

TODAY'S CATHOLIC

Bishops approve new Order of Mass with U.S. adaptations



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Bishop Thomas J. Rodi of Biloxi, Miss., speaks about hurricane recovery during the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' spring meeting in Los Angeles June 15. At the meeting, among other actions, the bishops approved a new English translation of the Mass.

BY JERRY FILTEAU

LOS ANGELES (CNS) — In what Bishop Donald W. Trautman called “a truly important moment in liturgy in the United States,” the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops approved a new English translation of the Order of Mass and adopted several U.S. adaptations during a national meeting June 15 in Los Angeles.

The new translation of the main constant parts of the Mass — penitential rite, Gloria, creed, eucharistic prayers, eucharistic acclamations, Our Father and other prayers and responses used daily — will likely be introduced in about a year or two if it is approved by the Vatican, said Bishop Trautman, a Scripture scholar who heads the Diocese of Erie, Pa., and is chairman of the USCCB Committee on the Liturgy.

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He said he thought the bishops would wait until they have approved — and received Vatican confirmation of — an entire new Roman Missal in English before implementing the new Order of Mass.

The text that the bishops approved included only the main parts of the Order of Mass, the daily prayers with which people are most familiar.

The bishops still have to receive and approve other parts of the Order of Mass, such as the prefaces, and the major portion of the Roman Missal comprising the proper prayers for each Sunday or feast throughout the year. These are still in the early stages of translation and consultation among English-speaking bishops

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Dwenger breaks ground for the future of Catholic education

BY DENNIS FECH

FORT WAYNE — Bishop John M. D'Arcy joined Bishop Dwenger High School Principal J. Fred Tone and other school and diocesan officials as the school broke ground to add a 26,000 square foot fine arts addition to the existing building on June 13. The fine arts wing will house three visual arts classrooms as well as separate vocal and instrumental music areas. The band room will accommodate up to 120 students and the choir room 90 students. The space will also include storage space for uniforms, instruments and music. There will also be individual practice rooms and an ensemble room to help accommodate the growing demand for the arts at Dwenger. Additional space will allow for the relocation of some office staff as well as a new maintenance facility.

Dwenger has already generated nearly \$4 million in gifts and pledges towards is \$7.75 million goal. Two pacesetter gifts of \$1 million and \$500,000 respectively have helped make the first phase of expansion a

reality. Additional funding is still needed to begin construction of the classroom wing, which will add thirteen new classrooms to the school. The school is hopeful it will be able to begin construction of this 43,000 square foot academic wing in late fall of this year.

The fine arts wing is expected to be completed by August 2007 and with continued success in fundraising efforts, the academic wing will be completed around the same time.

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Once expansion is complete, the school will be capable of housing up to 1,200 students. Expected enrollment for the 2006-07 school year is 1,050 students. Enrollment has grown steadily over the past 15 years. Continued growth in the areas surrounding Bishop Dwenger especially in the Leo-Cedarville area as well as Perry Township have contributed to the increased demand for Catholic secondary education on the north side of Fort Wayne.

NEW ALTAR DEDICATED



PROVIDED BY LAURA WEAVER

The new altar at St. Gaspar del Bufalo was dedicated recently completing the renovations to the sanctuary. Sacristans Sharon Wilsey, Rosemary Grist, Kitty Pratt and Joan Weaver wipe the holy chrism from the altar after the blessing by Bishop John M. D'Arcy. Pastor Matthew Josefiak and Father Dan Durkin joined in the celebration.

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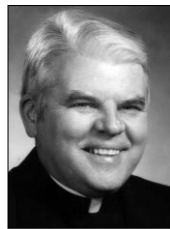
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Translations to be more faithful to the letter and to the meaning



NEWS & NOTES

BISHOP JOHN M. D'ARCY

A time for calm

There have been letters to this newspaper and phone calls filled with anxiety because of newspaper reports at the spring meeting of the bishops in Los Angeles, relative to proposed changes in the English translation of some parts of the Mass. I did not go to the meeting in Los Angeles due to so many responsibilities this spring. I just could not afford the four days away. I have always put the pastoral care of this diocese before anything else. Bishops are called to collegiality, to be concerned about other dioceses; and so these meetings do have a certain importance. At the same time, I recall one of the documents on the responsibilities of the bishop indicating that the best way to live out the responsibility to the wider church is for the bishop to build up his own local church.

At any rate, I thought a few considerations on these proposed changes might set the matter in proper context.

When you consider that the church is 2000 years old and that we had the Mass in Latin for hundreds of years, we do not have a lot of experience with the vernacular, so it is not surprising that some adjustments are in order.

We are a universal church. As we read almost every day of the deep divisions in some other Christian communities, we are grateful for the Apostolic See, the Office of Peter. The Successor of Peter has the responsibility always toward Christian unity. English is a language spoken in so many countries all over the world. It is necessary to find a language, a translation, which is faithful to the Latin, takes into account what is good English and, above all, preserves the theological meaning of the words so that a sense of mystery is retained.

The new emphasis, determined by a document from the Holy See, which came out a few years ago, points out the importance of not losing a sense of the original Latin. It is necessary to preserve a certain sense of holiness and reverence in the words of Mass. Let me give an example.

Last November at the meeting in Washington, we had a straw vote on some examples where there might be changes. One I recall is the beautiful prayer we say before holy Communion. It reads as follows: "Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the Word and I shall be healed." We could vote for that or the following translation: "Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof, but say the Word and I shall be healed." I voted for the second one. Why?

Because of the reason given. We are a biblical religion and that was the statement in the Bible when the Centurion said these words to the Lord, "Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof, but say the Word and my servant will be healed." It seemed to me that it is reverential to use the words spoken to the Lord.

So, in the criteria which have been laid down, the translations try to be more faithful to the letter and to the meaning of the words. Also, the Latin for the traditional greeting, which goes back hundreds and hundreds of years, "Dominus Vobiscum Et Cum Spiritu Tuo, the Lord Be With You and With Your Spirit." This is a more literal translation, more faithful to the Latin text.

Pastoral difficulties

It is also being said that this will cause great difficulties in parishes. But I have always found that priests and laity, with a little catechesis, instruction and some help, handle things much easier than we give them credit for.

For example, there was a document which came out some time ago under the title "Redemptionis Sacramentum." It involved some significant changes. The wine should be poured into the chalice at

the church and we do not manipulate changes. In a way, we show our own fidelity, our own obedience and our own faith by accepting these emendations and refinements with faith, obedience and love. I am sure that is the way changes will be received in this diocese.

Two special days

I was off to the little country church in Rome City on Friday afternoon. The purpose was the consecration of the altar; one of the more beautiful liturgical services. Great credit must be given to Father Matthew Jozefiak, CPPS, pastor of St. Gaspar del Bufalo Parish, and his people. The sanctuary in this lovely country church has been completely restored. All of it has been done by volunteers in the parish. Robert Weaver, a true craftsman, made the altar, the podium, the ambo and the other surroundings. He was assisted by his son, Gary, a boy scout leader, and his grandson, Robert. All the Formica is gone and everything is lovely carved wood. It was a privilege to consecrate the altar on a lovely spring night in Rome City.

Also, this was the solemnity of the Sacred Heart. This is a feast and a devotion that has always been special to me. It may go back to Our Lady of Presentation Parish, the parish church of my family, now sadly closed, where there was a novena to the Sacred Heart every Friday night, and I often attended. It is a feast of love and it was a joy to spend it at St. Gaspar del Bufalo Parish, Rome City, with Father Matt and his people; and also a special joy to have Father Dan Durkin, pastor of St. Mary, Avilla, with us as concelebrant.

I was off the next morning to a Mass for the jubilarian sisters of the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Mishawaka. This is an annual event that I cherish. The fact that Jim Fitzpatrick drove me to both of these events made it less tiring. I was privileged to spend some time at dinner with the sisters after Mass and hear Jim's annual rendition of "Danny Boy." It was also a joy to meet with eight young sisters in formation. Sister Angela Mellady, OSF, has replaced Sister Blanche Rausch, OSF, as provincial superior. A joyful event on the feast of the great St. John the Baptist.

Odds and ends

Busy days as I enter the push toward vacation. Working to clear the desk and approve the budget. On July 3, I will be winging my way east for a delightful three weeks at home, a few nights at Fenway Park, visits with family and walks along the Atlantic Ocean. Never more welcome. See you all next week.

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the offertory. Chalices should be made of precious metal. The task seemed quite daunting. I have just visited about 40 parishes. The proper chalices are used. The wine is poured at the offertory. This is much more reverent. Everyone is doing it. A little patience and kindness and, above all, instruction and preparation are all it takes.

The most important principle is the following. We do not make up the Mass. It is not our possession. It belongs to the church given to the apostles by Christ the night before he died. It has, of course, evolved over the years. Yet, if you read the documents of the early church, especially the description by St. Justin Martyr in the second century, the principles are the same. The reading of the word of God, the offering of gifts for the poor, the prayers of thanksgiving, the eucharistic prayer, holy Communion and bringing the Eucharist to the sick. We receive it from

Priest and deacon assignments announced

The following is a revision to the assignments made in the June 18 issue of *Today's Catholic*. The revision includes present assignments with the new assignments. It also includes some updates of effective dates of assignments.

Bishop D'Arcy has announced the following assignments:

- **Father Jeffery Largent** from administrator of St. Monica Parish, Mishawaka, to pastor of the same parish. The effective date of this assignment was May 27, 2006.

- **Father Babasino Femandes** from administrator of Immaculate Conception Parish, Auburn, to pastor of the same parish. The effective date of this assignment will be July 2, 2006.

- **Father Daniel Durkin** from pastor of St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Avilla, to pastor of St. Henry Parish and Sacred Heart Parish, Fort Wayne. The effective date of this assignment will be Aug. 23, 2006.

- **Father Joseph Gaughan** from associate pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Fort Wayne, to pastor of Precious Blood Parish, Fort Wayne. The effective date of this appointment will be July 11, 2006.

- **Father John Cramer** from associate pastor of St. Matthew Cathedral, South Bend, to associate pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Fort Wayne. The effective date of this assignment will be July 19, 2006.

- **Father Thaddeus Uwakwe** has been appointed administrator of St. Joseph Parish, Garrett. The effective date of this appointment will be July 6, 2006.

- **Father Thomas Lombardi** from pastor of St. Joseph Parish,

Garrett, to pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Hessen Cassel. The effective date of this appointment will be July 6, 2006.

- **Father Derrick Sneyd** from pastor of St. Jude Parish and St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, South Bend, to pastor of St. Anthony Parish, South Bend. The effective date of this appointment will be July 25, 2006.

- Bishop D'Arcy has accepted the retirement of **Father Robert Yast** as pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Mishawaka. The effective date of this retirement will be July 24, 2006.

- **Father Terry Fisher** from pastor of St. Anthony de Padua Parish, South Bend, to pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Mishawaka. The effective date of this appointment will be July 24, 2006.

- **Father John Delaney** from pastor of St. John the Evangelist Parish, Goshen, to pastor of St. Jude Parish and St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, South Bend. The effective date of this appointment will be July 26, 2006.

- **Father Christopher Smith** from associate pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Fort Wayne, to pastor of St. John the Evangelist Parish, Goshen. The effective date of this appointment will be July 27, 2006.

- **Father Edward Erpelding** from pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Hessen Cassel, to pastor of St. Mary Parish, Avilla. The effective date of this appointment will be Aug. 24, 2006.

- **Msgr. William Lester, PA**, from administrator of Precious Blood Parish, Fort Wayne, to administrator of St. Therese Parish, Fort Wayne. The effective date of this

appointment is Aug. 4, 2006.

- **Deacon Anthony Steinacker**, who is scheduled to be ordained to the priesthood in October, has been assigned to St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Fort Wayne. The effective date of this appointment was June 15, 2006.

The two deacons who have one year remaining in the seminary have been given summer assignments. They are:

- **Deacon Bob Lengerich** has been assigned to St. Mary Parish, Decatur.

- **Deacon Jason Freiburger** has been assigned to St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Fort Wayne.

Bishop D'Arcy has accepted the recommendation of Father David Tyson, CSC, provincial of the Congregation of the Holy Cross, and has made the following assignments.

- **Father Bradley J. Metz, CSC**, has been appointed associate pastor of Holy Cross and St. Stanislaus Parishes, South Bend. The effective date of this appointment is July 1, 2006.

- **Father Robert J. Nogosek, CSC**, has been appointed associate pastor of St. Adalbert and St. Casimir Parishes, South Bend. The effective date of this appointment is July 1, 2006.

- **Father Andrew M. Sebesta, CSC**, has been appointed associate pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Notre Dame. The effective date of this appointment is July 1, 2006.

- **Deacon Gregory Haake, CSC**, after ordination on Aug. 27, has been appointed deacon at Holy Cross and St. Stanislaus Parishes, South Bend. The effective date of this appointment will be Aug. 27, 2006.

Seminarians organize vocations retreat

My Dear Brother Priests,

As you may sense, there is an increased openness on the part of young men of good quality to consider a vocation to the priesthood. I am especially encouraged by the caliber of students in this diocese who are enrolled either in the Pontifical College Josephinum in Ohio or Immaculate Heart of Mary College Seminary in Minnesota.

When I visited the Josephinum in the early spring, some of the seminarians offered to organize a retreat for young men with the focus on vocational discernment. They told me about other dioceses where this has been successful. I encouraged them to do this. They have adapted a retreat to our particular situation, and I am just delighted that we will hold the first one this summer on July 7-9 at Noll Hall at Wawasee.

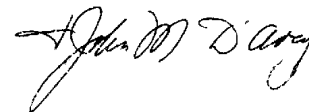
This will be for young men who have graduated from high school. I am asking each priest to consider some young men in his parish or in his acquaintance whom you think would profit from these days together. I am counting on each priest to take this request with the greatest seriousness. Choose young men whom you believe would be good candidates and would make good priests, good husbands or fathers; young men who are approachable and of good character and whom you have noticed in your parish as being of good quality.

We hope that this will be an annual event. We want to get off to a good start. Simply call in the name, address and phone number of any young man whom you would like to recommend. The seminarians themselves would make the next contact. It might be helpful if you also spoke to the young man and indicate that you have sent in his name.

Our seminarians have prepared an excellent program with time for private prayer, communal prayer and discussion, and time for recreation and relaxation. I have enclosed a copy of what our students have prepared.

This is the first of a number of new initiatives that we intend to implement before, during and after our jubilee year. I am especially delighted that this has come from our candidates. Let us all work together on this splendid effort.

Sincerely yours in our Lord,



Most Reverend John M. D'Arcy

Cardinal Bertone named to state; foreign minister to run Vatican City

BY CAROL GLATZ

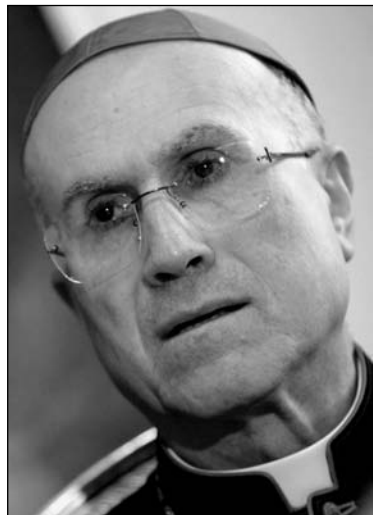
VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Benedict XVI reached outside the Vatican diplomatic corps and appointed Italian Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone of Genoa as his new secretary of state.

The Vatican's June 22 announcement said Cardinal Bertone, 71, will succeed Cardinal Angelo Sodano, 78, on Sept. 15 when the pope will hold a special audience with the staff of the Secretariat of State to publicly thank Cardinal Sodano for his 15 years "of generous service to the Holy See."

Also June 22, the Vatican announced that Pope Benedict has accepted the resignation of 78-year-old U.S. Cardinal Edmund C. Szoka as president of the commission governing Vatican City State.

However, the Vatican said, the pope also asked Cardinal Szoka to remain until Sept. 15, when he will be succeeded by 71-year-old Archbishop Giovanni Lajolo, currently the Vatican's foreign minister.

Before going to Genoa in 2002, the cardinal spent seven years as secretary of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith under



CARDINAL TARCISIO BERTONE

then-Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, now Pope Benedict.

While Cardinal Sodano and many of his predecessors were trained and served in the Vatican diplomatic corps, the job of secretary of state involves more than overseeing Vatican relations with other countries.

The secretary of state is the pope's closest collaborator, coordinating the work of the entire Roman Curia, overseeing the operation of the Vatican press office and newspaper, coordinating the

preparation and publication of papal documents, and supervising the work of Vatican nuncios both in their relations with the Catholic communities in individual countries and with their governments.

In choosing Cardinal Bertone, a Salesian, the pope chose a man with whom he already had a proven working relationship as well as a prelate with pastoral experience in a diocese, expertise as an educator and with a reputation of being energetic and pragmatic.

While his diplomatic experience has been limited, as archbishop of Genoa he has traveled widely, including a trip to Cuba last October.

Cardinal Bertone, who went to the Caribbean country with two Genoa priests about to begin work as missionaries in Cuba, met privately with President Fidel Castro.

"Castro asked me to transmit an invitation to visit Cuba to Pope Benedict, who he said inspires in him friendship and trust," Cardinal Bertone told the Italian Catholic newspaper *Avvenire* after the trip.

The cardinal said Castro paid tribute to the church's social service efforts, saying that when it comes to working among the poor and needy "the church is ahead of all of us."

Internationally, though, Cardinal Bertone is best known for his work in the doctrinal congregation.

As secretary of the congregation from 1995 to 2002, he helped work out details of norms employed in U.S. dioceses in cases of sexual abuse by priests.

In 2000, he coordinated the publication of the third secret of Fatima, a symbolic prophecy of the church's 20th-century struggles with evil political systems and its ultimate triumph. The pope had sent him to Portugal to review the Vatican's interpretation with Carmelite Sister Lucia dos Santos, then the only surviving Fatima visionary.

When Sister Lucia died in February 2005, Pope John Paul II asked Cardinal Bertone to preside at her funeral in his name.

In 2002, the cardinal helped guide Zambian Archbishop Emmanuel Milingo back into communion with the church, following Archbishop Milingo's brief marriage to a Korean follower of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon.

At the doctrinal congregation, Cardinal Bertone also worked on early drafts of an education congregation document that said homosexual men should not be accepted as seminary candidates.

That document was published in November.

Pope John Paul named Cardinal Sodano secretary of state in late 1990; he had been the Vatican's foreign minister, heading the Secretariat of State's section for relations with states. He had already spent three decades in the Vatican's diplomatic service, mainly in Latin America.

Cardinal Bertone, former archbishop of Vercelli, Italy, holds a doctorate in church law. He spent more than two decades at the Pontifical Salesian University in Rome, serving at different periods as university rector, dean of the canon law faculty, theology student director and professor of moral theology.

He participated in the final stages of the revisions of the Code of Canon Law, released in 1983, and was editor of the Italian translation of the code.

Tarcisio Bertone was born Dec. 2, 1934, in Romano Canavese, a town near Turin. He entered the Salesians in 1950 and was ordained a priest 10 years later.

Named to head the Genoa Archdiocese in December 2002, he took office there the following February and was made a cardinal in October 2003.

Sisters of St. Francis celebrate jubilees with Bishop D'Arcy

BY MICHELLE DONAGHEY

SOUTH BEND — "Today we give thanks to God for them who have sacrificed their lives for the sanctification of the church," said Bishop John M. D'Arcy to those present at the jubilee Mass celebration held for the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration on Saturday, June 24.

Six sisters celebrated their jubilees including four who had their 60th anniversaries — Sister M. George Ann Fronick, Sister M. Cecilia Gotfredson, Sister M. Doris Ann France and Sister Robertann Lanthrop. Entrance date for these sisters was August 12, 1946. Sister M. Arlene Gonsiorowski celebrated her golden jubilee of 50 years. Her entrance date was Aug. 12, 1956. Sister M. Elise Kriss celebrated her 40th anniversary. Her entrance date was Aug. 12, 1966. Sister M. Paula Skelly celebrated a 25th anniversary. Her entrance date was Aug. 10, 1981.

Clergy and others also present for the celebration included Father Dan Garland of St. Lawrence in Lafayette, Father Greg Holicky, chaplain St. Margaret Mercy Hospital, Hammond, Father Michael Heintz, St. Matthew Cathedral, South Bend, and Father Henry Whelan, Conventual Franciscans and nine Conventual novices.

Bishop D'Arcy said the jubilee celebration helps remind everyone of the "intimacy Christ seeks in everyone who seeks his will. It gives us a moment to ponder the holiness of consecrated life, which strengthens the holiness of the whole church," a reminder of the intimacy "that everyone is called at baptism."

Pope Benedict wrote, in his first encyclical, "the call of every person to a relationship, a love with Jesus Christ," Bishop D'Arcy said, and added, St. John also believed that everyone should come to love Jesus "as someone loves a friend and to believe in that love. It's a life of faith in the love

of Jesus Christ for us," noted Bishop D'Arcy.

Belief must always be strong and present as "one does not always feel the closeness. But belief strengthens us. When God feels distant and when projects are overwhelming" that belief needs to stay strong, he noted.

Christ's love is always there no matter what trials we experience. "He loves us as a man loves — a human love," said Bishop D'Arcy who also noted that his love is also "infinite and everlasting."

"God is always loving, always forgiving. If we can look to that as the heart of God, we can find love," said Bishop D'Arcy.

Those who enter religious life "continue to say 'Yes' to Jesus Christ, giving up something beautiful for even something more beautiful," he added.

"We give thanks to these sisters making their presence for hundreds of years" and for all religious "who have been a blessing to this diocese," said Bishop D'Arcy.



MICHELLE DONAGHEY

Celebrating their jubilees, the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration stood with Bishop John M. D'Arcy, far right, and Sister M. Angela Mellady, far left front, before the Mass on June 24. Standing in front, from left, were Sister M. Paula Skelly, silver jubilee, Sister Arlene Gonsiorowski, golden jubilee, Sister M. Elise Kriss, 40th anniversary, and Sister Doris Ann France, 60th anniversary. Standing behind them was Sister M. Robertann Lanthrop, 60th anniversary along with Sister Cecilia Gotfredson and Sister George Ann Fronick, both 60th anniversary jubiliarians.

BISHOP DWENGER HIGH SCHOOL BREAKS GROUND



DENNIS FECH

Pictured at the Bishop Dwenger High School groundbreaking are Phil Laux, president Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce; Melanie Bush, Miss Fort Wayne; Mike Dahm, Jack Krouse, Dee Dee Dahm, Fred Tone, Bishop John M. D'Arcy and Tom Niezer. Jack Krouse and his wife Cathy are co-chairs of the campaign. Mike and Dee Dee Dahm are two of the honorary campaign chairs along with Jim and Margaret Shields who were unable to attend the ceremony. Tom Niezer is president of the school board.

Consistory to discuss Mother Theodore Guerin canonization ceremony

Father Moreau beatification likely next year

SAINT MARY-OF-THE-WOODS, NOTRE DAME — The Vatican has announced that the next consistory, a meeting between the pope and cardinals in Rome during which significant papal matters are considered, is scheduled for Saturday, July 1.

The date for the canonization ceremony for Blessed Mother Theodore Guerin, foundress of the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, will be set at that time.

Mother Theodore was beatified in October, 1998, and in April of this year, Pope Benedict XVI signed a decree acknowledging a second miracle healing attributed to her intercession through prayer. She founded the Sisters of Providence in 1840. She died in 1856.

Sister Ann Margaret O'Hara, general superior; Sister Denise Wilkinson, vicar; and Sister Marie Kevin Tighe, vice postulator for Mother Theodore's cause were invited to attend. Sister Marie Kevin and Sister Mary Ann Phelan, associate promoter of Mother Theodore's cause, will be in attendance at the Consistory.

"We are very grateful to the Holy Father and Vatican officials for moving forward with Mother Theodore's canonization," said General Superior Sister Ann Margaret O'Hara. "We are hopeful that the ceremony will occur near her feast day (Oct. 3) or near our Foundation Day (Oct. 22)."

Sister Ann Margaret said once the date for the canonization ceremony at the Vatican is established, information will be made public about travel opportunities to join the celebration. An identical ceremony will take place at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods on the same day as the canonization.

According to a recent announcement by the Congregation of Holy Cross, its euphoniously named founder, Basile Antoine Marie Moreau, is likely to be beatified next year. This news is of particular interest to the University of Notre Dame, which was born as a project of the Holy Cross order in 1842 and continues to rely on Moreau's followers for its administration, inspiration and communion in the Catholic Church.

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Bishops adopt new Mass texts, study reorganization

BY JERRY FILTEAU

LOS ANGELES (CNS) — Meeting June 15-17 in Los Angeles, the U.S. Catholic bishops approved a new translation of the Order of Mass and studied a proposal to downsize the committee structure, and eventually the staffing, of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

They approved an extension of the annual national collection for retired religious until 2017.

They approved a 2007 assessment on dioceses, equal to the 2006 assessment, to help fund USCCB operations.

The bishops agreed to a proposal that their Committee on Stewardship draft brochures on stewardship for teenagers, one in English and a separate one in Spanish adapted to differences in the relationship many Hispanic youths have with the church.

During their public sessions the first morning and afternoon, they heard a brief report on the work of CRS and lengthier reports on post-hurricane relief in the South; the relationship of Catholic bishops and Catholic politicians; and the rationale behind new Vatican rules for translating Latin liturgical texts into modern languages.

Vocations

They viewed a new 18-minute DVD on priests and priestly vocations, titled "Fishers of Men." It was produced nationally but can be adapted for local use by inserting contact information for local vocation offices and vocation directors.

New papal nuncio, immigration

Archbishop Pietro Sambi, new papal nuncio to the United States, addressed the gathered bishops for the first time. During the private portion of their meeting they also heard a report from Cardinal Jaime Ortega Alamino of Havana.

The day before the meeting several leading officials of the USCCB held a press conference urging comprehensive, humanitarian reform of U.S. immigration law, an issue currently being hotly contested in Congress.

The next day, at the start of the meeting, the USCCB president, Bishop William S. Skylstad of Spokane, Wash., issued a statement on immigration reform with the endorsement of the bishops.

In it he said the current immigration system "is seriously flawed" and "the status quo is



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Bishops offer each other the sign of peace during Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in Los Angeles June 16. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops concluded its spring meeting after approving the new Order of Mass in English and discussing the reorganization of the conference.

morally unacceptable and must be changed."

English translation of the Order of Mass

For Catholics in the pew, the most important event of the meeting was the debate and vote on a new English translation of the Order of Mass — the exchanges between priest and people and the prayers such as the penitential rite, Gloria, creed, eucharistic prayers and Lord's Prayer that are used regularly in daily or Sunday Masses.

The bishops approved the Order of Mass by a vote of 173-29. They also adopted some American adaptations, mainly extra prayers not found in the Latin edition of the Roman Missal, by a vote of 184-8.

Bishops' committees and other discussions

For their own future as a bishops' conference, the most important thing the bishops did in Los Angeles was discuss a proposal for restructuring that would dramatically reduce the number of committees of the USCCB. Under the proposal, the current 35 standing committees and 16 ad hoc committees would be merged into a total of 14 new committees.

National collections, for example, each currently have their own committee. One Committee on National Collections would replace eight current committees if the proposal is approved.

The national retirement collection for religious would have expired in 2007 if the bishops did not extend it another 10 years.

Catholics and politics

Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, recently retired but still apostolic administrator of the Washington Archdiocese, delivered to the bishops the final report of his Task Force on Catholic Bishops and Catholic Politicians.

He announced that through the task force's work, the USCCB, with Vatican approval, recently published "the first comprehensive book of 'Readings on Catholics and Political Life,'" copies of which were being sent to every Catholic in Congress.

He closed his report with a warning to the bishops not to let "the intense polarization and bitter battles of partisan politics" seep from the secular world of politics into the inner life of the church.

Hurricane recovery

Recently retired Archbishop Joseph A. Fiorenza of Galveston-Houston, chairman of the bishops' Task Force on Hurricane Recovery, reported that Catholics made massive donations of humanitarian aid for victims of hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

But the Catholic Church in the areas hit by the storms — particularly the New Orleans Archdiocese and the Diocese of Biloxi, Miss. — suffered such catastrophic property damage that they still face serious needs, he said.

He suggested that in future collection campaigns for such major disasters, care should be taken to define more carefully the charitable purposes for which the aid can be used.

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around the world.

When the new translation of the texts the bishops adopted in Los Angeles takes effect, with possible Vatican modifications, U.S. Catholics will find that many of the familiar prayers and responses they have been using at Mass for the past 35 years or so will be changed.

After approving more than 60 amendments to the universal English translation of the Latin Order of Mass proposed by the International Commission on English in the Liturgy, the bishops approved the revised version by a vote of 173-29. They then approved a set of American adaptations — alternate prayers or ritual instructions not contained in the original Latin version — by a vote of 184-8.

Although only about 80 percent of the 254 Latin-rite bishops in the country were at the Los Angeles meeting, the votes of members in attendance were more than enough to meet the two-thirds majority (170) of all the nation's Latin bishops that was required to pass liturgical decisions.

Some of the changes people will see when the new version eventually takes effect will be:

- Whenever the priest says "The Lord be with you," the people will respond "And with your spirit." The current response is "And also with you."

- In the first form of the penitential rite, the people will confess that "I have sinned greatly ... through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault." In the current version, that part of the prayer is much shorter: "I have sinned through my own fault."

- The Nicene Creed will begin "I believe" instead of "We believe" — a translation of the Latin text instead of the original Greek text.

During the offertory prayers, the priest will pray that "the sacrifice which is mine and yours will be acceptable" instead of the current prayer that "our sacrifice will be acceptable."

Before the preface, when the priest says "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God," instead of saying "It is right to give him thanks and praise," the people will respond "It is right and just."

- The Sanctus will start "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God of hosts." The current version says "Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might."

The bishops' actions June 15, the first day of their three-day spring meeting at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles, capped years of debate within the U.S. church and other parts of the

English-speaking world over two significantly different approaches to modern-language translations of the "Missale Romanum," the standard Latin-language version of the Roman Missal used throughout almost all of the Western or Latin-rite church.

The translation version that U.S., Canadian and other English-speaking Catholics around the world have been using since the early 1970s was based on Vatican rules issued shortly after the Second Vatican Council that encouraged relatively free translations emphasizing adaptation to forms of expression in the receiving language when the grammar or syntax of the original language is different — what linguists call dynamic equivalence translations.

In 2001 the Vatican issued new rules requiring liturgical translations to follow the original Latin more strictly and completely — a more literal translation approach called formal equivalence — and the resulting new translation adheres far more closely to the normative Latin text issued by the Vatican.

In an address to the bishops before they debated and voted on the new text and American adaptations, Bishop Arthur Roche of Leeds, England, president of the International Commission on English in the Liturgy, argued that the dynamic equivalence approach has come under increasing criticism from linguists in recent years and said that the more literal translations in many places will restore scriptural references that disappeared or were less evident in the earlier liturgy translations into English done in the dynamic equivalence style.

ICEL, a commission composed of representatives of 11 of the main English-speaking bishops' conferences in the world, oversees common English translations of Latin liturgical texts to be presented to the bishops' conferences for their approval. The bishops' conferences are free to accept or amend the ICEL texts or to create their own translations, but whatever text a bishops' conference adopts, it must ultimately meet Vatican approval before it can be issued for liturgical use in that country.

Bishop Trautman told journalists after the bishops' vote that when the new Mass text is eventually made official in the United States "I believe it will affect the liturgical life of every Catholic."

He predicted that the bishops will treat the occasion as "a major catechetical moment" to try to educate Catholics about the changes and to seek ways to get Catholics to understand and accept the changes in a constructive way that helps them deepen their appreciation of the liturgy.

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First U.S. Catholic-Sikh dialogue held

WASHINGTON (CNS) — The first national Catholic-Sikh religious dialogue took place in New York May 20. Representatives of the World Sikh Council-America Region and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops discussed shared concerns such as secularism in America and problems facing immigrants during the landmark daylong meeting at the Church Center at the United Nations. Religions for Peace-USA hosted the meeting. Sikhism, or Sikhi, was founded in northern India about 1500 by the guru Nanak. A monotheistic religion that rejects idolatry and the Indian caste system, it has 25 million adherents — mostly in Asia, but including about 600,000 in North America. In opening remarks Manohar Singh, the chairman of the Sikh council and leader of the Sikh delegation, said: "The universal message of Sikhi respects pluralism and we welcome our Catholic friends with open arms. This dialogue is an opportunity for our communities to begin a conversation at the highest level on how we may be able to work with each other in trust and friendship to make this world a more peaceful and just place for all."

Pope tells Filipino president 'well done' for outlawing death penalty

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — "Well done," Pope Benedict XVI told Philippine President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo as she handed him a copy of the law she recently signed outlawing the death penalty in the Philippines. At the end of a June 26 meeting with the pope, Arroyo gave the pope a statue of Our Lady of Guidance and a copy of the law in a leather case, telling him, "These are two expressions of the faith of the Filipino people." After the pope gave her some medals, she spent a couple of moments digging in her purse before pulling out her rosary and asking Pope Benedict to bless it. Earlier June 26 in Manila, Philippines, members of the opposition parties filed an impeachment complaint against Arroyo in the House of Representatives, alleging that she has condoned political killings and violated the constitution to silence dissent. She and her supporters deny the charges.

Vatican confirms papal trip to Germany

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — The Vatican officially has confirmed that Pope Benedict XVI's fourth foreign trip will be a Sept. 9-14 visit to Germany. The brief announcement June 24 said the pope will visit Munich, Altötting and Regensburg, all in the Bavarian region where he was born. He served as archbishop of Munich from 1977 to 1981, when Pope John Paul II named him prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Earlier he taught theology at Regensburg University. His parents are buried in Regensburg, and his brother, Msgr. Georg Ratzinger, still lives in the city.

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BISHOP WUERL IS ACCOMPANIED MOMENTS BEFORE BEING INSTALLED AS ARCHBISHOP



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Archbishop Pietro Sambì, apostolic nuncio to the United States, left, and Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, retired archbishop of Washington, right, accompany Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl to the bishop's chair for his installation as archbishop of Washington during a Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington June 22.

Cardinal, British prime minister discuss abortion debate

LONDON (CNS) — Cardinal Keith O'Brien of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, Scotland, has told British Prime Minister Tony Blair that the time had come for a public and parliamentary debate about abortion, said the cardinal's spokesman. Blair responded to the cardinal by admitting there were new grounds to reopen the 1967 Abortion Act, including "some troubling issues" surrounding the age that babies could survive independently outside the mother's womb, the spokesman, Peter Kearney, told Catholic News Service June 19. However, the prime minister, who has voted in favor of abortion throughout his career, stopped short of giving any promises to the cardinal, Kearney added. Under the act, abortion is permitted with the consent of two doctors up to the 24th week of pregnancy, the limit at which a fetus was said to be able to survive if born. Abortion up to birth is permitted for babies with serious handicaps. A study of premature babies conducted last year by the University College Hospital, London, found that most born at 23 or 24 weeks gestation survived. Figures also revealed that about 50 babies each year survive botched abortions in Great Britain.

Vatican publishes decrees advancing more than 150 sainthood causes

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Benedict XVI has advanced the sainthood causes of scores of

Spanish martyrs, an Italian martyr killed in Africa, seven founders of religious orders, three women religious, and two 19th-century laypeople. The Vatican published decrees the pope promulgated June 26 in the presence of Cardinal Jose Saraiva Martins, head of the Congregation for Saints' Causes. The pope advanced the cause of 149 Spanish martyrs, mostly men religious, killed during the country's 1936-1939 civil war. The Vatican also published a decree recognizing the martyrdom of the Italian missionary of the Servants of the Poor, Father Francesco Spoto. Born in 1924, the missionary priest went to serve in the Democratic Republic of Congo despite the risk of impending political upheaval at the start of the 1960s. He was wounded and later died in 1964 during the civil war in what was then called Belgian Congo.

Catholic, Orthodox have a relationship as sister churches, says pope

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Just as Sts. Peter and Andrew were brothers, the Catholic and Orthodox churches have a special relationship as true sister churches, Pope Benedict XVI said. After Christ's death and resurrection, St. Peter left Jerusalem for Rome in order to carry out the universal mission Jesus entrusted to him, the pope said during his June 14 weekly general audience. St. Andrew, fluent in Greek, went to the Greek world, he said, and became the "apostle of the Greeks." The Gospels show that in their life and death, Sts. Peter and Andrew were "true brothers" and that their brotherhood is expressed "symbolically in the special rapport between the sees of Rome and

Constantinople, churches (that are) truly sisters," Pope Benedict said. Before a crowd of more than 35,000 pilgrims in St. Peter's Square, the pope continued a series of talks on the apostles by turning to St. Andrew, patron saint of the Ecumenical Orthodox Patriarchate of Constantinople.

Although his main job will end, U.S. cardinal to remain at Vatican

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — When U.S. Cardinal Edmund C. Szoka retires as president of the commission governing Vatican City State in September, he will be moving out of his apartment at the Vatican governor's palace — but to another apartment inside the 109-acre city state. Pope Benedict XVI announced June 22 that he accepted Cardinal Szoka's resignation, but asked him to remain on the job until Sept. 15 when Archbishop Giovanni Lajolo, the Vatican's foreign minister, would take the helm. While Cardinal Szoka said he someday might spend part of the year in Rome and part of the year in Detroit, where he served as archbishop, he will stay at the Vatican for at least another year. The cardinal said, "I am a member of five different Vatican congregations, some of which meet every month."

No one should be put to death, not even Saddam, says Vatican official

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — No one should be put to death, not even former Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, said Cardinal Paul Poupard, president of the pontifical

councils for Interreligious Dialogue and for Culture. "The Catechism of the Catholic Church, the church itself and the pope reaffirm that every person is a creature of God and that no one but the creator can claim to be the lord of the life and death of another," the cardinal said June 21 in an interview with the Italian news agency ANSA. "Every creature, even the most wretched, was created in the image and likeness of God," the French cardinal said. "God is the master of life and death." The cardinal made his comments after *Avvenire*, the Italian bishops' daily newspaper, published an editorial June 20 calling for the life imprisonment and not the execution of Saddam and his co-defendants, who are on trial in Iraq.

Patients said to offer stem-cell solution 'we can all live with'

WASHINGTON (CNS) — As the U.S. Senate prepared to consider competing proposals on the funding of stem-cell research, a representative of the U.S. bishops' pro-life office said the presence of four people on Capitol Hill showed that "there are solutions we can all live with." Deirdre McQuade, director of planning and information in the bishops' Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities, participated in a June 20 press conference organized by Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., and featuring four patients who have been treated successfully for a variety of illnesses with adult stem cells or those from umbilical-cord blood. The four were Jackie Rabon of Waverly, Ill., a paraplegic who received a successful treatment with adult stem cells; Ryan Schneider of Chicago, who received a cord-blood treatment for cerebral palsy; Abby Pell of the Washington area, who was treated with her own cord blood for brain damage she suffered at birth; and David Foege of Naples, Fla., who was successfully treated for heart failure with adult stem cells.

Conference: Priest facing east at Mass won't ensure focus on Jesus

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Having the priest face east, usually away from the people, when celebrating Mass is not a magic way to ensure that both the priest and the congregation focus on Jesus, said participants at a conference in northern Italy. Enzo Bianchi, prior of the Bose ecumenical community and host of the conference, summarized the discussion in the June 14 edition of *L'Osservatore Romano*, the Vatican newspaper. The conference brought together Catholic liturgists, theologians and church architects from Europe, North and South America and liturgical experts from Orthodox, Anglican and Protestant churches. The theme "Liturgical Space and Its Orientation" was chosen because of renewed research and debate about the placement of the altar in churches and the direction the priest and people face. Bianchi said participants agreed that something must be done to help celebrants and congregations focus more firmly on Jesus.

JustFaith founder to present workshop

SOUTH BEND — Jack Jezreel, the founder and director of the JustFaith process, will be in South Bend on Saturday, July 29, offering his introductory workshop at Christ the King Parish from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The introductory workshop and presentation will reflect on the ministries of Moses and Jesus and our call to discipleship.

JustFaith, an intensive and successful model of justice education and formation, has had dramatic results in over 250 parishes across the country. JustFaith is an eight-month program that involves participants in a panorama of learning experiences that form a context for personal transformation and commitments to justice and parish social ministry. JustFaith has partnered with by Catholic Charities USA, Catholic Relief Services and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. For more information on JustFaith visit www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/just-faith.

Jezreel makes deep connections with Scripture, social justice and the mission of the entire church.

He recently received the Rev. Harry Fagan Award from the national Roundtable.

The workshop is sponsored by Christ the King, Little Flower Parishes in South Bend and Sacred Heart Parish in Notre Dame.

Registration for the workshop are due by July 26. Christ the King will host the event in the lower level of the church, 52473 State Road 933, South Bend. Cost is \$20 per person. For information or to register, contact Dianne Reardon at (574) 272-3113 or e-mail at dianecr317@msn.com or Chris Miller at (574) 631-7508 or e-mail at cmiller4@nd.edu.

'Hammerin' Irish' Habitat Blitz Build to benefit Katrina family

NOTRE DAME — The University of Notre Dame Alumni Association's ninth annual "Hammerin' Irish" Habitat Blitz Build took place June 19 to 23 in Shreveport, La., marking the first time the program has taken on a project outside of South Bend.

Fifty Notre Dame alumni volunteers from 15 states participated in "Building on Higher Ground," a 100-unit housing project for displaced Hurricane Katrina victims. The Alumni Association partnered with Millard Fuller, founder of Habitat for Humanity and current president of the Fuller Center for Housing, to construct a new home in fewer than five days.

"Building on Higher Ground" was established last year as a partnership between the Fuller Center and Shreveport-Bossier Community Renewal to provide permanent homes for evacuees from the hurricanes that devastated the Gulf Coast. The Notre Dame alumni will represent the project's largest organized volunteer effort and the first group to construct a

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TANZANIAN PRIEST VISITS FRIENDS IN THE DIOCESE



DON CLEMMER

Father Gabriel Msuya of the Apostolic Life Community of Priests in Tanzania stands with Patty Becker, St. Vincent de Paul parishioner and Redeemer Radio personality, during his visit to Fort Wayne in June. Father Msuya's community has been aided by the contributions of International Seminarian Support, a program started by Becker and her husband John when they lived in the Archdiocese of Portland.

home in less than a week.

"In the wake of unprecedented hurricane destruction throughout the Gulf Coast, the calls for help continue to pour in, and the Notre Dame family has responded most generously," said Sean O'Brien, director of Alumni Community Service. "The Hammerin' Irish" Blitz Build offers another opportunity to restore hope and rebuild lives for those who have lost everything."

Established in 1998, the "Hammerin' Irish" program has resulted in the construction of eight new Habitat homes in South Bend.

Christopher Mueller named executive director of Catherine Kasper Life Center

DONALDSON — Christopher Mueller has been appointed executive director of Catherine Kasper Life Center, (CKLC) a not-for-profit corporation sponsored by the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ. CKLC, a health care continuum comprised of Catherine Kasper Home, an 81-bed licensed long-term care facility and Maria Center, a 28 apartment complex for independent living, is operated in accordance with the mission and values of the Poor Handmaids. Mueller began his



CHRISTOPHER MUELLER

duties on June 19.

Sister Nora Hahn, provincial of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, said, "Mr. Mueller comes to us with a wealth of experience in long term care. His own personal values fit very well with our values of dignity of the person, community, openness to the spirit and simplicity. Some of our coworkers at the Catherine Kasper Home have worked with him in other facilities and praise his calmness and fairness in difficult situations. We welcome him as the new executive director."

Mueller's extensive healthcare background includes: administrator, Cardinal Healthcare, Inc.; administrator, Meridian, Inc.; regional operations director, Cardinal Group; administrator, Lifecare Centers of Fort Wayne and most recently vice president of operations/co-owner of Living Legacy and Associates, Inc.

A graduate of Indiana University and a 25-year member of the American College of Healthcare Administrators, Mueller has achieved distinction as a certified administrator with a fellow classification.

Mueller said, "It is an honor and a privilege to provide quality care at Catherine Kasper Life Center. I'm looking forward to the unique challenges that this ministry provides."

St. Jude hosts 20th annual parish festival

SOUTH BEND — This year marks the 20th parish festival for St. Jude Catholic Church on the south side

of South Bend. The festival will be held Friday, July 14, and Saturday, July 15.

Friday night is Adult Night featuring a hog roast dinner, casino games, music, food and refreshments. Festivities run from 5:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday is family day. Games and amusement rides begin at 12:30 p.m. Casino games will run from 3 to 11:30 p.m. Live entertainment featuring "Art and the Artichokes" gets underway at 7 p.m.

Raffle tickets are currently on sale. The grand prize winner will receive a Ford Mustang or a cash option.

St. Jude Catholic Church is located one half mile south of the U.S. 20 bypass and one block east of U.S. 31 South.

For more information, call the St. Jude Parish Festival committee chairpersons, Brian and Theresa Wynen at (574) 291-2446 or the parish office at (574) 291-0570.

Masterful Prints show opens at the Snite Museum of Art

NOTRE DAME — The Masterful Prints from the Permanent Collection will run June 25-July 30 at the Milly and Fritz Kaeser Mestrovic Studio Gallery at the Snite Museum of Art at the University of Notre Dame. This exhibition of some 25 prints highlights recent acquisitions by celebrated artists of the 16th through the early 20th centuries.

Also currently open at the Snite

Museum is the Images of Struggle and Oppression in the Art of the Taller de Grafica Popular in the Scholz Family Works on Paper Gallery. This exhibit, which runs through July 16, features the works of a group of Mexican printmakers of the 1930s and '40s who expressed a need for social and political reform for the Mexican oppressed.

St. Anthony students win Indiana History Day awards

SOUTH BEND — Thirty students from St. Anthony de Padua School recently participated in the Indiana History Day competition held in Indianapolis. Four thousand students in grades four through 12 took part in the project statewide.

The seventh grade winners from St. Anthony were: Brian VerVaet — historical paper runner up, Christian Mihigo and Ben Resnik — group exhibit runner up, Dana Lind — individual performance runner up, Emily Madigan and Emily Voorde — group documentary finalist, Anthony Lupresto and Brandon Thorpe — Benjamin Harrison presidential award, and Evan Merryman — Junior Division Outstanding State Entry.

Fifth grade winners from St. Anthony were: Lauren Gray — historical paper finalist, Gabriella Schulte and Theresa Taylor — group exhibit runner up, Claire Griffith — individual exhibit finalist, Rachel Hoffman — individual documentary finalist, A.J. Smith — individual performance finalist.

Other participants were Alden Fisher, Molly Hoover, Sierra McDonald, Alex Namwali, Aaron Pozivilko, Clayton Sibilla and Tyler Wiley.

Bishop Luers students collect funds for Heifer International project

FORT WAYNE — What began as an Advent activity for two Bishop Luers High School students became a challenge that would end just as they had hoped. After being disappointed in the results that came from passing a hat and collecting \$210, seniors Mindy Marcum and Monica Sweigart wanted to try and collect enough money to get an "ark" from Heifer International.

Heifer International is an organization that began over 60 years ago after WWII when a soldier stationed in Italy helping to feed the poor returned to America and decided that he wanted to continue to help the poor, so he sent a cow to Italy. This was the beginning of what became Heifer International. Today Heifer International continues the tradition of sending animals to different parts of the world in the fight against hunger.

Mindy and Monica decided to continue collecting money until the end of the school year and they included all the students at Bishop Luers in their pursuit of an "ark." An ark is two camels, two heifers, two pigs, two goats, two sheep, two flocks of chicks, etc. totaling enough animals to send to 30 families. The cost of an ark is \$5,000, and all the students had collected so far was \$210.

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Since Bishop Luers High School had collected for Heifer International in the past they were on their mailing list and received a letter in April stating that there was a pool of money pledged to Heifer as matching funds. If Mindy and Monica along with the rest of the Bishop Luers students could collect \$2,500 the amount would be doubled, and they would have enough money for an ark.

At the end of school this year Bishop Luers High School sent a check for \$3,014 to Heifer International, which was then doubled by the matching funds. That was enough to buy the ark plus two additional heifers.

Decatur students honored

DECATUR — Principal Karla Hormann recently announced that three eighth grade students from St. Joseph Catholic School have been awarded honors for their academic performance.

Samantha Baus, daughter of Matt and Jill Baus, won a \$100 award for the United States Achievement Academy. The academy has recognized outstanding students of all ages for over two decades. Two-hundred-fifty students in the United States received cash awards this year. The academy will also be awarding four \$10,000 scholarship grants to nominated students. Samantha also has a piece of her poetry published in the "All American Scholar Yearbook."

Terri Pritchard, daughter of Phil and Mary Kaye Schurger, will be receiving a \$250 scholarship to Bishop Luers based on her score on their scholarship exam. Only 10 students who will be attending Bishop Luers this fall will receive these scholarships.

Elizabeth Goebel, daughter of Joe and Karen Goebel, was recently honored as the Adams County female award winner of the Dick Lugar-Indiana Farm Bureau-Farm Bureau Insurance Youth Essay Contest for this school year. Elizabeth wrote an essay about a nutritious family picnic planned with Indiana grown food, which follows healthy guidelines.

Serrans install new president, officers

SOUTH BEND — Focus on religious vocations to the priesthood, sisterhood and brotherhood is the guiding light of every member of Serra, Indiana District Governor George Resnik told members of the Serra Club of South Bend as he formally installed Deacon Ron Moser of St. Joseph Parish of Mishawaka as the 29th president.

"We follow in a rich tradition that led to Blessed Junipero Serra, who established 19 missions in the state of California, and today we are dedicated in our mission to assist those who are seeking a religious vocation," Resnik said.

Other Serra Club officers installed by Resnik were Richard Wasoski, president elect; Dr. John Toepp, secretary; Joann Dudzinski, membership; Robert Schultheis, programs; Esther Cyr, vocations;

Arthur Leinen Sr., communications; Pat O'Brien, Mike Brennan and Henry Froning, trustees.

Resnik had special praise for retiring president Richard Dornbos, who has served as president for the past two years and launched a series of programs that will also bring a national regional conference to Saint Mary's College and Notre Dame, Oct. 26-29.

Resnik, Wasoski and Dornbos will attend a national Serra Conference in Spokane, Wash., June 30-July 2.

The club also added three more new members to its roster. They were Jerome and Lillian Smith and Andrew Oross.

The Serra Club will host its annual outing for priests of all parishes and religious sisters and brothers July 30 at the Resnik Ranch. — EJD

Father Gillis honored by Knights

SOUTH BEND — "I will always remember that it was divine providence who saved our lives while we went ashore during one phase of the Normandy invasion during World War II, and those of us in our small troop will always remember it that way," exclaimed Father James Gillis, CSC, in a patriotic address to members of the Father Nieuwland Assembly, Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus.

The occasion was a special tribute to Father Gillis, who is marking his 50th anniversary as a priest in the Congregation of Holy Cross. It was his deep faith, he indicated, that also led him to a religious vocation that culminated in his ordination on June 6, 1956 by Bishop Leo A. Pursley.

Father Gillis served with the Second Armored Division during World War II and said he often thinks of the terrible carnage in lives that occurred on that momentous D-Day, which led to the end of the war in Europe.

He suffered a leg wound, which eventually healed. Among the momentous dedications to members was a framed display of the medals he received, which included the Purple Heart, a medal for good behavior, a Bronze Star and Victory Medal.

The assembly also paid special accolades to Father Gillis for his more than 10 years of service as faithful friar of the assembly and presented him with a check.

The assembly will hold its annual picnic on July 16 on the grounds of Ave Maria Council on South Ireland Road. Formal installations of new officers will take place in the clubrooms of Archbishop John Carroll Council on July 22 with Indiana Master Robert Lynch of Indianapolis presiding. — EJD

Father John Stecher becomes USF chaplain

FORT WAYNE — Sister M. Elise Kriss, president of the University of Saint Francis, has announced the appointment of Father John Stecher as chaplain, beginning Aug. 15.

Father Stecher is a priest of the Diocese of Davenport, Iowa. He holds a doctorate from Aquinas Institute of Theology and a master of science in psychology from the University of Saint Francis.

Father Stecher has served as

priest and campus minister for the faculty, staff and students at the University of Iowa and as director of education activities and liturgy planning at the Newman Center.

St. Patrick, Walkerton, announces 150th anniversary events

WALKERTON — In celebration of the 150th anniversary of St. Patrick Church in Walkerton, the parish will join the Walkerton community July 1 through July 3 for special activities.

St. Patrick Church and the town of Walkerton were founded 150 years ago. St. Patrick School is celebrating its 50th anniversary.

Events include the following:

- Saturday, July 1 — 11 a.m. Walkerton Celebration Parade will include both a church and school float; 1 p.m. bed race after the parade on Indiana Street between Harrison Street and Tyler Street; 5 p.m. St. Patrick School alumni Mass; 6 p.m. St. Patrick School alumni dinner at St. Patrick School in Letko Hall.

- Sunday, July 2 — 10 a.m. parish pilgrimage procession from original church site on Spruce Road to present church (meet at church at 9:30 a.m. to be transported to site); 11 a.m. outdoor Mass with Bishop John M. D'Arcy (under tents in parking lot across from church). This is the only Mass on July 2. 1 p.m. parish picnic in the parking lot across from church.

- Monday, July 3 — 4 to 7 p.m. Kids Fun Fair at St. Patrick School will feature the inflatables (moonwalk, joust, obstacle course, bungee run and the two-story slide) as well as assorted other games for the kids. Socks are required to participate; 4 to 8 p.m. food and beverages for the entire family will be available in the parking lot across from church; 8 to 10:30 p.m. movie and game night at St. Patrick School in Letko Hall; there will be supervised time for children 5 to 15-years old while parents are at the band and beer garden; 8 to 11 p.m. a live band, Molotov Cocktail will perform in the band and beer garden in the parking lot across from church.

St. Patrick Church is located at 801 Tyler St., in Walkerton.

Redeemer Radio launches first local program series

FORT WAYNE — Fort Wayne's Redeemer Radio, Catholic Radio AM 1450, launched its first series of local programs, "Readings and Reflections", on June 19. The program features priests of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend and includes the readings from the daily Mass, original reflections prepared by the priests and sacred music. Each program is 15 minutes in duration and airs Monday through Friday at 11:45 a.m., immediately preceding the popular "Doctor Is In" program.

"Our listeners are ready for this," says Redeemer Radio's program director Patty Becker. "They have given great support, both financially and prayerfully. They are excited about hearing their own local priests and pastors on the air. "Readings and Reflections" brings the refreshment of Scripture readings, with insights on those readings," Becker continues. "As a lay Catholic apostolate, this is what

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The second grade class at Sacred Heart School in Warsaw had a book read to them titled "Alex's Lemonade Stand." The story details the desire of very young girl who had cancer to raise money for cancer research. Alex and her brothers set up a lemonade stand in the family yard. As news spread about Alex's stand, other children became involved and more stands were set up. The second grade class was very impressed by this story and saw this as a stewardship opportunity. They, along with their teacher, Carole Rutledge, set up a stand on the school lawn for one day and raised \$323.

we're all about. Our mission is to transmit the truth and beauty of the Catholic faith, working with the priests and laity of our diocese."

According to Redeemer Radio President Chris Langford, "Catholic radio is very effective because it is available anytime and everywhere: at home, in the car, in the office. It also reaches everyone: rich and poor, young and old, and those who may not be active in any faith."

Daily, programming is in English during the day from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. and in Spanish overnight from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Father James Dugal celebrates 50 year jubilee

CARTHAGENA, Ohio — The Missionaries of the Precious Blood are pleased to announce the 50th anniversary of the ordination of Father James Dugal, CPPS.



JAMES DUGAL

Father Dugal, 76, a native of Jackson, Mich., entered the society in 1948 and was ordained on June 2, 1956. Father Dugal has served in parishes and in retreat and renewal ministry.

After his ordination he was in parish ministry in Fort Wayne, then was an instructor at Brunnerdale, the society's high school seminary in Canton. In 1965, he was named spiritual director of St. Charles Seminary in Carthagen. Father Dugal entered retreat and renewal work in 1970 at the Maria Stein Retreat House, a ministry that he continues to this day. He returned to

parish work in 1978 as the pastor of Precious Blood Church in Fort Wayne, where he served until 1983, when he returned to retreat and renewal ministry. In 1990, he was named pastor of St. James the Less Church in Columbus, where he served for three years. In 1999, he became pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Montezuma, Ohio, where he still ministers.

Father Dugal also serves in leadership with the congregation, and has been a member of its provincial council since 1998.

Father Dugal's anniversary, along with the milestone anniversaries of 10 other Missionaries of the Precious Blood of the Cincinnati Province, signifying hundreds of years of ministerial service to God's people, was celebrated in a special liturgy on June 30 at St. Charles Center.

"In this world that so needs signs of the hand of God at work, we honor these men who have been faithful servants of the people of God," said Father Angelo Anthony, CPPS., provincial director of the Cincinnati Province. "We thank God for the example that they give us, and we look forward to celebrating their many ministries, which have brought so much good to so many."

The Missionaries of the Precious Blood is a religious society of priests, brothers and lay associates founded in 1815 by St. Gaspar del Bufalo. Society members work as missionaries in parishes in the U.S. and abroad, in education and in a wide range of apostolates, promoting the cause of God's reconciliation worldwide.

Gentleman Jim award celebrates 36 years

BY ELMER J. DANCH

SOUTH BEND — It was a remarkable grand finale to the 36-year anniversary of the Gentleman Jim Memorial Award, considered the most unique presentation in the history of the South Bend Community School Corporation.

Named in honor of primary school teacher and Catholic James Pinkowski, who lost his life in an automobile-train crash Dec. 24, 1969, the award was presented to a fourth grade student at Henry Studebaker School by Bernard and Hildegard Pinkowski, parents of James Pinkowski, at an assembly on the last day of school at Studebaker School, which will go out of existence and later become a vocational institution.

Pinkowski told the assembled students that the award is presented to a student who "exemplifies good discipline and training of children in proper behavior and begin proper upbringing, the best investment in their future, in the future of a better and greater

America."

Pinkowski and his wife instituted the award at Studebaker School, where their son was a sixth grade teacher who was dedicated to his profession and recognized the proper discipline and behavior of students in the classroom.

The award was presented to Marcus Charles, whose home room teacher explained that he was a leader, responsible and dependable, willing to help anyone in need. He was also on the honor roll for the entire school term.

Bernard Pinkowski has presented the award personally each of the last 36 years, although the last three years, his daughter, Elizabeth Hosinski, was there to assist her 91-year-old father.

In recognition of his personal appearance, school principal James Bankowski presented Pinkowski with a perfect attendance citation award.

Pinkowski's son attended St. Stanislaus School in South Bend, graduated from Saint Joseph's High School and later Ball State University.



ELMER J. DANCH

The unique and prestigious Gentleman Jim Memorial Award is presented to Marcus Charles, a sixth grade student at Henry Studebaker School in South Bend. From left; James Bankowski, school principal; Elizabeth Hosinski and Bernard Pinkowski, both of whom made the presentation.

Former South Bend resident David Shaw ordained to the priesthood in Oregon

BY TOM UEBBING

PORTLAND, Ore. — Former South Bend native David Francis Shaw, 33, was ordained to the priesthood June 10 by Archbishop John G. Vlazny at St. Mary's of the Immaculate Conception Cathedral in Portland, Ore.

He is the son of Jim and Jean Shaw of Sacred Heart Parish, Lakeville. Born in Lansing, Mich., the second of four children, David was raised in South Bend. He attended Holy Cross, St. John the Baptist and St. Mary of the Assumption Parishes. He served as an altar boy at Holy Cross.

David graduated from Trinity (High) School and attained Scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout (Troop 325). He studied at Holy Cross College, Indiana University at South Bend and graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1996 with degrees in both philosophy and theology. Prior to graduation he also spent a year of religious studies with the Brotherhood of the People of Praise.

The new priest first sensed his vocation during his junior year of high school in 1989. He was drawn to the presence of Christ in the Eucharist. He also felt called to connect people with God through spiritual direction and homilies.

Before he entered the seminary in 2001, David had a wide variety of work experiences. He worked in a factory, as a bank teller; taught chastity, abstinence and family values in Portland; and math, science



TOM UEBBING

Archbishop John G. Vlazny of Portland, Ore., presents chalice and paten to David Shaw at his ordination to the priesthood on June 10. Father Shaw, who grew up in South Bend, will serve the Archdiocese of Portland, Ore., and serve at St. Anne Parish, Gresham, Ore.

and religion to students with learning disabilities at Trinity School in Bloomington, Minn.

David attended Mount Angel Seminary in Mount Angel, Ore. He spent 17 weeks of his training in Mexico learning Spanish and celebrated his first Mass in Spanish. As part of his training he had a year's experience in clinical pastoral education, which entailed visiting hospital patients several times a week at Emmanuel Hospital. Another year he visited youth at a correctional facility once a week, talking to them and bringing Communion. He spent another year at Christ the King Parish in Portland where he

worked with confirmation preparation, RCIA and taught at the grade school.

David was ordained a deacon July 1, 2005, and served at St. Anne Parish in Gresham, Ore., which is also his first assignment as a priest.

As he enters his priestly ministry the new priest looks forward to learning how to better minister to Hispanics. As Oregon has the largest percentage of unchurched people in the nation, Father Shaw hopes to reaffirm his parishioners in the faith and help them to become more evangelistic.

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Spirit of St. Jude School shines always

BY LAUREN PALMER AND SALLY BERGHOFF

There are many things we could say about St. Jude School because it's such a wonderful school. The main thing we would like to focus on is our athletic and academic achievement. St. Jude School as a whole strives for excellence in both the classroom and on the field.

St. Jude is known as the "power house" for many sports. We are not only athletically talented; we are leaders, good Christians and loyal teammates. That's what makes us achieve greatness when we play together. Before every practice and game we pray to St. Jude to help and guide us as a team. We ask for safety for us and our opponents as we practice good sportsmanship. In the past years, St. Jude has been diocesan champs in many sports. We could not be this successful without the guidance of prayer. Playing sports not only makes you a better athlete it makes you a better person. It challenges you to be the best in all you do. That's why St. Jude is so athletically talented.

Not only in sports are we talented, but we are talented in academics too. This past fall we took the ISTEP+ tests, and because of our high achievement scores, our eighth grade class placed in the top 10 percent of Indiana schools. This past spring, 30 of our eighth graders took the honors geometry placement test for Bishop Dwenger High School. Twenty-five out of those 30 stu-



Theresa Yoder, Fifth Grade Teacher

The students in Miss Theresa Yoder's fifth grade class stand proudly as they begin to hoist the American flag at St. Jude School, Fort Wayne. Holding the flag are Darryn Mosley, Bryce Clevenger and Thomas Ferro. Fifth graders learn how to properly display and care for the flag.

dents tested into honors geometry, and the other five tested into academic geometry. Nine of our students made honors algebra, too. Also, we took the ACRE test for religion, in which we scored exceptionally high. As you can see, St. Jude is very serious when it comes to academic achievement.

Our junior high students have the option to participate in youth ministry. There are fun activities for the students that benefit the people of the communi-

ty. We rake lawns for the elderly, we visit St. Anne's Nursing Home, and we walk in the March for Life. In each of the activities we participate in, the light of God is always shining through.

In conclusion, our school shines in many ways. Whether it is in our community, in extra curricular activities, or in the classroom, St. Jude comes out on top. These are just some of the ways St. Jude Catholic School follows in Jesus' footsteps.

"America the Beautiful" Word Search

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Why I love the Fourth of July

Going on the boat at night to watch the beautiful fireworks.

CASSIE KINDLER, THIRD GRADE

We go to the lake to celebrate my grandpa's birthday since it is on the 5th of July. We have cake that looks like an American flag.

EMILY MILLER, THIRD GRADE

Both sides of my family have a party, and I love to have all of the good food my grandma makes, especially the dessert.

EMILY SCHLEINKOFER, THIRD GRADE

I go to my aunt and uncle's house in Michigan.

JOEY WOLFF, THIRD GRADE

I have a great time playing games like hide-and-seek with my cousins.

JAMES TERRELL, THIRD GRADE

I like when my uncle lights one of his homemade fireworks.

RILEY DELANEY, THIRD GRADE

I love having fun with my family and friends at a pool party and the fireworks.

MADLINE OBERGFELL, THIRD GRADE

I love going to the pool for a "jumpalings" party where we swim, eat and watch the fireworks.

ASHLEY NICHOLAS, THIRD GRADE

I love to go with my family to Wizard's Field.

MIKEY HOFFMANN, THIRD GRADE

Favorite things about the fourth of July

- Fireworks
- Parades
- Swimming
- Ice cream
- Boat rides
- Zoo
- Cook outs
- Being at the lake
- It's America's birthday

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BY MAYA SCHLUNDT, GRADE 4

The colored blooms
Sparkling rivers
And trees evergreen
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Prayer for America

BY KAY COZAD

Heavenly Father,
Guardian of liberty and peace,
Our hearts are filled with gratitude
for the many ways you bless our great country.
Thank you for the freedoms our forefathers have set forth
that no other country on earth embraces.
We are in awe of the richness of our cultural diversity.
Keep us tolerant of this diversity and give us the grace to
welcome all immigrants who come as our forefathers
once did in search of a better life.
Never let us lose sight of your truth
on which our country was founded.
Help us as a nation to continue the good fight to respect all
forms of life, from conception to natural death.
Draw us close to you as we pray and worship in our churches
across the land and strengthen our families as we work to
uphold the ideals of right and wrong.
Keep us mindful, Lord, of your truth, as we build a future with
our youth where you are the center of American life.
Guide our leaders in making right decisions for Americans both
locally and globally. Continue to provide economic opportuni-
ties for our workforce, that they may prosper
by the honest sweat of their brow.
Guide us not only in respecting the rights of others
but also the resources of this land, from field to sea and sky.
Inspire in us, Father, the patriotism that is due this great coun-
try and help us work together to teach our young to be grateful
for your blessings of prosperity in this land of opportunity.
Help us to be ever mindful of those who have served our
country in the battle for truth and freedom, both living and
dead. Bless the efforts of those who are currently serving and
the sacrifices they and their families make each day.
In your mercy keep us all safe from harm.
Fill us with the grace to reach out to the world
in peace and unity.
Bring prosperity to all who love you, Lord.
And grant us the peace, love and honor that will
flourish forever in the hearts of all Americans.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Teens get entangled 'in the vine' at Holy Cross youth conference

BY THERESA THOMAS

NOTRE DAME — In John 15, Christ said, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me, you can do nothing."

This powerful scriptural metaphor was the theme for Holy Cross College's second annual high school youth conference July 23-25 on its picturesque campus in Notre Dame.

About 75 Catholic teenagers from all over the Midwest converged to praise, learn, examine their consciences, and discuss their faith with each other. They were treated to the talented, upbeat music of the popular Pete Cornelius Band, originally from Grand Rapids, Mich., and to enthusiastic Catholic speakers on various topics on the theme of "In the Vine".

Mark Hart, known as the "Bible Geek," who currently serves as vice president of LIFE TEEN, an international Catholic organization and ministry that provides resources and training encouraging vibrant eucharistic celebrations for teens spoke on "Vine and Branches" and "Love Each Other as I have Loved You." In his pep talk "The World Will Hate You," Hart told the eager audience that everyone who follows Christ will be hated by the world at some time.

He told them that Jesus tells believers, "If the world hates you, realize they hated me first." Referring to the blockbuster film "Sixth Sense," Hart told the teenagers, "I see dead people. I see them in the hallways, the cafeterias, in churches, everywhere.



THERESA THOMAS

The popular Pete Cornelius Band from Grand Rapids, Mich., performs praise and worship in the theme of "Vine and Branches."

They are dead to Christ. Some are in our families, parishes, schools, circle of friends."

He challenged the youth to do something about it. "There are people in your life who are not going to get to heaven on the current path they are on. God just might want to use you to help them get there," he said. "There is no mistake you're here today. God has a plan."

In a lighthearted and comedic style, Hart reminded participants that "FAMILY" stands for Forget About Me. I Love You.

He explained how fear paralyzes and that faith in Christ can unleash the courage within everyone. He reminded retreat participants that the church is not anti-sex but anti-selfishness, and he retold the story of the paralyzed man on the mat whose friends lowered him through the roof to see Jesus.

Other speakers at the confer-

ence included Amelia Marcum, assistant campus minister at Holy Cross College, with an "Exhortation to Openness"; Lou Paiz, director of a large youth ministry program at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Carmel, on "The Holy Spirit"; Robert Kloska, director of campus ministry at Holy Cross College, on "The Holy Eucharist"; and Lisa Marino, director of RCIA at St. Matthew Cathedral in South Bend, on "Chastity and the Theology of the Body." Mike Griffin, director of International Experiences and Religious Studies professor at Holy Cross College, served as emcee, and wrapped the retreat up by creatively reaffirming conference themes with audience participation and challenging youth to live the message of the Gospel.

Highlights of the retreat included daily celebration of Mass, an opportunity for reconciliation, and eucharistic adoration, with participation from Father Glenn Kohrman, pastor of Saint Mary of the Lake in Culver, and Father Kevin Rousseau, CSC, assistant vocations director for the Congregation of Holy Cross and the superior of the Old College Undergraduate Seminary at the University of Notre Dame.

Conference participants also enjoyed a late night lively game of dodge ball, small group discussions, and S'mores and hot dogs during free time.

"This was a great experience," said Brendan Swick, conference participant.

Caroline Thomas, another participant agreed, "It was even better than last year," she said, "I'm looking forward to coming back again."

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When it hurts — It hurts

BY GINNY KOHRMAN

Opening prayer

O my God, I love you with all my heart and soul, and I want to love others as you have taught me. But I am sometimes selfish and sad when relationships change or the circumstances of life cause me to be apart from those I love. Please give me the grace and the faith to work through these times and help me to be confident in your divine plan for me and for all those whom I love. Amen.

Scripture: Jn 17: 6-24

Commentary

I have always been like a blubbering baby when it comes to saying "goodbye." I remember the first time I realized this about myself. In the small four-room elementary school that I attended, I was fortunate to have Mrs. Minnich as my teacher for grades 3, 4 and 5. She was a wonderful teacher, and I credit my math skills to her insistence on knowing quickly and precisely the famous times tables.

On the last day of the school year, it became painfully evident that I would no longer be with her, day in and day out, in the coming year. I thought my heart would just crumble into little pieces as I sobbed at that thought. Feeling a little embarrassed for such emotion, I tried to fight the tears. But the principal, a very wise sister, comforted me saying, "It's okay to cry because it shows how much you have loved." "Father, they are your gift to me." — Jn 17: 24a.

Going away to high school at age 13 was a pretty courageous thing to do, but in those days anyone aspiring to the religious life was encouraged to attend the high school of that religious order. Thinking only of my aspirations of

being a great missionary sister, I signed up, and off I went to Donaldson. The incredible ache of homesickness hit me like a bullet in the chest. Painfully, over time, I learned to adjust, relieved primarily by the tender care of Sister Julienne, PHJC. When she was transferred from the girl's dorm after my sophomore year, again I thought I would die, and my home away from home never felt the same again. "I wish that where I am they also may be with me..." — Jn 17: 24b.

And now as mother, happy and sad at the same time, I face the pain of letting go of my young adult children who are struggling to find their own lives apart from mom and dad. My second son is in the process of discerning a job in Florida, where all the hurricanes are... and the snakes... and the alligators.

And then there are the numerous coworkers and friends who seem to vanish in the night because of job changes, losses or reassignments. It seems as if we allow our hearts to be opened to others — only to have our hearts broken when they go away. When you have loved, saying goodbye just plain hurts. "I pray for them. Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are." — Jn 17: 9, 11:11b.

Taking care of our souls

The pain of saying goodbye sometimes feels like such a crushing hold on our hearts that it leaves us almost breathless. Initially, it is as if something being ripped from within causes an emptiness or uncomfortable restlessness that simply won't go away. In reaction to the pain, we try to run away or occupy ourselves with frivolous activity ... hoping that the ache will stop. The joy of life suddenly disappears, and we begin to fear changes that

lie ahead. Things will never be as they were.

Harold Kushner in his book, "The Lord Is My Shepherd," tells a story of a safari group in Africa. This group had hired native porters to carry their supplies. After three days the porters asked if they could stop and rest. The porters explained that they were not physically tired but that "we have walked too far too fast, and now we must wait for our souls to catch up to us."

Because of the speed with which we live these days, we often take for granted those who mean so much to us. We work, talk, argue, eat, laugh and busily bump elbows with others, rarely cognizant of the depth and meaning of our relationships. When someone says goodbye, it is as if all of our experiences and feelings rush to the surface of our hearts. It is then that we realize that our souls need to catch up and to cherish the depth and the gift of these special relationships. It is in these times that it helps to remember that God is in the relationship as well.

God compassionately sends in others to help during such times, and it is important that we remain open to God's new gifts. What is unavoidable is the "going through," the agony of separation. During these times it is okay to allow ourselves the time to cry. Jesus surely understood the pain of saying goodbye to his friends and family, and he cried with them. He does the same with us. "But now I am going to the one who sent me, and not one of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I told you this, grief has filled your hearts." — Jn 16:5.

In the Scriptures we read, "It (love) bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." — 1Cor 13:7.

Jesus struggled to leave his mother and his friends on earth, but another force from within gave him courage to face the sufferings

of goodbye. He tells the apostles, "... the words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me is doing his works." — Jn 14:10. Jesus wanted to do the will of his Father, despite the personal suffering he endured. And he turned to the Father in prayer to help him bear the human pain of separation.

To me, what this all says is this: we love because we are made in the image of God ... of Perfect Love. Our love matures and is less self-seeking as we unite our will with the will of God. Our love is always reaching for that perfect love of God. As we learn to love in "greater" or "wider" ways, there is change and growth within. God's grace calls us to focus more on the good of others rather than our own desires and needs for love.

Sometimes love involves a faithful and faith-filled "letting go" of the one loved. Letting go is never easy. But faith in the perfect love of God, who knows the big picture, helps us to accept the good-yes of life with greater hope, confidence and love. Through prayer and faith in God's love, we can more peacefully face the pain of our goodbyes and forever place the love of others in the many chambers of our hearts.

Reflection and connection

What is the most difficult aspect for you in saying goodbye and letting go of someone dear to you? What prayers or Scripture passages comfort you and give you hope during these times?

Evangelization and action challenge

For interior renewal

Reflect on the goodbyes in your life. Look for the cherished memories of those relationships ... both good and bad ... and, in a spirit of gratitude, thank God for the gift of others and the personal blessings that have been given through that relationship.

Reaching out to others

Give those who are experiencing the "letting go" of another the opportunity to talk and share their sadness, anxiety and memories with you. Be a "soft shoulder" for them to cry upon until they can get back on their feet. Share a prayer or Scripture passage that might offer them hope and consolation.

Transforming society

We, as a society in general, fail to "let our souls catch up with us," and we often fail to get in touch with our hearts. During this time of vacations and transitions, give yourself and others the time to "catch up" with those whom you love.

Closing prayer

My God, I thank you. I thank you every moment of every day. I rejoice in you among your people. I praise you for the people I know and for the people I will come to know.

I thank you for those I will never know but whom you know in your abiding love. You are enduring compassion. Your faithful concern is never ending. Amen.

— "O Gracious One 150
Psalm-Inspired Prayers," by
Sydney Condray, Psalm 121.

Jubilee Pilgrim Cross

June 30- July 7	St. Michael the Archangel	Waterloo
July 7-14	St. Anthony of Padua	Angola
July 14-21	St. Paul Chapel	Angola
July 21-28	St. Mary of the Angels	Angola
July 28-Aug. 4	St. Joseph	Lagrange

PILGRIM CROSS JOURNEYS TO KENDALLVILLE



PROVIDED BY IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH, KENDALLVILLE

The traveling Jubilee Pilgrim Cross, after its stop at St. Mary Parish, Avilla, arrives via St. Mary parishioners and is presented to Immaculate Conception Parish, Kendallville on June 9. After the arrival, Immaculate Conception parishioners held a procession through the neighborhood to the church.

EDITORIAL

Patriotism for citizens of two worlds

As our nation prepares to celebrate our independence this weekend, we can look back and thank God for the many blessings bestowed on our nation.

Our nation is dedicated to the care and guidance of the Immaculate Conception. Our own Bishop John F. Noll, founder of this newspaper, actively sought funds to build the basilica in Our Lady's honor in Washington, D.C.

It is right that we ask Our Lady to protect our country from everything from wars to social concerns. "We pray for the church, our true mother on earth. And beg you to watch o'er the land of our birth," we sing in the "Immaculate Mary."

Patriotism, a love for one's nation, is a beautiful quality. When it works hand-in-hand with our Catholic faith — which challenges us to show preferential for the poor, to stand up for justice, protection of the dignity of every human life, to be the hands and feet of Jesus — then patriotism combined with our faith can produce a positive good.

Of course, there are numerous ways in which American society clashes with the Catholic faith. The church's positions on abortion, embryonic stem-cell research, same-sex marriage, family, pornography, the death penalty — just to name a few — often stand in opposition with the values, or lack of values, that have become entrenched in the mindset of American society. In these instances, the church stands as a beacon to preserve the dignity of American life.

In other areas, one example being the Iraq war, the church's stance comes under fire by American Catholics themselves. Although the Vatican and the U.S. bishops said the Iraq war did not meet the criteria of a just war, other notable Catholic commentators, George Weigel for one, have expressed the view that the war is indeed justified.

Pope Pius XI, writing at a time when national socialism was thriving in Germany and fascism in Italy, distinguished between patriotism and nationalism — by which we think he meant jingoism. A feeling of devotion and love for one's country is a good thing, but as Christians we must remember that the bonds established by our baptism are in fact even stronger than any tie of nation, race, ethnicity, etc.

Alliance to our faith, in other words, is more important than allegiance to our nation. Our faith prepares us for eternity. Patriotism is imminent in the present.

Even the decorations, especially those that have strong symbolism such as the American flag, are carefully scrutinized in the liturgy.

"Built of Living Stones," the U.S. bishops' document on environment, does not specifically mention the use of the American flag in the sanctuary of a church. But the document cautions, "Decorations are intended to draw people to the true nature of the mystery being celebrated rather than being ends in themselves." That is why many parishes, still desiring to honor God for the blessings he has bestowed on the nation, display the flag in church, but appropriately outside of the sanctuary allowing the focus in the sanctuary on the sacrifice of the Mass and the universality of the church.

The amazing gift of our Catholicism, is that anywhere where we go in the world, the Mass is the same. That means that Mass celebrated in Iraq, Iran, Korea or Cuba is the same Jesus that we celebrate in America. As Catholics, we are united through Jesus.

During times of war, such as the war on terrorism, there may be an inclination for our nation to retrench — to close the gaps in the immigration policy, to treat the enemy withgarding dignity of their person. At these times, we must rely on the teachings of our church to look beyond our nationalistic views and see these people as God wishes us to see them.

Back at home, we must also bear in mind the more subtle value shifts in which the ideals of our country differ from those of the church. For instance, America has long espoused rugged individualism, the "American dream" in which a person goes out and makes a fortune, a perfect life for himself or herself. This is a beautiful concept, and the freedom that underscores it is one of the qualities that makes America a great land of opportunity. But one must be careful not to take this a step farther and assign a "cream rises to the top" value to rugged individualism, that is, a value system in which one believes that those with money and means have earned it and that the poor are lazy and do not deserve assistance. The church teaches that everyone is a member of the human community, worthy of dignity, respect and the assistance of those around him or her in times of difficulty. We are here to help save one another, not leave each other in the capitalist dust.

Indeed, we are fortunate; we live in a country where people risk life and limb to partake of our dreams. We don't see that happening in other parts of the world. America is indeed blessed. But America must never forget who imparts these graces on our land. It is God who we owe our highest allegiance and devotion, and as citizens of this great nation, we must use our gifts and resources as true stewards of the Lord.

Today's Catholic editorial board consists of Bishop John M. D'Arcy, Ann Carey, Don Clemmer, Father Mark Gurtner, Father Michael Heintz, Tim Johnson, Vince LaBarbera and Msgr. J. William Lester.

COMMENTARY

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Garrett parishioners thank Father Thom Lombardi

At least eight years ago we received word that we were getting a new priest, Father Thom Lombardi, an Italian name. He brought his mom, Dorothy, and their three cocker spaniels, Pepper, Moose and Bruno.

Living in town was quite a change for the Lombardis, with a fenced-in front yard that became an ideal running area for the dogs. His prior parish had a spacious, open country area for their dogs. The Lombardis raised cocker spaniels. Moose went wherever Father Thom did, until his passing. He was the oldest spaniel.

Father Thom believed in the growth of our parish and our school, the only Catholic school in DeKalb County. He especially cared about religious education. He understood the needs of teachers, the principal and the parents as well. There was a staff meeting weekly.

Renovation of our church was a huge, beautiful success. With professionals this renovation was completed. A Mass of the dedication of the church's renovation is celebrated every year.

Father Thom's homilies are wonderful. He is gifted with words — our Lord's. He studies and prepares for his homilies very well and leaves a lasting impression.

Successful ideas of Father Thom's — St. Joseph Table, encouraged mom's group, men's group, St. Joseph novena every Wednesday morning after 9 a.m. Mass. We have an altar shrine of St. Joseph with a box available to place special intentions. A St. Joseph statue is given to a scheduled family to take home for nine days.

His dream of a mission for the poor — St. Martin's Center, which includes a clothes closet, soup kitchen and St. Martin's Health Care Clinic. These are all supported by donations and grants for the operation of the clinic. Volunteers work these areas.

Father Thom's mom's passing was a sad, difficult time. He gave such a wonderful choice of words at the funeral. Dorothy was a unique lady.

Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, on the north side of the old Sacred Heart Hospital, now apartments, was beautifully, successfully renovated by volunteers with their own expertise in masonry, construction and gardening. Every Saturday we go over to the grotto to pray the rosary. With Father Thom's leadership, during a clean up of the 39,000-square-foot building, that was the old hospital, we gained ownership of the grotto and garden.

Another accomplishment of Father Thom's is the adoration chapel, library and conference area in the St. Martin's Center. A modular office donated to the parish turned into a worthwhile project for our community and surrounding areas.

Whenever he felt a dream or idea, he formed a committee, prayed about it and it became successful and beneficial to our parish.

Father Thom will be sorely missed; his Masses, greetings, concerns, homilies and general friendship.

Father Thom, you are welcome back to St. Joseph always. A visit is welcomed. We wish you the best in thought and prayer.

David Lee and Mary Rose Kimmel Garrett

Thanks from the Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States

Dear Bishop D'Arcy,

Listed below are the summary totals of the generosity of your faithful in support of the mission ad genres for the year ending December 2005. As I share this information with you, I offer my profound thanks and the appreciation of millions of people around the world for this vitally needed assistance.

The donations for 2005 from your diocesan family include: \$56,207 for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, \$145 for the Society of St. Peter Apostle and \$2,708 for the Holy Childhood Association.

Despite the dramatic and tragic events of disasters in our own Gulf Region and abroad, Catholics in this country distinguished themselves

again as the most generous mission supporting people in the world.

With the realization that tsunamis, hurricanes, wars and other disasters are an everyday reality in the mission world, they renewed their commitment to respond generously to the universal mission needs of the church.

I am grateful to you for your personal leadership in teaching your faithful that the church is always larger than our own local church and that we benefit greatly through our mission animation, prayers and offerings. I am also thankful that you have appointed a mission director who can work in collaboration with our national office in supporting the missionary efforts of the church around the world.

We have just received our new statutes for the Pontifical Mission Societies. A copy of these statutes, approved by the Holy Father, will soon be sent to you for your review and through which you can give support to your local mission director.

Thanking you for your support of the mission ad genres and asking God to bless you in your many responsibilities as shepherd to your flock, I remain

Gratefully in our Lord,
Msgr. John E. Kozar
National Director
Pontifical Mission Societies in the
United States



The firm foundation on which Jesus will build his church

Question: How do we know that Jesus wanted a pope to head the church?, S. N., South Bend

Jesus himself made St. Peter the apostle the head of his church. Jesus promised to do this at Caesarea Philippi in Palestine when he told Peter "You are rock and on this rock I will build my church, and the jaws of death shall not prevail against it. I will entrust to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you declare bound on earth shall be bound in heaven; whatever you declare loosed on earth shall be loosed in heaven." The "rock" refers to the firm foundation on which Jesus will build his church. Peter becomes the keeper of the keys, the one with the power to allow and to forbid.

The New American Bible says that Peter's responsibility with the keys is compared to the disciplinary and doctrinal authority of the Jewish rabbis who in Jesus' time interpreted the Old Testament for the faith and life of

the people. The exact nature of the extraordinary power here conferred became clear through the historical development of the Christian community in terms of the primacy of Peter, namely his supreme authority in teaching, governing and sanctifying the people of God.

After his resurrection, Jesus appeared to the apostles and asked Peter three times if he loved Jesus. Peter said three times that he did love Jesus. This may be a way of Peter making up for his threefold denial that he knew Jesus during the passion. Jesus then tells Peter three times to feed his sheep. The First Vatican Council (1870) cites this episode in defining that the risen Jesus gave Peter the jurisdiction of supreme shepherd and ruler over the whole flock, the church.

The leadership of Peter is shown in the fact that his name is at the head of the list of apostles. Along with James the Greater and John, Peter shared a special closeness with Jesus, as in the case of only these three witness-

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ing the transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor. At Caesarea Philippi when Jesus asked the apostles "Who do men say that I am?," Peter spoke up: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." The threefold denial of Christ by Peter during the passion was given special prominence in the preaching of the apostles. Peter is shown at the head of the early church in the Acts of the Apostles in the New Testament.

The historian Karl Baus says: "Among those holding the office of apostle, Peter displayed an activity, which shows that he, in this turn, occupied a leading place among the Twelve, which could have been given him only

by a higher authority. ... Even though James, as local leader of the Jerusalem congregation, presided at the Council of the Apostles, Paul clearly gives us to understand that Peter's attitude was the deciding factor in the dispute as to whether the Gentile Christians were subject to the Mosaic Law or not."

The First Vatican Council explains the rationale for Jesus placing Peter at the head of the church. "Jesus placed St. Peter at the head of the other apostles that the episcopate might be one and undivided, and that the whole multitude of believers might be preserved in unity of faith and communion by means of a well-organized priesthood."

The new Catechism of the Catholic Church adds that the pope is the perpetual and visible source and foundation of the unity both of the bishops and of the whole company of the faithful. The pope has full, supreme and universal power over the whole church, a power which he can always exercise unhindered.

The word "pope" simply comes from the Greek "papas" and the Latin "papa" meaning "father." In the early Western church, the word "pope" was used for any bishop, and in the Eastern church it was confined to the bishop of Alexandria in Egypt. Then, in 1073, Pope Gregory VII, in a council at Rome, formally prohibited its use by any other bishop than the bishop of Rome.

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The Boston College follies

Boston College's president, Father William Leahy, SJ, is a man of no small dreams, having publicly declared his intention of leading B.C. to the position of world's premier Catholic university. (I'm still trying to figure out what B.C. is doing in my beloved Atlantic Coast Conference, but that's perhaps another matter.) One has to admire Father Leahy's sense of purpose, which less charitable souls might even call chutzpah. Recent goings-on at B.C. suggest, however, that the university is more likely to become a Catholic imitation of politically-correct Harvard than the greatest Catholic institution of higher education on planet earth.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was invited to deliver this past May's B.C. commencement address and to receive an honorary degree. Many B.C. students were thrilled; they admired her, and getting Dr. Rice to their commencement trumped that other Boston-area university, the one in Cambridge. But Father Kenneth Himes, OFM, the theology department chairman, and Father David Hollenbach, SJ, who holds the Flatley Chair in Father Himes' department, were not thrilled. To the contrary, they were very unhappy campers, and organized a petition, signed by some-200 other B.C. folk, which strongly objected to Rice's honorary degree. Why? Because, they claimed, an article she had written in Foreign Affairs had argued a view of the role of national interest in U.S. foreign policy that was incompatible with the teaching of the Catholic Church. And because Dr. Rice had, in office, committed grave errors of "practical moral judgment" — meaning her role as national security advisor in the decision to go to war in Iraq.

As Father Paul McNellis,

another Boston College Jesuit, usefully pointed out, Himes and Hollenbach misrepresented both Rice's concept of national interest and its place in the formulation of foreign policy, and the church's settled moral teaching on international public life. As for Iraq, Himes and Hollenbach were playing politics in the guise of moral theology. For Fathers Himes and Hollenbach seemed to assume, as self-evidently true, that the U.S.-led action in Iraq did not meet the standards set by the just war tradition. But that is not self-evidently true at all, as I tried to demonstrate in the April issue of *First Things* (www.firstthings.com). Serious just war analysts could and did have different prudential judgments about what should be done, in early 2003, about a genocidal maniac who, defying a dozen U.N. resolutions, was about to break out of "the box" of international sanctions and resume his quest for regional hegemony and weapons of mass destruction, and his support for international terrorism. But to assert, as a moral given, that the action undertaken by the U.S.-led coalition in Iraq was unjustified and indeed unjustifiable is, as Father McNellis put it, a "political disagreement masquerading as a moral and theological dispute."

That, alas, is par for the course in today's American Catholic theological guild, in which Fathers Himes and Hollenbach are prominent members. Another member of the guild, Father Drew Christiansen, SJ (now editor of *America*), has gone so far as to propose revising the Catechism of the Catholic Church to establish, not a parallel magisterium of theologians, but a shadow government of theologians who would determine when the criteria for the morally justifiable use of armed force has been



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met. No small ambitions there, either.

I certainly don't wish to suggest that Father Leahy's hopes for Boston College are misplaced or untoward. Still, the B.C. commencement follies came in the wake of some other — shall we say — peculiarities in Golden Eagle-land. Another member of the B.C. theology department, Father John Paris, SJ, publicly supported the campaign to euthanize Terry Schiavo. B.C. has also been home to efforts by prominent and wealthy Catholic laymen to reinvent Catholicism as Catholic Congregationalism, under the rubric of improved management practices.

There are great teachers and great students at Boston College. Unless Father Leahy gets his faculty to understand that the '60s are over, however, his honorable ambitions are going to be, and should be, frustrated.

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SCRIPTURE SEARCH

By Patricia Kasten

Gospel for July 2, 2006

Mark 5:21-33

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B: the healing of two daughters of God. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

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more complicated than that.

Cardinal Lopez Trujillo has a history of issuing documents that are deliberately downplayed by the Vatican press office. And while the Colombian cardinal inevitably makes headlines, there are many inside the Vatican who would not want him to be seen as a spokesman for this pontificate.

Interestingly, the cardinal's latest document was handed out unannounced to reporters, without a press conference. And then the text simply disappeared from view. Ten days later, it still hadn't been

released on any of the Vatican's Web pages, including the council's, and it wasn't printed or even referred to in the Vatican newspaper.

The document was dedicated to Pope Benedict. But there was no indication that the text had been approved or even seen by the pope prior to publication.

The pope would probably have found little to disagree with in the text; occasionally in his first 14 months as pontiff he has spoken about these same issues. But he has presented his teachings about marriage, sexuality and the family in the context of a wider discussion about key relationships — between God and humans, the body and the spirit, and freedom and fidelity.

Sports

KNIGHTS AND MASONS RENEW FRIENDLY RIVALRY Golf enthusiasts from the Knights of Columbus and Scottish Rite Masons in South Bend will renew their friendly rivalry for the 58th year on July 12 at the Four Lakes Country Club in Adamsville, Mich. Following the golf outing, golfers will assemble for an outdoor steak dinner at the clubhouse. Reservation may be made through the following committee members: Tom Mellander at (574) 291-5996; Orville Thornberg at (574) 291-7233 or Kevin Large at (574) 850-4001. — EJD

Activities celebrate the heart of champions

BY JOE KOZINSKI

SOUTH BEND — In the Olympics, the long jump is measured by meters against the other competitors. During Heart of Champions Day at Saint Joseph's High School on June 24, the participants' efforts were calculated by a higher standard, cheers and positive encouragement. Approximately 60 athletes from The University of Notre Dame and Saint Joseph's High School worked together to provide a community service venue for local Special Olympians in events ranging from track and volleyball to a water balloon toss.

"The event was hosted by the Life Athlete's Club at Saint Joseph's High School," explained Chris Godfrey, former professional football player, president of Life Athletes and Saint Joseph's High School board president. "Life Athletes is a national organization that stresses living life with virtue, abstinence and respect for life."

"The Life Athletes Club is relatively new to Saint Joseph's High School," remarked Godfrey. "Bishop (John M.) D'Arcy introduced me to a group and said some really good things about what our organization has done

around the country, and it occurred to me that I hadn't taken the time to do anything locally within our own community."

The service commitment doesn't fall far in the Godfrey family tree. Mary Grace Godfrey, Saint Joseph's High School Class of 2006, was the inspiration and idea person surrounding the event.

"I have worked with many of these athletes in the Special Olympics in swimming and have truly enjoyed it," commented Mary Grace. "I have been so happy with the amount of volunteers that have come out for this event, especially in the summer."

"My dad did the organizing, and I pitched in with a lot of the dirty work," commented Mary Grace. "If you look into the eyes of some of the athletes, you can definitely see that it is worth it." The participants were not the only people receiving the feeling of accomplishment during the day's festivities.

"I'm normally out here running cross country," explained Phil Langthorne, Saint Joseph's junior. "It's not just one thing that makes me feel good about this event, it's all of the things that you can see with the interpersonal relationships between the athletes and volunteers."



JOE KOZINSKI

Carissa Jaquish, a Notre Dame Softball player, left, poses with Heart of Champions Day participant Molly Schmitt, right. The event was hosted by the Life Athlete's Club at Saint Joseph's High School. Approximately 60 athletes from The University of Notre Dame and Saint Joseph's High School worked together to provide a community service venue for local Special Olympians.

"It is definitely an opportunity for our Saint Joseph's students to see how blessed that they are and not to take life for granted," explained Eric Gohlke, athletic director. "It also lets our kids see the innocence and joy that is brought about by the simplest things in life."

"This is a nice mix of fellowship with community service," said Dana Godfrey, Chris's wife and Mary Grace's mother. "All of the kids are enjoying this event."

The day went off without a hitch. The event featured a fantastic turnout, great weather and maybe a little overzealousness with the water balloons, but one message that was emphasized again and again.

"We are a fellowship of the heart not of talent," exclaimed Godfrey. "We all share the same heart, which is really the most important thing. We set our standards high, and then make the sacrifices necessary to achieve them."

ST. JOSEPH-ST. ELIZABETH GIRLS TAKE SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP GAME



PROVIDED BY ST. JOSEPH-ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON SCHOOL

St. Joseph-St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's seventh and eighth grade girls took the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) soccer championship game, a first for the girls team. In the photo, from left, are the following: first row, Kailyn Baumgartner, Kaitlyn Krudop, Gia Casaburo; second row, Kate Potchka, Jennifer Downey, Colleen Quigley, Katie Nolan, Ally Stonebraker, Jenny Spatt; and third row, coach John Connolly, Alexis Baker, Kim Kleber, Emily Krach, Gabby Denning, Abbie Christian, Lauren Gabrek, Anna Thelen, coach Bob Christian and coach Dan Quigley.

ST. JOSEPH-ST. ELIZABETH BOYS TAKE CYO SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP



PROVIDED BY JENNY ANDORFER

The seventh and eighth grade team of St. Joseph-St. Elizabeth Ann Seton beat St. Vincent in the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO), 3-2, in the championship soccer game. The St. Joseph-St. Elizabeth team includes Kris Andorfer, Edward Arroyo, Andy Brennan, Carl Deiser, Shawn Doyle, Alex Fletcher, Drew Hentz, Bryce Hill, Adam Huth, Christopher Johnson, Ross Jordon, Patrick Krach, Matt Malloy, Wil Mannes, David Nolan, Ethan Rector, Dan Rodenbeck, Nick Schenkel, Sam Stauffer, Austin Stonebraker, Mike Streicher and Dan Vandegriff. The coaches are Jim Huth, Pete Mannes and John Streicher.

Puma Volleyball day camp offered for girls in grades 3-8

RENSELAER — St. Joseph College (SJC) volleyball coaches and members of the women's volleyball team will help improve and teach new skills to interested female campers from grades 3-8 in the Puma Volleyball Day Camp on July 26-28. The camp, which runs from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. CST each day, features three three-hour sessions for skill instruction, practice and competition. Sessions will focus on ball-handling, service, passing, footwork and hitting skills, and participants will receive small-group instruction and training.

The camp fee is \$45, which includes a t-shirt, skill instruction and competition.

To register, mail the child's name, address, age, grade (entering fall 2006) and adult t-shirt size (S, M, L, XL) to St. Joseph's College, Puma Volleyball Day Camp, P.O. Box 875, Rensselaer, IN 47978. A \$20 deposit must accompany the registration. Checks may be made payable to St. Joseph's College.

For more information, call Jill Schopieray, SJC head volleyball coach, at (219) 866-6334 or e-mail jills@saintjoe.edu.

Books tell of Founders' fight for religious freedom, beliefs

BY BEN GRUVER

WASHINGTON (CNS) — This Fourth of July, Americans not only can celebrate their independence but also their religious liberty, thanks to our Founding Fathers.

"The Founders on Religion: A Book of Quotations" and "Washington's God" both illustrate the truth about the Founders' faiths and religious beliefs.

James Hutson, chief of the manuscript division at the Library of Congress, is the editor of "The Founders on Religion."

He spoke at a luncheon on Capitol Hill at the Rayburn House Office Building June 13.

Hutson said many books of quotations only mention one or two things about the Founders' religion and try too hard to make a case for what they believed by using anecdotes that are false, which he said damages the credibility of what is true.

"The Founders on Religion" is a byproduct of a 1998 exhibition at the Library of Congress: "Religion and the Founding of the American Republic," which Hutson put together.

In it, he showed that the Founding Fathers were Christian and that religion was indispensable to the nation's institutions.

"(The Founding Fathers) were idiosyncratic," Hutson said in his talk.

For instance, he said, John Adams was a Unitarian and George Washington was an Episcopalian who believed in providence — the guiding power of an invisible hand. Washington was also a Mason, as were many Christians in his day.

Hutson searched for figures who represented religious views of people at the time. Seventeen people are quoted in the book.

In addition to the Founding Fathers, Hutson quoted some lesser known figures, such as John Dickinson, who was president of Delaware in 1781 and Pennsylvania

in 1782, and Benjamin Rush, one of the most influential physicians and social reformers of the Revolutionary period.

Some of them had opinions about Catholicism.

"I have long been decided in opinion that a free government and the Roman Catholic religion can never exist together in any nation or country," Adams said to Thomas Jefferson as quoted in Hutson's book.

In "Washington's God," co-authors Michael Novak and his daughter, Jana, both Catholics, examine the way Washington spoke of God and providence. They also debunked the myth that Washington was a deist. Deists reject revelation or authority as sources of belief, believing in God purely on rational grounds.

"A deist," Novak said, "is someone who believes, 'Well, God may have created the world but he doesn't really take sides. He really doesn't interfere in individual lives. He starts the world and lets it go.'"

Washington respected all religions and didn't criticize anyone because of what they believed, according to Novak's book.

When Washington asked Maryland politician Charles Carroll what Catholics hoped to gain from their newfound freedom, Carroll responded that Catholics wanted to be free from religious tests for public office, Novak said in an interview with Catholic News Service June 16.

Carroll was the only Catholic to sign the Declaration of Independence and worked to win political and civil rights for American Catholics.

Novak said an example that illustrates Washington wasn't a deist comes from when he was general of the Continental Army — he encouraged his men to pray for the assistance of divine providence in their duties.

Belief in providence helps one understand his or her success is owed in part to God, "and it tempers the bitterness of defeat," said Novak, who holds the George

Frederick Chair in Religion, Philosophy and Public Policy at the American Enterprise Institute.

"This is significant," Novak said. He also noted that such terms as "under God," which was added to the Pledge of Allegiance in 1954, really "begin with Washington."

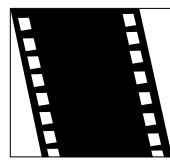
Abraham Lincoln, who was a student of Washington, used "under God" in the Gettysburg Address.

"The phrase 'under God' ties us to ... early historical moments," Novak said. "And it's main point is there're limitations on government."

The great Christian preachers were in favor of independence, Novak said. People didn't need to be intimidated by each other because they all had the same rights by the same God, he said.

"That's why Washington insisted on public prayer — to keep people faithful to that and behaving in light of that," Novak said. "They're asking God's favor — they better behave like God's people."

"As we face the court threats against 'In God we trust' and 'under God,' it's important to go back (and study) Thomas Jefferson and Washington and James Madison," Novak said. "It's a violation of American history not to see ... the great role that religion played in giving people courage and direction in fighting for liberty."



MOVIE CAPSULES

NEW YORK (CNS) — Following are recent capsule reviews issued by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Office for Film and Broadcasting.

"A Prairie Home Companion" (Picturehouse)

Leisurely paced, virtually plotless fictional riff on radio raconteur Garrison Keillor's long-running series as Keillor (playing himself) presents his "final" show, with top-liners including singing sisters (Meryl Streep and Lily Tomlin) and cowboy (Woody Harrelson and John C. Reilly) acts, while 1940s sleuth Guy Noir (Kevin Kline), a mysterious femme fatale (Virginia Madsen) and a shadowy figure (Tommy Lee Jones) weave throughout the action. Fans of Altman will appreciate the trademark multicharacter canvas, and naturalistic setups (with lots of overlapping dialogue), used to mourn the passing of a gentler age. The country-styled tunes are a highlight. Some brief crude humor, mild irreverence, some innuendo and risqué song lyrics, and an instance of profanity. The USCCB Office for Film & Broadcasting classification is A-III — adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is PG-13.

"Cars" (Disney)

Delightful computer-animated movie set in a world of anthropomorphic autos about a cocky race-car (voiced by Owen Wilson) which, while en route cross-country to compete in a prestigious championship, is unexpectedly detained in a neglected desert town, where his growing friendship with the town's four-wheeled residents (voiced by Paul Newman, Bonnie Hunt and Larry the Cable Guy, among others) effects a change of heart regarding fame in the fast lane. Co-directed by John Lasseter and Joe Ranft, the film has a full tank of humor and emotions — not to mention bar-raising visuals — while its solid storytelling imparts a charming message about taking the time to appreciate what really matters in life. The USCCB Office for Film & Broadcasting classification is A-I — general patronage. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is G.

"The Hidden Blade" (Tartan)

Terrific 19th-century Japanese drama about an honorable samurai (Masatoshi Nagase) who is asked to hunt down and kill his friend (Yukiyoshi Ozawa) who has turned renegade, with a romantic subplot involving a former family domestic (Takako Matsu) whom the samurai rescues from an abusive family and takes into his home, but for whom he cannot declare his feelings. The USCCB Office for Film & Broadcasting classification is A-III — adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is R.

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MISC. HAPPENINGS

Living history day to celebrate St. Patrick anniversary

Walkerton — A living history day will celebrate 150 years of St. Patrick Parish at the Freedom Fest at Hester's Farm, 71880 SR 23 on July 1-4.

St. Hedwig plans parish festival

South Bend — The St. Hedwig Parish festival will be Sunday, July 2, beginning with Mass at 11 a.m. Polish wedding food, cash bar, games, raffles and music by Soundstations will be held in the air conditioned Memorial Center until 5 p.m.

Our Lady of Hungary Parish Festival

South Bend — The Our Lady of Hungary Parish Festival will be held on Saturday, July 15, from 4 to 10 p.m. with entertainment by the Jim Deka Trio. Food includes Hungarian Langalo, Kolach, cabbage and noodles, goulash, sausage, hotdogs and beer. A bake sale, tips, raffles, kid's games, dancing and music. The

parish is located at 829 W. Calvert St. (Corner of West Calvert and South Chapin).

Knights plan fish fry

Fort Wayne — The Knights of Columbus Council 451, 601 Reed Rd., will have a fish fry on Friday, July 7, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 12 and under. Fish, two sides and beverage are included.

Knights plan fish fry

South Bend — The Knights of Columbus Council 5521, 61533 S. Ironwood Dr., will have a spaghetti dinner on Friday, July 7, from 5 to 7 p.m. Adults \$7, children (5-12) \$3. Chicken strips for \$7 and shrimp for \$8 will be available.

Rummage sale

Bristol — St. Mary of the Annunciation, 411 W. Vistula St., will have a rummage sale Friday and Saturday, July 7-8, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Annunciation Hall.

Blood drive at St. Joseph

Roanoke — St. Joseph Church, 641 N. Main St., will have a blood drive from 2 to 7 p.m. All donors will receive a t-shirt. Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE to schedule an appointment.

First Sunday rosary for families

Fort Wayne — The first Sunday rosary for families will be at MacDougal Chapel on Sunday, July 2, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Father Christy from St. Vincent de Paul will be attending.

Center for Hospice Invites Volunteers to Serve

Plymouth — The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc. will have volunteer training at 112 South Center St., July 17, 19 and 20 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Training will focus on the hospice philosophy, communication skills, spirituality, family dynamics, patient care, bereavement, and more. Volunteers will assist patients and families with respite, transportation, laundry, errands, companionship, or bereavement. Scheduling for volunteers is flexible. For informa-

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Michael J. Biggins, 47, Most Precious Blood

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Hampton J. Whitmore, 85, St. Therese

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James E. Patnoudé, 81, Sacred Heart of Jesus

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New Haven

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Sister M. Ellarita Sullivan, CSC, 92, Our Lady of Loretto

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Francisca O. Vela, 72, St. Michael

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Msgr. William Martin dies at 76

Msgr. William Martin, a retired priest of the Diocese of Gary, died June 5 at 76. William Martin was born Aug. 10, 1929 in Fort Wayne and raised on the east side of town.

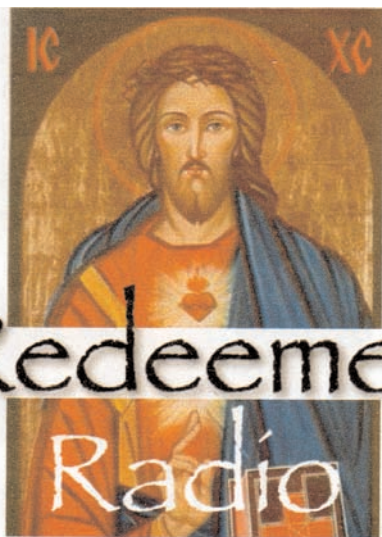
His parents were William F. Martin and Lucille C. Kinti. William was the oldest of six children: Barbara, James, who died in 1957, Darlene, Donna and Richard. He studied for the priesthood at Sacred Heart Seminary, Our Lady of the Lake Seminary and St. Meinrad's and was ordained in Fort Wayne at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on May 26, 1956. The following year, the Diocese of Gary split off of the Diocese of Fort Wayne, and Father Martin would spend the rest of his career as a priest of the Diocese of Gary. He served as associate pastor at St. Peter in Laporte 1956-59. Early assignments as pastor took him to the inner city, serving at St. Luke, St. Monica and later at Ss. Monica and Luke, all in Gary, for 26 years. His final pastorate was at The Holy Name of Jesus Parish Community from 1985 until his retirement in 1999.

On May 28, 2006 Msgr. Martin celebrated his 50th anniversary of ordination at Queen of All Saints Church in Michigan City with his fellow priests and hundreds of friends.

He is survived by sisters Barbara (Bob) Garrett, Darlene (Jim) Stapleton, Donna (Dave) Hawthorne and brother Dick (Rosie) Martin as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

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FLAG DISPOSAL CEREMONY HOSTED BY KNIGHTS



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Members of the Anthony Wayne Assembly Honor Guard conducted a flag disposal ceremony on June 14 at Council 451 Knights of Columbus in Fort Wayne. This annual ceremony provided the dignified disposal of the American flag.

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON HOUSE DEDICATED



DON CLEMMER

Father Bob Schulte reads from Scripture at the dedication of a house adjacent to the Vincent House property in Fort Wayne while Ann Helmke, left, executive director of Vincent House and others listen. This house was sponsored by parishioners of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton to honor Father Schulte, their former pastor, by providing a home for a family in need.

Catholics can get indulgence for praying for families in early July

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — To encourage Catholics to attend the Fifth World Meeting of Families in Valencia, Spain, and to recite prayers with their families, Pope Benedict XVI is offering a special spiritual gift, the Vatican said.

"The gift of a plenary indulgence" will be given to those who participate in the July 1-9 meeting in Spain or who gather their own

families together in early July to pray for families, the Vatican announced June 27.

An indulgence is a remission of the temporal punishment deserved for sins.

In order to receive the indulgence, Catholics must attend the meeting in Spain, go to confession, receive the Eucharist and offer prayers for the intentions of the pope.

If they cannot go to Spain, the decree said, "they will obtain the same plenary indulgence under the same conditions," but rather than

going to the meeting they are to "recite as a family the Our Father, the creed and other devoted prayers" asking God to strengthen their families.

Both those in Spain and those remaining at home are to promise to "dedicate themselves generously to conforming their families ... to the holy rule of the Gospel," said the decree, which was signed by U.S. Cardinal J. Francis Stafford, head of the Apostolic Penitentiary, a Vatican court responsible for regulations governing indulgences.

Fifth annual Magee 3 Triathlon set July 22

BY IDA CHIPMAN

PLYMOUTH — On July 23, the third weekend of the month in 2000, tragedy struck the lives of Krysta and Mike Magee.

The young couple, both Plymouth High school graduates, had married in 1998.

Krysta was seven months pregnant with their first child.

She was driving a Jeep Cherokee with three passengers: her sister-in-law, Melanie Davis of Lafayette, and her two children, Michaela, 5, and Elaine, 3, when, at the Pear Road crossing near Culver, she struck a Norfolk and Southern train, causing the Jeep to spin.

"Everyone was wearing a seat belt," she said. Nevertheless, the backs of the two front seats broke and the two young women in the front were thrown out of the car over the top of the youngsters in the back seat.

The Plymouth Emergency Medical Service arrived in short order. Melanie and her children were airlifted to Fort Wayne's Parkview Hospital and Krysta was initially transported to Saint Joseph Medical Center, Plymouth.

Krysta was quickly transported to Memorial Hospital in South Bend.

During the ambulance trip she felt a very sharp pain in her lower back, an indication that something was terribly wrong.

Ultrasounds at the hospital diagnosed her condition as a placenta abrupta.

It confirmed the fear that Michael Noel Magee had died in his mother's womb as a result of the trauma suffered just hours earlier.

"Noel is the reason that, on the third weekend in July, since 2002,

we hold the Magee 3 Triathlon," Krysta said.

"It is nice to be with our family and friends on that day. It helps us realize what is really important in life."

Money raised at the event — nearly \$6,000 so far — is donated to the Marshall County Dive Team and the Plymouth Emergency Medical Service.

"We wanted to do something to thank them," she said.

The first Magee 3 Triathlon drew 30 participants. The fourth saw 70 people compete. Mike expects more this year.

"It's a lot of fun," Krysta said.

People can enter as individuals or teams. The unofficial course is a 440 yard swim, a 10 mile bike ride and a 3.5 mile run. The race starts at 8 a.m. on Saturday, July 22. Registration at 7 a.m.

This year, Team Lafayette has challenged Team Plymouth. The Lafayette group has Eric and Melanie Davis and brother, Kyle Davis while the Plymouth Team is made up of Mike and Krysta and David Fortin.

"I'm a little bit worried," Krysta said. "I haven't trained at all and Melanie does the San Francisco to Alcatraz Triathlon in addition to several others."

"We may be outmatched."

Marc Laudeman of Bremen has captured the title and the trophy in the individual men's race all four years. Last year he finished a full minute ahead of the pack with a time of one hour and three minutes.

The food will be supplied by Opie's Deli, the new eatery in town, operated by Krysta's brother, Nate. Dr. John Hill, superintendent of Plymouth schools, is the official time keeper.

"We're not sanctioned or anything," Krysta said, "but we have a great time."

COMMUNITY LEADERS DONATE BLOOD



MARK WEBER

Bishop John M. D'Arcy joined other Christian and Jewish clergy to donate blood at the American Red Cross Headquarters in Fort Wayne on June 27. With Bishop D'Arcy are Dr. Peter Scaer, professor, Concordia Theological Seminary, left, and Bishop Daniel May, president, Indiana District Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Joining them were David Bussell, President, Congregation B'nai Jacob Conservative and Rabbi Jonathan Katz, Congregation Acduth Vesholom Jewish Temple. Their combined appointment to donate blood was part of an effort to emphasize the need for donors from all faiths.