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# Tis' a fine day to wear Green

The 78th Newark Saint Patrick's Day Parade will step off Friday, March 15, at 1 p.m. The parade is dedicated to Terence Pellegrino, who died last year and was a 31-year veteran of the Paterson Fire Department.

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# Future City students create a vision for world of tomorrow

BY MELISSA MCNALLY Staff Writer

AREA—It is often said that children are the future. In three Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Newark, children are building the future from the ground up.

During the National Engineers Week Foundation's Future City Competition, students from grades six through eight participate in a national, project-based learning experience to imagine, design and build cities of the future. According to the Web site, students work as a team with an educator and engineering mentor to plan cities using SimCity™ 4 Deluxe software; research and write solutions to an engineering problem; build tabletop scale models with recycled materials; and present their ideas before judges at regional competitions in January. Winners represent their region at the national finals in Washington, D.C. in February. Overall, more than 35,000 students from 2,200 teams competed on the regional level.

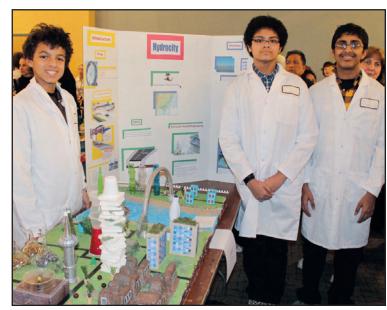
The students were tasked with responding to one of today's most topical environmental issuesmanaging storm water pollution. At this year's regional competition, held Jan. 12 at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, three teams from archdiocesan Catholic schools placed in the top 10 or received awards. Over 240 students from different schools across the state competed, with 80 teams qualifying for the regional finals. Transfiguration Academy, Bergenfield, was awarded eighth place. Saint Rose of Lima Academy, Short Hills, was named "Most Creative Use of Materials" and Saint Paul Interparochial School, Ramsey, was awarded "Best Use of Engineering Principles."

This was Saint Rose of Lima Academy's first year in the competition. "It's pretty impressive that we got an award in our first foray into the competition," Diane Pollack, principal, said. The handson nature of the competition and practical application of classroom

subjects appealed to the principal. "The critical-thinking element challenges kids to take what they learn in school above and beyond the classroom. Students also learn about responsibility. This competition is a great enhancement to the curriculum," she explained.

Cristina Wage, middle school science teacher, led her 7th grade group to the regional finals. "The Future City Competition stretches the students' 21st Century skills of collaboration, innovation and creativity. During the regionals, students have a venue where they have to defend their work. The competition is more than just doing research and writing a paper; it involves public speaking," Wage explained.

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Transfiguration Academy students (left to right) Warren Isley, Angelo Cadiente and Roshen John, placed eighth in the Future City Competition with their creation "Hydrocity." "This is our third consecutive year in the top 10 for our region," Sal Tralongo, principal of Transfiguration Academy, said. "The competition brings together all the disciplines we teach during classes. Math, science, art, language arts—it's a cross-curricular challenge. The project integrates all disciplines into a hands-on presentation." The grand prize winner of the Future City Competition hailed from the geographic confines of the archdiocese. Valley Middle School, Oakland, won the top prize for their city "Byen Vann" in the Feb. 19 final. The grand prize winners will receive a trip to U.S. Space Camp in Huntsville, AL, provided by Bentley Systems Inc.

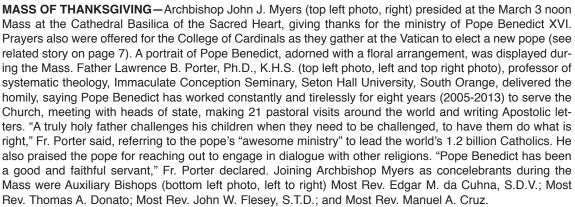


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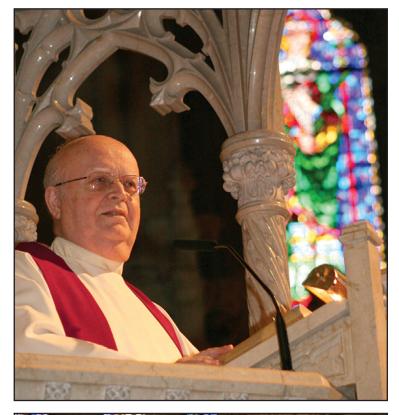
PRELATE OF HONOR—Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Fuhrman (right), assistant national director of the Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States, is pictured receiving a certificate that declares his elevation to "Prelate of Honor of His Holiness." The ceremony and prayer service was held Feb. 23 at Saint Gabriel the Archangel Parish, Saddle River, where Msgr. Fuhrman previously served as pastor. The honor was bestowed by Pope Benedict XVI before his retirement. Father Andrew Small, O.M.I. (left), national director of the Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States, presented the framed certificate, along with Archbishop John J. Myers. Addressing family and friends at his former parish, Msgr. Fuhrman declared the Catholic Church "is worthy of love and something to believe in," adding that the Catholic faith is thriving throughout the world. "It is a fascinating time in the history of our Church," he said. "Your brothers and sisters are hearing the same Gospel and serving the same Lord due to the work of missionaries. The Church is not in decline; we are growing in a family of faith. Do not be disillusioned, because the Holy Spirit keeps the Church relevant, always and everywhere."

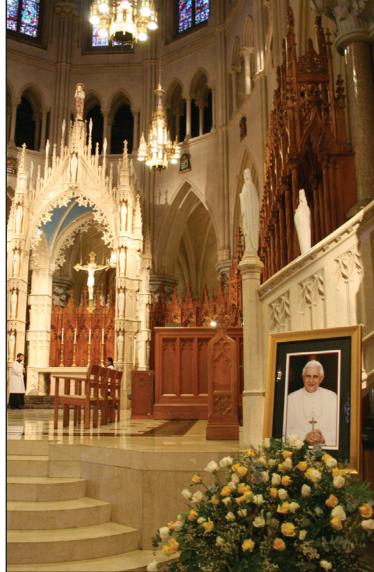
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# Immaculee Ilibagiza to speak at Seton Hall

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Immaculee Ilibagiza

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE Editor

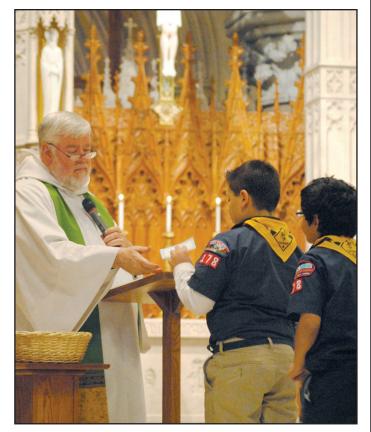
SOUTH ORANGE—Bestselling international author, Immaculee Ilibagiza, peace advocate and survivor of the 1994 Rwandan Holocaust, will present a program at Seton Hall University (SHU)'s Jubilee Hall Auditorium on Wednesday, March 13, 4:30 p.m.

Co-sponsored by the SHU Center for Catholic Studies and other SHU departments and centers, the presentation is free of charge and open to the public. Call (973) 275-2525 for more information.

Her book "Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust," was released in March 2006 and became a bestseller. She lived through the 100-day Rwandan Genocide, which began on April 6, 1994 and left an estimated 1 million people dead. Ten thousand people in her village were massacred during the bloody rampage.

Despite being a witness to the horror, Ilibagiza has become an international figure promoting peace, faith and reconciliation. She said living through the genocide was a transformational, spiritual experience. She prayed the rosary while in hiding, which helped her survive the ordeal.

Ilibagiza gave the commencement address at SHU's 2008 graduation ceremonies. "Prayer has the power to change you," she told the graduates. "After spending three months in hiding, I discovered a lot about what it means to be alive."



Advocate photo - Ward Miele

SCOUTS SALUTED—Members of Boy Scout troops throughout the Archdiocese of Newark filled the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart on Feb. 10 for the annual awards ceremony of the Catholic Committee on Scouting. Highlighting the service was presentation of awards to scouts and their adult leaders. Each recipient was called individually to the altar by Father Mitch Walters (pictured), assistant Boy Scout chaplain, director of the archdiocesan Ministerial Development Center and an Eagle Scout. In his homily, Father Eugene J. Field, archdiocesan Boy Scout chaplain, pastor of Visitation Parish, Paramus, and also an Eagle Scout, said "Jesus Christ sees the potential that lies within all of us. (He is) the one who can help us." The afternoon's award recipients, he noted, have experienced that. The scouts have earned their awards, Fr. Field continued, because they have asked for help, which has resulted in a deepening of their faith.



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# Campus group plans to honor archbishop at benefit banquet

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NEWARK—Saint Paul's Outreach New Jersey will host its third annual benefit banquet and fund-raiser on Tuesday, April 16, at Nanina's In The Park, 540 Mill St., Belleville. The group will present Archbishop John J. Myers with its "Servant Leader Award."

The banquet's cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and the awards ceremony and program. For reservations or more information, contact Mark Cantine, NJ development director for the group, by phone at (973) 517-8687 or via e-mail (mark.cantine@spoweb.org), or visit the event Web site (posted above). Proceeds from the benefit will support the mission and programs of Saint Paul's Outreach. The group's New Jersey chapter is based on the South Orange campus of Seton Hall University. In addition, there is significant student participation at Montclair State University, NJIT and Rutgers Newark.

By honoring Archbishop Myers, Saint Paul's Outreach New Jersey is continuing its tradition of paying tribute to outstanding Catholic leaders who exemplify a life dedicated to serving Christ. In 2011, the group honored Rev. Msgr. Michael E. Kelly, headmaster at Seton Hall Prep, West Orange, for his life as a faithful priest and mentor to the youth. In 2012 Michael Ferguson, who served as a NJ congressman from 2001-2009, representing the Garden State's 7th District, was cited for his public service.

The organization is a Catholic ministry on college campuses throughout the United States, which began in the twin cities of Saint Paul and Minneapolis 26 years ago in response to the Church's call for a "New Evangelization." The group saw a national expansion of its program take off about 10 years ago. Members of Saint Paul's Outreach look to engaged college and university students, inviting them to a life of Christian discipleship through the Gospel. The goal is to inspire students to deepen their involvement with the Catholic Church.



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# 'Dignity' bill: a slippery slope to suicide

BY FR. W. JEROME BRACKEN Special to The Catholic Advocate

n Feb. 7, the "New Jersey Death with Dignity Act" was presented for its second reading in the New Jersey Assembly, having passed the Health Committee. The bill's prime sponsor is Assembly-

man John Burzichelli. Its noble title and intent, however, is far from noble. Shamefully, the bill speaks of a person making a healthcare decision, but the decision is not about health; rather, it's about a person's death.

As for the person's "dignity" of making his own decisions, the bill gives the minimum condition. He or she can do this, as long as the attending and consulting physicians have the opinion that the person's judgment is not impaired by some psychological disorder or depression. The only thing preventing the patient from going headlong into his death would be that one of them thinks he is depressed or psychologically incapable. Then the doctor is to refer the patient for counseling, and the counselor—

with or without certification—decides. Surely, this is a slippery slope to suicide.

But what of the word "care" in the patient's healthcare decision? Why is it that the person does not care to live? Is the pain too much? The doctor should have the knowledge of how to lessen it if not eliminate it. Like Simon of Cyrene, he can help the patient carry his cross. If the suffering of a terminal illness is not painful but is unbearable, then what is being offered to help him bear it?

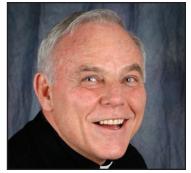
Palliative care is not just physical, it's also psychological. The women wept for Jesus. Studies have shown that patients who are terminally ill fear being abandoned by their doctor. Mary, John, and the other women did not. Though they could not take His suffering away, they did not take themselves away. Wouldn't doctors, wouldn't we, want to give the terminally ill a similar assurance?

The bill wants to make it possible for the person to end his life in a humane and dignified way. But how is killing himself humane? Where is the human dignity in that? We might euthanize animals, but humans are not animals. While Genesis 2 says that animals were meant to be our helpers, Genesis 1 says that God made humans in His image and likeness.

We are like God not just because we have dominion over the animals and the earth, but also because He made us male and female. We image Father, Son and Holy Spirit, by being in communion with one another, and through that communion we can share in His creation by procreation. Such is human. Such is our dignity.

But because we are not God, and cannot bring life out of nothing, neither should we, like Adam and Eve, bring our life into nothing by breaking God's commandments. For them the commandment was "Do not eat of the tree of





Rev. W. Jerome Bracken

life." For the "New Jersey Death with Dignity Act" the commandment is "Thou shalt not kill."

But did their disobedience put Adam and Eve on a par with God, make them more humane to each other, more in control of their lives? When God came to be with them in the cool of the evening, they hid from Him. When God asked Adam what he had done, Adam blamed Eve. When they looked at themselves, they covered themselves in shame.

Does this bill preclude these kinds of alienation? Killing the innocent, one's self, alienates one from God, but what of the alienation between human beings? To prevent any harm, the bill seeks to make sure the person is not forced into taking his life, but is acting voluntarily. So of the two witnessing to his action being voluntary, at least one of them could not be a relative, the inheritor of his estate, or financially connected with where he is residing. They at least could not act like Adam toward Eve. But what of the other witness? What about ourselves? Surprised at the asking? After all, if terminally ill persons can take their lives, then we will not have to pay taxes to assure the physical, psychological and spiritual care that is proper to their dignity during their illness!

Shouldn't we have a different role? If we cannot be like Simon, John and Mary, can we not be like the friends of the paralytic. They believed that Jesus could help him and seeing their faith, Jesus did. He delivered him from his spiritual and his physical suffering. Should we not believe Jesus will do the same, seeing our faith in caring for the terminally ill? Won't Jesus strengthen him spiritually so he can bear his suffering with dignity? And before that strength is gone, won't Jesus call him home?

As Catholic citizens of New Jersey, let us have the faith of the paralytic's friends and let us have the courage of Mary, John and the women to stand by the terminally ill—even in their dying.

(Editor's note: Father W. Jerome Bracken, C.P., Ph.D., is an associate professor of moral theology at Seton Hall University, South Orange.)

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In a separate development, the Caldwell College board of trustees recently passed a resolution charging the college to move forward with the necessary steps towards achievement of university status (see The Catholic Advocate, Feb. 6). Nancy Blattner, Ph.D., O.P.A., president of Caldwell College, expressed hope the change in status may occur during the 2014-2015 school year, which will mark Caldwell's 75th anniversary.



INTERFAITH MILESTONE—Seton Hall University (SHU) hosted a reception and lecture on Jan. 30 to launch a yearlong celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Rev. Msgr. John M. Oesterreicher Institute of Judaeo-Christian Studies. Peter Schäfer, D. Phil., a professor of religion at Princeton University and the author of "The Jewish Jesus: How Judaism and Christianity Shaped Each Other," was the keynote speaker. On March 25, 1953, Msgr. Oesterreicher established the Institute of Judaeo-Christian Studies at SHU. A. Gabriel Esteban, SHU president, said the yearlong commemoration, titled "Building Bridges: 60 Years of Jewish-Christian Dialogue," would focus on the Catholic mission of the university by honoring the legacy and achievements of Msgr. Oesterreicher, who died in April 1993. Esteban praised Msgr. Oesterreicher as a man who was ahead of his time regarding the need for interfaith dialogue. The SHU institute, Esteban said, has become a strong voice to explore the common heritage of the Jewish and Christian faiths. Msgr. Oesterreicher is one of the architects of Nostra Aetate ("In Our Age"), a document that was part of the landmark Second Vatican Council of the mid-1960s, which inspired the Church to engage in interfaith dialogue. Pictured at the gathering are (left to right) Rabbi Asher Finkel, Ph.D., SHU professor, Jewish-Christian Studies Program; Rabbi Alan Brill, Ph.D., SHU associate professor, Jewish-Christian Studies Program, Cooperman/Ross Endowed Chair of Jewish-Christian Studies in honor of Sister Rose Thering; Schäfer; Father Lawrence Frizzell, D. Phil. SHU associate professor, Jewish-Christian Studies Program, director of the Institute of Judaeo-Christian Studies; and Rev. Msgr. Anthony Ziccardi, S.T.D., SHU vice president for mission and ministry.

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# Season of Lent offers path to restoration

**BY FATHER PETER IWUALA**Special to The Catholic Advocate

will bring peace and good will toward men, says the Lord. The season of Lent helps to expose our conscience more to the Word of God and to different ways the Lord works in our lives. Our conscience urges us to do what is morally right and abstain

from what is morally wrong.

Considering the fact that human beings are endowed with a portion of responsibility, restoration through receiving God's forgiveness is conditional on fulfillment of human responsibility. We must make our own efforts to change ourselves in order for God to accept us for restoration. The only desire of God is to be united with His people. God, although He loves us, cannot share His most intimate love with us when we are in sin. To be restored, we must first repent of our sinfulness and then demonstrate our sincere desire to return to God by making efforts to obey His word and keep His commandments.

Jesus desires restoration for His people. The Lord restores our brokenness during season of Lent. Every heart has some kind of "pot hole" that no human contractor can fill. These pot holes caused by sin cannot be repaired unless we acknowledge our infidelity to God. We need to turn away from our sin in repentance and, in His mercy, God will restore us to

what we are truly created to be.

One thing that kills life is a lack of forgiveness. We seek forgiveness through prayer. The season of Lent encourages us to pray better, not more. The word of God has been implanted in us. Let us make it settle in our hearts so that it can bear fruit for which it was sent. Jesus draws us away from evil and leads us on the path to holiness. When we do not take time to communicate with God, we might miss our chances of being restored.

God accomplishes His restoration work in us when we take responsibility for our lives and willingly offer them to Him. By offering ourselves to God, we

are able to make a foundation of faith and a foundation of substance, and, as purified people of God, be prepared to receive divine restoration.

It was because of God's great love for His people that He sent His only begotten Son to set us free from the penalty of death (John 3:16). When the divine plan for the deliverance of mankind from sin and death is complete there will be no more sickness, pain, or death. Joy will replace sorrow, and all tears will be wiped away (Isaiah 25:8-9). May the will of God be done in our lives. Amen.

(Editor's note: Father Peter Iwuala is a parochial vicar at Sacred Heart Parish, Bloomfield and a frequent contributor to The Catholic Advocate.)



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Along with the sciences, such as using physics to simulate the laws of motion, constructing the project involves "holistic manageability" according to Wage. "Students had to grapple with questions about budgets and sustainability. They used not only their science and math skills, but they addressed social concerns. For example, the students discussed clean energy and concluded that even though using fossil fuels was cheaper, over the long haul, clean energy was the better investment. You can't learn about these issues

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in a text book; it's life learning."

Transfiguration Academy has entered Future City for the past seven years. Unlike some schools, Future City is an extracurricular activity at Transfiguration for students who wish to participate and dedicate time outside of classes. Entering the competition gives students an advantage when applying for high school, Principal Sal Tralongo said. "All of the Catholic schools in Bergen County are phenomenal and it looks very good on a resume to participate in the competition."

Betsy Walker, computer science teacher at the academy, led

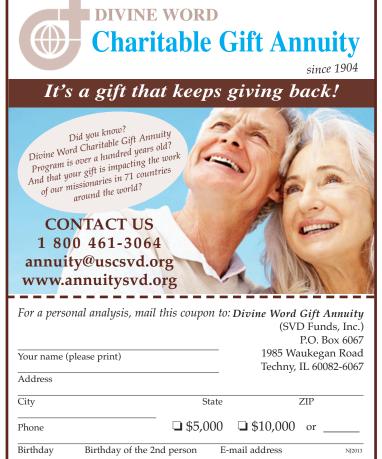
the eighth grade group to the regional competition. "I studied to be an urban planner and was excited about the project. I felt like I had the expertise and skills to help." Most students who participate in Future City wish to pursue a career in engineering or medical sciences, she explained. "The experience is very valuable to their future education. The competition builds confidence and tests students' public speaking and writing skills. This is a research to real-life situation."

Teambuilding is also a major component of the competition. "The students are judged as a team. It can be hard for middle school students to collaborate because they have very strong opinions but they all work together toward a common goal," Walker noted.

Christine Gysin, 7th and 8th grade science teacher at Saint Paul Interparochial School, believes the "multifaceted" project increases social awareness in young people. All eighth grade students participate in Future City and research their projects at the end of seventh grade. "We developed ideas about how to use collected storm water in our 'future city' before Hurricane Sandy hit. After the storm, students saw the pollution and disruption it caused firsthand. Adults come up with solutions to problems all the time but the clear creativity from the kids is immense. We all learn from them," she said.

Gysin's two sons, now in high school, entered Future City while at Saint Paul. She has personally witnessed everything they have gained through the competition. "They developed a general awareness about life and civics that they never had before. Being involved in Future City makes them look at things differently."





# Cardinals to select new successor of Saint Peter

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE Editor

NEWARK—Cardinals soon will gather to embrace the solemn duty of choosing a new leader for the world's 1.2 billion Catholics, following last week's departure Pope Benedict XVI. The task of the cardinals is underlined with a sense of urgency, given the approaching Easter celebration (March 31).

Pope Benedict, 85, left the Vatican by helicopter on Feb. 28 and went to the Castel Gandolfo papal palace, ending his eight years as Bishop of Rome and successor of Saint Peter. He resigned on Feb. 11, saying he no longer had the strength to lead the Universal Church.

The precise time frame to elect a new pope remains unclear, however the process began this week, when the cardinals launched a series of meetings in preparation for the conclave, called congregations. Greg Tobin, author of "The Good Pope, a biography of John XXIII, and Selecting the Pope"an authoritative guide to the history and process of the papal elections (see The Catholic Advocate, Oct. 10, 2012)—said this initial congregation is a smaller steering committee of four, which includes the "camerlengo" (the papal chamberlain who will preside within the conclave) and three assistants, one each from the orders of cardinals: the cardinal bishops; cardinal priests; and cardinal deacons.

"Members of this congregation (except the camerlengo) serve for terms of three days, and then are replaced by lot with a new group for the same term," Tobin said. "The particular congregation handles housekeeping issues, including the preparation of Vatican facilities for the conclave." (The term conclave refers to the meeting of the cardinals at which a new pope is elected.)

A former editor of The Catholic Advocate, Tobin said the general congregation is a committee of the whole, comprising all cardinals present in Rome during the Sede Vacante and is chaired by the dean of the College of Cardinals, so long as he is not over 80 years of age. The general congregation deals with the urgent business of government of the Vatican City State that may arise during the "Interregnum," such as a financial or diplomatic issue that must be dealt with before a new pope is elected, he said.

According to information



Saint Peter's Square

All issues are settled upon a

majority vote of the cardinals in the general congregation, Tobin said. Verbal votes are not allowed, but must be conducted "in a way which ensures secrecy."

Any matter that the particular congregation cannot resolve and that requires "fuller examination," is submitted to the larger general congregation. One particular congregation may not revoke the actions of a previous one; only a general congregation can

change such a decision by the

lesser body.

(Editor's note: The above quoted material provided by Tobin comes from the constitution Universi Dominici Gregis, by Blessed Pope John Paul II and amended by Pope Benedict XVI.)

Pope Benedict XVI

### Decisions to be made by the cardinals include:

- To be sure rooms of Saint Martha's Residence are prepared for the cardinal electors and that the Sistine Chapel is prepared for the conclave
- To assign rooms by lot to the cardinal electors
- To assign two theologians to make "meditations" (presentations or homilies) to the cardinals on the problems facing the Church and the need for "careful discernment in choosing the new pope" and set the times for these meditations
- To approve a budget of expenses for the period during the vacancy up until the election of the successor
- To read any document the pope left for the college of cardinals
- To certify the destruction of the Fisherman's Ring (worn by popes and used to seal official papal documents) and the pope's lead seal "with which the Apostolic Letters are dispatched"
- To set the day and the hour for the beginning of the voting process.

#### Help Wanted

posted on the Web site of the U.S.

Conference of Catholic Bishops

(USCCB), the transition period

from one pope to another is

known by two names. The first

is Sede Vacante ("vacant see"),

which means the see (or diocese)

of Rome is without a bishop. The

second, Interregnum, is a refer-

ence to the days when popes were

also temporal monarchs who

been caused by a resignation

and not the death of a pope, the

cardinals will not be concerned

with funeral preparations, which

usually take substantial time and

attention before the conclave is

convened, including nine offi-

cial days of mourning," Tobin

explained.

"Because the vacancy has

reigned over vast territories.

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# Around the Archdiocese

# March 7

LACORDAIRE ACADEMY, Upper Montclair, "Magical Moments," songs performed by professional young musical theater artists, 7 p.m., cost: \$15, call Debby Irwin at (973) 744-1156 or e-mail dirwin@lacordaire.net.

ST. TERESA OF AVILA PARISH, Summit, 7th Annual Luncheon and Baby Shower, sponsored by the Christ Child Society, 11:30 a.m., donations of layette items or the cash equivalent of \$40 is suggested, call Christie McGinn at (973) 951-4701 or e-mail ccssummitpublicity@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY OF GOD'S LOVE, Rutherford, two-part series on Israel and Palestine, "Why Jerusalem? Why Israel?" at 7:30 p.m., "Why Palestine?" on March 14, (201) 935-0344.

abortion and protecting the unborn.

social services and maternity homes.

# March 8

St. John the Apostle School, Clark, fish fry, main menu of fish and chips provided by Argyle's Restaurant, Kearny, 5:30-7:30 p.m., cost: \$15 for adult fish dinner/\$8 for stuffed shells; \$8 for kid's fish dinner/\$5 for stuffed shells, call Diane at (732) 382-5595.

## March 9

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3428, North Arlington, St. Patrick's Day Celebration, 6:30 p.m., cost: \$30, (201) 988-0183.

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Bloomfield, "Sacred Pause: A Retreat for Lent," 9 a.m.-3 p.m., \$20 offering, call Anna Graziano at (973) 338-9538.

St. Casimir Parish, Newark, "The Virtues of Mary: A Lenten

Birthright plans spring luncheon

center, will hold its annual spring luncheon on Thursday, March 21,

2013, 11 a.m. at the Woman's Club of Upper Montclair, 200 Cooper Ave.

LIFENET, will serve as the luncheon speaker. Based in Montclair,

LIFENET is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to ending

public. Call Pam Rafferty at (973) 669-5957 to make reservations.

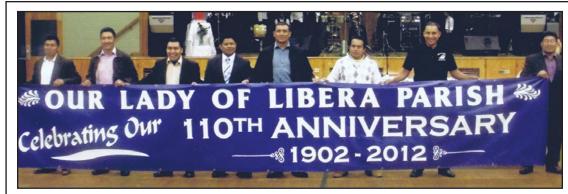
Proceeds from the event will go to help Birthright, which offers outreach

for the support of pregnant women, such as medical and prenatal care,

BLOOMFIELD—Birthright of Essex County, a pregnancy resource

Anne Tobak, Ph.D., a fertility care practitioner and staff member at

Tickets for the luncheon are \$30 per person. The event is open to the



Submitted photo

**MAJOR MILESTONE**—Over 100 parishioners past and present traveled to West New York late last year to celebrate the 110th anniversary of Our Lady of Libera Parish. Incorporated in 1902, the first Mass in the new church was celebrated two years later. The anniversary dinner was hosted by the parish's Rosary Society. Music was provided by the Society of the Gran Fraternidad de Saint Martin DeTours. Very Rev. Carlo Fortunio, V.F., serves as the parish administrator.

Retreat," presented by Father Stanley Kostrzomb, 2 p.m., (201) 246-9005.

# March 11

St. Joseph Parish, Maplewood, parish mission, through March 13, "Surviving the Recession: Using God's Stimulus Package to Avoid Spiritual Bankruptcy," 7:30 p.m., (973) 761-5933.

# March 15

LACORDAIRE ACADEMY, Upper Montclair, "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee," spring musical, also on March 16, 7 p.m., cost: \$10 for adults/\$5 for children, call Debby Irwin at (973) 744-1156 or e-mail dirwin@lacordaire.net.

PARAMUS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, "Shakespiracy," comedy performance, March 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m., March 17 at 2 p.m., cost: \$3 for students and seniors/\$8 for adults, (201) 445-4466.

ACADEMY OF THE HOLY ANGELS, Demarest, "Into the Woods," musical performance, March 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m., March 17 at 2 p.m., cost: \$15, purchase tickets at www.showtix4u.com or e-mail tickets@holyangels.org.

# March 17

St. Joseph Parish, Maplewood, Community Feast Day, 4-8 p.m., (973) 761-5933.

St. Joseph Regional High School,

Montvale, spring craft show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., cost: \$2, call Sue Scova at (201) 391-2099.

# March 18

St. Mary High School, Rutherford, orders for palm crosses are due March 18, pickup on March 23 from 9 a.m.-noon, proceeds benefit the class of 2013, prices range from \$8-\$14, call Louise Marquez at (973) 687-9227 or Joan Bezzina at (201) 394-8676.

# March 20

OFFICE OF PASTORAL MINISTRY WITH PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, Archdiocese of Newark, "Struggling with Anger," at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, South Orange, call Jim

Continued on page 19



Advocate photos – Melissa McNally

CELEBRATING THE GIFTS OF CONSECRATED LIFE—A Mass for the 17th annual World Day for Consecrated Life was celebrated Feb. 3 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark. In his opening remarks, Archbishop John J. Myers, who presided at the Mass, expressed gratitude to those in consecrated life for their years of service. "We thank you, we are proud of you and we celebrate you. You have offered your lives to the Father, the Church and the people you serve." Father Vincent Sullivan, S.J., pastor of Saint Aedan Parish: The Saint Peter's University Church, Jersey City, gave the homily. "All of us who are baptized should share in God's mission, but we in consecrated life have been called to lives of prayer and service...in unique ways," Fr. Sullivan said. "We give thanks to the grace of vocations and God's call to us." Following Mass, Sister Joanne Bednar (right photo), S.C.C., the archdiocesan delegate for Religious life, hosted a reception at the Archdiocese Center in honor of religious jubilarians. There were 10 Sisters (some not present at the Mass) who were celebrating jubilarian anniversaries of 70 and 75 years. Blessed Pope John Paul II established the annual Consecrated Life Mass in 1997 as an expression of appreciation for the service of those who have chosen the consecrated life and to pray for an increase of religious vocations.







# NANCIAL SUMMARY

#### My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

am pleased to present to you summaries of the financial information of the Archdiocese of Newark for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011.

Every one of us has witnessed first-hand the significant challenges still affecting the economies of our nation, region, state and local communities. Yet, the results published today show very clearly that, despite the economic difficulties of the day you, the people of this great Archdiocese, continue to provide critical financial support to both your local parish and the wider Church.

The Archdiocese remains committed to a strategy of judicious management of our operations so that our costs become more in line with our available revenues. I think you will see from the pages that follow that we made great progress in this area. We will remain vigilant regarding our responsibilities as good stewards in all of our vital and important ministries.

I am blessed to serve as the shepherd of this local Church of Newark, and I thank you for all of the support—both financial and spiritual—that you are always ready to give to me in my ministry. I know full well the depth of your faith and the love that you express for this local Church. I also know that your generosity also will be there, thus enabling us to continue to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ both in Word and in deed in the year ahead.

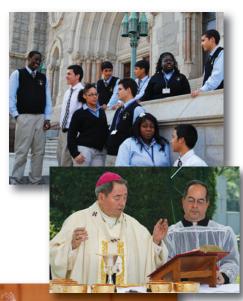
With kindest personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely in the Lord,

Most Reverend John J. Myers Archbishop of Newark



Archbishop John J. Myers





# ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK CHANCERY OFFICE CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2012 and 2011.



# Assets

#### 2012 2011 14,050,654 5,669,700 Cash and cash equivalents 16,920,004 16,979,356 Accounts and loans receivable, net (Notes 3 and 8) Contributions receivable, net 962,857 1,460,953 Prepaid expenses and other assets 1,728,526 1,485,680 353,724,405 378,486,293 Investments: Property and equipment, net 30,800,768 22,719,391 Total assets 418,187,214 426,801,373



# Statement of Activity and Changes in Net Assets

		2012		2011				
Change in unrestricted net assets:								
Operating support and revenue	\$	36,901,757	\$	38,540,843				
Operating expenses		35,727,361		38,477,912				
Increase (Decrease) in unrestricted								
net assets from operation		1,174,396		62,931				
Non operating revenue		(3,467,848)		23,757,639				
Increase (Decrease) unrestricted net asse	(2,293,452)		23,820,570					
Increase (Decrease) in temporary restricted								
net assets		(1,289,389)		9,289,212				
Increase (Decrease) in permanently								
restricted net assets		167,725		221,881				
Increase (Decrease) in net assets		(3,415,116)		33,331,663				
Net assets, beginning of the year		173,838,601		140,506,938				
Net assets, end of the year	\$	170,423,485	\$	173,838,601				

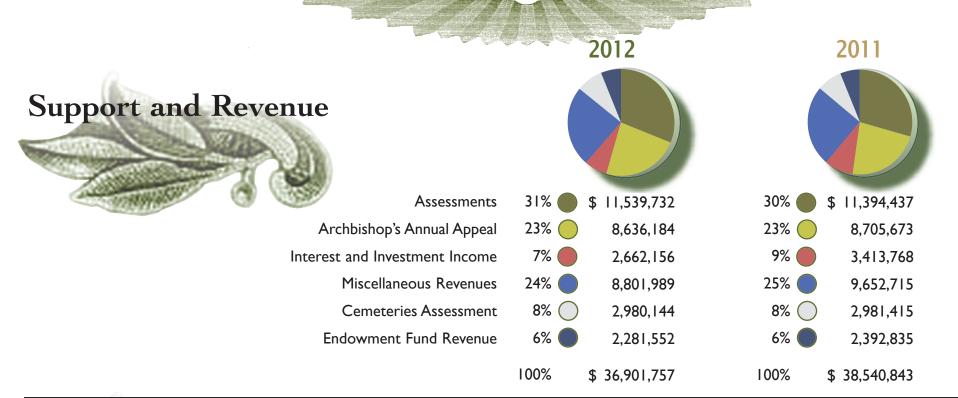
# Liabilities and Net Assets

		2012		2011			
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable and accrued							
expenses	\$	6,376,921	\$	5,604,812			
Accrued subsidies to affiliates							
and other obligations		8,013,927		10,164,464			
Conditional asset retirement							
obligations		1,143,986		1,589,226			
Custodial funds		224,018,369		232,102,627			
Obligation due under split-interest							
agreements		1,683,526		1,139,093			
Liability for post retirement benefits	_	6,527,000	_	2,362,550			
Total liabilities	_	247,763,729		252,962,772			
Net Assets:							
Unrestricted net assets		40,521,168		42,814,620			
Temporarily restricted net assets		34,773,889		36,063,278			
Permanently restricted net assets		95,128,428		94, 960,703			
Total net assets		170,423,485		173,838,601			
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	418,187,214	\$	426,801,373			
Statement of							
Statement of							
Cash Flows							

Cash Flows								
		2012		2011				
Net cash provided (used) in operating activities Net cash provided (used) in	\$	513,417	\$	(4,127,266)				
investing activities		7,701,270		(2,538,019)				
Cash flow provided by financing activities	_	166,267		226,618				
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents,		8,380,954		(6,438,667)				
beginning of the year		5,669,700		12,108,367				
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the year	\$	14,050,654	\$	5,669,700				

# ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK CHANCERY OFFICE CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

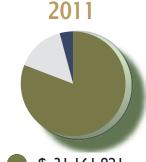
Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2012 and 2011.





**Program Services** Management and General **Fundraising**  2012

\$ 28,290,388 79% ( 17% 6,112,146 4% 1,324,827 100% \$ 35,727,361



81% \$ 31,161,821 15% ( ) 5,736,357 4% ( 1,579,734 100% \$ 38,477,912



**Pastoral** Healthcare and Social Services Priestly Ministry and Formation Education Other

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2012

38% ( \$ 10,721,645 18% 5,106,759 16% 4,619,855 13% 3,684,771 12% ( ) 3,458,690 2% ( 698,668 100% \$ 28,290,388



35% 18% 5,723,295 14% 4,387,547 4,598,586 15% 15% 4,782,976 2% ( 659,665 100% \$ 31,161,821

# AAA funds aid neighbors with disabilities

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE **Fditor** 

NEWARK — Offering an example of how it provides support for vulnerable members of the Archdiocese of Newark, the Archbishop's Annual Appeal (AAA) provides funding used to support the archdiocesan Department of Pastoral Ministry with

Led by Anne Masters, the ministry works to affirm the Baptism of people with developmental disabilities, such as autism, acknowledging their call to fully participate in the life and mission of the Church, to the extent that each person is able. This includes catechesis and faith formation, the sacramental life of the Church,

evangelization, outreach and pastoral ministry. The ministry also provides outreach and support structures at the parish level to address the needs of families that care for those with developmental disabilities.

Carla Repollet, executive director of the archdiocesan Office of Stewardship and Development, said last year, supported by AAA funding for this ministry, 112 parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark offered catechesis for individuals with developmental disabilities. Through faith-based programs such as "Inclusive Family Masses," this ministry has worked directly and indirectly with more than 500 families in recent years.

Archdiocesan parishes that celebrate Inclusive Family Masses inN. Washington Ave., Bergenfield; Saint Augustine, 3900 New York Ave., Union City; and Church of the Nativity, 315 Prospect St., Midland Park.

Masters, in previous interviews, said individuals and families living with developmental disabilities often feel excluded and at the margins of parish life.

Helping those with developmental, physical, emotional or psychological disabilities reflects the spirit of the 2013 AAA theme: "We Are One Body." Archbishop John J. Myers, sharing his thoughts on this year campaign's theme, said "though we are many, we are one body in Christ and individually parts of one another. This is very relevant to how all of

us here participate in the mission of the Church. Our mission to assist the poor, the old, the sick and the vulnerable is only accomplished if we all work together in making the appeal a success."

The 2013 AAA campaign began the first weekend of February with "pledge week" (see The Catholic Advocate, Jan. 23). Call the archdiocesan Development Office at (973) 497-4129 to donate to the AAA.

# Job seeker workshop set for March 10

RIDGEWOOD—The Career Resources Ministry's job workshop series at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 1 Passaic St. continues on Sunday, March 10.

Free and open to the public, the meetings are held in the meeting room of the lower church. Pre-registration and parish membership are not required. Each workshop, which begins at 1 p.m., lasts approximately three hours.

Those planning to attend should bring their most recent resume. For additional information, contact Carol Shea (201) 447-4215 or Tom Lewis (201) 445-1864.

Workshops are designed to provide the job seeker with the tools and encouragement to find a new position. Members of the ministry, professionals in the field, host the gatherings.

Parish hosting

Lenten lectures

ture series. On March 12, Donald Nohs, general director of the

Confraternity of the Passion

International, will give a talk on

the "The Holy Shroud of Turin and the Passion of Jesus Christ,'

while Vito Mazza of the Knights

of Columbus will discuss Mother

Theresa of Calcutta on March 19.

April 7, there will be a Holy Hour

at 3 p.m. followed by Mass at

4:15 p.m. The annual Rosary

Society's Communion breakfast

on Sunday, April 21, will feature

Diane Carr, adjunct professor at

Immaculate Conception Semi-

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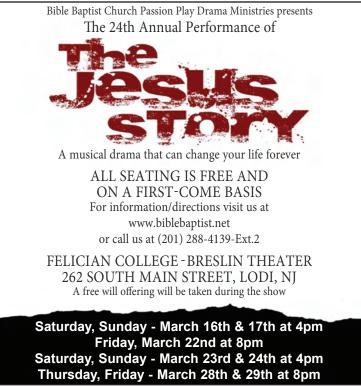
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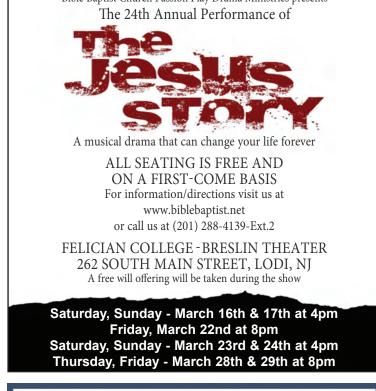
formation.

On Divine Mercy Sunday,

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HARRINGTON PARK—Our Lady of Victories Parish, 81 Lynn St., is hosting a Lenten lec-









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# St. Peter's Prep picks Fr. Boller as new president

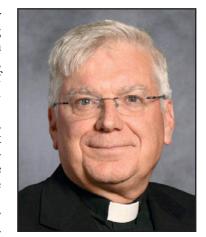
Kenneth J. Boller, S.J., completing nine years at the helm of Fordham Preparatory School in the Bronx, will become the 27th president of Saint Peter's Preparatory School on July 1.

Father Robert E. Reiser, S.J., who has been president of Saint Peter's Prep since 2006, announced he will be leaving at the end of the current school year (see The Catholic Advocate, Jan. 23).

Fr. Boller entered the Society of Jesus in 1964, and has committed most of his five decades as a Jesuit to the mission of education, mainly at the secondary level.

"I'm honored to be selected by the board to succeed Fr. Reiser." said Fr. Boller. "I have followed with great interest the progress Saint Peter's has made in recent years and look forward to working with the board and the loyal supporters of the Prep to make the plans and dreams a reality."

He taught mathematics at Xavier High School in Manhattan from 1969-72 and was dean of co-



Father Kenneth Boller, S.J.

curricular activities from 1975-78. From 1979-1986 Fr. Boller was principal of Canisius High School in Buffalo. He returned to Xavier in 1986 as headmaster and then president until 1997.

After seven years as pastor of Saint Aloysius Parish in Harlem, with a focus on the growth and development of the parish's school, Fr. Boller was appointed president of Fordham Prep in 2004



INTERFAITH BREAKFAST—The Interfaith Brotherhood/Sisterhood of Bergen County held its 27th annual breakfast Feb. 18 at the Hasbrouck Heights Hilton. Father Phillip F. Latronico, M.A. (second from right), M.A., chairman of the archdiocesan Commission for Interreligious Affairs, sat at the event's dais. The interfaith organization's Sikh community served as hosts for the gathering. Harinder Singh (second from left), co-founder and chief programming officer of the Sikh Research Institute, San Antonio, TX, was the keynote speaker. Singh's presentation "Harmony in a World of Difference," said the spirit of interfaith dialogue can be seen as inclusive symphony orchestra, where everyone can contribute to the beautiful sound of peace. He suggested faith communities should move beyond the notion of "tolerance" and instead strive for "acceptance" of others. "If you want to see a world of harmony, we must inspire religious congregations to work for a peaceful coexistence," he told the diverse audience. "We must ask ourselves: 'do we recognize the divinity of every person on earth?' Love transcends boundaries. We need to fuel the love of our congregations." Also pictured are Surjeet Singh, Ph.D. (far left) and Harkishan Singh Jassal, members of Sri Guru Singh Sabah Sikh Temple, Glen Rock. Along with the Catholic and Sikh faiths, communities represented in the Bergen County interfaith group include Jewish, Muslim, Protestant, Baha'i, Hindu and Jain.

# Reception on March 12 to aid CYO

NEWARK—The 20th annual Archbishop's Business and Labor Recognition Reception will be held Tuesday, March 12 at Mayfair Farms, 481 Eagle Rock Ave., West Orange.

Cocktails and food stations will open at 6 p.m., while the program is slated to start at 7:15 p.m. Tickets are priced at \$200 per person or \$1,800 for a group of 10. Call Geraldine Ricci-Menegolla at (201) 998-0088, ext. 4154 to reserve tickets.

Proceeds of the reception benefit programs sponsored by the Archdiocese of Newark's CYO/Youth and Young Adult Ministries, based at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center, 499 Belgrove Dr., Kearny.

Gregory Lalevee, the business manager of International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 825, Springfield, and J. Fletcher Creamer, Jr., chief executive officer of J. Fletcher Creamer and Son Inc., Hackensack, will be honored at the event.



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# Neighborhood pride in Irish roots

# St. Patrick inspired the Emerald Isle (of Bayonne)

BY MSGR. FRANCIS R. SEYMOUR, K.H.S.

Special to The Catholic Advocate

any years ago a local, noted Irishman gave a talk, rather than what we would call today a lecture, on dear old Saint Patrick in my home parish of Saint Mary Star of the Sea, Bayonne. He seemed very knowledgeable on the subject and then opened up the floor for questions. One person asked him if Saint Patrick had any last words. The speaker replied, "They were many."

I don't know how many of those words he quoted were actually spoken by the Apostle of Ireland, but I suspect if he said even half of them, he would still be

speaking today.

Saint Patrick is so identified with Ireland that some people are shocked to learn that he was not born there. And to mention that his earliest days in Ireland were spent as a slave is almost considered a blasphemy. Yet that much about him seems certain. So many other aspects of his life that have been

Wishing Everyone a very happy St. Patrick's Day! t. Mary, Star of the Sea Rev. Msgr. Lawrence J. Miller **Pastor** 

glorified are severely lacking in any kind of historical truth.

However that period of slavery did indeed change his whole life forever. It was there he found religion. As he took care of the sheep he prayed to God in this way: "The love of God and his fear grew in me more and more, as did the faith, and my soul was roused, so that, in a single day, I have said as many as a hundred prayers and in the nights nearly the same."

Praying everyday seems to a characteristic that a good many Irish people have gotten from Saint Patrick. When I was growing up in Bayonne, at a time when the Irish were indeed a force to be reckoned with, I always marveled at how deeply entrenched prayer was in the lives of so many families. Families reciting the mysteries of the rosary every evening were not at all unusual there.

My father came from County Tipperary in Ireland and I loved listening to the stories he would tell my brothers and me. He was the youngest of 14 children and I often visited the house where he grew up. I say "house" but I never ceased to wonder how 14 children and 2 parents lived in a building that was smaller than most bungalows on the Jersey Shore. My father said all the family gathered there every night and prayed the rosary.

My father also told me that if a severe storm threatened the area. his father would summon all the family to get together in the kitchen and recite the rosary, on their knees! That's not all; they did not get off easy. When there was a crisis to prompt the rosary, then all 15 decades were recited. My father also said that very often as they finished the last decade, the weather would quiet down and peace and calm would return. However, their sigh of relief did not last long because then his father would give the order for all to get back down on their knees. Why? Now they had to thank God by reciting another 15 decades of the rosary!

I saw the influence Saint Patrick had on a Bayonne population that was overwhelmingly Irish. The Protestants among those Irish were a minuscule number at best. The Irish usually identified their neighborhood by the parish in which they lived rather than the street or avenue where their homes were. Another designation they voiced loudly and clearly was their county of origin in Ireland.

I remember particularly the "friendly" rivalry between those who came from County Cork and those from County Donegal. Each of those counties had a club in Bayonne that sponsored many activities throughout the years. They congregated in them with large numbers on a regular basis.

Let me give you a family story of the Irish County rivalry in Bayonne. As mentioned, my father came from Tipperary. My mother was born in Bayonne, but her parents came from Donegal. Shortly after their marriage in 1928 at Saint Mary's Church, an Irish woman said to my mother, "Isn't it too bad you didn't marry one of your own kind." As far as that woman was concerned, my mother was

Msgr. Francis Seymour was ordained May 25, 1963 at Newark's

Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. He's pictured with his parents, George and Mary (Boyle) Seymour, following his first solemn Mass, which was celebrated June 2, 1963 at Saint Mary Parish, Bayonne.

in a "mixed" marriage.

Although the term was certainly not used in his day, Saint Patrick must have been a charismatic figure. He had to be all of that because his influence carried the Catholic Faith to most of Ireland for at least 1,500 years after his death. The faith never faltered even during the devastating penal days of the 1800's. At that time masses were absolutely forbidden and anyone known to be a priest would be summarily executed. Priests were forced to offer what were known as "hedge masses." These were masses they celebrated out in the fields among rows of hedges so they could not be seen by their persecutors.

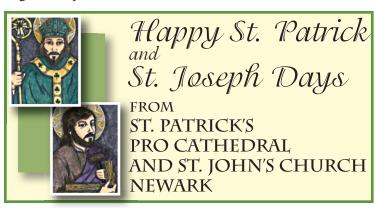
Despite the challenges, the number of vocations to the priesthood and the religious life kept growing at an astonishing rate. That growth enabled Irish missionaries to spread the faith all over the world, particularly here in

the United States and in Africa. Sadly, those days are long gone. In fact, the reverse has now happened. Many missionary priests from Africa have been shepherding flocks of Irish people for several decades now. The number of Irish priests ordained in Ireland has shrunk to single digits in some recent years.

I know that the severe number of clergy sex abuse cases that overtook Ireland about a decade before it occurred here in America is somewhat responsible for this decline. However, I feel it only solidified a shortage that had already started when the "Celtic Tiger" overran Ireland. This phenomenon brought unprecedented prosperity and abundance to a land that never knew anything like it.

All of a sudden, people were able to obtain a whole new lifestyle and they had the money to back it up. They didn't need a

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# The Aemark Harade

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# Gala event steps off March 15, 1 p.m.

Newark parade honors memory of Terence Pellegrino

NEWARK—The 78th Newark Saint Patrick's Day Parade will step off Friday, March 15, at 1 p.m., led by Patrick C. Dunican Jr., grand marshal and Eileen P. Gilleece, deputy grand marshal.

The parade is dedicated to the memory of Terence Pellegrino, who died last year at the age of 67 and was a 31-year veteran of the Paterson Fire Department, serving as battalion chief. Pellegrino, a resident of Wayne, was a proud member of the Essex County Police and Fire Emerald Society Pipes and Drums and the Essex County Shillelaghs.

Pellegrino was a great lover of Irish music and enjoyed playing the drums in marching bands. He graduated from Passaic Valley Regional High School and was an Army veteran. He graduated from William Paterson University with a Bachelor of Science degree in public safety and was a member of the state Firefighters' Mutual Benevolent Association.

Michael D. Byrne, the parade's general chairman, said grandstand ceremonies will begin at noon followed by the start of the parade. The parade route begins in downtown Newark on Mulberry Street at the Prudential Center; then will make its way past the Gateway Complex; to the New Jersey Performing Arts Center; passing Military Park on Center Street; to Central Avenue; to Saint Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, located at the corner of Washington Street and Central Avenue; and ending in front of the Newark Museum and Washington Park.

Byrne said the parade will be the culmination of Irish Heritage Week. Businesses and restaurants will be promoting the parade throughout the week and collecting canned goods for Saint John's soup kitchen, one of the official parade beneficiaries. Call Byrne at (973) 746-3280 for more information on the parade or visit the parade Web site posted below.

> This year the parade is expanding to feature its connections to and support of the community. Byrne said that, under the grand marshal's leadership, the following organizations have been designated beneficiaries of the Newark Parade Committee: Saint Patrick's Day Parade Student Contests; the National Guard State Family Readiness Council; and Saint John's soup kitchen. The grand marshal's beneficiaries are: the Archdiocese of Newark's Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children (SFIC); the New Community Corporation;

Newark Now; Christ the King Prep; Saint Benedict's Prep; Saint Vincent's Academy; the Newark Boys & Girls Club; the NJ Law and Education Empowerment Project (LEEP) Inc. of Seton Hall Law School; Saint Phillip's Academy; and the Newark Museum. Additional stipends include the Newark Public Library and Saint Patrick's Pro-Cathedral.

Grand marshal Dunican is the chairman and managing director of the Gibbons P.C. law firm, while Gilleece is a member of the NJ State Police. Byrne said the grand marshal and deputy grand marshal have distinguished themselves in their commitments to their professions and their





**Terence Pellegrino** 

# Bayonne

Continued from page 14 church or a government to tell them what they had to do. At the same time, many Irish people in America who came here to get a "better life," migrated back home to the country of their origin. The

economy there was much better than ours in those days.

How sad it was to see it last only a short time. People who thought they were set for life suddenly found themselves overcome by insurmountable debts. They were so blinded that they did not wish to reach out to the Church or to see in their faith a means for coping with the problems that beset so many of them. Saint Patrick, no doubt, would have some harsh words for them if he was able to address them.

What a difference when the Church influenced their lives so completely. Perhaps that influence might have gone overboard in extremes. I would like to offer you one small incident in my life that might put some light on this aspect. A year after I was ordained in 1963, my parents and I paid a visit to Ireland. I celebrated a Sunday Mass in the parish of some of my relatives. When I came out of the Church after Mass, I spent some time talking to the people gathered around. After a little while, I noticed that nobody was moving. I asked one of my relatives why the people weren't going home. She replied, "Oh Father, they won't leave until you do." Needless to say, I quickly got into my car and took off.

I don't know how universal that kind of respect was, but I did feel it was a bit extreme. It was a little different on a later trip I made there. I was scheduled to offer a Sunday Mass in a local parish. The day before, one of my relatives asked me, "How long is the Mass going to be tomorrow?" Jokingly (or so I thought) I replied "Oh, about three or four hours." He shot back at me, "You'll finish by yourself!" That's the kind of respect I truly enjoy.

Maybe in this year of 2013, we Irish can get some sense of balance. Maybe we can hope that our brothers and sisters in Ireland will get back to the faith that was so deftly strengthened by Saint Patrick.

One of the many legends that have surrounded Saint Patrick is that, at the end of the world, Saint Patrick will get to judge the Irish people. May we all live and pray that he will be as proud of us as he was for so long a time, so long ago!

(Editor's note: Rev. Msgr. Francis R. Seymour, K.H.S., is the archdiocesan archivist and book editor of the Archdiocesan Directory and Almanac.)

# Pirates eyeing 'that other' parade

Seton Hall University's (SHU) Pirates of Irish Persuasion and Extraction (PIPE), along with representatives from the SHU groups, have been invited to participate in the annual New York City Saint Patrick's Day Parade.

The 2013 Big Apple parade, a celebration that dates back to March 17, 1762, takes place on Saturday, March 16. The day begins for the SHU marchers at 9:30 a.m. with a Mass at the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception on university's South Orange Campus, celebrated by Rev. Msgr. Joseph Reilly, seminary rector and dean of the School of Theology.

On the day of the parade, the SHU marchers will

meet at Holy Cross School, 332 West 43rd St. (between Eighth and Ninth avenues) in midtown Manhattan, no later than 2:30 p.m.

Founded in 2006, PIPE is an Irish cultural organization, a group that includes SHU students, alumni, faculty, staff, administrators and members of the surrounding community organizations. PIPE and the university's campus ministry sponsor an annual Irish language Mass and dinner, which will be celebrated Friday, April 12. For more information on the organization's activities, contact Carlie Wheeler, PIPE president, by e-mail (cjwheelerpipe@gmail.com) or phone (732-763-7221).

# Sons to laud 'Young Irishman' Lowe

The Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick of the Oranges will hold its 112th anniversary dinner Thursday, March 14 at Mayfair Farms, 481 Eagle Rock Ave., West Orange. The cocktail hour begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner and the evening program.

Owen V. McNany, president of the organization, said Brian

M. Lowe, president of BML Public Relations, Montclair, will be honored as the "Young Irishman of the Year." Hon. John M. Boyle, retired judge of the NJ Superior Court's Chancery Division, Union County, will serve as the keynote speaker for the

Tickets for the "black-tie-pre-

ferred" affair are \$100 per person. Call Eugene J. Byrne at (973) 746-3283 for reservations.

Lowe founded BML Public Relations in 2006. He traces his Irish roots to County Leitrim and County Tipperary. Lowe and his family are members of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, South Orange.

# Archbishop Myers grants dispensation

This year, the celebration of the feast of Saint This year, the celebration of the Roman Patrick in the City of Newark—March 15—falls on a Friday during the Season of Lent. After having given consideration to this matter, Archbishop John J. Myers has granted a dispensation from the Church's Lenten regulations regarding abstinence from meat

on March 15 for those individuals participating in the 78th annual Newark Saint Patrick's Day Parade. Catholics who wish to partake in this dispensation are reminded that the Church highly encourages that they substitute some other act of penance, such as prayer, works of piety or charity, in its place.

# Saint Joseph the Carpenter

# Patron of the Universal Church

# Not a word recorded, but vital to our redemption

BY MSGR. FRANCIS R. SEYMOUR, K.H.S.

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artlett's "Book of Quotations" has been a stand-by reference tool for many generations of authors and speakers. In that very valuable reference book, you will find sentences that have made many people famous over thousands of years. Just about every notable thought that was ever made public can be found within its pages as well as some that are not so well known.

However there is one person who has been famous all over the world for 2,000 years and there is not one word-and I mean not even one word-from him that you will in any edition of Bartlett's. We can be certain that person was not mute, but no one ever recorded a single word he ever said

The person is Saint Joseph of Nazareth, the foster father of Jesus and husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary. And yet his name brings instant recognition anytime it is mentioned. Untold numbers of people down through the ages have taken his name for their own.

In spite of what we might call his silence, people of all nations and ages have counted on him as their patron. What have people seen in Saint Joseph that has made him so universally appealing?

I would like to think that it is the way he handled the role given him in life. He had a particularly vital part to play in our redemption. He was told in a dream to take Mary as his wife because the child she was bearing was there by the power of the Holy Spirit. He and Mary brought Jesus from His childhood into His adult life.

Blessed Pope Pius IX proclaimed Saint Joseph as the patron of the Universal Church. Blessed Pope John XXIII named him the patron of the Second Vatican Council. Towards the end of the first session of that Vatican Council, Pope John ordered that Saint Joseph's name be inserted in the Roman Canon as our Eucharistic Prayer was called at that time.

Here in the Archdiocese of Newark we had a priest who was well known for his constant devotion to Saint Joseph. That priest was Monsignor John J. Murphy (1876-1952). Monsignor Murphy was the pastor of Sacred Heart Church in the Vailsburg section of Newark for many years. For a good part of his tenure there, he had a novena to Saint Joseph every week in Sacred Heart Church. And every week the good monsignor preached for twenty minutes to a half an hour on Saint Joseph.

Many years ago I asked one of the priests who was with him in those years how the monsignor could come up with something to say about a saint who had "nothing to say," as far as we know. The priest told me that Saint Joseph's devotee was quite resourceful. He

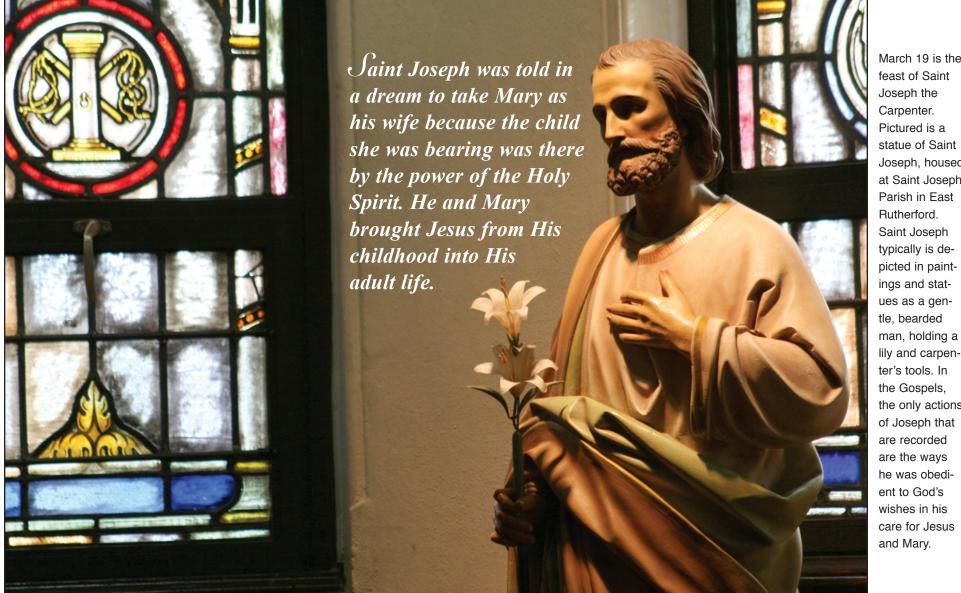
would attribute the establishment of certain movements and apostolates to Saint Joseph and then he would give their history and laud their usefulness to all. These would include such topics as the Holy Name Society, the Legion of Decency, the CYO and so on.

Someone once questioned him about the authenticity of these claims by pointing out that the Legion of Decency was a group to monitor the respectability of movies and movies certainly did not exist in the time of Saint Joseph. Never at a loss for words, the reply came quickly: "No, but if they did have movies then, Saint Joseph would have started the Legion of Decency." You can't argue with that!

Saint Joseph also has been widely acclaimed as the one to go to for certain needs. Just a few months ago one of the New York newspapers had a full-page story on the value of planting a statue of Saint Joseph in your front lawn when you have difficulty in selling your house. The article told of several people who could not sell their homes until they "buried Saint Joseph." Then, they had to fight off the buyers. There is even a company that makes the "Saint Joseph Home Seller Kit." It includes a little plastic statue of the saint, a prayer, and the proper burial ceremony.

Yes, we don't know anything Saint Joseph might have said. All we know is that he always wanted to what was right and what God wanted him to do. Do we really need to know anything more about him or anybody else? That says it all. No greater tribute could be given anyone.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if all people remembered about us was that we always wanted to do God's will? Give it some thought. And while you are at it, pray to Saint Joseph, the patron of making the right decision and accepting God's will. You may not hear his answer because we know he doesn't say much, but when he acts, he really acts. You will never see anything like it!



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feast of Saint Joseph the Carpenter. Pictured is a statue of Saint Joseph, housed at Saint Joseph Parish in East Rutherford. Saint Joseph typically is depicted in paintings and statues as a gentle, bearded man, holding a lily and carpenter's tools. In the Gospels. the only actions of Joseph that are recorded are the ways he was obedient to God's wishes in his care for Jesus

#### **Father Bartholomew Larkin**

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 19 at Saint Francis of Assisi Parish, Grove City, FL, for Father Bartholomew (Richard Francis) Larkin, O.Carm.,82, who died Jan. 16.

He joined the Carmelites and received the habit in 1950, taking the religious name Bartholomew. Fr. Larkin made first vows Sept. 1, 1951, in New Baltimore, PA. He entered Mount Carmel College, Niagara, in 1951. After two years there, he attended Saint Bonaventure University, Olean, NY. He made his solemn profession with the Carmelites, Sept. 15, 1954, and was ordained May 31, 1958.

From 1973 to his retirement in 2008, Fr. Larkin served in parish work for the next 36 years. After assignments in Kentucky, Massachusetts and Illinois, he served as pastor at Saint Therese Parish, Cresskill, and Saint Mary Parish, Closter

# Br. Kenneth Curtin, F.M.S., educator

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in the chapel of Mount Saint Michael Academy, Bronx, NY, for Brother Kenneth Curtin, F.M.S., 68, who died Feb. 3.

Br. Kenneth entered the Marist Brothers Juniorate in Esopus, NY, in 1961. The following year he entered the novitiate at Esopus and professed first vows in 1964. After completing his religious and academic studies at Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY, he began his ministry in the Archdiocese of Miami

In 1972 Br. Kenneth moved to the Archdiocese of Newark where he ministered at Union Catholic Regional High School, Scotch Plains, and Marist High School, Bayonne.

# **Father Zachary Monet**

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 16 at Saint Cecilia Parish, Englewood, for Father Zachary (Henry) Monet, O.Carm., 93, who died Jan. 12.

Fr. Monet joined the Carmelites and received the habit in 1953, taking the religious name Zachary. He made first vows a year later in New Baltimore, PA. He entered Mount Carmel College in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, where he received a bachelor's degree in English. In addition, he attended Saint Bonaventure University, Olean, NY. He made his solemn profession with the Carmelites on Aug. 26, 1957. On May 28, 1960, he was ordained a Carmelite priest.

Moving to Norwood, Fr. Monet served as parochial vicar at Immaculate Conception Parish for the next seven years until 1969. During those years, he also worked in Fatima, Portugal. In 1981, Father Zachary returned to New Jersey after ministering on Chicago. He served at Saint Therese Chapel, in Bergen Mall Shopping Center, Paramus, for 21 years.

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH. Mahwah, spiritual book discussion of "Jesus, the Apostles and the Early Church" by Pope Benedict XVI, at Panera Bread, Ramsey, 5 p.m., call Jennifer Edwards at (201) 327-1276 or e-mail Jennifer.EdwardsICC@gmail.com.

### Other

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