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Cardinals say immigration at 'dark moment' in US but call for hope



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Luz Ostrognai of Fort Wayne attends the July 28 opening Mass at the 2008 National Migration Conference in Washington. More than 600 people were expected at the conference addressing a number of current topics related to immigration, pastoral care, refugee resettlement and human trafficking. Ostrognai works in immigration services for Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend.

BY PATRICIA ZAPOR

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Two Catholic cardinals called the current U.S. immigration situation “a terrible crisis” and “a dark moment in our nation’s history” in remarks they made July 28 at the opening Mass and plenary session of the 2008 National Migration Conference.

Both Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, retired archbishop of Washington, and Cardinal Roger M. Mahony of Los Angeles urged participants to hold on to hope in their work with immigrants for local and national church agencies.

The July 28-31 conference attended by more than 850 people was co-sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services.

Much of the agenda, built around the theme “Renewing Hope, Seeking Justice,” reflected the struggles faced by those who work with immigrants.

Workshops were scheduled on topics such as “How to respond to federal raids,” “Identifying and supporting survivors of traumatic events,” “A Catholic response to human trafficking” and “Parenting challenges from an African immigrant perspective.”

Another two dozen workshop sessions dealt with legal issues including “Filing waivers of inadmissibility” and “Immigration law and crimes”; strategies for fundraising; and getting out the church’s message on immigration.

Attending the conference from the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend was Luz Ostrognai who works with family-based immigration issues and services for Catholic Charities.

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Vatican approves English translations for parts of Mass

BY DENNIS SADOWSKI

WASHINGTON (CNS) — The Vatican has given its approval to a new English-language translation of the main constant parts of the Mass, but Catholics in the pew are unlikely to see any of the approved changes at Masses for awhile to allow for catechesis on the reasons for the revisions.

The approved text, sent to the Vatican for “recognitio,” or confirmation, after a June 2006 vote by the U.S. bishops in Los Angeles, involves translation of the penitential rite, Gloria, creed, eucharistic prayers, eucharistic acclamations, Our Father and other prayers and responses used daily.

But it is only the first of 12 units into which the third edition of the Roman Missal has been divided for translation purposes. It includes most of the texts used in every celebration of Mass including responses to the celebrant by people participating in a liturgy.

“In terms of the people’s part, it’s not going to require too much adjustment,”

Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli of Paterson, N.J., chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Committee on Divine Worship, told Catholic News Service July 25. “It’s a refinement of the language, a clearer theological language.”

“Not much of the people’s part is changed, and I think once or twice after they use it, they will hardly notice the change,” he said.

While the changes have been approved, Bishop Serratelli said it will be awhile before they become part of regular worship at Mass.

“I’m hoping for two years,” he said. “I’m an optimist.”

The lead time is needed to allow musicians to work with the text and to prepare music for various liturgical settings and seasons and to allow for the necessary catechesis explaining the reasons for the revisions to parishioners, the bishop explained.

The most significant changes approved by Rome include:

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BRAZILIAN DIVER PARISI PRACTICES IN BEIJING



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Hugo Parisi of Brazil dives from the 10-meter platform during a practice session Aug. 4 in Beijing. Pope Benedict sent best wishes to China and international athletes for a successful Olympic Games. The Olympics officially open Aug. 8 in Beijing.

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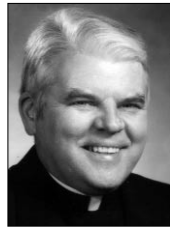
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Bishop D'Arcy pays tribute to two devoted priests



NEWS & NOTES

BISHOP JOHN M. D'ARCY

Our senior priest

Msgr. Bill Faber died while I was on vaca-
tion. I had visited him in the hospital after he
suffered a severe stroke, and it seemed cer-
tain that death was not far away. The death of
a priest calls for the presence of the bishop, if
it is at all possible. So I came back from
vacation overnight, and I had prepared for me
a folder with the beautiful letters that Msgr.
Faber had written to me over the years. I read
some of them at the end of Mass, after Father
Dave Carkenord, at the request of Msgr.
Faber, had presented a warm and beautiful
homily. Msgr. Bill Faber was 99 years of age,
our senior priest, and the founding pastor of
Queen of Angels. He dedicated himself to
Our Lady, as a young man, asking her to find
the right vocation for him. He found his way
to St. Joseph, Rensselaer, which was at that
time, a kind of college seminary where many
of our priests studied. He had a beautiful
sense of the priesthood, and his letters over
the years were very encouraging to me. Here
is just one of them:

Some abiding thoughts that arise as I seem to be
coming to the evening of my life.

The Scripture text in reference to our loving Lord
comes to mind: "He grew in wisdom and age."
There's no doubt as far as I am concerned that I
have grown in age, but obvious doubts prevail
about the wisdom. However there is one thought
surrounding my God — vocation to the priesthood
"in persona Christi" that grows overwhelmingly, it
seems, with every beat of the heart. It is the sense
of wonderment and awe that prevails at the conse-
cration of each eucharistic celebration, when, by the
tremendous power given by ordination, my repeti-
tion of Our Lord's divine words, Jesus is truly pres-
ent under those forms of bread and wine. Yes, that
awe does flourish and always, with it, a depth of
thankfulness that beggar's description.

Surely, in the human sense, no priest is worthy of
such a divine gift. And in reflection, always, is the
infinite love of the Sacred Heart for all humans so
completely evidenced in his sharing life and love
and truth all funneled especially into those closing
hours of banquet and cross. Truly the priestly life
has not been perfect, but with all honesty it has
been very happy, especially trying to carry out
shepherding wonderful people, with whose families
like every priest, I shared their births, growing
years, marriages, successes and failures, deaths.

And Mary, since you answered my prayers, after
graduation from high school, with the hint about
the priesthood, my deepest thanks!

Finally dear Lord, since I am aware of failures, and
that any success is due to Divine impetus, I'm
ready, I do hope, for any purging of faults by your
loving fire of Divine Love! — Msgr. William Faber

He was a priest for 72 years and celebrated
Mass daily, up until a few weeks of his death.
So now, Father Robert Traub has taken his
place. Father Bob also resides at Saint
Anne's, but still says the early Mass many
days at St. Jude's, Fort Wayne.

And looking to the future

Every summer, I make it a point to have a
personal visit with each seminarian. I find
these visits most encouraging. Our seminari-
ans are men of high caliber. I recall words I
had with Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger (now
Pope Benedict XVI), at my "ad limina" visit.
I think it was 1998, but it may have been
1993. At any rate, I said to him, we have
been careful in our discernment of vocations
and we have tried to do what God wants in
all areas of the diocese. Therefore, I believe
that in my final years here or perhaps indeed,
after my retirement, the good Lord will send
us an increase of quality young men for our
diocese in the future. He replied, "Of course.
That is salvation history. One man sows and
another reaps." Many of our seminarians are
working in parishes, and several helped on a
retreat for teenagers under our Office of
Youth Ministry and Cindy Black. Matt
Coonan is in Mexico, polishing his Spanish
and working in a parish there. Thankfully, we
now have five deacons, two to be ordained in
October, and three more scheduled for the
following year. Four of the five are fluent in
Spanish.

We will open the school year with 18
young men studying for the priesthood. Two
of these are scheduled to be ordained in
October. Three have just been accepted to the
seminary. Of the 18 studying for the priest-
hood, 11 are graduates of our four Catholic
high schools. Of these, six are graduates of
Bishop Dwenger, three — Saint Joseph's
High School, and two — Bishop Luers. St.
Vincent's Parish, Fort Wayne, has the largest
number in the seminary, with six. That
includes Ben Muhlenkamp, who claims a
relationship with both St. Vincent's and St.
Mary of the Presentation, Geneva. Holy
Family, South Bend, has the second largest
number of seminarians, with two. I am most
encouraged by my meetings with these
young men, and by the excellent reports from
their seminaries. As someone who spent
many years on the seminary faculty, I am
quite impressed with the two seminaries
where our students study. Please keep all of
them in your prayers, and pray that the Lord
continues to send us, every year, men of good
quality to serve as priests in our diocese.

A weekend for families

It was a joy to say the final Mass in a
weekend for a retreat presented to our
teenagers in Donaldson, Ind.; through the
guidance of our Office of Youth Ministry; our
director, Cindy Black; and her associate,
Megan Oberhausen. How wonderful to see
our seminarians working there, and our
priests coming from all over the diocese to
give talks. "We have great priests," said Ryan
Briscoe, a seminarian who helped on the
retreat, and indeed, we do.

On Saturday, I celebrated evening Mass at
the famed Lourdes Grotto of Our Lady, Notre
Dame, for a special group. Senior citizens,
like myself, will remember the famous Father
Patrick Peyton, CSC. Like my own dear
mother, a native of County Mayo, Ireland, he
was the rosary priest. "A family that prays
together, stays together" was his motto. He
had an extraordinary devotion to Our Lady
and brought movie stars and celebrities
together to pray the rosary on the radio.
Father John Phalen, CSC, carries on this min-
istry under the Holy Cross Family Ministries.
I celebrated the Mass on Saturday evening at
the grotto for a large crowd, and spoke to
them about the fact that today, the family
must give witness. Is there anything being

attacked as strongly as the family? Same-sex
marriages are now legal in my home state of
Massachusetts and in California. Same-sex
adoptions are being supported. Something
that has existed for centuries, that marriage is
between one man and one woman, receives
intense opposition. If a woman has a large
family, perhaps six or seven children, she
finds herself questioned and even ridiculed.

Yet, are not children the most blessed gift
of all, and is not life sacred? A tip of the hat
to Father Phalen and his efforts to strengthen
family life.

Afterwards, I linked up with an old friend.
That would be Beth Lohmuller-Grisoli. I
hired Beth in my early days as bishop, while
she was still a student at Notre Dame major-
ing in communications. She worked with us
for several years, and then went off to New
Orleans to marry Ron Grisoli. They suffered
through Hurricane Katrina. She is now back
in the diocese with her husband and three
children, and we had a delightful dinner at
Legends on the campus of Notre Dame. It
was the first time I had been there, and it was
a joy to see all the Notre Dame pictures and
memorabilia, including Grantland Rice's
description of the four horsemen, and George
Gipp's message to Rockne, "when the breaks
are beating the boys," etc.

On Sunday, I celebrated Mass at one of
the two oldest parishes in the diocese; Sacred
Heart Parish, which is in the Crypt under
Notre Dame, basilica. It was founded in 1842
by Father Edward Sorin, CSC, the founder of
Notre Dame and of several of our parishes.
The Holy Cross fathers have taken care of
this parish for every day of its 166 years. I
installed Father Thomas Jones, CSC, as pas-
tor. Father Tom has served with distinction at
St. Pius X, Granger, and Christ the King,
South Bend. In addition to his responsibilities
as pastor, he will also be involved in forma-
tion of seminarians. Father Tony Szakaly,
CSC, a native son of Sacred Heart Parish,
and an associate provincial of the Indiana
Province, joined us, and I had a delightful
lunch with them afterward at the Morris Inn.

A journey to Ohio

A three-hour run to Ohio to celebrate the
Mass for another of our priests, who died last
week. Father Elden Miller, who served as
pastor at St. Vincent's, Fort Wayne;
Immaculate Conception, Kendallville; and
Queen of Peace, Mishawaka, spent the last
10 months of his life at his family home. He
suffered greatly from a disease of the lungs. I
am grateful to Msgr. Lester, who went over a
week before he died to visit with him and
give him spiritual care. I also thank with all
my heart Father Dan Scheidt, his successor at
Queen of Peace, who went over with a
parishioner, Mike Portolese, and gave Father
Elden the sacrament of the sick and holy
Communion. Father Miller said, "Now give
me the whole thing, the long service. Don't
shorten it." A tip of the hat also to Father
Scheidt, who filled a bus with parishioners
from Queen of Peace, who drove several
hours to Bellevue, Ohio, for the funeral
which was held at a lovely church in that
small Ohio town.

I am preparing to launch our 22nd Annual
Bishop's Appeal this week, and the showing
of our video to our priests; and on the next
day, a meeting with our principals in prepara-
tion for another school year. The summer is
too short, but perhaps you already knew that.

And goodbye to you, Manny Ramirez,
and thanks for the memories. See you all next
week.

Deacon Louis McDougall remembered

FORT WAYNE — Louis “Mac” McDougall, a permanent deacon with the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, died peacefully, Saturday, July 26, at Saint Anne Home. He was 90 years old.

McDougall was born on July 17, 1918, in Cleburne County, Ark., to Lois and Louis McDougall. He was the only son and oldest of four children.

The family, whose religion is rooted in the Lutheran tradition, moved to Auburn in 1919 following his father's return from the war. There he was involved in the youth group in his church.

His sister, Geneva Sigler, recalls his passion for preaching, saying, “He ministered as a young man, in high school. We had what was known as the Luther League ... a church social hour ... and he loved to preach there.”

She adds that her brother was “thoughtful, helpful and very laid-back.”

Following high school graduation in 1936, he worked for Auburn Printing as a typesetter until he moved to Fort Wayne to attend Indiana Business College. He met and married his beloved wife Marie in 1945 at St. Michael Parish in Waterloo. Prior to their marriage, McDougall had converted to Catholicism. He was employed by General Electric as a cost analyst for 30 years.

The couple had one daughter, Rhonda, who recalls her father as a “good and loving husband to my mother and a good provider.”

She adds, “He was straightforward and meticulous. He was very present to me emotionally. He always told me if I had a problem to come to him and we would solve it together.”

Upon retiring in the early '70s, McDougall entered the diaconate training program in the diocese. He was one of eight men to be ordained to the permanent diaconate by Bishop Leo Pursley on Aug. 30, 1975.

Brian Miller, permanent deacon at St. Anthony de Padua in South Bend, remembers his classmate's



DEACON LOUIS MCDUGALL

devotion to the program. “He came up from Fort Wayne every week for formation in South Bend. He was dedicated.”

He describes Deacon McDougall as a “humble guy who loved the church, a good and holy person.”

Deacon McDougall's first and only assignment took him to St. Charles Borromeo in Fort Wayne where he served for 17 years.

Judy Coleman, secretary there, recalls his impressive knowledge of the Bible. She says, “He was very reverent and holy,” and recalls Deacon McDougall sharing his thoughts on marriage, divorce and annulments, expertise gained from his position in the diocesan marriage tribunal. Deacon McDougall also performed many baptisms over the years, as well as serving as an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist for the sick.

Health concerns had McDougall and his wife of 63 years moving to Saint Anne's Home in November of 2006.

On one visit with her father prior to his death, Rhonda recalls him saying, “I think of Heaven. I can't wait to see the Lord.”

The fruits of Deacon McDougall's labor have come to pass, says daughter Rhonda. “I don't think he knew how many lives he touched. People are telling me how his teachings were so helpful in their knowing the Lord. He brought them closer to God.”

In addition to his passion for serving the church, McDougall enjoyed spending time with his beloved wife and daughter. He also enjoyed bowling and fishing in his spare time. McDougall is survived by his wife, Marie, daughter Rhonda and three sisters, Geneva Sigler, Demaris Rice and Vada Albright.

“I don't think he knew how many lives he touched.”

RHONDA MCDUGALL

Father Elden Miller, Mishawaka pastor, Scout chaplain, dies

BELLEVUE, Ohio — Father Elden J. Miller, a retired priest of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, died the morning of Saturday, July 26, following a lengthy illness. He was 80 years old and had been a priest for 54 years. He was known for his dedication to the youth and involvement in sports throughout his priesthood.

Father Miller was born March 7, 1928, in Bismarck, Ohio, to John and Veronica (Leis) Miller, the sixth of 10 children. His family farmed, and he played baseball in his youth. He also sang in the choir at St. Sebastian Parish and sang at numerous priests' first Masses. The image of all the vested priests standing together made an impression on him. He mentioned his interest to his pastor and was soon attending Pontifical College Josephinum in Worthington, Ohio, for both his high school and seminary training.

Father Miller was ordained to the priesthood on May 8, 1954, at the St. Turibius Chapel of Pontifical College Josephinum by Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, an apostolic delegate who would later become dean of the College of Cardinals.

At the time, Father Miller's home diocese in Ohio had too many priests to accommodate, so he wrote to Archbishop John F. Noll, who then invited him to serve as a priest of the Diocese of Fort Wayne. Father Miller's first assignment was at St. Joseph Parish in Mishawaka.

“I always thought the nicest years as a priest probably were in Mishawaka,” he told *Today's Catholic* in 2004. This was due largely to the fact that, as an assistant, he had more time than the pastor to do activities, such as starting a physical education program for kids, teaching boys boxing and wrestling, coaching fifth and sixth grade basketball, starting a drama club and overseeing a high school youth group that drew over 200 students.

Father Miller served 17 years at St. Joseph, Mishawaka, before being transferred in 1971 to St. Joseph Parish, Roanoke. While assigned to Roanoke, he also assisted at St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish, Nix Settlement. In Roanoke, he got involved in the local Little League and started



FATHER ELDEN MILLER

football for fifth and sixth graders.

In 1974, Father Miller became pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Fort Wayne, which was in a period of rapid expansion. He collaborated with parishioners to install a field for football and soccer. It was named Miller Field in his honor when he left the parish in 1984.

From 1984 to 1988, he was pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, Kendallville. In 1988, he returned to Mishawaka to serve as pastor of Queen of Peace Parish.

“He was a real friend to the youth,” says Frank Freeman, former diocesan and regional director of Catholic Scouting and a Queen of Peace parishioner. Starting in 1988, Father Miller served as chaplain of the Scouts in the South Bend area. Freeman recalls that Father Miller came to camp every year and was present for the sacraments as well as awards presentations. The Scouts gave Father Miller the St. George Award, the highest award they were capable of bestowing. He also received recognition from the national office of Catholic Scouting.

“It was always a good feeling, that they accepted this guy, not only as a priest, but as a friend,” Freeman recalls. “He loved the kids, and they loved him. He was like an old grandfather to the kids.”

In 2000, Father Miller oversaw the reopening of Queen of Peace School, which had closed in 1970.

“Father Miller strongly believed in the value of a Catholic educa-

tion,” says Annette Mitchell, principal of Queen of Peace School upon its reopening. She says Father Miller was frequently visible in the school and at sports events, adding, “His presence at school made a huge impression on the students — they knew their pastor cared.”

“He was very focused and very, very dedicated,” says Mike Portolese, a parishioner who worked closely with Father Miller and kept in touch with him until his death. Portolese recalls the close watch Father Miller kept on the parish, even riding his bike around the grounds at night to make sure all was secure.

“He was just one of those rare people that never thought people appreciated him, but had no idea how many people really did,” says Portolese.

Father Miller retired from Queen of Peace in 2003. Following retirement, he lived in a small cottage on Jones Lake in Rome City. When asked, he assisted at parishes around the diocese. He enjoyed reading and watching baseball and college football. His favorite teams were Notre Dame, the Cleveland Indians and the Cincinnati Reds.

At the time he needed assisted care, he moved to Bellevue, Ohio, to be with his sister and brother-in-law.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on July 31 at Immaculate Conception Church, Bellevue, Ohio, with Bishop John M. D'Arcy presiding. Father Miller was buried at St. Sebastian Cemetery in Bismarck, Ohio, next to his parents.

He is survived by Wilma Bednarz, Bernetta Daniel, Arden (Millie) Miller, Harriet (Howard) Hahler, Dorothy (Paul) Schaffer, Harold (Barbara) Miller, and Norma (Eldon) Young. Also surviving are many nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by a sister, Marcella Geiger, and a brother, John Miller.

Memorial contributions may be made to the library being built at Queen of Peace School, 4508 Vistula Rd., Mishawaka, IN 46544; to the St. Vincent DePaul Society; or to Stein Hospice, 1200 Sycamore Lane, Sandusky, OH 44870.

Conscience rights should unite both sides on abortion, cardinal says

BY NANCY FRAZIER O'BRIEN

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Protecting the conscience rights of health care providers should be an issue on which both supporters and opponents of abortion can agree, Cardinal Justin Rigali of Philadelphia said in a letter to members of Congress.

The cardinal, who chairs the U.S. bishops' Committee for Pro-Life Activities, said his July 18 letter was prompted by reports that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is preparing proposed regulations that would

require hospitals, clinics, medical schools and other health care institutions to certify they would not discriminate against people who oppose abortion based on their “religious beliefs or moral convictions.”

The proposed regulations have not been made public but were apparently leaked to *The New York Times* and some members of Congress in mid-July.

“I am not writing to comment publicly on the details of an unpublished draft allegedly leaked from a government agency,” Cardinal Rigali said. “The Catholic bishops' conference will be glad to provide

public comment on a proposed rule if and when it is published.”

But he said the issue “provides self-described ‘pro-choice’ advocates an opportunity to demonstrate their true convictions.”

“Do they at least hold that ‘freedom of choice’ must belong to everyone, including those who have deep moral concerns in this area?” Cardinal Rigali asked. “Or is the ‘pro-choice’ label a misleading mask for an agenda of actively promoting and even imposing morally controversial procedures on those who conscientiously hold different views?”

“Reactions to efforts to reaffirm

and implement laws on conscience protection may provide an answer,” he added.

The Times quoted leaders of organizations that support keeping abortion legal as saying the regulations could be interpreted to apply to various forms of birth control.

“This is an interesting charge,” Cardinal Rigali wrote. “For many years, pro-abortion groups have insisted that abortion and related services are ‘basic’ and mandatory aspects of health care. They have opposed conscience clauses ... claiming that they protect an irrational ‘refusal’ by a tiny minority of religious zealots to comply with

this supposedly objective medical standard.

“Now they have reversed their stand, claiming that conscientious objection to these procedures is so pervasive in the health care professions that policies protecting conscience rights will eliminate access to them,” he added.

Saying that the two claims “cancel each other out,” the cardinal said that if there is such “widespread ethical disapproval” for a procedure that it must be “imposed on unwilling physicians and nurses by force of law,” then it might not be “as ‘basic’ as pro-abortion groups imagine.”

John Michael Talbot to perform in South Bend

BY KAY COZAD

SOUTH BEND — John Michael Talbot considers himself an “elder artist” within the Christian music arena these days, but continues to produce and perform his contemplative tunes for audiences across the nation. Talbot will be performing in concert at St. Anthony de Padua Parish on Tuesday, Sept. 9.

Born in Oklahoma into a musical family, Talbot began playing piano, drums and guitar at an early age. Following a move to Indianapolis when the young musician was only nine, the family formed a popular folk band that performed across the Midwest.

Then, like many teens of that era, Talbot became interested in rock music and began performing with his brother Terry, in their band Mason Proffit. The band evolved from rock and roll to country rock and became known as one of the forerunners in the newly emerging genre, producing five albums.

Talbot's music has been an integral part of his faith journey, which has taken him from his family's religion rooted in the Methodist tradition to Catholicism. After leaving the rock band, he joined the Christian music movement.

“I was in the rock band until I was 19. That's when the ‘Jesus Movement’ hit,” says the artist. His first self-titled Christian record was produced in 1976, followed closely by his second album “The New Earth.”

During his search for a spiritual home, Talbot says, “As I searched for church, I was looking for a radical form of Christianity.”

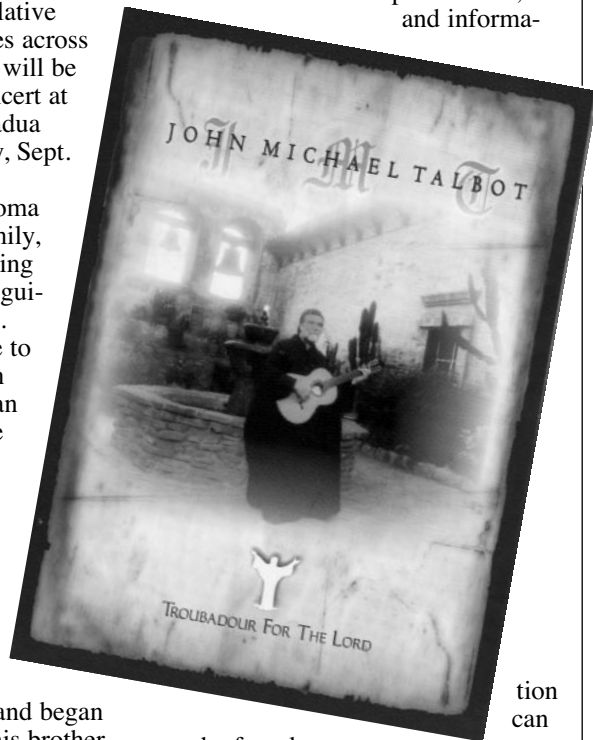
That's when he stumbled across the writings of Thomas Merton and St. Francis of Assisi. “The readings touched my heart,” he recalls.

Immersing himself deeply in the study of the Catholic Church, Talbot moved into a hermitage in Indianapolis, withdrawing from the music industry. He converted to Catholicism and joined the Secular Franciscan Order in 1978.

Of the Catholic faith, he says, “I love the church because it allows ... a religious stream of Christianity to exist and prosper. It provides a way for people to experience Christian living and a deeper relationship with Christ.”

By 1979 spiritual seekers had begun to join him at the hermitage where Talbot founded a house of prayer and in 1982 the group moved to Eureka Springs, Ark. There Talbot founded the first integrated monastic community of celibate brothers, sisters,

singles and families in the United States. He, along with Viola, his wife of 19 years, continues to lead the group now known as the Brothers and Sisters of Charity. The “Little Portion Hermitage,” home of Talbot and the group, offers on-campus retreats, and informa-



tion can

be found on his Web site, www.johnmichaeltalbot.com.

In addition to his acclaimed tenor vocals and classical guitar skill, Talbot is songwriter, author of over a dozen books, teacher and retreat master. He regularly travels the country speaking and performing for those seeking a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. All proceeds return directly to the monastic community.

Talbot's reflective music is a powerful venue for worship and quiet meditation and he believes his contemplative sound is an expression of prayer, saying, “I never try to proselytize. ... The goal of my music is to usher people back into prayer. Then God can take care of them.” He adds, “I let the music speak for itself.”

The South Bend community is anxious to welcome John Michael Talbot for the “Rebuilding Tour,” sponsored by St. Anthony Parish and the Christ Renews His Parish Committee, at St. Anthony de Padua Parish on Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. Admission is \$17.50 per person with sponsorships available for \$100.

The sponsorship includes two tickets and a business card-sized ad in the concert program. A large portion of the proceeds will be used to assist the rebuilding of the monastery, which was destroyed in a fire in April.

Seating is limited. For information or to purchase tickets contact Ed or Ruth Charleston at (574) 233-1559.

Anglican leader calls for moratorium on practices causing division

CANTERBURY, England (CNS) — The spiritual head of the worldwide Anglican Communion called for moratoriums on the blessing of same-sex unions, the ordination of openly gay people and naming bishops for disgruntled Anglicans in other church jurisdictions.

“I hope that a little more mutual responsibility and accountability, a bit more willingness to walk in step will make us more like a church” rather than a loose collection of nation-based Christian communities, Anglican Archbishop Rowan Williams of Canterbury said at an Aug. 3 press conference.

The archbishop spoke at the end of the Lambeth Conference, a 19-day meeting of Anglican bishops from around the world. Some 200 bishops declined their invitations to participate because of the presence of bishops from North America, where some dioceses bless same-sex unions and where an openly gay priest was ordained a bishop.

Archbishop Williams also was asked about his hopes for continued Roman Catholic-Anglican dialogue.

Cardinal Walter Kasper, president of the Vatican's Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity, had told the Anglican bishops that the ordination of women priests, and especially women bishops, makes the goal of Anglican-Roman Catholic full, visible union much more difficult to envisage.

Archbishop Williams also was asked if he thought there would be a third round of the formal theological dialogue conducted by the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission.

“I think our Roman Catholic friends are looking at what emerges at this conference to see how that might feed into any planning for ARCIC III,” he said. “I am still very hopeful about that.”

The archbishop also said, “While full, visible unity may, from the perspective of the Vatican, look further off than they would like in light of some of the decisions made by Anglican provinces — particularly around the issue of the ordination of women — I don't think that's a reason for suspending the dialogue or giving up on it.”



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Cardinal Walter Kasper, left, president of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity, walks with Anglican Archbishop Rowan Williams of Canterbury July 29 during the Lambeth Conference in Canterbury, England. Cardinal Kasper was among the ecumenical guests at the once-a-decade Anglican leadership meeting.

Archbishop Williams told the press that details for structures ensuring greater unity within the Anglican Communion and a covenant that every province would be asked to sign “still need a good deal of clarification.”

However, he said, where many people predicted the meeting would mark a major fracturing of the Anglican Communion, the Lambeth Conference demonstrated “a surprising level of sheer willingness to stay together, a surprising level of agreement about what might be necessary to make that happen.”

He also said there was “wide agreement about the need for moratoria, on both sides, where divisive actions are concerned,” particularly blessing gay marriages, ordaining gay prelates and naming bishops to care for dissidents in other dioceses.

Archbishop Williams said that in dealing pastorally with homosexuals a Christian community could not act simply from what is seen as a human rights agenda; the church's response must be theologically sound, he said.

In his closing address to the Lambeth Conference, he said a

group of Christians can believe they have “a profound fresh insight” and rightly try to persuade others of its validity.

“A healthy church gives space for such exchanges,” he said. “But the Christian with the new insight can't claim straight away that this is now what the church of God believes or intends; and it quite rightly takes a long time before any novelty can begin to find a way into the public liturgy.”

At the press conference, he told reporters that the problem with blessing same-sex unions is that “as soon as there is a liturgical form, it gives the impression that this has the church's stamp (of approval) on it,” but the Anglican Communion as a whole is not ready to condone gay unions.

Respecting the moratorium should create “space for study and free discussion without pressure” and for an affirmation that “the onus of proof is on those who seek a new understanding” of how to interpret Scripture and tradition, he said.

In his Lambeth Conference closing address, he also called it a “grave breach of charity” for a conservative province to name bishops for traditionalist Anglicans who disagree with their own province's practices regarding homosexuality and the ordination of women. For instance, some conservative African bishops have named bishops for traditionalist Anglicans in the United States who no longer recognized the authority of bishops in the Episcopal Church.

Archbishop Williams later told reporters that by their actions the conservative bishops were in effect saying of the Episcopal bishops, “You can't trust them to safeguard the essence of Christian orthodoxy.”

“That is not something a Christian should say lightly of another,” he said.

Closing the Lambeth Conference, he told bishops, “Our communion longs to stay together — but not only as an association of polite friends. It is seeking a deeper entry into the place where Christ stands, to find its unity there.”



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"I like to go to workshops to keep updated with the immigration changes," she said.

In addition to workshops, Ostragnai was able to speak with senatorial staff concerning immigration rights and reform.

"It was my first time to go to Capitol Hill," she said. "We shared concerns on immigration reform and the needs of refugees." She added that she was pleased with the attentive nature of the government staff.

Ostragnai hopes to educate local voters on advocating for reform by calling their senators in Washington, D.C.

A highlight of the conference for Ostragnai was the opening Mass, concelebrated by bishops from all around the United States and Guatemala, and spoken in several languages. "It was spectacular and beautiful," she said. "There was so much energy."

"I see our challenge as one of shouting out the message of the Gospel, the words of the holy

fathers, the unchanging teaching of the church, and in the profound conviction of our nation's history that the real heart of America has not changed, that its willingness to right a wrong has not faulted, that it needs only continuous courage, unwavering confidence in the goodness of people and a trust in God's love for the poor and the stranger," said Cardinal McCarrick in his homily July 28.

Drawing from the Gospel reading of the parable of the mustard seed, Cardinal McCarrick said the story is full of optimism "that the kingdom of heaven itself can be sown in men's hearts like a seed."

The sowing of seeds is a theme in many of Jesus' parables, he noted, with one important lesson that the seed is the word of God.

He said that lesson "is often lost because of the hardness of men's hearts, the timidity of their belief and the temptations of the world, which sometimes allure them into political positions which they know in their hearts are wrong, since they do not conform to the loving providence of God."

He said the parable also has a message "to keep sowing the seed, no matter what the likelihood of success ... no matter how hard the sowing may be, no matter how

challenging the prospects of success, keep sowing, keep sowing in confidence that God's providence will provide the good soil. Do not give up; your seed will reach it yet; keep sowing, because if you stop the people will perish."

Cardinal Mahony more directly took on the failure of Congress to pass comprehensive immigration reform legislation and the federal enforcement policies that have led to "the separation of families, the harassment and profiling of U.S. citizens and legal residents, the expanded use of detention against those who are not a flight risk or a danger and, tragically, deaths in the United States desert."

The recent national policy described as "deportation by attrition" has a goal of creating "such a dangerous and unwelcoming atmosphere that immigrants and their families leave the United States because they have no other choice," said Cardinal Mahony.

It has led to fear among immigrant communities and a hostile atmosphere, "fanning the flames of intolerance, xenophobia and, at times, bigotry," he continued.

"Such a national policy is doomed to fail because it underestimates the human spirit, the spirit of hope that we celebrate in this

gathering," the cardinal said.

The very act of migration is a hopeful one, he said, because it is based in the belief that a better life is possible for the migrant and his family.

He outlined some suggestions for the church to work to change the current situation, including continuing to reach out and support immigrants; holding elected officials accountable by insisting on a human approach to immigrants; changing attitudes toward migrants through education; and working to reform immigration laws.

"While we are bound to respect

our laws and not violate them, we also are bound to correct unjust laws," Cardinal Mahony said. "The terms 'rule of law' and 'national security' should no longer be used to justify the harsh and inhumane treatment of immigrants, refugees or asylum seekers. While we acknowledge the right and the need for our government to enforce the law, we must remind our fellow Americans that man-made law does not permit the violation of God's law."

Kay Cozad from *Today's Catholic* contributed to this story.

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• 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 greatly sinned ... through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault." In the current version, that part is much shorter: "I have sinned through my own fault."

• The Gloria has been translated differently and the structure of the prayer will have changes from the current text.

• The opening of the Nicene Creed changes from "We believe ..." to "I believe ..."; other changes in the prayer also have been made.

• 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 Lord God of hosts." The current versions says "Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might."

• The new response at the "Ecce Agnus Dei" ("Behold the Lamb of God") is: "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed."

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. The resulting new translation adheres far more closely to the normative Latin text issued by the Vatican.

Two other sections of the Roman Missal have come before the bishops. In November 2007 they approved a revision of all the

New Responses		
Notable changes in the people's responses at Mass as approved by the Vatican		
NEW FORM	PRESENT FORM	OCCURRENCE
"And with your spirit."	"And also with you."	Response whenever the priest says, "The Lord be with you."
"I have greatly sinned ... through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault."	"I have sinned through my own fault."	First form of the penitential rite
"I believe ..."	"We believe ..."	Beginning of the Nicene Creed
"It is right and just."	"It is right to give him thanks and praise."	Response when the priest says, "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God."
"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts."	"Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might."	Start of the Sanctus
"Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed."	"Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed."	Prayer before Communion

Sunday and weekday Lectionary readings for Lent, but at their June meeting in Orlando, Fla., and in subsequent mail balloting they rejected a 700-page translation of the proper prayers for Sundays and feast days during the liturgical year.

The rejected section is to come before the full body of bishops again at their November general assembly in Baltimore, along with two other sections totaling about 500 pages.

When the bishops approved the first section in June 2006, Bishop Donald W. Trautman of Erie, Pa., called it "a truly important moment in liturgy in the United States." He then chaired the U.S. bishops' Committee on the Liturgy, now called the Committee on Divine Worship.

Bishop Trautman said at that time that he did not expect the new Order of Mass to be implemented in the United States until the entire

new Roman Missal in English had been approved by the bishops and confirmed by the Vatican.

According to the current schedule, the earliest that the Vatican could receive the final sections of the translation project would be November 2010.

The actual timetable will depend on the work of the International Commission on English in the Liturgy, made up of representatives of the world's 11 main English-speaking bishops' conferences and decisions of the USCCB Administrative Committee in setting the agenda for the general meetings.

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Priests must spread Gospel where people live, work, says cardinal

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Priests cannot fulfill their missionary mandate by staying in their rectories and churches waiting for people to come to them, said Brazilian Cardinal Claudio Hummes, president of the Congregation for Clergy. "It is also necessary to rise up and go to where people and families dwell, live and work," the cardinal said in a letter to priests marking the Aug. 4 feast of St. John Vianney, the famed French parish priest. "When priests move, the church moves," said the cardinal, emphasizing the importance of a priest's example in getting every Catholic parishioner to take seriously his or her obligation to share faith in Jesus. The mandate to preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth still requires foreign missionaries, he said, but missionary work also must take place where, despite the fact that Christianity has been present for centuries, the faith of many people has weakened or is nonexistent.

Vatican laicizes Paraguayan bishop elected president

ASUNCION, Paraguay (CNS) — The Vatican has laicized a bishop elected Paraguayan president, allowing him to take office in August without violating church law, said the papal nuncio to Paraguay. "The pope has granted him the loss of his clerical status ... he's a layman now," said Archbishop Orlando Antonini, the papal nuncio, at a press conference July 30. Fernando Lugo, who became known as "the bishop of the poor," was elected president of Paraguay April 20 after campaigning against corruption and for greater equality for the country's indigenous people and poor peasant farmers. When Lugo takes office Aug. 15, he will end the more than 60-year rule of the Colorado Party. "This is the first case within the church in which a bishop receives a dispensation," said Archbishop Antonini. "Yes, there have been many other priests the pope has left in the status of layman, but never a member of the hierarchy until today."

Demolition begins for Wisconsin cathedral ruined by arson in 2005

MADISON, Wis. (CNS) — Three years after it was gutted by arson, St. Raphael Cathedral in downtown Madison is coming down despite several efforts to prevent its demolition. A group called Save St. Ray's has tried to stop it. The group filed an application in June with the Madison Landmarks Commission to have the church deemed an official Madison landmark. However, a decision on the application will not be made until a hearing Aug. 18. After two failed requests for an injunction to prevent it from going forward, the demolition has begun. Brent King, director of communications for the Diocese of Madison, said the demolition of the cathedral was a necessary step. Earlier in the year the

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POPE GREETS ELDERLY, CAREGIVERS IN NORTHERN ITALY



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Pope Benedict XVI greets elderly residents and their caregivers following the Angelus prayer during his vacation in Bressanone, Italy, Aug. 3.

city of Madison sent the diocese a summons to demolish the church. Demolition is expected to be completed by the end of the summer, King said.

Vatican tells traditionalist Anglicans it is studying unity request

OTTAWA (CNS) — The Vatican has assured a group of traditionalist Anglicans that it is studying seriously their request for full communion with the Roman Catholic Church. Cardinal William J. Levada, head of the Vatican's doctrinal congregation, also linked the issue of corporate unity for the Traditional Anglican Communion to larger issues within the Anglican Communion. "The situation within the Anglican Communion in general has become markedly more complex," Cardinal Levada said in a letter to Archbishop John Hepworth of Blackwood, Australia, primate of the Traditional Anglican Communion. "As soon as the congregation is in a position to respond more definitely concerning the proposals you have sent, we will inform you." Last October, Traditional Anglican Communion bishops from around the world met in plenary session in Portsmouth, England, and signed a letter "seeking full, corporate, sacramental union" with the Holy See. The Traditional Anglican Communion, formed in 1990 as a worldwide body, represents so-called continuing Anglicans who left the Canterbury-led Anglican Communion over the ordination of women.

Family, social justice complementary causes, supreme knight says

CHERRY HILL, N.J. (CNS) — In a "broken landscape" in which long-held cultural norms have been abandoned, family life and social justice concerns must go hand in hand, the supreme knight of the Knights of Columbus told a national conference July 27. "Not only do social justice efforts draw strength from the love of family life, but the family, through participating in works of social justice, can deepen its love and guard against the danger of turning in on itself," said Carl A. Anderson in the final keynote talk at the conference on "Life, Justice & Family: Partners in the New Evangelization," held July 25-27 in Cherry Hill. "Those who work in family life and social justice should work together to discover how the fruitfulness of the family can benefit society, and how serving society can enrich the family," he said.

Bush reauthorizes PEPFAR, promising billions for global HIV/AIDS care

WASHINGTON (CNS) — With the stroke of a pen, President George W. Bush extended a U.S. program July 30 to provide global HIV/AIDS relief for another five years and fill its coffers with \$48 billion to address what he said is "one of the world's greatest humanitarian challenges." Inaugurated in 2003, the President's Emergency Program for AIDS Relief, more commonly

known as PEPFAR, has to date provided \$19 billion to support the treatment of millions globally, to provide health care workers, and to carry out educational programs that focus on prevention, monogamy, fidelity and abstinence. Before signing the bill — passed in a bipartisan effort by both houses of Congress — the president credited the initiative for saving millions of lives. He predicted the reauthorization of the program and the additional funds will support treatment for at least 3 million people, prevent 12 million new HIV infections worldwide and provide support and care for 12 million affected by HIV/AIDS, including 5 million orphans and vulnerable children. Officials from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, Catholic Relief Services and the Catholic Medical Mission Board applauded the reauthorization of the program.

In the Syrian desert, the language of Jesus lives on

MAALOULA, Syria (CNS) — Aramaic, the language of Jesus that flourished in villages thousands of years ago, is being kept alive in the Syrian desert, about an hour's drive from Damascus. Today, Aramaic is spoken in Maaloula, an ancient mountainous town with two historic monasteries, Catholic and Orthodox, both built into the cliffs. Georgette Halabi, a tour guide at St. Serge Melkite Catholic convent in Maaloula, grew up speaking Aramaic. "I don't write it," she said. "But I want to learn." Local residents' Arabic education has never offered formal instruction in written Aramaic, but they have

managed to pass down the spoken language from one generation to the next — a point of pride for Maaloulans, who are quick to note that they speak "the mother of Semitic languages." Aramaic also is spoken in two other towns in the area — Jabaadeen and Serkha — but with its historic churches and monasteries, Maaloula is the center of Aramaic culture.

Calls for action, prayer follow professor's desecration of host

ST. CLOUD, Minn. (CNS) — The pastor of the Catholic parish in Morris and a spokeswoman for the Diocese of St. Cloud have urged Catholics to contact the University of Minnesota-Morris to express their anger about a professor who desecrated a host reported to be consecrated. They also asked Catholics to pray for Paul Z. Myers, the professor, and for others who share his views. Myers, in a blog posting in early July, vowed to desecrate a consecrated host and asked readers to send him "some consecrated Communion wafers." On July 24 he posted a photo showing he had put a nail through a host he said he had received in response to his request. Catholics should "share their outrage that the school continues to employ someone who so blatantly attacks the Catholic Church's beliefs and what she holds to be most holy," said Rebecca Kurowski, director of communications for the St. Cloud Diocese, which includes Morris. "While we must condemn the attacks he makes, we must not condemn him, but pray for him out of love," said Father Timothy Baltes, pastor of Assumption Parish in Morris. "Only God can touch such a heart, and that is what we pray for."

Benedictine nuns in Indiana help employees with cost of gas

EVANSVILLE (CNS) — Theresa Lampert said she was "pleased and blessed" when she found out the Sisters of St. Benedict of Ferdinand would help pay for her gas to get back and forth to work. Lampert, a certified nursing assistant, helps provide nursing care for members of the Benedictine community. Now, the community is helping pay for her daily round trip of about 39 miles from her home to the Benedictines' monastery in Ferdinand. The religious community has begun a temporary program to help pay the amount above the baseline cost of \$3 per gallon. To determine the cost of gas, they will use the average retail price for the Evansville area on the last day of each month, as listed on AAA's media Web site for retail gasoline prices. To establish the number of gallons each employee uses to commute, the sisters will assume they average 20 miles per gallon and use the distance between the employee's home and the monastery as given on the Rand McNally Web site. The Benedictine sisters currently have 73 employees — 49 are full time and 24 part time.

Warsaw Knights collect most money with Tootsie Roll fundraiser

WARSAW — The Indiana Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll fundraiser benefits the intellectually challenged throughout the state of Indiana. This year, the Archbishop Noll Council 4511 in Warsaw collected the most money in the state with a total of \$17,576.34. More than \$14,000 of those funds was presented to Special Olympics. Over the years, Council 4511 has raised in excess of \$341,000.

Forever Learning announces fall classes

SOUTH BEND — Forever Learning is launching the fall semester with the new course guide. Holy Cross Father Louis Putz would be very happy with the progress and excitement that his idea has offered to the over-50 population in South Bend and surrounding communities.

The fall semester will begin Sept. 8 and end Nov. 28.

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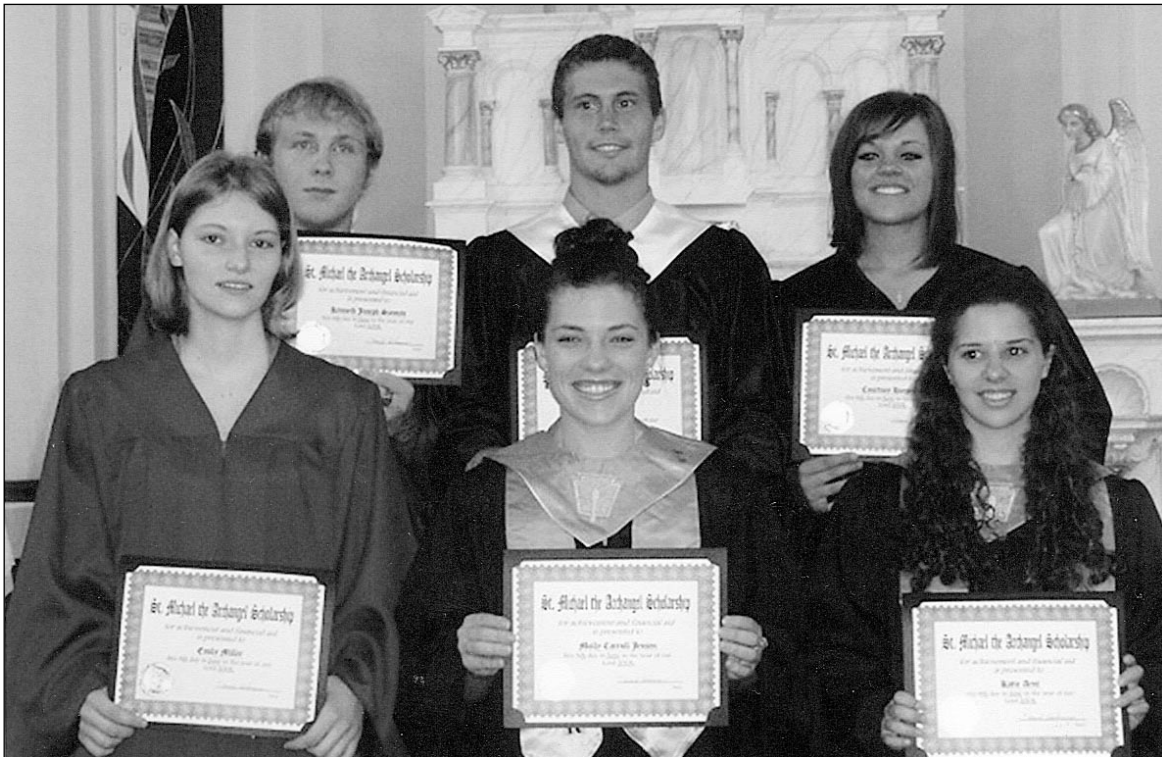
- "Ballet for Adults" taught by the Southhold Dance Theater;
- Fall at Fernwood Botanical Gardens;
- History classes will include Matt Baumgartner's "Angevin Kings of England";
- Class at the Snite will cover the '30s and '40s in "Print and Images";
- The Center for History will present a return course on the turn-of-the-century in South Bend;
- A new writing class on "Writing Your Life Story" will be taught by Walton Collins;
- International short story class of Sonia Gernes;
- "Dining with Diabetes" will present cooking tips for diabetics by Edie Sutton;
- A preview of the South Bend Symphony Orchestra season will be presented by Steve Ingle in "Masterworks";
- The computer classes will expand to include a new class on the "Introduction to Using the iMac" with Ed Weiss, and Eve Sobol will teach "Using the Internet" in addition to "Basic Vista for Seniors" who want to learn computer skills;
- Sister Frances O'Connor and Becky Drury will teach a class on "Putting Justice into Practice" and Carol Regan and Jan Jenkins will introduce the "Scripture as Spirituality" on the writings of Father Richard Rohr.

Roots & Rhythm concert benefits Vincent Village

FORT WAYNE — Roots & Rhythm at the Headwaters is a music festival celebrating community roots and their importance in the rhythm of daily life. The festival will take place at Headwaters Park on Aug. 16 from 2-11 p.m. Proceeds from Roots and Rhythm at the Headwaters will benefit Vincent Village, a nonprofit

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organization providing housing and supportive services for homeless families with children. Tickets are available at (260) 456-4172 and www.rootsandrhythm.org.

Roots and Rhythm at the Headwaters features musical styles to meet everyone's taste.

- MOJO & the Bayou Gypsies (Cajun and zydeco)
- Kenny & Amanda Smith (bluegrass and gospel)
- Arvel Bird (contemporary Native American)
- Ty Causey (R and B)
- Possum Trot Orchestra (traditional roots style)
- Bill Lupkin Blues Band (blues)
- The SwingBillies (toe-tapping acoustic)

The festival is a family event. Ticket prices are \$20 prior to the festival and \$25 at the gate. Children's tickets (ages 11 - 15) are \$10. Children 10 and under are free. The festival is sponsored by The Lehman Group, Mad Anthony Brewing Company, Northeast Indiana Public Radio, *Whatzup*, Midwest Sound and One Lucky Guitar.

Bruce Lehman, festival organizer, said "We are excited about the opportunity to present some of

the best musicians in the Midwest at one festival in Fort Wayne. Everyone in the tri-state area from serious musicians to casual listeners will enjoy Roots and Rhythm at the Headwaters."

Ann Helmke, executive director of Vincent Village, stated "When families are homeless, they lose their roots, which give them a sense of belonging in the community. This affects the stability that gives a sense of rhythm or direction to their daily lives. We are calling this festival Roots and Rhythm to emphasize the importance of establishing both roots and rhythm in the lives of the homeless families we serve in Vincent Village."

University of Saint Francis breaks ground for new residence hall

FORT WAYNE — The University of Saint Francis broke ground July 30 for a new residence hall, Clare Hall.

At a cost of about \$7 million, Clare Hall will be a suite-style residence hall with three stories, 42,000 square feet, and room for approximately 150 students. Each suite will consist of two bedrooms connected

by a bathroom. The hall will contain laundry facilities, lounges, a computer lab, Internet access and study rooms.

Clare Hall will connect to Bonzel Hall through an atrium, providing additional lobby space for Bonzel as well as handicap accessibility. The hall is named for Clare of Assisi, an Italian saint and one of the first followers of St. Francis of Assisi.

The project is in three phases: first is the construction of an additional parking lot that will be completed in August 2008. Second is the building of Clare Hall to be completed in August 2009. Third is the upgrading of Bonzel Hall to be completed in August 2010. During the upgrading of Bonzel Hall, the freshmen scheduled to live there will be in Clare Hall. When the freshmen again live in Bonzel in 2010, upperclassmen will reside in Clare Hall.

The university is anticipating the highest number of resident students in the school's history when classes begin for the 2008-2009 academic year.

"We are using every available residential space," commented Sharon Mejeur, vice president for student life. "We anticipate more than 410 students living on campus

this fall. So even though we opened Padua Hall only four years ago, the continued growth of the university and the demand for oncampus housing have made it necessary to build this additional facility."

The architect for the project is Fort Wayne firm Design Collaborative. The contractor is another local company, Shawnee Construction and Engineering.

Legacy Dinner benefits St. Vincent de Paul Society

SOUTH BEND — Seats are available for the first annual Legacy Dinner of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, which will take place on Sept. 4 at the Hilton Garden Inn on the campus of Saint Mary's College.

The keynote speaker is Mike Collins, public address announcer for all University of Notre Dame home football games since 1981. Collins will share football stories, and other stories from his long career as a local TV anchor man, first for WNDU-TV and more recently with WSBT-TV.

Emcee for the event will be Bob Lux, longtime radio and television personality for WSBT. He is currently with the four-station WSBT Radio Group.

The dinner will celebrate more than 100 years of service to Michiana's poor, by the St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Joseph County, and the society's connection to a worldwide organization that is celebrating its 175th anniversary this year.

There will also be a silent auction featuring many items including Notre Dame football tickets, photography and spa packages, and gift certificates from local businesses.

Reserved seats are \$50. Complete tables, for 10 people, are available for \$500. To make a reservation, call (574) 234-6000, ext. 108 by Aug. 27.

Cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m. with plenty of time for viewing silent auction items. Dinner begins at 7 p.m.

Alliance for Catholic Education celebrates 15 years of service to Catholic schools

NOTRE DAME — In celebration of its 15 years of service to Catholic schools, the University of Notre Dame's Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) program hosted a jubilee weekend for its graduates and other supporters July 24-27.

The weekend featured seminars on current issues in Catholic education and a keynote address by Sarah Martinez Tucker, Undersecretary of Education for the U.S. Department of Education. Cardinal DiNardo of the Archdiocese of Houston celebrated the opening Mass on July 25, during which 180 ACE teachers were commissioned for service in 100 Catholic schools throughout the country.

An additional 22 teachers who are participants of the ACE English as a New Language (ENL) program were commissioned, as well as the 140 Catholic school administrators enrolled in the ACE Leadership Program, along with their mentors.

A new glow shines on young adults

Glowaski named new director of Campus and Young Adult Ministry

BY TIM JOHNSON

FORT WAYNE — Mary Glowaski has been appointed the director of the diocesan office of Campus and Young Adult Ministry. She succeeds Linda Furge, who will be working part-time for the Office of Spiritual Development and Evangelization.

Glowaski, who took her post July 1, is not a stranger to the diocese.

"Mary comes to us with much pastoral experience," noted Bishop John M. D'Arcy in a letter to diocesan department heads.

Glowaski has a degree in social work from the University of Saint Francis, Fort Wayne, and a master's degree in pastoral theology from the University of Dayton. Glowaski has worked as a counselor for Catholic Charities and also with Project Rachel, a program that counsels those who have had or been involved with abortion. She is also the victim's assistance coordinator for the diocese.

Glowaski is a licensed social worker and has worked for many years in pastoral ministry at St. John the Baptist Parish in Fort Wayne, where she and husband Gary attend, and plans to continue to assist there on a part-time basis. The Glowaskis have two adult sons.

Glowaski says she felt a tugging at her heart to apply for the director of Campus and Young Adult Ministry, but it was a struggle to leave St. John's because she is very committed to the parish and the work there.

Glowaski has worked with campus ministers through the Office of Catechesis. And she works with a lot of young people in her counseling practice with different life issues and spiritual direction.

"Ministry for me is ministry," Glowaski says. "It is about responding. I really believe that everyone has something to teach us about God." Although young people may be skeptical from time to time, she says, they also "have an enthusiastic faith, and it does question. I think we shouldn't be afraid of those questions. I'm excited about that," she adds.

Glowaski says her short-term goals are to get to know the campus ministers. "They're the heart and the hands of the ministry." She also plans to continue to find ways to support, encourage and form their own sense of spirituality and how they can share that on the campuses where they are so important.

She adds, "Ministry for me is always about pastoral presence and responsiveness. And so my short-term goal is to begin to infuse that into the work that we



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do." She expects to learn a lot.

"I love that these are non-Catholic universities," Glowaski says. She grew up in Goshen, and a dear friend is non-Catholic. "I'm very excited to work with

other faith traditions (and to be the face of ecumenism and evangelization). They have so much, also, to teach us about God."

"We are very blessed to have her on our diocesan team," Bishop D'Arcy said. "And I am most grateful for the search committee of Linda Furge, Msgr. (J. William) Lester and Father (Daryl) Rybicki, who have recommended her."

Linda Furge, Glowaski's predecessor, helped launch the Office of Campus and Young Adult Ministry, when her now-grown children were young, at home, and Furge wanted part-time work.

Father Larry Kramer had laid the groundwork for the office previous to Bishop D'Arcy's appointment to the diocese, but it was Furge, Father Bill Schooler and Father Bob Helmer who were tasked by Bishop D'Arcy to create a new diocesan office — one of the few remaining freestanding young adult and campus ministry offices in the country.

World Youth Day in 1994 impressed upon the U.S. bishops the importance of the ministry and this diocese contributed to the research and writing of the U.S. bishops' document for young adult ministry, "Sons and Daughters of Light."

Furge says she enjoys taking a vision and molding it into a reality. Not only was this done with

the Office of Campus and Young Adult Ministry, but also in other diocesan endeavors such as the great jubilees of 2000 and 2007. She also coordinated the international design competition for Our Lady of Guadalupe Church and Diocesan Shrine in Warsaw.

Furge says she feels it is time for the Office of Campus and Young Adult Ministry to turn a page and see things with fresh eyes. She is thrilled Glowaski is the new director.

But a few offices away in the Archbishop Noll Catholic Center, Furge will be applying her creative instincts to projects from within the Office of Spiritual Development/Evangelization.

In his letter, Bishop D'Arcy said of Furge, "I wish to thank with all my heart, Linda Furge, for her extraordinary pastoral leadership and devotion these past 20 years or so. It was under her that the Office of Campus and Young Adult Ministry was founded. We all are grateful for her leadership in two great jubilee events, that of the year 2000, and our 150th anniversary of 2007."

He added, "It has been a joy to work with Linda, and I am pleased that she will continue to assist the Office of Spiritual Development on a part-time basis. Linda will always be a member of our diocesan family."

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Sisters from around the world partake in formation program

BY SR. MARGIE LAVONIS, CSC

NOTRE DAME — The membership of the Sisters of the Holy Cross is growing around the world, and it is a continual challenge to find ways for the members from eight different countries to get to know one another. One way the congregation is attempting to do this is through a common initial formation program held at Saint Mary's every other summer. The main purpose of the program is to build relationships and to supplement the formation received in their own countries. It is also a way for newer members to learn about the heritage of the community.

This summer, during the months of June and July, 12 sisters from Bangladesh, Brazil, Ghana, India, the United States and Uganda participated in the program. Two of the participants were

perpetually professed and the others were still in temporary vows.

The sisters lived and shared life together at Mary's Solitude and had a full schedule each day. Other Sisters of the Holy Cross conducted most of the sessions. This also gave the participants the opportunity to meet other members of the community. Topics included Moreau-Holy Cross spirituality, apostolic spirituality and the Holy Cross mission to internationality. They got to know Father Edward Sorin and the founding women of the congregation, including Mother Mary of Seven Dolours, Mother Angela and Mother Augusta, the first superior general of the Sisters of the Holy Cross and the founding women of ministries outside the United States. They had input and discussion on the vows, prayer, justice, intercultural learning and relationship and pastoral skills.



SISTER MARGIE LAVONIS, CSC

Newer members of the Sisters of the Holy Cross enjoy the congregation's Heritage Room.

They toured various Holy Cross sites, including the congregation's first novitiate in Bertrand, Mich., and enjoyed time in Chicago and at Lake Michigan.

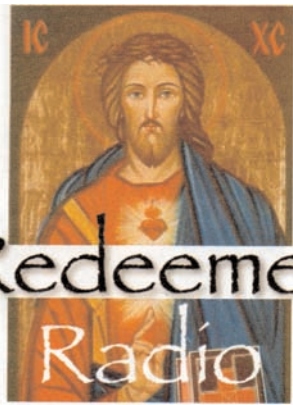
The program concluded with a retreat followed by participation in the July 20 celebration held for the jubilarians. The sisters contributed to the internationality of the liturgy through song, dance, drumming and other cultural customs.

Sister Joy O'Grady, president of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, says, "This program has been the source of rich spiritual, intellectual and psycho-social enrichment for each sister participant. The sisters, in turn, have been a gift to the local Saint Mary's community through the sharing of their faithful enthusiasm for learning and broadening their international experience of Holy Cross."

Sister Scholastica Elizabeth

Ampadu, a nurse educator from Ghana, West Africa, speaking of her experience exclaimed, "When I came here I only knew one sister and now we have become a real family of friends."

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FALL SPORTS



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Marian and Saint Joseph's football team players gather for a photo. From Marian High School are the following: No. 39, Coley Parker; No. 9, Paul Ogren; No. 52, Eric DeBuysser; No. 13, Ryan Kubacki; and No. 75, Andy Bozymowski. Saint Joseph's High School's football players include the following: No. 5, Dustin White; No. 6, Joe Hecklinski; No. 19, James Kasznia; No. 20, Adam Arenault; and No. 21, Aversa Mario

Saint Joseph's teams prep for fall sports

BY JOE KOZINSKI

SOUTH BEND — As parents start their back-to-school shopping for clothes, bookbags, pencils and pens, the Saint Joseph's High School athletic teams are looking to add some much needed experience to their list of must have items.

"We had such a successful year in 2007 and graduated so many quality athletes most of our teams will be young," commented Eric Gohlke, athletic director. "When you're as young as we are, it's very hard to predict how the season will turn out.

"What the Saint Joseph's senior class does bring to the table is a very high intelligence level," added Gohlke. "We have almost every coach back in all sports and that experience usually produces a quality product for our students and fans.

"We have improved our North Fields by adding two towers for soccer for filming and announcing," remarked Gohlke. "Our biggest additions out there would have to be the city water and sewer, which means restrooms and a concession stand."

Football

After a run at the state title last season ending with a trip to the dome, the Indians' football team will be looking for the same magical sparkle to take root in this year's team.

"To be quite honest, off the top of my head, I don't know what our record was last season," commented head coach Kevin Downey. "I just know that we had a special senior class that had leadership and a camaraderie that you can't coach, hopefully last season's lessons were absorbed by our underclassmen.

"Initially our defense will be our strong unit and we will use them for a starting point and build

from there," stated Downey. "We return two solid defensive linemen in Tom Bagiacka and Ricky Taylor, and three experienced linebackers; Justin White, John Concannon and three-year starter Adam Arenault.

"Our defensive backfield also has some solid contributors from last season with Jake Butler and Cameron Heckaman and our two year starter and big play guy, Zach Matthews," continued Downey. "On offense the line will be made up of new comers as well as the experience of John Black, Josh Cobbin and anchored by Knute Knapp.

"We also return three senior wide outs; Zach Matthews, Ben Hinz and Jake Butler and a 1,000 yard rusher who will play tailback, Dustin White," remarked Downey. "The cog that makes us run will be our quarterback Joe Hecklinski, he's a two-year starter, 1,000-yard rusher that is smart and wants the ball with the game on the line.

"We have the piece parts to make another run at a sectional title and beyond," explained Downey. "It will depend on us coming together and working as a team and hopefully that camaraderie element that was present last year."

Volleyball

After posting an impressive campaign in 2007 the Saint Joseph's volleyball team was hit heavy with graduation including nationally recruited Alex Hunt.

"We did well last season growing and improving and losing in the sectional finals to a state ranked team," said Mary Kay O'Connell, a five-year veteran at the helm of the Indians. "I was pleased how that team showed poise and determination.

"This season we are not starting from ground level but filling in the holes left by our graduates,"

O'Connell continued. "Melissa Macellari won't be replacing Hunt, but she can become a great player in a different capacity.

"Meghan Czarnecki is back and has matured and developed and will have an impact on our outside attack," commented O'Connell. "Claire McClain is our returning Libero (defensive specialist) and has a fantastic work ethic.

"We have a strong junior class that is athletic," remarked O'Connell. "Our focus must be on skills and the strategic part of the game and our younger players must fill the holes."

Boys' soccer

The boys' soccer team at Saint Joseph's lost one half of their starters and 11 players in total to graduation from a very good team in 2007 and will be piecing together a lineup that will have to endure a lofty schedule.

"Records are not as important as taking a team and working with them and watching them come together," explained head coach Alberto Verteramo. "We have a small number of seniors trying out for the team this year but I think we can make up for that with the strength of our junior class.

"We should have some nice strength and balance in our lineup on defensive, midfield and the offensive zone," commented Verteramo. "Our experience will be on the defensive side with Bryan Norquist, four-year starter, Tim Bishop, Greg Sabo and Frank Busch who is our stopper on D.

"We also return Tommy Benedix who you can put anywhere and can score as well as defend, and Cesar Ontiveros is an attaching midfielder," continued Verteramo. "If we can fill in the gaps and move players around to feel comfortable in new rolls we will be able to compete for the NIC and sectional crown again."

Girls' soccer

The girls' soccer team holds the same resume as the boys' team, graduated half of its starters, and 11 total players had a 16-2-2 season and are searching for answers from young athletes.

"We may be young and have little experience, but the girls have really stepped up the open fields this summer," explained Coach Johan Kuitse. "We are looking for leadership and competitiveness from a trio of seniors Morgan Hiler and Liz Borrer and last season's leading scorer junior Taylor Turner.

"How we jell, take to new positions and how effectively we integrate young kids will be the how good we become," remarked Kuitse. "We will have a balance of scoring and defense and we want to compete for the NIC crown, which we have shared or won since joining the league."

Boys' cross country

The cross country team of Saint Joseph's will not be looking to rebuild from an outstanding 2007 campaign but to take their success one step further.

"Last year was a year of firsts; we took first in the sectional, first in the New Prairie Invitational, first in the City Meet and just missed going to state due to a trip that lost one of our runners about 50 places," commented 21-year veteran Coach Jerry Hoffman. "We lost only two runners to graduation and are probably as good as last year at this point.

"We have our number one runner back, Mike Bradley and two of our top five in Mike Zientara and Mark Greci," exclaimed Hoffman. "We have another three solid runners with four spots up for grabs.

"I think that we have one of the strongest if not the strongest group of freshmen that we have ever had.

It will be neat seeing them as juniors and seniors," commented Hoffman. "We should be very solid and have the best chance of going to state that Saint Joe has had in many years."

Girls' cross country

The girls' cross country team should be competitive again this season with some strong runners returning and an infusion of youth.

"We definitely have some good runners returning and some young runners that are looking good," explained Hoffman, who doubles as the girls head coach. "At this point it is so hard to predict, but if our rookies come through, (we) can be stronger than last season.

"We return seniors Katherine Manion and Samantha Champion as well as sophomores Maria Murphy and Ellen Roof," explained Hoffman. "Our underclassmen are unproven and some have never run before, but I'm really happy with their development so far."

Girls' golf

After going 18-0, winning the conference and sectionals and going to state last season, the girls' golf team will have its hands full to try to match those lofty accomplishments.

"We were good last year," said Coach John Troeger modestly. "We basically lost our starting lineup to graduation and to other competitions (Ann Marie Ormson is competing in junior tournaments).

"We have two letter winners back; sophomore Lieren Lorenc and senior Ashely Spaulding and are completing tryouts for the other spots," added Troeger. "We have quite a few enthusiastic youngsters; we just don't know who's going to come out of the pack."

Marian Knights continue their efforts into fall campaigns

BY JOE KOZINSKI

MISHAWAKA — Marian High School had some wonderful success stories to tell about the spring sports programs — state runner up in baseball, final four in softball, boys golf state finalists and a relay team that made it to the state meet, and the Knights hope to continue their efforts into their fall campaigns.

"Very good things are expected from all of our teams," explained Reggie Glon, athletic director. "We should be able to compete for not only conference titles and sectional titles, but we may have a couple of opportunities at the state level again this season.

"As our facilities are concerned, we will be continuing work on the Baranay East Athletic Complex with cosmetic improvements as well as drainage updates," Glon explained. "We will continue to make upgrades to the external grounds and add some more area for the Inter-City Catholic League.

"We have also added 240 yards of fill to recrown the football field which has had a complete renovation," continued Glon. "Quality coaching, top facilities and solid athletes are the goals of our program."

Football

The Marian High School football team is a young unproven squad that will have to fill the holes left by the graduation of 22 seniors, but the Knights will continue to have their sights set on lofty goals.

"Our goals, first and foremost, are to win the conference, sectional and state championships every year," quipped head coach Glon. "We have had good turnouts for our summer workouts and we see good solid numbers from our freshmen and sophomore classes.

"We will start with rebuilding an offensive line after losing four of our six starters," continued Glon. "Center Colin Rahrig will anchor the line and Joey Mauro will continue his duties at tight end. Jacob Merrill, Jeremy Merrill and Eric DeBuysser are expected to reinforce the graduation gap.

"Our offensive backfield didn't do much better losing three-fourths of our starters," remarked Glon. "Returning senior starters Paul Ogren (running back) and Nick Fitzpatrick (wide receiver), will be accompanied by seniors Coley Parker (running back) and Ryan Kubacki (quarterback) and will be asked to pick up where last year's class left off.

"The defensive line is anchored by two solid returning seniors, Andrew Bozymowski and Stephen Rykovich," explained Glon. "Our linebacking corps lost all of the starters but we are counting on seniors Austin Pericfull and Dustin Voss to hold the middle together.

"The defensive backfield will be led by returning starters Coley Parker and Mitchell Derucki," continued Glon. "For us to take it to the next level we must be obsessive about fundamentals and the little things and put forth all of our efforts in conditioning sessions, practices and games."

Volleyball

High expectations or the "highest" expectations are on the list of annual goals again this season for the state title contending Knights.

"We lost in the state finals last year but with the loss of only two starters, we will set the title as our goal again," exclaimed Dan Anderson, head volleyball coach. "Defense will be our strength this year, we are a bit smaller, but we will be better defensively.

"I like the fact that our skill level is high and that we don't have to train the elementary skills during our workouts," remarked Anderson. "We are in good shape with Katie Mischler who has been our starting setter for the last two state title runs.

"We are deep at setter with Meredith Farkas who can set and be an outside hitter, it gives us some extra offensive options," explained Anderson. "We start our season off with some of the toughest competition in the state.

"It will be a different year but we have the skills to get back to state," continued Anderson. "The question mark is can we be the bride instead of the bridesmaid."

Boys' soccer

The boys soccer team is coming off an undefeated season in the NIC and a sectional title also has to contend with losing 10 seniors and conference player of the year.

"I'm optimistic about the season, we should be set defensively," explained Ben Householter, head coach. "We have three quality defenders back with junior Zach Vidic and seniors Killian Probst and Mike Ciula and 6-foot-4-inch Cody Camp who set a school record with 12 shutouts last year is minding the net.

"Our attack will be led by Andrew Hammond, Hank Blum and Richie Was, though they aren't returning starters, they definitely know what they are doing," commented Householter. "We may struggle because of the losses at midfield but returning starter Manuel Garcia is accompanied by Kevin Killingsworth who saw some valuable time.

"What we need from the younger kids is for them to step up and fill the gaps," stated Householter. "If we can do that, we will again compete for the conference title and the post season."

Boys' cross country

Big losses hit the boys' cross country team hard but the future for the Knights may be right on track with some cross over additions.

"We basically lost almost every one of our top runners from last season's squad," said Natalie Sandoval. "We will be young for sure, but it's a growing year in which we should be able to compete.

"Our top runner is Greg McMillion a junior that has taken a lead on helping the new runners train," Sandoval explained. "Greg went out and asked a track athlete, Joe Molnar, to come out for the team and he has been a great addition.

"This is one of the most enthu-

siastic groups that I have had," Sandoval continued. "Right now they don't know much about the sport but their innocence makes this training season so much fun."

Girls' cross country

The girls' cross country team has a story that is the complete opposite of the boys' team and they have their sights set on some ambitious goals.

"Basically we have everyone back, all of our top five girls are returning from a team that made the state rankings for the first time," quipped Sandoval. "The girls have set personal and team goals and we have great senior leadership.

"The team will be lead by seniors Elizabeth Majewski, Caitlyn Koscielski, Liz Marquardt and Theresa Nucciaroni," Sandoval said. "Katherine Alexander is a sophomore that has been training on her own and has improved so much.

"We will try to take off where

we left off," added Sandoval. "Do I think we are going to be good? Yes, oh yes."

Boys' tennis

The Knights' boys' tennis team will have their work cut out for them as they lost seven seniors and only have three returning lettermen.

"This is definitely a rebuilding year for us," explained Sarah Stanchin, head coach. "I think that in our area, almost every tennis team is in the same rebuilding pattern.

"We do have some bright spots returning with our number one and captain Jack Chartier back," remarked Stanchin. "Sophomore Evan Merryman and junior Nikko Kwiatkowski give us what little depth we have.

"Though we lost many to graduation and we are rebuilding, we have every intention of being competitive," ended Stanchin.

Girls' golf

The girls' golf team has a new coach, and more importantly for Marian, a Latin and Greek teacher.

"My wife and I arrived from South Carolina on Monday and met the girls yesterday," commented first-year coach Tim McCauley. "I coached a girls' golf team at my last school, and I jumped at the chance to teach and coach here.

"I have had numerous conversations with the long time girls golf coach, Connie Vandenburg and I have already learned from the outstanding boys coach Jim Kryder," McCauley said. "I definitely don't want to fix something that is not broken, but I do like Knute Rockne speeches.

"I'm sorry I can't let *Today's Catholic* know more about the wonderful girls I have met but I know how much time they have put in," said exuberant McCauley. "As the season grows and we compete, maybe we will have another story to tell."

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'Expectations are high in everything' at Bishop Luers

BY BONNIE ELBERSON

FORT WAYNE — With Class 2-A state titles under their belts in football, basketball and baseball last season, Bishop Luers High School student athletes and fans are enjoying the acclaim.

Athletic Director Matt Lindsay admits that "expectations are high in everything."

Football

Speaking as head football coach, Lindsay acknowledges that the pressure is especially intense for his team after winning Luers' sixth state title and returning as Class 2-A state champions. This season, "anything less would be a disappointment," he admits.

Fully 90 hopefuls were in camp recently and when football practice officially begins in early August Lindsay will welcome a "nice nucleus" of players.

Quarterback Quinn Schafer will direct the plays on the field, while Tyquan Hammock and Lawrence Barnett will be huge assets. Brian Eifrid, Chris Williamson, Mike Goodwin and Ronnie Williams will also appear in the starting lineup. Schafer and Eifrid are team captains and two additional captains will be chosen by their teammates after two-a-day practice begins.

Hammock, who was named first team all-SAC and Class 2-A all-state last year, has already made an oral commitment to play at Michigan State next year. Senior cornerback Barnett has likewise made an oral commitment to play for Indiana University.

The home opener on Aug. 22 pits Luers against Northrop,

always an important rivalry.

Lindsay is in his 22nd year as head coach. His assistants include Lew Goodwin, Mike, Dave and Brent Egts, Clancy Shank, Kyle Lindsay, Mike Ledo, Bill House, Chris Charais, Steve Keefer, Phil Talarico, Lee Rodenbeck and Steve Litchfield.

Cross country

Linda Keuneke, boys' and girls' cross country coach, says she's welcoming back "a nice pack of runners" so she expects a good performance from them.

Top returnees among the boys are sophomore Billy McManus, junior David Lill and seniors Jeff Andrews and Cameron Miser. Three incoming freshmen should be an asset as well, she says. And with summer conditioning ending, others will step up and contribute to the overall effort.

On the girls' side, seniors Nicole Wellman, Jordan Crouch, Leah Meyer and Allison Hayes should perform well and add to the point totals.

Coach Keuneke points out that this is the second season that girls will run the same 5K distance as the boys. She calls it a "mental challenge" more than a physical one. "Girls are very capable" of running the longer distance, she says.

With assistant coach Jacob Doctor lending his expertise on the course, Keuneke believes the outlook is good for the season. "I'm looking forward to it. This is a fun time of year for me," she says.

Tennis

Boys' head tennis coach Brady McArdle expects to better his

team's sixth place SAC finish last year. June tennis camp produced 17 high school players so the outlook is pretty positive, he says.

Three varsity singles players are returning — number one senior Brett Schuhler, number two junior Evan Klerner and number three senior Nathan Hoeffel, so McArdle believes those singles spots are solid. But with Jacob Kuhn the lone doubles player returning, three varsity doubles spots are up for grabs. There should be plenty of competition for those and other openings with people stepping in when players hit the courts in earnest Aug. 4.

The first match is slated for Aug. 21 against South Adams.

With assistance on and off the courts from Joel Pyle, McArdle says he feels good about his team's chances this season.

Soccer

Katie Muirs and Katie Hathaway formed a dynamic duo last year as first-year head coaches of the girls' soccer team in what Muirs calls "a learning experience." The job-sharing seemed to work effectively as Hathaway handled the administrative and scheduling duties while Muirs assumed most of the on-field responsibilities.

Muirs says returnees to this year's squad include a large group of seniors who will provide leadership across the board. Kara Baumgartner is a really fast and strong senior back, she notes. Sarah Lovejoy, who came off the bench last year as a sound defensive player, will probably earn a starting position. Goalie Mary Hathaway is a solid "presence" that inspires team confidence.

Forwards Grace Fyfe and Cheyenne Lanahan have played for Muirs since they were freshmen and "balance each other" nicely. Emma Charais is a sound defender who quietly "leads by example" and Lauren Hellinger is a "very vocal player" who directs the team on the field.

Junior Gabbi Denning, center midfielder and "overall great player" will round out the squad. And four incoming sophomores who have grown in strength and ability show great promise.

Muirs is confident that her team can compete with the likes of Homestead, Canterbury and Dwenger this year. Their ultimate goal is to score in the SAC top three and make it out of the sectional tournament. That will be "highly sought after" by this year's seniors, says Coach Muirs.

She sums up her coaching philosophy when she says, "It's neat to work with the girls and see them grow as soccer players and as individuals."

Golf

Last season girls' golf coach Tom O'Brien had so many players that he initiated a big/little sister program so his experienced players could help their younger counterparts adapt to the game. It worked out very well, he says. The effort "created a bond" as friendships developed on and off the links and the underclassmen utilized the knowledge of the older girls. Those sophomores are "very enthusiastic" this year, he says.

It was a "dream season," says O'Brien, of the 2007 SAC win at Colonial Oaks after a 14-year drought. But this will be a rebuilding year after losing five senior varsity players to graduation, he notes.

O'Brien's most experienced returning golfers are seniors Chelsea Pritchard and Kyran O'Shaughnessey, while sophomores Alex Eagleson, Amanda Vankoski, Alexis Baker, Lauren Holman and Olympia Olson will build on their summer junior golf experience. The coach credits a

topflight city parks and recreation program for his players' increased maturity, consistency and ability on the links.

O'Brien also expects other players to come out when the season officially gets underway, including newcomers Lexy Hamel and Natalie Raugh.

Since his ultimate goal is to build the program, Coach O'Brien says, "I'm just thrilled to have this much interest in girls' golf." He is optimistic about his squad's prospects in the Aug. 5 match against Fremont.

Volleyball

Girls' volleyball coach Scott Shipman says he expects this to be a "mini-rebuilding year" after Luers finished the '07 season as sectional runner-up.

The Aug. 19 home opener against Homestead High School will be a precursor of the new season and a pre-SAC tournament featuring all conference schools in late August is "usually a pretty good event," he says.

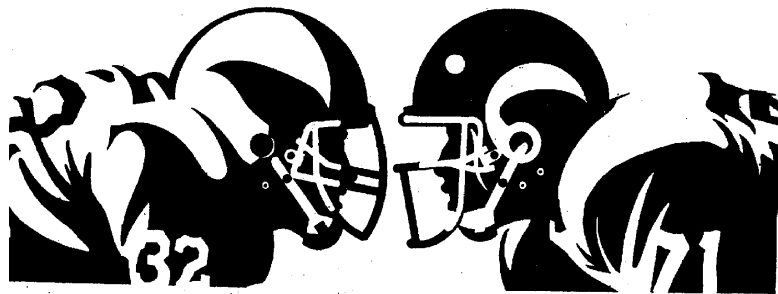
Shipman has high expectations for three all-conference returnees. He notes that senior right side hitter Cassie Davis "hits and blocks at a really high level." Junior outside hitter Kristy Gerardot, who was second team all-conference last year, "will be one of the best in the area." She's "hard to stop. I'm real proud of her," says Shipman. Also returning is first team all-conference and all-northeast Indiana player, senior Andrea Kleber.

Shipman says he needs some middle blockers but he sees some younger players stepping up to fill that void. Last year's freshman team was especially tough, losing only one match all season, so some of those sophomores may prove themselves at the varsity level.

Shipman's varsity assistant is Kay Armstrong. Elise Rupright is junior varsity coach and a freshman coach is still needed.

Shipman says the conference is very competitive, top to bottom, but he expects a really good year.

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Tracks, links, courts and fields see early activity at Bishop Dwenger

BY BONNIE ELBERSON

FORT WAYNE — Despite the hot and humid midsummer Indiana weather, Bishop Dwenger High School Athletic Director Andy Johns is already looking forward to the fall sports season. With tryouts and official practice slated for early August, the tracks, links, courts and fields will be humming with activity. “Key kids are back” so “we should be good,” he says with confidence.

Football

Head coach Chris Svarczkopf has “plenty to choose from” with 26 seniors, 37 juniors and 42 sophomores out for football again this year. Though defensive coordinator David Watercutter won’t have many returning starters on the defensive line and potential punters and kickers “will need to step up,” Svarczkopf expects his offensive line to be solid. “A couple people need to show us what they can do in one-a-days,” he says.

Team captains Tyler Eifert, Joe Colone, Matt Tippman and Steve Seculoff are expected to provide senior leadership both on and off the field. Eifert, Colone, Seculoff, Stephen Fiacable, Gus Springman and Landon Feichter will likely start on offense, while Brian Fogler and Tippman are returning defensive starters along with Seculoff and Eifert who play both ways.

Last year’s 13-1 conference championship record was outstanding, with the single loss coming in semi-state competition. Dwenger will scrimmage

Bishop Luers on Aug. 15 at 7 p.m. at Bishop John D’Arcy Stadium on the campus of the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne. Then the season will officially open Friday, Aug. 22, in a “big grudge match” against Concordia High School at Zollner Stadium. “We’re setting our sights on this one,” says Svarczkopf.

Cross country

Last year’s boys’ cross country team was relatively inexperienced yet made a good showing, says head coach Eric Ade. With a “good mix” of freshmen through seniors this season, he is optimistic that a semi-state top five finish and qualification for state competition is possible.

Two senior varsity runners, Patrick Brunner and Dane Okleshen, are returning and junior Luke Momper who ran first or second all last season should continue to post winning times. Freshman Andrew Eckrich is also expected to be a “big factor.”

“We’re looking forward to the season,” which kicks off with an Aug. 23 invitational at Bishop Luers. Overall, we’re definitely “setting up to do better than last year,” Ade declares. He will be assisted on and off the field this year by Nathan Arata.

Also anticipating the annual Luers invitational is girls’ head coach Jessica Hayes. With no assistants and 27 runners in conditioning since mid-June, her work will be cut out for her. “This is the biggest team I’ve had so far,” she says, with 11 returnees and 16 brand new runners including five seniors.

Six seniors who proved them-

selves at conditioning and helping out over the summer are expected to be team leaders, says Coach Hayes. They include Kelsey Didion, Addi Tomlinson, Annette Hilger, Mary Marqueling, Ann Venderley and Kit Daley.

Soccer

Boys’ soccer coach Michael Khorshid says, “Most of the team is coming back,” but it’s a relatively young and inexperienced squad so they still “need to build.” He was pleased to welcome 20 freshmen at June soccer camp.

With 50 expected to try out in early August, Khorshid will pare that number to 18 varsity and 18 junior varsity players and practice will begin in earnest for the opening match against New Haven on Aug. 19.

New this year, a Soccer Showcase will be held at IPFW (Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne) on Aug. 16, 17 and 18. Dwenger has been invited to participate and will face Homestead High School for a good precursor of the upcoming season.

Five senior players that Khorshid expects to excel on the field are Sean Weigand, Philip Gase, Chris Lozo, James Dinh and Austin Shutt. Top juniors and likely starters include Billy Khorshid, James Till, John O’Shaughnessy and Sean Black.

Twelve-year head coach Khorshid will be assisted by Carlos Cruz, Carl Dorrisant and Joe Weigand. Though the goal is an SAC championship, the coach says they may do even better.

Summer soccer camp saw 40 girls in attendance so head coach

Jason Wisniewski is optimistic about the upcoming season since last year’s team made it to the final four before losing to South Bend’s Penn High School. And of the six returning seniors, he points out that four of them have played in the state finals and would really like to get back for their final year.

Senior captains Jena Levy, Lauren Keck and Gina Killion are expected to provide strong leadership this season, along with Sarah Van Antwerp, Lindsay McKenna and Lisa Underwood who was named second team all-state in ‘07. Junior Jordan Pawlik made first team all-state last year and should continue to be a standout on the field.

Tennis

“We have a lot of depth,” says boys’ tennis head coach Anne Schenkel who will see a large number of returning players as the season kicks off in August. She keeps a fairly big team since numbers are important and the school boasts six courts. “I’d love to keep them all,” she says wistfully.

Returning singles players include senior Nathan Maskal and juniors Carson Braun, Danny Schenkel and Austen Rang who should score team points.

Younger players who lettered last year by playing at both the junior varsity and varsity levels include Joey Klinker and Luke Welch.

Schenkel will be assisted on and off the courts by Vicki Welch and Craig Welch.

Volleyball

Coach John Minnick’s girls’ volleyball team got off to a strong

early start recently by winning all seven games in a Huntington tournament sponsored by Performance Plus Volleyball. Open gym during the summer kept players “in the groove” and made big tournament wins over Luers and Homestead possible, he says.

Seniors Beth Fogler, Jill Snyder and Lauren Rosswurm, “who are really stepping up for us,” along with junior setter Erika Moss are all key players this year, says Minnick. Combined with a very strong junior class which lost only a few matches last year, they should post a winning season. “It’s looking very promising,” says Coach Minnick.

Varsity assistant is Mike Mickeini. Reserve coach is Rhonda Winkeljohn and freshman coaches are Karen Tone and Kay Freiburger.

Golf

Girls’ fourth-year head golf coach Kurt Leffers welcomed five golfers to tryouts recently, but only two of them are returnees from last season when the squad posted a 5-2 record in the SAC.

This year senior Alex Leonard and junior Anna Thielen along with three brand new golfers are hoping to hit the links when Dwenger hosts Concordia and Carroll in the opening match next week at River Bend.

Though their experience is limited, Leffers is optimistic. “We’ll see how they do.” The goal is for all the golfers to show improvement from the beginning of the season to the end. “I’m hoping for the best down the road,” he says.

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EDITORIAL

Just for the 'sport' of it

Soon the air will turn crisp, and the inner sports fan in many casual observers will come alive again with the advent of fall sports. With strenuous training and dedication, each player and team will strive to be the best in their respective sport. Dreams of school championships will thrive again amidst coaches, staff, alumni, parents and players.

Many athletic mission statements tell that they intend to provide an equitable opportunity for all students to participate in athletics while succeeding in obtaining their academic or vocational goals. A school often asserts that athletic participation helps promote leadership development, time-management skills, sportsmanship, positive role models, peer-group interaction, determination, risk-taking and perseverance. Athletic departments strongly endorse a comprehensive program that encourages the development of each student-athlete's values and character, sees its activities as an integral part of school life and as a positive aspect of the overall educational experience for its participants.

Coaches, while dedicated and intent on getting their players to be "the best they can be," perhaps annually need to review the institution's athletic mission statement, remembering there are other activities and interests besides sports that are important to the overall development of the young people in their charge. While a winning season and maybe a team championship are a great achievement, they mean little if some students and even families literally get trampled along the so-called path to athletic prowess.

Sporting events and practices that continually interfere with family life and other student interests, activities and especially study time need to be adjusted, altered or abbreviated. Practice sessions should not extend into the family's dinner hour and evening time together, and no athletic contest should take place on Sunday morning. What kind of mixed message are we sending our children when so-called Christian adults schedule games on Sunday morning and also preach the importance of attending Mass and other church services? How often is a student not allowed to start or play in a game because something "less important than the sport" interfered with his or her attending every practice? And amidst the current cost of gasoline does it make sense to schedule athletic contests not only in other cities but in other states? It's time to reconsider traveling team competition.

The world today, it seems, does not know how to put sports in its proper perspective. Fanatic football fans still fret about a TV network's decision to cut away from an unfinished game in favor of broadcasting the movie "Heidi" to not "disappoint children" waiting to watch it. That memorial 1968 match-up between the New York Jets and the Oakland Raiders has come to symbolize the turning tide in favor of saturation Sunday TV football coverage. Believe it or not, there was a time — 40 years ago — when football wasn't the top dog on fall Sundays, and Monday evenings and then Thursday evenings.

There was a time when the Olympics, Wimbledon, the French Open and Ryder Cup competition did not interfere with the local telecast of the TV Mass or other religious programming on a Sunday morning. And there was a time when the kickoff of most college football games was at 1:30 p.m. Now the TV networks dictate when their affiliate stations must carry sporting events, what time a televised game will start, when and how long a "TV time-out" will last, and so forth.

We can't blame everything on the TV networks. The "Heidi Game," as it came to be known, proved to be a watershed moment in sports broadcasting. It led the National Football League to insert language into its TV contracts guaranteeing that games would be shown in their entirety to local markets. Symbolically, however, it meant much more. From that point on, football — and to some extent professional basketball, golf and auto racing — has ruled supreme on Sundays with all other programming bowing down before it.

Money does the talking in terms of sponsorship; money to meet the high-salary demands of coaches and professional players. Even at the college level, the average pay of major college football coaches now stands at more than \$1 million per year. Meanwhile, professors' pay is in a different league with most earnings well below six figures.

As usual, most of the money to support the high cost of sports competition comes from the fans. But who can afford to take their family to a professional or college athletic event? And, locally, how many families can afford the toll it sometimes takes on family life to support a youngster's participation in a sport?

Those interested in playing a sport should be dedicated to it and willing to put in a lot of effort. But that effort needs to be tempered and put in proper perspective to blend with the overall educational experience of the participants.

Today's Catholic editorial board consists of Ann Carey, Don Clemmer, Fred and Lisa Everett, Father Mark Gurtner, Father Michael Heintz, Tim Johnson and Vince LaBarbera.

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Team's ministry receives praise

The Bishop Luers Baseball Team has been a tremendous example of Christ-likeness in Fort Wayne. In the same way that our Lord came to serve us, these high school boys are serving others.

My daughter has Down Syndrome, and your students have been working with her and other children with disabilities at Tumble-X. They have been patient, encouraging and attentive. I thank God for the Bishop Luers outreach program and the impact that they are having on the lives of children, as well as the impact these children are having on the lives of those students.

What an incredible blessing and privilege the Bishop Luers Baseball team has been given, and I applaud

them for rising up to the calling. I pray for continued blessings on this program, continued support from the Catholic Church, and for their witness of Christ's love to be obvious to the unchurched.

**Tammy Bruns
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The funds from the 2007 appeal were distributed to religious institutes at the end of June, and I am confident that they will be received with profound gratitude for every donor. Our annual report details the distribution of funds, and it will be available on our Web site on Sept. 1. We invite you to visit www.retiredreligious.org

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St. Paul: building of Christ's church

Pope Benedict XVI has declared this year, from June 2008 to June 2009, as The Year of St. Paul. At vespers in the Basilica of St. Paul Outside-the-Walls he announced a yearlong commemoration leading up to the 2,000-year anniversary of Paul's birth.

The pope noted the important role that Paul played in the founding of the early church. He paused to note especially the fraternal love shared between St. Peter and St. Paul. At the basilica there even is an icon with an image of their embrace.

The pope noted: "Thus, from the outset, Christian tradition has considered Peter and Paul to have been inseparable, even if each had a different mission to accomplish. Peter professed his faith in Christ first; Paul obtained as a gift the ability to deepen its riches. Peter founded the first community of Christians who came from the Chosen People; Paul became the Apostle to the Gentiles. With different charisms they worked for one and the same cause: the building of Christ's church."

You may remember the old myth of Romulus and Remus as twin brothers who founded the city of Rome. Tradition has similarly seen Peter and Paul as "founders of a new city." Indeed, the pope said that on their liturgical feast day it is as if the Church of Rome is celebrating her own birthday, since it was these two apostles



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who laid her foundations.

Benedict XVI went on to describe Paul's ministry. In his letters, Paul protests a lack of oratory skill, but he was tireless in proclaiming the Gospel. He was consumed by the Gospel, introducing himself with the Greek term "doulos," which means "slave." He was a slave of Christ.

Paul nevertheless achieved extraordinary results as an apostle, making three missionary journeys that brought the Christian Gospel to the Mediterranean basin. But, as Benedict XVI observed, this was not due "to brilliant rhetoric or refined apologetic and missionary strategies," but rather to his total dedication to Christ.

And this dedication is what the Pope said we need to rediscover. "Today too Christ needs apostles ready to sacrifice themselves. He needs witnesses and martyrs like St. Paul. ... How timely (Paul's) example is today! And for this very reason I am pleased to announce officially that we shall be dedicating a special jubilee year

to the Apostle Paul."

Pope Pius X reminded us that the liturgy is the indispensable source of the true Christian spirit. It is that Christian spirit that Paul spread throughout his world, and that our world desperately needs. Paul poured himself out for others, and in this, Benedict XVI says he is our model. But if we would pour ourselves out, we must first be filled. So we turn to the liturgy as the source of this spirit.

Pauline theology has influenced a great deal of our liturgical and sacramental theology.

Thus, as its contribution to the year of St. Paul, the University of Notre Dame Center for Liturgy is dedicating its 2009 June conference to exploring "Paul as Liturgical Theologian." The center is part of the Institute for Church Life at Notre Dame, sharing the mission of linking the resources of the university to the lives of churchgoers and church leaders at various levels. In anticipation of that 2009 event, the center is offering a monthly reflection upon Paul and the liturgy.

For more information about the Notre Dame Center for Liturgy, which is providing this series on St. Paul, visit www.liturgy.nd.edu.

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It's not easy being green

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Visiting Australia in July gave Pope Benedict XVI an opportunity to develop further his creation morality, which he first explained in the northern Italian Alps a year ago.

While Pope John Paul II was the outdoorsman, Pope Benedict's three-year pontificate already is seen as the green papacy.

Accepting donations of solar panels and a reforestation project to offset the Vatican's carbon footprint, the 81-year-old pope has shown that his concern for the environment is concrete.

But his July 12-21 trip to Australia also gave him an opportunity to demonstrate that his concern is theologically based, part of a broad moral code and is perhaps the best way to convince young people that there is such a thing as natural law — that some actions are naturally always right or wrong.

Meeting priests in the Alps last year, the pope suggested that affirming young people's sensitivity to environmental concerns was the first step in showing them that they really believe God created all things and that God's plan for creation must be respected.

The next step, he said last year,

was to explain that "we must not only care for the earth, but we must respect one another."

"Only with absolute respect for this creature of God, this image of God which is man, only with respect for living together on this earth can we move forward," the pope told the priests.

For Pope Benedict, the obligation to safeguard the environment flows from recognizing that God has a plan for creation as a whole and for all its components: air, water, mountains, forests, flora, fauna and — especially — human beings.

In Sydney for World Youth Day, the pope had an opportunity to explain to Catholic young people how it all fits together.

"God's creation is good and it is one," he said at the July 17 welcoming ceremony.

"The concerns for nonviolence, sustainable development, justice and peace and care for our environment are of vital importance for humanity," he said. "They cannot, however, be understood apart from a profound reflection upon the innate dignity of every human life from conception to natural death: a dignity conferred by God himself."

The earth and all it holds was

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created to sustain human life, he said, but neglect, greed and shortsightedness have led to the poisoning of air, water and soil and the destruction of the forests.

In a similar way, the pope said, people were created in God's image and likeness and destined to seek truth, beauty and goodness.

But in the human environment, as in the rest of nature, there exists "a poison which threatens to corrode what is good, reshape who we are and distort the purpose for which we have been created," he said.

Alcohol and drug abuse, violence, sexual degradation, abortion and other attacks on human life are all signs of how people ignore their own dignity or the dignity of others as the crown of God's cre-

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The first step in hearing God's voice



THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mt 14:22-33

The First Book of Kings is the source of this weekend's first reading. The two Books of Kings highlight the kings of the united kingdom of Israel, Saul, David and Solomon. However, neither book is a political history. Both books are religious works. The chief purpose of these writings is to call the people to be loyal to God.

Thus, along with the kings, and often more emphatically and extensively than the kings, these books mention prophets, who spoke for God.

For example, this weekend's reading centers on Elijah the prophet. Elijah tries to hear God, believing that God will speak to him. But, looking for God in all the wrong places, Elijah expects to hear the Almighty in raging storms and in natural upheavals.

Such are not the media through which God communicates. At last, Elijah hears a tiny whispering sound. It is the voice of God.

Several lessons are in this reading. First, God communicates with humanity in ways that they can perceive.

Second, in communicating with humans, God does not always

meet their expectations. Elijah looked for God in great outbursts of nature, in the storm and in the earthquake. Elijah believed that God is supreme over nature, as indeed God is.

But, as the New Testament eventually would teach, God's ways are not human ways.

Finally, not acting in human ways, God appears in places and in forms least expected, such as in tiny whispering sounds in the middle of storms and earth tremors.

St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans again this weekend furnishes the second reading.

In this reading, Paul verifies his own status as an apostle and his own truthfulness. He had to identify himself. He faced impostors. His writings make clear the fact that some disputed Paul, questioning his vocation as an apostle.

He also mourns that many of his kin do not accept God. But, despite the fact that some walk away from the Gospel, Paul insists that he will remain true to his calling as a Christian and as an apostle. He urges the Romans also to be faithful.

For its last reading this weekend, the church turns to St. Matthew's Gospel.

In this story, the Lord literally walks across water to reach the boat where the apostles were. Peter, impulsive as was his personality, leaped from the boat attempting to meet Jesus. Indeed, Jesus invited Peter to come forward.

However, also as often happened, Peter's impulsiveness gave way to uncertainty and doubt. When these feelings took hold, Peter's own ability to walk on the water failed. He began to sink.

Jesus, however, not undone by Peter's lack of faith, pulled Peter from the water, rescuing him from death.

Reflection

It is a truism today that God's ways are not our ways. More precisely, the message is that we are limited. Our perceptions are blurred. Selfishness and fear confound us.

Life cannot be measured just by earthly standards. It must be measured by its totality, in other words, with attention given the fact of eternity.

Jesus is the son of God. He walked on water. He is the source of life. He is the only security. He alone gives eternal life.

The greatest practical lesson to learn from these reading is that in fact we are limited. Our outlook is not necessarily on target. Our wishes are not always that pure. We may love the Lord, and we may attempt to be with the Lord, but at times we try to reach Jesus by relying upon ourselves. We try to walk on water.

We need God's strength even in our effort to find God. First in the process, however, we must be humble. We must recognize who and what we are.

READINGS

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a Ps 85:9-14 Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-23

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c Ps 148:1-2, 11-14 Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8-3:4 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22 Ps 113:1-6 Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59, 61-62 Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Ps 45:10-12, 16 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19 Mt 19:13-15

CATEQUIZ'EM

By Dominic Campion

In August, the church celebrates the Transfiguration of the Lord, so this quiz looks at all things "trans."

1. The Transfiguration refers to

- a. the changing of bread and wine into the body and blood of Jesus
- b. a radical change in Jesus' appearance, witnessed by some of his followers
- c. the change of Jesus from fully human to fully divine after the Resurrection

2. Although many churches are found there, this Eastern Rite church is generally regarded as having originated in the Trans-Carpathian region:

- a. Ruthenian/Byzantine
- b. Armenian
- c. Draculian

3. This term refers to the most significant event during Mass, the changing of the bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ:

- a. translation
- b. transmigration
- c. transubstantiation

4. This term generally refers to languages but, in an ecclesial context, means to move a bishop to a different diocese:

- a. trans-episcopate
- b. translate
- c. transliterate

5. This phrase "sic transit Gloria Mundi" was commonly used to remind people that

- a. St. Gloria Mundi of Rome was the first female saint to nurse the sick
- b. the glory of God suppresses that of all idols
- c. the glory of the world is fleeting

6. The Catholic population of Australia was added to early on by transportees from Ireland. Who were they?

- a. passengers, mostly third class, who paid to emigrate
- b. convicts sentenced to be deported to penal colonies
- c. members of sects who claim the ability to live outside the body

7. In movies, crosses, the Eucharist and even garlic are used to defend the Christian community of this region, from Nosferatu:

- a. Transcarpathia
- b. Tran Siberia
- c. Transylvania

8. This method of producing Bibles (and other texts) tends to produce work close to the original but is rather difficult to read and understand:

- a. transliteration
- b. transference
- c. transistorism

9. Jesus chased the money lenders away from the Temple. What business were they transacting?

- a. changing all coins into gold, the only acceptable currency for the temple
- b. changing various coins into those acceptable for the temple tax
- c. changing temple coins used as souvenirs into useable Roman coins

10. Workers, mostly Irish Catholics, in competition with another group, mostly Chinese, helped create this in the 19th century:

- a. a transatlantic bridge, the "Bridge of the Americas"
- b. a transcontinental railway system
- c. a trans-suburban ring of meditation centers in San Francisco

11. Medieval monks in a scriptorium spent the great part of their day doing this:

- a. transferring
- b. translating
- c. transcribing

12. Only this rank of clergy has a transitional version:

- a. bishop
- b. priest
- c. deacon

13. This term describes a characteristic of God, referring to his existence above and independent of creation, in Christian theology:

- a. transcendence
- b. transcendental meditation
- c. transcorporreality

14. This is often used as a synonym for sin:

- a. transmigration
- b. transaction
- c. transgression

15. This term refers to exuding liquid through pores, as when Jesus, in the garden, sweated blood:

- a. transudation
- b. transfusion
- c. transanguinary

ANSWERS:

- 1.b, 2.a, 3.c, 4.b, 5.c, 6.b, 7.c, 8.a, 9.a, 10.b, 11.c, 12.c, 13.a, 14.c, 15.a

When do we stand after the preparation of gifts?

I've noticed that churches vary from parish to parish when they stand after the preparation of gifts. When exactly is the congregation to stand after the offertory? Anonymous

This is one of the practices that were changed slightly with the introduction of the new "General Instruction of the Roman Missal" (GIRM) in the United States a few years ago. Previously, the norm was for the entire congregation to remain seated during the "Orate, fratres ..." (the priest's invitation, translated as "Pray, brethren, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father") and the "Suscipiat Dominus ..." (the people's response — "May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands..."). So, the congregation used to stand only after that entire dialogue had ended.

The new GIRM instructs that after the "Orate fratres," the faithful "rise and make their response: 'Suscipiat Dominus.'" Traveling from church to church, there are some places where the people

stand as soon as the priest begins the invitation. However, the official Latin text for the Mass makes it clear that the people should begin standing between the two parts of the dialogue — after the priest has finished the invitation, and before the people's response. An exception would be if incense were used, in which case the people would rise and bow when incensed by the server or minister, and then typically remain standing.

Of course, slight disparities in this practice do occur, since it is a rather precise matter of choreography. But even though it seems like a minor issue, it can cause confusion and disruption during Mass if visitors to a church begin standing when the congregation usually does not. The simple solution is for all to observe the universal norm.

In addition, the new practice does carry some strong symbolism — after having been formally invited to pray with him, the faithful rise and ratify the sacrifice that the priest offers on their behalf.

THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION

A friend wanted a secular tune with an emphasis on God at a funeral Mass. The parish would not include the song during the liturgy. Why? Anonymous

After somebody's death, it is not uncommon to commemorate that person with one of his or her favorite songs. However, when it comes to the funeral rites, a distinction must be made between tribute songs and sacred music that is intended for the liturgy.

The recently updated U.S. guidelines on liturgical music, "Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship," offer some direction. The document says that funeral

music "should never be used to memorialize the deceased, but rather to give praise to the Lord, whose paschal sacrifice has freed us from the bonds of death."

Sacred music should foster "a spirit of hope in Christ's victory over death and in the Christian's share in that victory."

Secular music, on the other hand, "even though it may reflect on the background, character, interests, or personal preferences of the deceased or mourners, is not appropriate for the sacred liturgy."

The funeral norms of our own diocese reiterate that secular or non-liturgical music may not be performed before, during, or after the funeral in the place where the rites occur.

Therefore, popular secular music, school fight songs, or revered anthems like "Danny Boy" are not fit for use in the funeral itself. Even secular songs and ballads that focus in a positive way on God or on one's relationship with him are not suitable for the liturgy, because they have no intrinsic con-

nection to the character and ritual structure of the Catholic funeral.

Attention must also be given to ensuring that specific examples of "religious" music are actually compatible with a liturgical context, particularly when such songs lack theological depth or are intended primarily to evoke personal emotions.

Using music to honor an individual, especially posthumously, is a strong custom in our culture; so it is understandable that implementing these rules at the parish level can be challenging.

Mourning family members and friends should be made aware of viable options — diocesan guidelines suggest that such songs instead be performed at the funeral home apart from the vigil or at the funeral dinner.

Brian MacMichael, director of the Office of Worship for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, answered these questions.

Lessons learned and reaffirmed

In June, our high school baseball team advanced to the 3-A state championship in Indianapolis. In the 40-plus years of our existence, we had never won more than a regional, and here we were — one of two teams from an original pool of 100 — playing for the state championship game.

We had arrived at this point in unexpected fashion. With a senior-dominated team, we had anticipated contending for the conference championship during the regular season. Instead, we suffered some injuries, had our confidence shaken, and ended up 16-10 overall and tied for third place in the conference.

We had not maximized our potential. We had underachieved.

I had expressed to our players on numerous occasions how disappointed I was in our performance. Our players had not performed to their capabilities, and the coaching staff had failed to bring out the best in them.

It was important to be all-inclusive. I learned long ago that if you didn't take inventory of the coaching staff's role amidst the struggle, you ran the risk of alienating the players, making them the scapegoats and exonerating yourself from blame.

We win together and we lose together. We all shouldered the blame.

I've always believed that there is a path to victory. It may be grown over with weeds or constricted by rocky terrain. But if you keep pushing, believing, instilling confidence and working hard, you will find a way. You can't do it all the time but you can will yourself to victory.

But our will had been weakened. In a two-week span, we lost games by 10-0, 8-0, 11-1 and 11-2. We weren't just losing; we weren't even competing, which was atypical of the program we had built in five years.

One of our captains, a quiet

leader, became quite vocal in a talk with our team on the bus following a road trip. The next day, when I arrived at our field, he had written the following words in chalk on the back wall of the dugout: We can win together or we can die alone.

The sectional began with a game against an opponent that had defeated us decisively — twice — during the regular season. We fell behind, 1-0, and then scored eight runs in the third inning en route to victory. In the sectional championship game, we fell behind, 3-0, and then scored nine runs in the fifth inning. It was our school's first sectional championship in 10 years.

In the regional championship game, we let opportunity slip away before winning in the bottom of the 11th. It was our school's first regional championship in 10 years.

Now the doubts from earlier in the year were gone. It no longer mattered who we were playing. We were competing against our own standard that we set for ourselves. In the semi-state, we beat the 30-1, No. 1-ranked team, and then knocked off the No. 4 team later that night to advance to the state championship game.

On Tuesday, four days before the big game, we received news that the father of one of our players had been killed in a car accident. Suddenly, the outcome of the championship game didn't seem nearly as important. Before I could reach the home of the player, the rest of the seniors on the team had gathered to comfort him.

Later that afternoon at practice, I had to address the team. I realized this was the most important talk that I had ever given to our players, and very little of what I had to say had to do with baseball.

We drove to Indianapolis Friday night, went over the game plan for the third time, and took batting practice Saturday morning. We had done everything humanly



FROM THE SIDELINES

BY TIM PRISTER

possible to prepare a team to play the biggest game of our lives while dealing with the harsh reality of tragedy/death.

Forty-eight hours later, we would gather together as a team to pay our final respects to the father of our player.

And back on that dugout wall, much of the phrase written in chalk had been wiped away as players leaned up against it over the weeks of games and practices. It no longer said, We can win together or die alone. Most of the words had been inadvertently rubbed off.

Ironically, prophetically, all it said now was, We win together.

Oh, by the way, we lost that championship game, 5-1. But I learned much about our team in the three-week post-season run, and had many of life's lessons reaffirmed. Our faith is stronger because of the experience, and my responsibility to the young men that I coach is much greater than I ever realized.

God had tested us and we had triumphed, even though the final score indicated otherwise.

Tim Prister is a 1978 graduate of Marian High School and a 1982 graduate from the University of Notre Dame.

SCRIPTURE SEARCH

By Patricia Kasten

Gospel for August 10, 2008

Matthew 14:22-33

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A: the story of walking on the Sea of Galilee. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

MOUNTAIN	TO PRAY	WAVES
THE WIND	WALKING	ON THE SEA
SAW HIM	TERRIFIED	A GHOST
IN FEAR	AFRAID	PETER
COMMAND	WATER	STRONG
FRIGHTENED	LORD SAVE ME	IMMEDIATELY
CAUGHT	FAITH	DOUBT

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LETTER

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ation, the pope said.

And, he told the young people, relativism — thinking that there do not exist any absolute truths — is one of the clearest signs of a waning recognition that God is the creator of all things and all people.

Under the guise of being "neutral, impartial and inclusive of everyone," relativism actually claims God's place and denies that

there is any such thing as natural order, natural purpose and natural goodness, he said.

The world is fragile, the pope told them, and harm done in one area affects another.

"We have become more and more aware of our need for humility before the delicate complexity of God's world," he said.

The pope's message to the young people was that like the stars and the seas, the flowers and the cattle, "your very existence has been willed by God, blessed and given a purpose."

Sports

BISHOP DWENGER SENIOR NAMED TO ALL-STAR TEAM Bishop Dwenger's softball team captain, Chelsea Sanders, has been selected to play in the first annual East/West all-star class games for baseball and softball. Sanders, who played shortstop and pitcher for the Saints, is a three-time All-SAC selection and batted .375 this past season, leading the team with six triples. The games were held at Blackford High School in Hartford City on Saturday, July 26.

Ken Nuber named assistant women's soccer coach at Notre Dame

NOTRE DAME — Ken Nuber, a 14-year coaching veteran, has been named an assistant coach with the University of Notre Dame women's soccer program, it was announced by head coach Randy Waldrum. Nuber has spent the past 13 seasons as the head women's soccer coach at NAIA member University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne.



KEN NUBER

A three-time MCC Coach of the Year and two-time regional coach of the year, Nuber worked hard to maintain a standard of excellence on and off

"I've known Ken for nine years, I've seen firsthand his work with the Saint Francis program, and I believe he is an up-and-coming coach with a bright future in our profession," Waldrum said. "His teams are well-disciplined, organized, and try to play the game in a way that fits our Notre Dame style. He is top class in his character and will bring a wealth of head coaching experience to our staff. I'm extremely excited to have him on board and look to have continued success in every aspect of our program."

"It's such a tremendous honor and a privilege to be joining the women's soccer staff at Notre Dame," Nuber said. "Notre Dame is one of the top two all-time programs in the history of women's soccer, and to have the opportunity to move up and coach at the Division I level with a program and a coaching staff of that caliber is really a dream come true."

Nuber founded the Saint Francis women's soccer program in 1995 and amassed a 170-96-14 (.632) record with the Cougars, piloting them to six Mid-Central Conference (MCC) titles and eight NAIA regional tournament berths, including regional finals appearances in 2002 and 2007. He also coached four NAIA All-Americans and 27 NAIA honorable mention All-Americans, as well as five regional players of the year during his tenure. His 170 victories rank seventh on the NAIA all-time wins list.

the field at Saint Francis. His players won 34 NAIA Scholar-Athlete All-America honors in his 13 seasons, and the Cougars earned 10 consecutive National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Team Academic Awards, with their 3.61 team grade-point average in 2007, ranking fourth among collegiate programs at all levels of competition. In addition, Saint Francis was chosen to receive the 2007 NAIA Program of Character Award given for achievement in five categories: sportsmanship, respect, responsibility, servant leadership and integrity.

Nuber is one of the most respected coaches in the NAIA fraternity, having spent eight

years on the NSCAA/NAIA Women's Coaches Association Executive Council, including the past two years as president. He also served seven years as chair of the NAIA All-America Committee, five years at the chair of the NAIA National Championship Selection Committee, four years as chair of the NAIA Scholar-Athlete All-America Selection Committee and three years as chair of the NSCAA/NAIA Coach of the Year Selection Committee.

Nuber is not entirely unfamiliar with the Notre Dame women's soccer program, having worked as a staff coach for the Irish soccer camps since 2000.

Born Oct. 3, 1970, in Cincinnati, Ohio, Nuber graduated from Saint Francis in 1993 with a bachelor of arts degree in communications and an area of concentration in business. He also has received a pair of coaching certifications from the NSCAA, having earned his national diploma in 1997 and his advanced national diploma in 1999.

He and his wife, Gina, are the proud parents of two children — daughter Mya, 3, and son Jayden, 2.

USF selects former DePaul star, Northrop grad to women's soccer program

FORT WAYNE — Christy Young, a Fort Wayne native and record setting midfielder/forward at DePaul University, has been selected to succeed Ken Nuber as the Lady Cougars' women's head soccer coach.



CHRISTY YOUNG

"We are thrilled to have Christy join our Department," said Mark A. Pope, University of Saint Francis' (USF) director of athletics. "Christy brings a wealth of experience in women's soccer, both as a NCAA Division I student-athlete and as a NAIA coach. We look forward to continuing the tradition of success in women's soccer at USF with Christy leading our program."

Young, 27, served as an assistant coach for two years at USF with Nuber in 2004 and 2005 before leaving to get her graduate degree in school counseling at Malone College.

"This is really an outstanding opportunity and I am thrilled to return to the Lady Cougars family," Young said. "Though I hate to see coach Nuber leaving because of what he has meant to me and my development as a coach as well as the USF program, I look forward to continuing and building on what he has developed."

As an assistant at USF, Young developed a weight training program for the Lady Cougars, assisted the head coach in training sessions and worked with Nuber to recruit student-athletes locally and regionally. She also served as the head coach of the

U-17 Girls Citadel Futbol Club Team.

The past four summers, Young has served as coach/counselor at the University of Notre Dame

Girls Soccer Camp. Young also served as an assistant coach at Malone College for one season as she pursued her graduate degree working with goalkeepers, recruiting, travel and game management.

Young came to USF after completing an impressive career at DePaul University in Chicago. Young was a four-year starter at the Division I school and left No. 1 at DePaul in goals (14), assists (9), and points (37) in 71 matches. She was a team captain her senior year, was a Conference USA Player of the Week three times and was named the 2003 DePaul Outstanding Student-Athlete. She was a four-time Conference USA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll selection.

A 1999 Northrop High School graduate, Young was an All-State selection her senior year and she helped the Bruins advance to the state tournament, the first time a Fort Wayne Community School team made the state tournament in 1998.



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Sacred Images Collection at University of Saint Francis gleam in brass, enamel

BY LAUREN CAGGIANO

FORT WAYNE — The University of Saint Francis is home to a permanent collection of rare 18th and 19th century artifacts that bring a new meaning to religious symbolism.

The Sacred Images Collection is the first permanent collection of its kind, noted Justin Johnson, gallery director. The artifacts have been on display at the university in various venues since 2006.

Through the years, William and Joan McNagny collected Russian Orthodox-inspired cast iron and brass images, many gilded with multi-color enamel. The items, crafted by anonymous artists and varied in color and material, represent one of three themes: the life of Christ, Mother of God and St. Nicholas.

The McNagnys loaned the collection to a member of the Saint Francis community. It was decided that the collection was too precious to keep behind closed doors. The university worked with the McNagnys and community members to raise money for the purchase. Enough money was raised to compensate the couple for the original value of the items. The McNagnys then donated 65 percent of their collection to the university.

"These icons are very special to (the McNagnys)," Johnson said. "One thing that drew them is the spirituality of the images."

Johnson also said the Russian Orthodox faith has "a lot of paral-



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This piece on display in the Sacred Images Collection at the Lupke Gallery of the University of Saint Francis is titled "St. Nicholas and St. Sergei of Radonzeh." Shown here with multi-colored brass inlays, the media is oil and tempera on wood and is cast with brass inlays with multi-colored enamel. The piece dates to the mid-18th century.

els to Catholicism," in particular the use of figuratism in religious artwork.

Visitors should note the intricacy of the craftsmanship.

"What is rare about these brass icons is that the enamel is not attached and they're in good condition," Johnson said.

The collection is currently on display in the Lupke Gallery at 2702 Spring St. Summer hours for the Lupke Gallery are Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to noon. For more information, call the School of Creative Arts at (260)399-7700 ext. 8001.

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FUNDRAISERS

Summerfest happening at St. Al's Yoder — Summerfest will be held Saturday, Aug. 9, with a hog roast at 11 a.m., an apple pie or quilting contest at 10 a.m., and a watermelon eating contest at noon. The Gator Gallop 5K run/walk begins with registration at 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, features a chicken dinner at 11 a.m., bingo at noon and an old time country jam session at 2 p.m. Both days will include games and a country store and flea market. For information visit www.orgsites.com/in/summerfest/

Knights plan corn and sausage roast South Bend — The Knights of Columbus will have a corn and sausage roast, Saturday, Aug. 23, from noon to 5 p.m. at 553 E. Washington St. Tickets are \$5 at the door (covers brat sandwich and all the corn you can eat). There will be a raffle for ND tickets, ND blanket, a cake walk and a white elephant sale.

Corn and sausage roast South Bend — St. Casimir Parish, 1308 W. Dunham St., will have a corn and sausage roast Sunday, Aug. 24, from noon to 5 p.m. Music from 1-5 p.m. provided by The Jim Deka Trio. Tickets are \$1 and enters you in the cash raffle (top prize \$1,000) and free sweet corn. New this year will be children's games and a large item raffle. Tickets can be obtained at the parish office or at the gate.

Parish golf outing South Bend — St. Augustine Parish will have an 18-hole scramble golf tournament

Saturday, Aug. 23, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Sprig O Mint Golf Course. Cost per player \$60 and includes cart, greens fees and lunch buffet by Chef Rex Marvel. Call (574) 234-7992 to make reservations.

Knights plan fish fry Fort Wayne — The Knights of Columbus Council 451, 601 Reed Rd., will have a fish fry on Friday, Aug. 1, from 5-7:30 p.m. The cost is \$7 for adults, \$3 for children 12 and under. Fish, two sides and beverage are included.

Rummage sale Kendallville — Immaculate Conception Parish will have a rummage sale Friday, Aug. 8, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday, Aug. 9, from 9-11 a.m. Saturday features \$1.50 bag sale.

Rummage sale New Haven — The Apostolate of Fatima will hold a rummage sale at 15412 Dawkins Rd. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 14-16. Proceeds will benefit the delegates' travel to the world council meeting at the Blue Army National Shrine. Call (260) 749-9396 for information.

MISC. HAPPENINGS Rachel's Vineyard offers a retreat for the aftermath of abortion South Bend — Rachel's Vineyard retreat weekends offer compassion, love, and the healing mercy of God. Open to both men and women. All calls and retreat weekend are confidential. The next retreat is Aug. 22-24. Call Sue Brazo at (269) 683-7176 or (269) 683-2229 or e-mail: ndsue33@hotmail.com

Back to school picnic planned Wabash — St. Bernard Parish will have a back to school picnic Sunday, Aug. 17, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Bring your favorite dish. Meat, drinks and table service will be provided.

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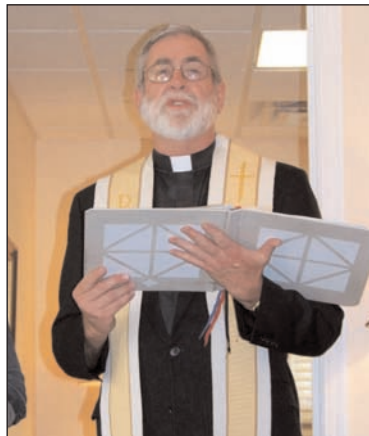
Elkhart Women's Care Center dedicated to saving lives

BY DIANE FREEBY

ELKHART — The newly refurbished building on West Marion Street looks great. Counselors have more room to better serve their clients. The BABE store no longer has to share cramped quarters. But the most important change at the Elkhart Women's Care Center will help save lives.

"We now have a dedicated ultrasound room," said Women's Care Center President Ann Manion. "That means we can offer ultrasounds any day, any time. Thanks to Elkhart General Hospital and Midwifery of Michiana, we have a nurse here all the time to give deciding young mothers the opportunity to see, hear and bond with their developing babies."

The Women's Care Center, with its 14 centers in six counties, exists to help young women facing a crisis pregnancy to choose life for



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Father Bill Sullivan, pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle, blesses the new building for the Women's Care Center at 229 E. Marion St. in downtown Elkhart.

their precious babies. Beginning with one small house in South Bend 24 years ago, the care center has continued to expand to meet the growing need.



Margaret Miller, coordinator of Elkhart BABE, joins Sharon DeLucenay, volunteer center manager for the Elkhart Women's Care Center. Both women volunteer their time to helping mothers choose life for their developing babies.

Elkhart, according to statistics, is the second-busiest of all the sites. Over 1,300 women made over 6,000 visits in 2007 alone.

Nearly bursting at the seams, the office underwent a much-needed expansion, with construction beginning last year and wrapping up this summer with a special ded-

ication ceremony in July.

Father Bill Sullivan, pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Elkhart, was on hand for the blessing. He joined Doreen Mast, associate pastor of Tri-Lakes Community Church in Elkhart as prayers were offered for the many women and babies who are served by the Women's Care Center.

"We have a wonderful opportunity to express God's love in an unbelievable way, every day," explained volunteer center manager Sharon DeLucenay. "Each time we meet a client we have the awesome opportunity to help them choose life. This building helps us do that more."

The BABE program provides new cribs, car seats, baby clothing and diapers to needy young mothers under an incentive system that rewards their participation in education, parenting classes, prenatal care and other valuable activities.

"The support of people and the Women's Care Center is a tremen-

dous blessing to BABE," said Margaret Miller, volunteer coordinator for Elkhart BABE.

The \$225,000 building was made possible by the dedicated volunteers in Elkhart. The Benchmarks auction has raised nearly \$650,000 over the last three years. In addition to the new building, funds were used to produce an adoption video as well as provide items for BABE and help with operating support.

Pat and Art Decio are members of St. Thomas and longtime supporters of the Women's Care Center. They were honored at the recent dedication with a special plaque and the unveiling of the building's official name, The Patricia George Decio Care Center.

Pat Decio humbly deferred to the surrounding community and its support for organizations like the Women's Care Center.

"Elkhart," emphasized Pat Decio, "is truly a city with a heart!"

Today's Catholic

BOOK OF THE MONTH CLUB

This month's featured selection:

Father Joseph Langford's "Mother Teresa: In the Shadow of Our Lady"

Book selection venerates two mothers

Today's Catholic's book of the month selection for August is Father Joseph Langford's "Mother Teresa: In the Shadow of Our Lady," published by Our Sunday Visitor, 2007. And what better literature to study than one focused on reverence for the mother of Nazareth and the mother of Calcutta?

In his 116-page book, Langford, who worked personally with Mother Teresa, shares a rare glimpse into her inmost workings and intimate relationship with the Mother of God. The book educates its reader on the three visions of 1947 that inspired Mother Teresa to work with the poorest of poor and the dying of India.

The Blessed Mother appears in the final two visions and is the fortification that empowers Teresa. Langford writes, "It is through Our Lady's presence, as portrayed in this final scene, that Mother Teresa will find the grace and courage to stand at the Calvaries of the world, knowing, with the same faith that sustained Our Lady in that darkest hour, that beneath this mystery was hidden the presence of the Son of God."

The reader becomes privy to the depth of Mother Teresa's faith and ardent desire to serve both God and man through the generous smattering of quotes from her personal writings, which focus on the intervention of the Blessed Mother at the cross. The theme revealed throughout the book speaks of being filled with God's love through the intercession of Mary and sharing that love through service to others.

In a revelational analogy between Mother Teresa and Juan Diego and his vision of the Blessed Mother, the author offers "four attitudes of soul" that are necessary for Our Lady to intervene in lives. He goes on to instruct the reader of the three stages of grace to encounter Mary — encounter, listening and consecration — and the interior discipline required for this relationship of grace. With her offering of "undivided love" to all, the saint of Calcutta emulates Our Lady in emptying her heart of self so as to "welcome and shelter those who are shelterless."

Langford's deeply spiritual writings assist the reader in

forming the knowledge that Mother Teresa found her confidence in Mary's heart. Her prayers of "Keep me in your heart," and "Lend me your heart," were the foundation of her ability to love her Lord and others in the way Mary did. The author goes on to challenge his reader to examine his/her own relationship with the Mother of God as well.

Following a brief description of the spirit of Mother Teresa's society, Missionaries of Charity, Langford explores the inner depth of the heart where God resides and the fruits of prayer. By choosing to find God in all things, including the sufferings of the world, Mother Teresa provides a model for the reader to find light in the darkness.

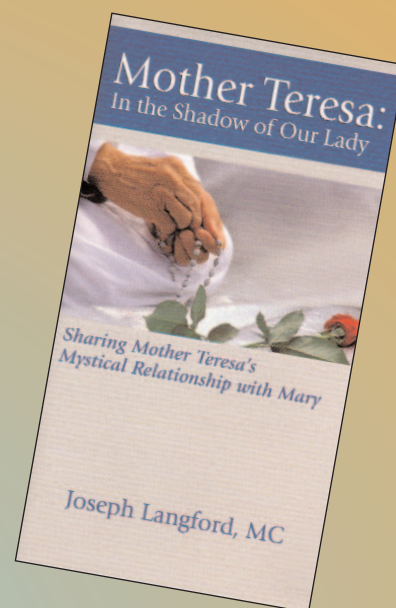
The author offers inspired Biblical references that create the foundation for Mother Teresa's relationship with Our Lady. Seventeen pages of Old Testament Scripture readings inspired to "echo Our Lady," from Proverbs to Sirach that he writes, "are not offered for study, but for savoring," appear in two of three appendixes in the final pages of the book. The third appendix is a narrative of Juan Diego and his apparitions of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Understanding Mother Teresa's source of strength in adversity and love for mankind in her life's work with the poor and dying through Langford's insights challenge his reader to contemplate his/her own life and service. "Mother Teresa: In the Shadow of Our Lady," is a deeply spiritual look at Jesus' thirst for us and our love, Mary's heart, prayer and the notion that it is not love's form but love's content that is the driving force of Mother Teresa's work.

About the author:

Father Joseph Langford met Mother Teresa while studying theology in Rome and was later invited to be cofounder of Mother Teresa's priest community, the Missionaries of Charity Fathers. He currently lives in the community's motherhouse in Mexico.

Visit www.diocesefwsb.org/blog for discussion on this book.



Questions for discussion

- Langford writes of the notion of "undivided love" to God and neighbor on page 41. What does that mean to you? How can you implement that in your daily life?
- By consecrating your life to Mary, what virtues can you develop to live your life in service to God and his people?
- Our Lady listened to only one voice, God's voice, instead of all the others that spoke of pain and heartache. She didn't insist on understanding God's plan to surrender to his will. How can you integrate that spirit of trust and surrender in your life? (page 54)
- Langford writes about the abundance of God's gifts. As you begin to recognize these gifts, how does your faith grow? How does pain become a place of prayer with this new attitude of abundant blessings? (page 58-59)
- How can deepening your prayer life assist you in reaching out to others in their moments of crisis or pain? (page 63)
- How can you consecrate your past, present and future to Our Lady in service to her son? (page 71-73)
- Mother Teresa spent personal time with Mary on a regular basis. How can spending personal time with Our Lady assist in living "beyond our limitations?" Be specific. (page 77)
- Read the Marian Covenant on page 78. Discuss its implications for your own life of service.
- Discuss any new insights you came to from reading the Biblical references to Mother Teresa's relationship with Mary found on pages 81-88.

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