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Expert on Shroud of Turin tours Archdiocese of Newark

By Melissa McNally
Editor

“It is a powerful, life-changing event,” Donald Nohs said of his presentation “Discovering Jesus in His Holy Shroud,” which will tour the Archdiocese of Newark through March (see schedule on page 4).

Nohs, who is director general of the Confraternity of the Passion International, travels the country with a unique presentation incorporating the Holy Shroud of Jesus. Life-size replicas of the shroud and instruments used in the crucifixion will be displayed. The presentation ends with a veneration of the Miraculous

Bleeding Holy Face image.

Marty Rotella, a Christian singer and songwriter, and Christine Cullen, an opera singer and voice coach, will join Nohs at the presentations. Nohs believes he has the largest mobile display of the shroud in the country and his authentic replicas are “precisely what you see in Turin.”

The presentation focuses on the shroud mentioned in the Gospel and examines its liturgical connections. “Saint John Paul II believed that we should evangelize the world with the Shroud of Turin,” Nohs explained. “The shroud leads to the Eucharist.”

The aim of the presentation, according to Nohs, is to bring people back to the Church. On a recent

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Donald Nohs tours the country with life-size replicas of the Shroud of Turin.

Being pro-life is a “year-round” cause

By Al Frank
Associate Publisher

NEWARK—The annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., held Jan. 22, is a handy reminder that being pro-life is a year-round commitment and the archdiocesan Respect Life Office is a clearinghouse for all kinds of help.

“We go to the march, which is good, but I have mothers who need help all year,” said Cheryl A. Riley, who has been the office associate director since 2013.

“We want mothers to keep their babies and, when they do, they should know we’ll do everything we can to support them,” Riley said. “I get a call; I respond.”

On Christmas, that meant having a single mom with two kids over for dinner. She has also provided needy moms with gift cards, baby clothes and food.

Riley also is able to tap into a network of faithful who know “being pro-life is more than just being against abortion,” she said.

Three Saint John Paul II meet-

ings a year are held to coordinate with parish Respect Life coordinators in Bergen, Essex and Union counties.

“I network with anybody who wants to help,” Riley said.

The Knights of Columbus stepped up last year with its Ultrasound Initiative that placed new ultrasound machine in each of the four counties of the archdiocese.

The office also offers three Rachel’s Vineyard retreats a year (one in Spanish and two in English) for men and woman suffering from post-abortion syndrome.

The office will also add an enrichment day this year at the Archdiocesan Center on Feb. 26. Next year a similar day will be held for clergy and religious.

“We have to increase awareness that pro-life is an year-round thing, not just one day in January or a Saturday outside a clinic,” Riley said.

For more information, visit www.rcan.org/life, www.facebook.com/newarkrespectlife, or call (973) 497-4350



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Director of the archdiocesan Respect Life Office Father Larry Fama, center, blessed a new ultrasound machine donated through the Knights of Columbus ultrasound initiative program. The machine was placed at Gateway Pregnancy Center in Elizabeth. Also pictured is Knights of Columbus State Treasurer Bob Hatler and associate director of the Respect Life Office Cheryl A. Riley.

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Official Appointments



Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:

PASTORS

Reverend Armand Mantia, Pastor of Holy Spirit Parish, Union, has been reappointed to a second six-year term as Pastor, ending July 1, 2020.

Reverend Krzysztof Maslowski, Pastor of St. Joseph the Carpenter Parish, Roselle, has been reappointed to a second six-year term as Pastor, ending July 1, 2021.

Reverend Michael J. Sheehan, Pastor of St. Peter the Apostle Parish, River Edge, has been reappointed to a second six-year term, ending Feb. 1, 2021.

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Reverend Martin de Porres Huerta de Leon has been appointed Parochial Vicar of the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Orange, effective Jan. 22.

DEAN

Very Reverend Paul A. Cannariato, V.F., Pastor of St. Mary Parish, Closter, and Dean of the Northern Valley Bergen Deanery, Deanery 2N, has been reappointed to another five-year term as Dean, ending Oct. 28, 2019.

IN RESIDENCE

Reverend Everest Peter Baniyet has been appointed to residence at St. James Rectory, Springfield, effective Jan. 1.

Reverend Didam David Kazzachiyang has been appointed to residence at St. Joseph Rectory, East Orange, effective Jan. 8.

Reverend John Opara has been appointed to residence at St. Joseph Rectory, East Orange, effective Jan. 8, 2015.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

Reverend Monsignor Anselm I. Nwaorgu, Pastor of Blessed Sacrament/St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Newark, has also been

appointed Spiritual Director of the Essex-West Hudson Federation of Holy Name Societies, effective immediately.

OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE

Reverend Renzo Scaramella has extended his release from pastoral service in the Archdiocese of Newark to continue pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese of Trento, Italy, for one more year.

CHAPLAIN

Reverend Thomas Thottungal, Pastor of St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Jersey City, has also been appointed Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, American Assembly 0642, Jersey City, effective Jan. 21.

Around the Archdiocese

February 16

Interfaith Brotherhood/Sisterhood of Bergen County, 29th Annual Breakfast, at the Hasbrouck Heights Hilton, featuring keynote address by Rabbi David Rosen, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., \$30 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under, tickets may be purchased from Fr. Phil Latronico at Community of God's Love, Rutherford, (201) 935-6492.

February 20

Benedictine Academy, Elizabeth, "Night of Artistic Expression," 7 p.m., \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and \$3 for students in advance, call Rosemary Anderson at (908) 352-0670 ext.105 or visit www.benedictacad.org.

February 21

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood, Lenten parish mission, includes five speakers; 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., call (201) 335-0315 or visit www.tinyurl.com/olmcmission2015.

February 22

St. Henry Parish, Bayonne, Inclusive Family Mass, for families living with developmental, intellectual and/or other disabilities, 3 p.m., call Anne Masters at (973) 639-6536, or e-mail masteranrcan@gmail.com.

March 4

Notre Dame Parish, North Caldwell, "Faith Quest 2015," a Lenten adult spirituality speaker series, also on March 11, 18 and

25, 7:30-9 p.m., call (973) 226-0221 or e-mail info@stalscaldwell.org.

March 5

SS. Peter and Paul Parish, Hoboken, Bishop Thomas A. Donato to be honored at "Gratitude Gala," at Chart House Restaurant, Weehawken, 6:30 p.m., dinner reservations may be purchased online at www.spphoboken.com/gala or call Lou Scarpa at (201) 659-2276 ext. 306.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Wallington, "Relics of the Passion," relics and holy artifacts displayed along with prayers and meditation, 7 p.m., call Carol Puzio at (201) 935-0273.

Archdiocese of Newark, wills awareness and planned

giving seminar, at the Archdiocesan Center, Newark, noon, call Theresa Lynch at (973) 497-4042 or e-mail lynchthe@rcan.org.

March 9

Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child, Summit, Spring Break 2015 mini camps, March 9-13 and March 16-20, options include science, basketball and theater, register by March 2, visit www.OakKnoll.org or call (908) 522-8186.

March 13

Newark St. Patrick's Day Parade, route begins 1 p.m. at New Jersey Performing Arts Center, visit www.NewarkParade.com or www.facebook.com/NewarkParade.

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FREQUENCY FOR 2015:

ONLINE: March 11, April 15, July 15,
August 19, November 18 and December 22
PRINT: MAY 13, JUNE 17, September 9, October 14

Union Catholic students help create county service project

SCOTCH PLAINS—Ten Union Catholic students recently attended the Union County Student Training and Enrichment Program Leadership Conference held at Kean University along with Jennifer Dixon, director of school counseling at Union Catholic.

Sophomores Melissa McGloin and Cassandra Lamadieue were part of the winning team that created a new project that will be undertaken by participating Union County high schools.

With over 3,200 votes cast, the 2015 Civic Engagement Project earning the most votes was "Donate to Educate," a program that enlists schools all over Union County to serve as collection points for school supplies to help students in need. Melissa and Cassandra attended the Union County freeholder meeting last month and were recognized for their efforts. The freeholders also presented the students with a resolution.

The day-long leadership conference was attended by local high school students and focused on leadership, responsibility and com-



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Director of School Counseling Jennifer Dixon, left, with the group of Union Catholic students at the Union County Student Training and Enrichment Program Leadership Conference.

munity. The Civic Engagement Challenge, the headline item on the agenda, brought students from different schools together to brainstorm and create a county-wide community service campaign. Union Catholic students were separated and placed in intermixed groups with students from other schools. These groups presented their campaign idea to

the freeholders and other attendees. Students voted and polls opened online for the community to vote for one of the top four winners.

Last year's winning community service initiative was "Support 4 Soldiers," which involved a coordinated drive to collect items for care packages to be shipped to military troops overseas. Over 250 care pack-

ages were prepared for troops in conjunction with Union County's partner, Bonds of Courage.

Current Union Catholic junior Kristen Nugent was part of the team that created last year's civic engagement project. The school collected over \$500 to cover shipping costs and collected 280 items to be mailed in care packages last year.

St. Mary student to perform Shakespeare at local theatre

ELIZABETH—Jordan Owens, a senior at Saint Mary of the Assumption High School, has been selected to perform in "A Little Shakespeare: A Midsummer Night's Dream" at the Two River Theater in Red Bank. Owens, playing the role of Theseus, joins a cast of area high school students. Performances will be Apr. 23 - May 1.

The theater's "A Little Shakespeare" series, launched during its 20th anniversary season, showcases an annual production of a Shakespeare play performed by high school students and includes both public performances and student matinees. Each year, Two River Theater's education programs and student matinees serve students in 50 schools across the region.

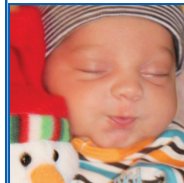
Saint Mary has a tradition of preparing students to perform Shakespeare. In 2013, seniors studied and produced Shakespeare's "The Winter's Tale" with instructors from the McCarter Theatre in Princeton.



Jordan Owens

The high school has also participated in the Shakespeareance Festival at Rider University, where students performed scenes from "The Merry Wives of Windsor," "Othello" and "Much Ado about Nothing." This year the young thespians will perform a medley of scenes centered on the theme "The course of true love never did run smooth."

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trip to Pittsburgh, the event was so packed that a second date was added. "I've heard testimonies from people who say they understand their faith more since the presentation; it is a powerful evangelization event," Nohs said.

"Discovering Jesus in His Holy Shroud" will be presented at the following locations:

Friday—February 27
Saint Vincent de Paul Parish
979 Ave. C, Bayonne

Tuesday—March 3,
Our Lady of Victories Parish
150 Harriot Ave., Harrington Park

Thursday—March 5
Saint Paul Parish
200 Wyckoff Ave., Ramsey

Friday—March 20
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
300 Central Ave.,
Mountainside

Uniting people with the passion of Jesus has been a lifelong commitment for Nohs. One of 10 children, the New York native was always intrigued by the Shroud of Turin and has studied the relic since the age of eight. As a boy, he traveled with his family to a Passionist monastery in Jamaica, Queens, to help create rosary beads.

"One of the Passionist priests told me to pray the sorrowful mysteries of the rosary every day—that has always stayed with me," he recalled. At 12 years old, a priest gave him a book on the shroud, which Nohs called a "textbook to studying the passion of Jesus Christ."

His spiritual journey and devotion to the shroud also has an archdiocesan connection. As a teenager, Nohs visited Dolores Immacolata "Mama" Gili. Born in Italy, she invited faithful to her home in Orange to come and pray. Mama Gili served as a valuable adviser to many deeply religious women with a devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus found in the Shroud of Turin.

"She said that God wants me to promote the holy shroud. I've been



Submitted photo

Following Nohs' presentation, attendees have the opportunity to view the shroud up close.

traveling the country and giving presentations for the past 25 years," he said.

Although reflection on Jesus' suffering is brought to the fore during Lent, Nohs believes the "pas-

sion is at every Mass" and his presentation is not just a Lenten event.

"I believe that if people come and are open to what the Holy Spirit will reveal to them, lives will be changed."

For more information visit
www.confraternityofthepassioninternational.org.

Bishops celebrate day of prayer for human trafficking

WASHINGTON—The feast day of Saint Josephine Bakhita, Feb. 8, was designated as the first international day of prayer and awareness against human trafficking. Last year, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Migration designated the date as an annual day of prayer for survivors and victims of human trafficking. Later that year, the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace and the International Union of Superiors General at the Vatican, announced that this year's event also be observed internationally.

Saint Josephine Bakhita was kidnapped as a child and sold into slavery in Sudan and taken to Italy. Once Josephine demanded her freedom, she entered the religious life with the Canossian sisters and dedicated her life to sharing her story of deliverance from slavery and comforting the poor and suffering.

The day was intended to raise awareness and to encourage reflection on the violence and injustice that affect the numerous victims of trafficking. The observance was promoted to all dioceses, parishes and church groups.

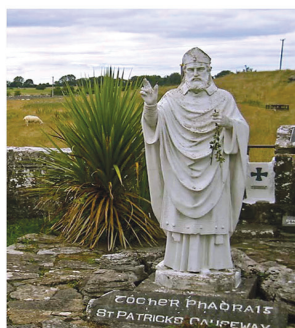
Pope Francis highlights in "Evangelii Gaudium" that human trafficking affects everyone. "How I

wish that all of us would hear God's cry: 'Where is your brother?' (Gen 4:9). Where is your brother or sister who is enslaved? Where is the brother and sister whom you are killing each day in clandestine warehouses, in rings of prostitution, in children used for begging, in exploiting undocumented labor? Let us not look the other way. There is greater complicity than we think. The issue involves everyone!" Pope Francis wrote.

"We couldn't be more thrilled that the focus is now international. Our brothers and sisters around the world want to prevent human trafficking as much as we do. It's awe-inspiring to think that Catholics from so many different countries gathered on the same day to pray for the same cause," said Ambassador Johnny Young, executive director of USCCB Migration and Refugee Services.

Bishop Martin Holley, auxiliary bishop of Washington, held a special Mass on Feb. 8 for the victims and survivors of human trafficking at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

For more information visit www.usccb.org/about/anti-trafficking-program/day-of-prayer.cfm



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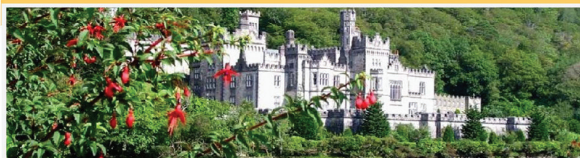
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Oak Knoll alum designs costumes for off-Broadway show



SUMMIT— The work of one of Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child's 2011 alumna was on display during an off-Broadway production of "The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet" between January 14 and February 8.

Liz McGlone, who was president of the Creative Arts Council her senior year at Oak Knoll, has taken up costume design at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts. "The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet," was produced by Shakespeare in the Square.

While at Oak Knoll, McGlone was a staple in the performing arts. During the musical season, she served as production manager, ran

the light board, and was the lead in "Oklahoma!" her senior year.

Oak Knoll's Middle and High School Creative Arts Teacher, Ruby Robertson-Knox, called McGlone "an extraordinary role model for young students in the arts."

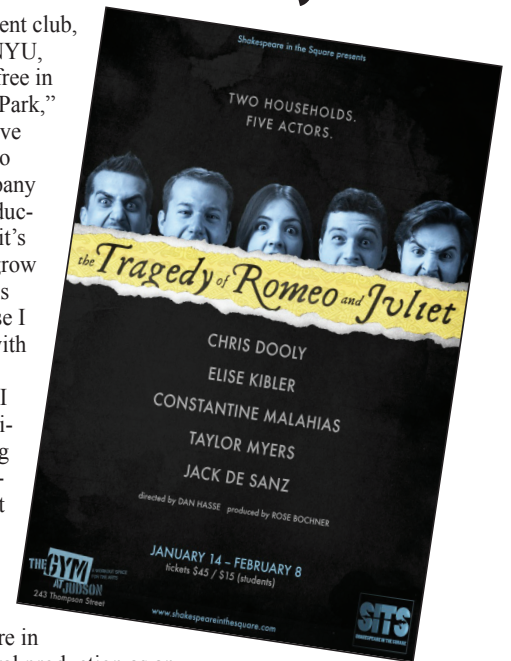
"She spent every weekend during her high school career assisting the set and costume builds during the long weekends," Robertson-Knox said. "She had innate gifts as an actress, singer, and mover on stage, and her creative passions for designing costumes led her to major in the field at Tisch/NYU, where she will graduate this spring."

"The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet" is McGlone's first off-Broadway production, but she's been working with Shakespeare in the Square since her freshman year in 2012.

"We were a student club, funded entirely by NYU, and performing for free in Washington Square Park," McGlone said. "I have been lucky enough to work with this company on nearly every production since then, and it's been a privilege to grow with them. I love this job primarily because I love collaborating with actors, directors and other designers, but I also enjoy the historical research, tracking paperwork, and budget management that stimulate my intellectual side."

"The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet" is Shakespeare in the Square's inaugural production as an independent company.

"Each actor plays at least four characters, and we created a base that could be easily adapted for each character, drawing inspiration directly from the actors' wardrobes," McGlone said. "For example, (actor) Constantine Malahias buttons up his shirt for Lord Capulet, but leaves it loose and takes his suspenders down for Mercutio."



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Saint Dominic Academy dean elected to College Board

JERSEY CITY—Barbara Griffin, Saint Dominic Academy Head of School, has announced that the school's academic dean, Sarah Degnan-Moje, has been elected as an academic council member to the College Board Middle States Regional Council Assembly for a three-year term.

As a council member, Degnan-Moje will be an important communication link between the college board and the regional member institutions it serves. Additionally, she will provide advice to the staff of the Middle States Regional Office on the program offerings of the college board; host the regional forum, which includes planning speakers, events and sessions and being present at the two-

day conference, and volunteering to serve on several sub-committees during her three-year term.

Her election was announced at the annual meeting of Middle States members Jan. 29 in Baltimore, MD.

"Ms. Degnan-Moje is a strong academic leader with a keen interest in moving the academy forward in the use of educational technology and a STEM curriculum. Being accepted by this prestigious organization is quite an honor for Ms. Degnan-Moje as well as Saint Dominic Academy," Griffin said.

Jersey City native Degnan-Moje has worked in the field of education for 14 years at both Robert Treat Academy in Newark and Immaculate Conception High School in Montclair.

As the academic dean at Saint Dominic, she oversees the daily events, supervising all curriculum and teachers, developing and implementing academic policy, structuring and monitoring honors and advanced placement programs, and engaging in the hiring of academic staff. In addition, she serves as English department chairperson and teaches 9th grade honors English and 12th grade AP English literature and composition. She also works as an educational consultant for New Jersey Teacher to Teacher, which allows her the opportunity to work with schools throughout the state.

Degnan-Moje is a graduate of the former Academy of Saint Aloysius, Jersey City. She received her bachelor's degree from New Jersey City University and a master's degree in administration and supervision from Saint Peter's University.



Sarah Degnan-Moje



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A group of Caldwell University students had life-changing experiences serving the poor in a remote village in Belize during their winter break. They spent nine days last month in the Latin American country rebuilding a church, making friends with villagers, sharing food and games with children.

The Caldwell group stayed in Punta Gorda, a port town on the Caribbean Sea, and did service work in Santa Cruz in the country's Toledo district. They spent their days replacing the wall of a church with cinder blocks and making mortar from scratch with limited tools. The students were struck by the joy of the villagers. "They have so little and are so happy," said sophomore Sean Puzzo. Yet in America, people "have so much (materially) and are often so sad."

Caldwell University to host literacy conference

CALDWELL—The Education Division of Caldwell University will host the fourth annual literacy conference "Open Books, Open Minds" March 13, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

The event allows teachers, writers and publishers to network and share insights about the literary world. The forum will shed light on recent developments in literature, poetry and writing at the K-12 level.

The keynote speaker will be award-winning author, editor and publisher Marc Aronson, who will present "What Do We Mean by the Non in Non-Fiction?" Dr. Aronson conducts workshops and holds webinars on the Common Core English language arts standards as they pertain to students, librarians, parents and teachers. He is a frequent contributor to the *Library Journal* and the author of a number of nonfiction books, including "For Boys Only," "Witch-Hunt," "The Griffin and the Dinosaur" and "Sugar Changed the World."

The luncheon speaker will be author Stephen Baker, who will present "The Future of Knowledge in the Age of Smart Machines." Baker's writings provide classroom teachers with much to consider as they are called upon to make decisions about the education of future leaders. His first published book, "The Numerati," discusses the increasing role that data-mining plays in shaping politics, business, law enforcement and even romance.

The panel discussion "Girls Run the World: Writing for Today's Independent Teen" will feature New Jersey young adult authors Kieran Scott, Jen Calonita, Elizabeth Eulberg and Sandra Hall.

Other workshops will be held throughout the day. Registration for the event is \$75 per person. Information on the conference and a registration form can be found at www.caldwell.edu. Contact Audrey McGowan at (973) 618-3523 (AMcGowan@Caldwell.edu) or Debbie Giordano at (973) 618-3407 (DGiordano@Caldwell.edu).

Felician students offer free tax preparation

RUTHERFORD—Members of the Young Entrepreneur's Club at Felician College are again partnering with the Internal Revenue Service to offer free tax preparation services to those who qualify. Through the IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program, Felician students have been trained by IRS personnel to prepare uncomplicated tax returns.

Under the guidance of Felician College professor Joseph A. Lizza, student volunteers will provide free income tax preparation assistance to low income, the elderly, disabled and of limited-English.

Preparation of corresponding New Jersey forms will also be available. Those who need assistance with other forms and complicated returns should see a paid preparer.

The program will run on a first-come, first-served basis: February 14, 21, 28 and March 7, 14, 21, 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Felician College Business Library, Blessed Mary Angela Hall, One Felician Way.

"The Young Entrepreneur's Club is very excited to continue working with the community in providing this vital service as an outreach program and learning experience," Matthew Kmetz, president of the Young Entrepreneur's Club, said.

For more information, call Joseph A. Lizza at (201) 559-3321.



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Science teams from Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark, captured first place honors in Biology I, Biology II, Chemistry and Physics. The competition, held at Cranford High School, was the first of four science league competitions. In addition to Mother Seton Regional High School, district competitors included Arthur L. Johnson High, Clark, Cranford High School, Cranford and Johnathon Dayton High School, Springfield.

Mother Seton's Biology Team I and II were coached by science teacher Doris Viana, the chemistry team was coached by Jing-Jing Wang and the physics team was coached by Katherine Sullivan. The students follow a rigorous honors curriculum as well as advanced placement level courses at the high school. Photo left to right; Julia Dunn, Asia Acevado, Carolyn Rodrigo, Sophie Beier, and coach Doris Vaiana.

Benedictine Academy to showcase creative talent



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ELIZABETH—Benedictine Academy will host a "Night of Artistic Expression" Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. in the school's auditorium.

The event will showcase the artistic talents of students, faculty and community members. Wincey Terry-Bryant, an acclaimed performer, music educator and graduate of the school, will serve as the emcee and perform several selections from her latest album. Artwork will be displayed and available for purchase at 6:30 p.m. and during intermission. Admission is \$10 (adults), \$5 (students) and \$3 (students in advance). Tickets are available at the door.

The all-female Catholic preparatory high school is celebrating its 100th anniversary with several events designed to encourage students, parents, alumnae and the community to participate in honoring the academy's important milestone.

English teacher Ashley Powell, is in her third year as the artistic event's producer. Proceeds will fund publication of "In Depth," the students' literary arts magazine in the spring. The theme of this edition will be identity—"Who are we as we hit our centennial year?"

Additional centennial celebration activities are planned for the spring of 2015 with a Grand Finale gala dinner and auction to be held in April. Information for all events is available at www.benedictineacad.org or contact Rosemary Anderson at (908) 352-0670 ext.105.

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Father Thomas R. McLaughlin

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 22 at Saint Mary Parish, Rutherford, for Father Thomas R. McLaughlin, 62, who died Jan. 16.



Born and raised in Elizabeth, he was ordained May 30, 1981.

Fr. McLaughlin served as a parochial vicar at Corpus Christi Parish, Hasbrouck Heights; Holy Name of Jesus Parish, East Orange; Saint Philomena Parish, Livingston; Sacred Heart Parish, Bloomfield; Saint Henry Parish, Bayonne; and Saint Cecilia Parish, Kearny. He also served as chaplain in Newark Beth Israel Medical Center and Pope John Paul II Pavilion in Orange until retiring last year.

Fr. McLaughlin was also noted for visiting his fellow priests in hospitals, nursing homes, and other care facilities through the Ministry to Infirm Priests.



Father Robert A. O'Leary

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 23 at Saint Luke Parish, Toms River, for Father Robert A. O'Leary, 87, who died Jan. 18.



Born in Elizabeth, Fr. O'Leary was ordained May 30, 1953. Following his ordination and until 1968, he was assigned to Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Newark. From 1968 to 1976, he was the Chaplain for Pollach Hospital, Margaret Hague Hospital, Jersey City and Jersey City Medical Center. From 1976 to 1978, he was assigned to Saint Peter Parish in Belleville and from 1978 to 1981 he was the pastor of Saint Matthew Parish, Ridgefield.

In 1981 until his retirement in 1997, Fr. O'Leary served as parochial vicar at Saint Philomena Parish in Livingston. After retiring, he served Saint Luke Parish and Saint Justin Parish, both in Toms River.

Father Robert D. Jacunski

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 24 at Saint Aloysius Parish, Caldwell, for Father Robert D. Jacunski, 84, who died Jan. 19.



Born and raised in Bloomfield, Fr. Jacunski was ordained May 26, 1956.

Fr. Jacunski served as a priest for 47 years in several parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark including Saint Stanislaus in Newark from 1956 to 1975, Saint Valentine in Bloomfield from 1975 to 1983 and Saint Aloysius in Caldwell from 1983 to 2002.



Father John P. McGovern

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 29 at Saint Michael Parish, Cranford, for Father John P. McGovern who died Jan. 21.



Pastor emeritus of Saint Michael's, Fr. McGovern was born in Jersey City. He was ordained May 29, 1965.

Fr. McGovern's first ministry was as a parochial vicar at Saint Teresa of Avila Parish in Summit where he was the chaplain of the Summit Police Department. From 1978-1986, he taught and chaired the religion department at Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark. In 1986 he became the pastor of Little Flower Parish in Berkeley Heights where he remained until 1998.

He served two terms as dean of Union County Deanery for six years before he was appointed pastor of Ascension Parish in New Milford. Fr. McGovern served as the pastor of Saint Michael's Parish for 10 years before retiring in 2011. He was also the chaplain for the Cranford Police and Fire Departments. He remained active in his retirement at Saint Mark parish in Sea Girt and Saint Catherine Parish in Spring Lake.

Sister Regina Coll, S.C.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 23 at Saint Anne Villa, Convent Station, for Sister Regina Coll, S.C., 91, who died Jan. 21.



Sr. Regina entered the Sisters of Charity Sept. 8, 1944 and was a member for 70 years.

Sr. Regina served as an educator and guidance counselor throughout New Jersey and in Saint Thomas, Virgin Islands. She served as a teacher at Saint Stephen, Kearny; Saint Teresa, Summit; Saint Joseph, Oradell; Sacred Heart, Jersey City and Holy Name, East Orange. She was a guidance counselor in East Orange Catholic High School and Marylawn of the Oranges, South Orange.

She also volunteered at Saint Vincent Nursing Home, Cedar Grove. She moved to Saint Anne Villa in 2008 where she resided until her death.

Father Philip Pascucci, S.D.B.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Feb. 4 at Don Bosco Preparatory High School, Ramsey, for Father Philip Pascucci, S.D.B., 95, who died Feb. 1. He made his profession as a Salesian in 1941 and was ordained a priest 1951.

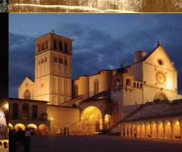


Fr. Pascucci first served as a teacher at Salesian high schools and in parish ministry. He served as librarian at Don Bosco College in Newton (1966-1982) and as Province Archivist at the Salesian Provincial Offices in New Rochelle.

He put his scholarship to good use in writing, focusing on Salesian history and biography. Fr. Pascucci's later years were spent at Holy Rosary Parish (Port Chester, NY) and Don Bosco Prep, assisting with sacramental ministry as his health allowed. He was fondly loved by the Don Bosco Prep Ironmen as the elder of the school community.



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