. 25 and Nov. 8. Walsh teaches in the Caldwell College Pastoral Ministry program.

Sister Christine Tobin, S.F.C.C., will present Spotlight on the Sacraments “The Paschal Mystery: Past, Present and Future” at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, Roseland, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 23. Sr. Tobin is director of religious education at Saint Paul Parish, Ramsey.

Spotlight on Faith “The Creed: Our Heritage of Faith,” by Dr. Sylvia McGeary will take place 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 6 at Saint Vincent Parish in Bayonne.

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the late archbishop's life and shows his influence on Catholics in the 20th century.

"I feel like I was almost led to this particular parish. I have been there several times and it is a beautiful place. Also, Archbishop Sheen has visited there. This will be the first time the DVD is shown in the Archdiocese of Newark," Mayer explained.

The Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Foundation hopes to condense 22 volumes of testimony into a *positio* to be given to the Congregation of Causes of Saints in Rome by this fall. If the Congregation approves the *positio*, Archbishop Sheen will be given the title of "venerable" or a person who led a life of heroic virtue. The next step is beatification after which he would be called "blessed." Certification of a miracle attributed to his intercession is required for beatification.

Mayer and her husband both testified for the *positio* seven years

ago. She was sworn in, separate from her husband, and explained how Archbishop Sheen and his holiness affected her life. She met the late archbishop in 1972 at Christ the King Parish in New Vernon, where he gave a talk. She became friendly with the celebrated evangelist and knew him for the last seven years of his life. A cherished memory for Mayer is when Archbishop Sheen came to dinner and her five young children were held captivated by his presence. He even baptized her sixth child Michael.

"I was present when he evolved into, what I believe, is a saint. He was able to speak to everyone and captivated millions. He truly spoke to you and made you feel that you were an important person to God. It is a surprise to me that in 2010, there is still not an American-born male saint. It is time and I would like for that person to be Archbishop Sheen," Mayer said.

Msgr. William J. Fadrowski, pastor of Queen of Peace Parish, also was influenced by the archbishop and grew up watching his

television show in the 1950s. The late archbishop came to the parish in 1934 as a guest speaker for the first graduating class of the school.

"He continues to inspire me to this day," Msgr. Fadrowski said. "His message is practical, down-to-earth and rooted in the Gospel while having depth and humor. Archbishop Sheen spoke to the problems we still have today. He is a remarkable priest and bishop who brought Catholicism into popular culture. He inspired people to have a better life and gave them a sense of hope for the world."

Along with being a media personality, Archbishop Sheen served as national director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in 1958. The archbishop was a hero for Msgr. Robert J. Fuhrman, formerly the pastor at Saint Gabriel the Archangel Parish, Saddle River, and now stationed in New York City as the assistant national director of the Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States.

Msgr. Fuhrman describes the late archbishop as an inspiration who had a passion for missionary work and caring for the poor.

"Archbishop Sheen was a great influence on me and on every thinking Catholic. He is the best communicator of the Gospel in the 20th century. He is an example of faith in action and gave his energy entirely to the Church and he did so with obvious joy," Msgr. Fuhrman explained. "He had a magnetism that you could see, hear and feel. There was dynamism in his eyes, voice and gestures. Archbishop Sheen was a tremendous preacher who communicated the Gospel with love."

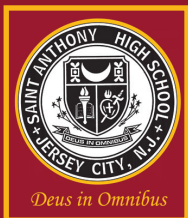
Cemetery ceremony to cite 'Year for Priests' celebration

EAST HANOVER—Archbishop John J. Myers will bless the "Year for Priests" stained-glass window at Gate of Heaven Cemetery and Chapel Mausoleum, 225 Ridgedale Ave., on Saturday, Oct. 16 at 3 p.m.

The blessing recalls the worldwide celebration of the "Year for Priests," which was proclaimed last year by Pope Benedict XVI (see *The Catholic Advocate*, April 22, 2009). The pope marked the closing of the celebration with a Mass at the Vatican June 11.

Those wishing to attend the ceremony should contact the archdiocesan Catholic Cemeteries office no later than Friday, Oct. 1, by phone (973-497-7978) or e-mail (Ellen@rcan.org).

Archbishop Myers and the New Jersey State Knights of Columbus have provided contributions for the design and fabrication of the stained-glass window. Gate of Heaven is one of 10 cemeteries in northern New Jersey managed by the Catholic Cemeteries office.



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(Say prayer everyday for 9 days. By 4th day, ask for a sign. If prayers are to be answered between 4th and 9th day, you will see a rose in magazine, TV picture or receive roses. You can also get a strong scent of roses in home even if no roses are present. Must promise publication. Thank you.)

M.G.

SHOULDER WOUND OF JESUS CHRIST PRAYER

O loving Jesus, meek lamb of God, I a miserable sinner, salute and worship the most sacred wound of Thy Shoulder, On which Thou didst bear Thy heavy cross, which so tore Thy flesh and laid Thy bones as to inflict an anguish greater than any other wound of Thy most Blessed Body. I adore Thee, Oh Jesus most sorrowful, I praise and glorify Thee, and give thanks fully to thee for this most Holy and sacred and painful wound, beseeching Thee by that exceeding pain, and by the crushing burden of Thy heavy Cross to be merciful to me a most miserable sinner, to forgive me of all my mortal and venial sins and to lead me on towards Heaven along the way of Thy Cross. In Jesus' name (mention request) Amen to all. Thank you for your help.

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E.S.

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Oh, Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near Kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition (make request). In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and Glorias. St. Jude, pray for us all who invoke your aid. Amen. This Novena must be said for 9 consecutive days. Thank you for answering my prayer.

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R.T.

NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Amen. Say this prayer nine times a day for nine days. Published in gratitude. Thank you, St. Jude.

S.P.

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A.T.

PRAYER TO ST. CHRISTOPHER

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

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Study shows Holy Name delivers high-quality maternity services

TEANECK—Maternity care at Holy Name Medical Center ranks among the top five percent in the nation, according to a new study by HealthGrades, the independent healthcare ratings organization based in Golden, CO.

HealthGrades used state government data to compare hospitals in terms of complication rates for vaginal and C-section deliveries as well as neonatal mortality.

Holy Name received the 2010/2011 HealthGrades Maternity Care Excellence Award. The medical center has achieved a five-star rating in maternity care for five consecutive years.

"Holy Name has always been known as a great place to have your baby," Michael Maron, Holy Name president and chief executive officer, said. "Our priorities are patient safety, quality care and exceeding expectations. We enjoy a high rate of success in accomplishing those goals. It's satisfying to have that acknowledged on a national level," he added.

Reflecting on the reasons for Holy Name's distinguished service, Maron explained that the medical center's women's and children's staff "is extremely attentive to patients' needs. They're highly skilled in their individual specialties. They also work wonderfully as a team, with mutual respect between nurses and physicians."

As a group, top-rated hospitals by HealthGrades had 51 percent fewer maternal complications for vaginal deliveries and 74 percent fewer maternal complications for C-sections when compared with the poorest-rated hospitals. The study examined all hospitals in the 19 states that collect and publish outcomes data from hospitals, 1,546 in all. It found that if all hospitals, among the 19 states studied,



performed at the level of best-performing hospitals, 176,654 women may have avoided developing one or more in-hospital complications during the period studied (2006–2008).

"Objective data shows that hospitals can vary in terms of complication rates and neonatal mortality rates," Dr. Rick May, a vice president with HealthGrades

and co-author of the study, explained. "The hospitals in the top five percent in the nation for maternity care should be proud not only of the outstanding care they deliver, but also for the quality benchmarks they are setting for other hospitals to follow."

The complete methodology for the HealthGrades Maternity Care study can be found on the organization's Web site (www.healthgrades.com).



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AT THE CLASSIC—The 16th annual Holy Name Medical Center Foundation Golf Classic was held in June at the Hackensack Golf Club and the Arcola Country Club, Paramus, and raised over \$245,000. Among those on the links were (left to right) Michael Maron, Holy Name president and chief executive officer; Joseph Parisi, foundation chairman; Patrick Finnegan, foundation vice president of development and Kevin McCarthy, foundation executive director.

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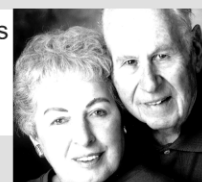
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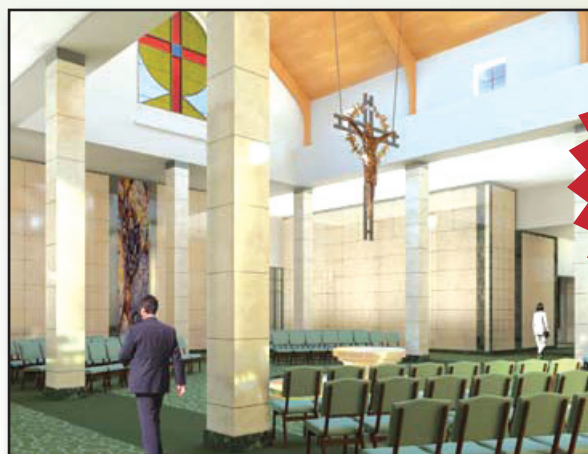
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