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Pope to highlight ongoing relevance of Newman in visit to Britain

BY CINDY WOODEN

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Benedict XVI's decision to travel to Great Britain to personally beatify Cardinal John Henry Newman will give him an opportunity to highlight Cardinal Newman's teaching about the relation between faith and reason, the role of conscience and the place of religion in society.

During his Sept. 16-19 trip, the pope will visit the Scottish cities of Edinburgh and Glasgow before traveling to London and Birmingham for the beatification. Cardinal Newman was a 19th-century theologian and intellectual who was a leader in the Anglican reform effort known as the Oxford Movement before becoming a Catholic.

The pope will celebrate open-air Masses, meet Queen Elizabeth II and Prime Minister David Cameron and make a major address to leaders of British society. His visit includes a meeting with leaders of other religions, an ecumenical prayer service and a visit to a home for the aged.

But the Vatican has billed the trip as a pastoral visit "on the occasion of the beatification of Cardinal John Henry Newman."

Since his election more than five years ago, Pope Benedict has presided over several canonization ceremonies, but he always has delegated the task of presiding over beatifications to highlight the different importance of the two ceremonies.

The pope's decision to make an exception for Cardinal Newman demonstrates his personal admiration.

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Scottish Cardinal Keith O'Brien unveils a limited edition papal visit tartan Sept. 9. The tartan was specially made to mark the visit of Pope Benedict XVI to Scotland Sept. 16.

Bishop celebrates anniversary Mass

BY KAREN CLIFFORD

SOUTH BEND — Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades blessed over 50 married couples gathered at St. Matthew's Cathedral for the silver and golden wedding anniversary Mass on Sept. 12.

One of the couples, Jim and Mary Kay McLaughlin, parishioners of St. Matthew Cathedral, who are celebrating 50-plus years of marriage, decided to attend to bless their life journey together in love and faith.

"We are actually celebrating our 60th anniversary but got permission to come," said Jim. "We give credit to God's help in the sustainability of our marriage." Mary Kay added, "We have a strong devotion to the Blessed Mother, say daily rosaries and come to daily Mass when we can."

Bishop Rhoades echoed this commitment of love and faith to those in atten-

dance. "On this joyful occasion, we gather to offer thanks to God for the gift of His unending love in the sacrament of Marriage. We celebrate in a very special way the love of God which has united and sustained the married lives of the couples gathered here from throughout our diocese who are celebrating 50 or 25 years of holy Matrimony."

Memories from the years 1960 and 1985 were highlighted by Bishop Rhoades through historical occurrences within the Catholic Church, world and national events, and cultural experiences in music, movies and sports.

"Back in 1960, our world was very different. His Holiness John XXIII was the pope. His Excellency, Leo Pursley was bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend. In fact, it was in the year 1960 that the title of our diocese was changed from the Diocese of

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Jim and Mary Kay McLaughlin, who are celebrating over 50 years of marriage, ready for Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades' blessing during the silver and golden wedding anniversary Mass.

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May Msgr. Jim Wolf be granted the reward of his labors



IN TRUTH
AND
CHARITY

BY BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

Msgr. James Wolf

This past Tuesday, Sept. 7, we commended Msgr. Jim Wolf, the pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Warsaw, to the Lord in a beautiful Funeral Mass concelebrated by over 60 priests and attended by several hundred parishioners at Sacred Heart Church. Bishop D'Arcy preached a beautiful homily at the Mass. I was the principal celebrant and offered some reflections at the end of Mass. We conveyed our heartfelt sympathy to Msgr. Wolf's dear sisters, Mary and Carolyn, and his sister-in-law, Sue, and dozens of nephews and nieces and great nephews and nieces.

There were many tears at the funeral as so many people were touched by Msgr.'s Wolf's goodness and kindness. He was a devoted priest for 41 years. He served in many assignments, including vicar general of our diocese. For the past 10 years, as pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, he guided his people with wisdom and love. I was personally blessed to have come to know Msgr. Wolf these past several months. He was a gentle and humble shepherd after the heart of Christ, the Good Shepherd. He carried the cross of illness with firm faith and trust in the Lord. His priestly heart reflected the love of the Heart of Jesus.

May Msgr. Jim Wolf, who served the Lord and the Church so faithfully as a priest, be granted the reward of his labors, the fullness of life promised to those who preach Christ's holy Gospel!

Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka

On Sept. 1, I made my first visit to Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, a beautiful new facility in Mishawaka. Sister Lauren Painter, the Vice President for Mission Integration, welcomed me to the hospital and showed me the chapel of Our Lady of Fatima, where Mass is celebrated daily for patients and hospital workers. I then met with the Interim President and CEO, Mr. Thomas Reitingger, who explained to me the many services and programs of the Medical Center.

Saint Joseph Regional is truly a state-of-the-art Catholic Medical Center. I visited the various units, including the oncology section, the heart center, the neo-natal unit, the surgical area, etc. It was amazing to see the new technologies in medical care.

Dr. Daniel Dwyer, the senior vice president of Trinity Health System, of which Saint Joseph's is a part, accompanied Mr. Reitingger and me on the tour. Trinity Health was created by the consolidation of the Holy Cross Health System and Mercy Health Services in the year 2000. The Holy Cross Health System had been formed



KAY COZAD

Brookside Mansion on the University of Saint Francis Campus.

when the health care organizations sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross were united back in 1979.

The Sisters of the Holy Cross founded Saint Joseph Hospital in South Bend, back in 1882. It was the first institution in South Bend to care for the sick. Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center carries on the rich tradition of the Sisters in its Catholic mission. I was impressed not only by the new technology I saw, but also by the personalized care offered to the patients at Saint Joseph's. May this wonderful institution continue to serve the sick in the spirit of the Gospel of Jesus!

Holy Cross Chapel at Notre Dame's School of Engineering

On Sept. 1, I celebrated Mass with the blessing of the new Holy Cross Chapel and the dedication of its altar at the Stinson-Remick Hall of Engineering on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. It is a beautiful chapel! I was captivated by the four stained-glass windows representing persons so intimately connected to Notre Dame and the Congregation of Holy Cross: St. Joseph (the patron of the Holy Cross Brothers), Our Lady of Sorrows (patroness of the Holy Cross Congregation), Blessed Basil Moreau (founder of Holy Cross), and Blessed Brother André Bessette (soon to be the first canonized saint of Holy Cross).

Many thanks to Dr. Peter Kilpatrick, the dean of Notre Dame's College of Engineering, for his vision and leadership in the chapel project. This may be the only School of Engineering in the country, perhaps in the world, with a chapel!

If you are visiting Notre Dame, I recommend that you stop and see the Stinson-Remick Hall of Engineering, the newest engineering structure on the campus. It houses the Center for Nano-Science and Technology, the Notre Dame Energy Center, and several laboratories and classrooms. This impressive building was dedicated the day after the chapel blessing.

Women's Care Centers in South Bend

On Sept. 2, I had the good fortune of visiting the three Women's Care Centers in South Bend. Bobby Williams, director, and Ann Manion, president, gave me a great tour of these wonderful facilities. These centers truly provide a beautiful service of the Gospel of Life. Thousands of women are helped and served at these centers. Only our Lord knows how many thousands of babies have been saved by these services! It was wonderful to learn about the incredible support given to so many women who might have had abortions if it had not been for the love and the help of the Women's Care Centers. I thank the many employees, volunteers and benefactors of our Women's Care Centers in St. Joseph, Allen, Elkhart, and Marshall counties. I learned that over 40 percent of newly pregnant women in St. Joseph County receive services from the centers there.

The loving attention given to every woman who enters these centers is a witness to the Gospel of life, the Gospel of love. The care centers are places of compassion. They help women to choose life and provide them with all kinds of help, from prenatal care and maternity clothing, to baby needs, like diapers and cribs. They provide parenting classes for the mothers, and for the babies' fathers as well.

I offered a prayer of blessing at each of the centers I visited, praying for the staff, volunteers and benefactors, and for all the women and babies whom they serve. May God bless these centers of life and love with His abundant grace!

St. Jude School, South Bend

Another joyful school visit, this time to St. Jude School in South Bend on Sept. 3, the feast of St. Gregory the Great. At Mass, I preached to the students about true greatness and what made Pope Gregory "great," reflecting on the teaching of Jesus that the



CNS PHOTO/DAVID MOIR, REUTERS

Katherine Milby from Abbotsford House looks at two vestments while posing for photographers during a media viewing in Abbotsford, Scotland, Sept. 7. The two vestments, once owned by Cardinal John Henry Newman, will become holy relics after Cardinal Newman's beatification by Pope Benedict XVI Sept. 19.

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tion for the British churchman, an admiration he once said went back to his first semester of seminary theology studies in 1946.

"For us at that time, Newman's teaching on conscience became an important foundation" for theological reflection, the then-Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger said at a conference in 1990 marking the centenary of Cardinal Newman's death.

World War II had just ended, he said, and the German seminarians who had grown up under Adolf Hitler witnessed the "appalling devastation of humanity" that resulted from a totalitarian ruler who "negated the conscience of the individual."

While most of the world's totalitarian regimes have fallen, Pope Benedict often has warned that the individual conscience — which must seek and try to act on truth — is being threatened today by a culture of moral relativism, which asserts that nothing is always right or always wrong and almost anything is permissible.

Pope Benedict also often speaks of the essential interplay of faith and reason, a point Cardinal Newman emphasized. While embracing faith and knowing there were no scientific proofs for God's existence, the cardinal was convinced that believing in God was reasonable, an idea that frequently is challenged by modern British schools of philosophical atheism.

Cardinal Newman's commitment to the search for truth, his concern for fidelity to doctrine and his conviction that faith must be lived publicly all are key concepts in the teachings of Pope

Benedict as well.

In his celebrations with Catholics in Great Britain and his addresses to British leaders, the pope is expected to emphasize his conviction that religious belief is not a hindrance to social progress and peaceful coexistence.

Over the past year, news of the trip led to anti-visit petition drives and promises of protests, primarily over the use of taxpayer money to fund the visit of a religious leader, but also because of Catholic Church positions on moral issues such as contraception and homosexuality.

Groups representing victims of clerical sex abuse also have threatened to protest the papal visit, while officials at the Vatican and in England have said it is possible the pope would meet privately with some victims as he did in the United States, Australia and Malta.

Pope Benedict will be welcomed to Great Britain by Queen Elizabeth, who is the supreme governor of the Church of England. He also will meet privately and pray publicly with Archbishop Rowan Williams of Canterbury, primate of the Church of England and spiritual leader of the Anglican Communion.

The fact that Cardinal Newman's Christian faith and theology initially was formed within the Church of England will require particular sensitivity at a difficult time in the Roman Catholic-Anglican search for full unity.

The Rev. David Richardson, director of the Anglican Center in Rome and the archbishop of Canterbury's representative to the Vatican, said that while some people may see Cardinal Newman's beatification as another point of contention, "it's much more likely that the beatification will be bridge building."

The liturgical calendar of the Church of England already commemorates Newman, whom many Anglicans honor as an eminent theologian, a person of prayer and a force of renewal for the church, he said.

"This beatification is not simply a piece of triumphalism for a dead Roman Catholic, but it's actually an opportunity to embrace a wholeness — his Anglicanism as well as his Catholicism," Rev. Richardson said.

At a time when many saw a danger of the Church of England being treated almost as a department of the English government, Newman was a leader in the Anglican Oxford Movement's effort to return to the teachings of the early Christian theologians in order to recover a sense of the church as a sacred institution with a divine mandate.

As he continued his search for the truth, he was received into the Catholic Church in 1845, was ordained a Catholic priest in 1847 and was named a cardinal in 1879.

Msgr. Mark Langham, a priest of the Diocese of Westminster and an official of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity, said, "You cannot begin to understand Newman the Catholic without Newman the Anglican."

"It is very clear that it was his study and his quest for the truth — an absolutely integrated quest for the truth as an Anglican — that moved him toward Catholicism," Msgr. Langham said.

At the same time, while convinced that the fullness of truth was found in the Catholic Church, Cardinal Newman valued the formation he received as an Anglican and "was always very clear that his role was not one of trying to poach people for the Roman Catholic Church," he said.



PUBLIC SCHEDULE OF BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

- Sunday, Sept. 19, 9 a.m. — Mass with installation of pastor, St. Aloysius Church, Yoder
- Sunday, Sept. 19, 2 p.m. — Wedding anniversary Mass, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne
- Monday, Sept. 20, noon — Luncheon and tour of Saint Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne
- Tuesday, Sept. 21, 11 a.m. — Investment Committee Meeting, Warsaw
- Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1 p.m. — Meeting of Diocesan Finance Council, Warsaw
- Tuesday, Sept. 21, 8 p.m. — Mass at Howard Hall, University of Notre Dame
- Wednesday, Sept. 22, 11 a.m. — Mass with Sisters of Holy Cross, Our Lady of Loreto Chapel, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame
- Wednesday, Sept. 22, 6 p.m. — Rosary for Life at Women's Pavilion, South Bend
- Thursday, Sept. 23, 12:05 p.m. — Priests' Jubilarian Mass, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne
- Saturday, Sept. 25 — Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Notre Dame, following football game

All Catholics called to share Christ with others, archbishop says

BY MARK ZIMMERMANN

WASHINGTON (CNS) — All Catholics have an important role to play in sharing their faith with others and when they do that, they can help transform the world, Washington Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl said in an interview about his pastoral letter on the new evangelization, "Disciples of the Lord: Sharing the Vision."

"The new evangelization is not a program, it's a way of looking at life through the lens of discipleship, through the lens of being a witness to the faith," he told the *Catholic Standard*, Washington archdiocesan newspaper.

The archbishop said that "this is the moment of the new evangelization," to bring Christ's love and hope to a highly secularized world, where many of those raised in the faith don't understand its teachings or have drifted away, and where others are skeptical of religion and its role in society.

"In every age, we're asked to follow Christ, the way, and to invite other people on that path," he said.

Opening his pastoral letter with the words, "Christ is the way," the archbishop noted in his interview that "the great gift that we Christians have received is the person of Christ, the revelation that he gives us, of God's love for us, and of our need to love one another. ... With all the options we have ... that this culture, this highly secular world presents, we have to remind ourselves that the true path is Christ and his Gospel."

Archbishop Wuerl, who marks

his 25th anniversary as a bishop in January, said he sees the new evangelization effort as "the defining pastoral initiative in my ministry as a bishop."

As a bishop, he has led a variety of pastoral and spiritual initiatives involving parishes and schools, expanding outreach to the poor, inviting people back to the Church, and encouraging Catholics to receive God's mercy through Confession and to deepen their devotion to the Eucharist.

The new evangelization, he said, "is a defining effort, because there is nothing that more identifies the work of a bishop, the work of a priest, the work of a disciple, than to bring people to Christ. This is really the most important thing I will have done. ... My responsibility is to offer this initiative and to support and encourage all the work that's already being done by our priests, religious and laypeople."

Many Catholics are shy about sharing their faith, but even simple acts can help bring others to experience Christ, he said.

"I can see a whole range of ways in which we can invite people back. For example, one of the simplest is to ask someone whom you know should be going to Mass, to come with you and your family to Sunday Mass," Archbishop Wuerl said. "I could see during Lent, the whole family making the Stations of the Cross."

As another example, the archbishop said that during the Lenten "The Light is On for You" campaign, people going to Confession

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Bishops, fellow priests, family pay tribute to Msgr. James Wolf

BY KAY COZAD
AND TIM JOHNSON

WARSAW — Family, friends, 61 priests and two bishops paid tribute to Msgr. James Wolf at Sacred Heart Church in Warsaw on Sept. 7 as Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades was the celebrant of the Mass of Christian Burial. The congregation swelled into the narthex of Sacred Heart Church to remember a beloved pastor and former co-vicar and co-chancellor of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend and co-rector of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

Bishop-emeritus John M. D'Arcy was the homilist. He recalled that the death of a priest, still active as a pastor of a parish, "brings special sorrow to the people of that parish. Something beautiful seems to have been taken here."

Bishop D'Arcy related, "Is not this also what we mourn — the one who was the instrument of Christ in bringing God close to us, is not here in his human form today. And so all of us priests come together to gather around our bishop and be close to you — the people of Sacred Heart Parish — Msgr. Jim Wolf's pastoral family and the family of his birth. And we don't just come and talk with you, we offer the gift God has given us. We offer the Eucharist in his place for you and for him, and we come as brothers, which we are through the hands that were laid on us at Ordination, brothers forever in the work of Christ in communion with each other and with our bishop and never without our bishop — but always for you — a gift."

Bishop D'Arcy added, "In these last years, you have learned the beauty of a good, holy, humble priest. And in these recent weeks, you have understood more clearly in this great loss, how important the priest is for you. You have seen the Catholic priest in all his beauty and have suffered when he was taken from you.

"Now, you must join your bishop and priests and ask God to send us more men of good quality to replace monsignor and for your children and their children," he said.

"Safe home, dear Jim, safe home," Bishop D'Arcy concluded. "May the angels lead you into paradise. May the martyrs receive you at your coming."

Bishop Rhoades, in a statement at the end of Mass, extended his sympathy to Msgr. Wolf's family, and noted, "Msgr. Wolf was a beloved pastor here at Sacred Heart Parish and a beloved priest at all his assignments since his ordination 41 years ago."

He continued, "Personally, I feel blessed to have gotten to know Msgr. Wolf since I came to Fort Wayne-South Bend. I recall his kindness and hospitality on several occasions these past months, including at a wonderful dinner monsignor hosted prior to Confirmation a few months ago."

"While praying for Msgr. Wolf these past few days, the following words of Jesus to His disciples kept coming to my mind: 'Learn from me for I am gentle and humble of heart,'" Bishop Rhoades said. "That is what touched me the most about Msgr. Wolf — his gentleness and humility, his love for his family and his parishioners, his acceptance of the cross of illness, and his steadfast faith as he prepared to meet the Lord Jesus."

Bishop Rhoades said, "When we look at the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we contemplate our Lord's love and we can remember his words: 'Learn from me for I am gentle and humble of heart.' Msgr. Wolf truly learned from Jesus. His gentle and humble heart, his priestly heart, reflected the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We give thanks today for the gift of Msgr. Wolf's life and priestly ministry. We also pray for him and we commend him to the Lord."

"A few nights before he died, I spoke to monsignor on the telephone — he was unable to respond verbally, but I think he heard what I said to him," Bishop Rhoades said. "I thanked him for his priestly service and I assured him of our prayers and loving support. May this faithful and devoted priest receive the reward of his labors and rejoice forever in the company of the saints!"

Msgr. Bill Schooler, the pastor of St. Pius X in Granger and friend of Msgr. Wolf, told *Today's*



TIM JOHNSON

Priests from the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend join Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades and Bishop-emeritus John M. D'Arcy during the Eucharistic Prayer at the Mass of Christian Burial of Msgr. James Wolf at Sacred Heart Church, Warsaw, on Sept. 7. Msgr. Wolf, who was pastor of Sacred Heart Church, died Aug. 31.

Catholic, "He was a theologian at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati when I was in the college Seminary of St. Gregory across town. I always looked up to him and then enjoyed becoming a friend after my ordination. He was gentle, thoughtful and extremely kind."

"We went on many skiing trips together and loved to tease each other. I was more 'adventurous' than he was in choosing certain more difficult runs. He quickly learned not to trust my advice about choosing the appropriate slope," Msgr. Schooler said. "He loved to tell people that my words could never be trusted. He continued to ski, even after being diagnosed with cancer. Two years ago, he had a great time with us in Vail, Colo., telling everyone never to listen to me and serving as a great sous chef in the kitchen for food preparation. I will miss him!"

Msgr. Robert Schulte, the vicar general for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend and rector of the cathedral, said of Msgr. Wolf: "I remember Msgr. Wolf as a fun loving and joyful person, who was very serious about his life as a priest and a man of faith. His sense of humor added to many conversations, along with his knowledge of

God and the Church. An avid sports fan, he could remember names of sports figures back many years. His renovation of Sacred Heart Church was remarkable, and he was appropriately proud of it. He was not an easy rector to follow at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, and many still hold him in their hearts. People and priests of our diocese will miss him."

Mari Raatz, the administrative assistance in the vicar general's office, said, "I worked with Msgr. Wolf when he was co-vicar general/chancellor with Msgr. Lester. Msgr. Wolf was a wonderful person. He was kind, gentle, fun and very pastoral. He was very dedicated and loved being a priest. When he was assigned pastor of Sacred Heart, Warsaw, we had a great friendship that continued on through the years that I will cherish always."

Father Paul Beuter, retired priest of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend was brother priest and friend to Msgr. Wolf. Both St. Jude Elementary School alumni, the two priests grew closer during the past nine years as they shared living quarters at the Sacred Heart rectory. "We got close during my stay at Sacred Heart," said Father Beuter, who tells stories of their adventures during high school football and basketball games.

Father Beuter assisted at the parish when Msgr. Wolf was enjoying vacation time as well as recently during Msgr. Wolf's illness. Of the monsignor he said, "He loved his people and the children of the parish. He was always open to whatever their needs were ... always available to serve his people. There was nothing pretentious about him. He was a solid guy. A loving, generous man." At the Mass of Christian Burial, Father Beuter proclaimed the Gospel.

Family members shared fond memories of the monsignor who was their brother.

Carolyn Grogg, Msgr. Wolf's older sister, the second of his five siblings, remembers a happy-go-lucky boy who was always serving at church. She was not surprised that as a young college graduate he chose to enter the seminary. "I wasn't surprised he chose the priesthood," she says, adding. "He was always very active doing things for the Church. Leadership was his strength."

As a priest she says, "He was special. When he came to California to visit all the folks there, they loved him. He was loved where ever he went."

Msgr. Wolf was instrumental in bringing the sacraments to his family in his home town and across the country, performing marriage ceremonies for nieces and nephews, and Baptisms for the new babies. "Usually the kids would call him to come," said Grogg.

One of her daughters, Grogg recalled, was diagnosed with cancer during the time Msgr. Wolf faced the illness. She was told she would be unable to have children due to the effects of the chemotherapy. However, when she did conceive Msgr. Wolf contacted her with congratulations and a request that he might baptize the infant. "He called her to say he wanted to baptize that miracle baby," said Grogg. Msgr. Wolf was able to perform that recent Baptism in California before he fell ill.

Msgr. Wolf enjoyed a wealth of family activities and the practical joking that went on between family members. Mary Barnes, Msgr. Wolf's youngest sister chuckled as she recounted during his jubilee, while he ministered at the cathedral in Fort Wayne, the family decorated the cathedral yard with spinners and tacky yard decorations. "He loved it!" said Barnes.

Msgr. Wolf was a generous man as well, his sister said. Barnes recalled with misty eyes as she prepared for Marriage after both her parents had died, that he purchased her wedding gown for her.

Both sisters will hold dear the memory of their brother slipping away to nap during holiday family gatherings, his love of black cherry ice cream, attending football games and skiing. They chuckled when they recalled his "atrocious driving." But they agreed he loved nothing more than his life as a priest. "He was a fantastic big brother," said Barnes, adding, "He was a good man — holy, kind, generous, extremely pastoral and loved the priesthood. He was a good and faithful servant!"

Correction

In the obituary for Msgr. James Wolf in the Sept. 12 issue of *Today's Catholic*, the story should have stated he was appointed by the Holy See as Prelate of Honor, rather than Chaplain for His Holiness.

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Fort Wayne to that of Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. And in 1960, St. Matthew's Church was promoted to the rank of the diocese's co-cathedral," Bishop Rhoades recalled.

He continued, "On the national scene, John F. Kennedy was elected the first Catholic president of the United States, narrowly defeating Richard Nixon. In 1960, the civil rights movement grew as black students staged a sit-in at a lunch counter in Greensboro, N.C., to protest segregated seating. That event inspired a wave of sit-ins across the south. It was also the year that the Soviet Union shot down an American U-2 reconnaissance airplane over Soviet airspace and captured American pilot Gary Powers."

Many of the couples who were married in 1960 smiled as Bishop Rhoades spoke of the cultural experiences of the time. "On the lighter side, 50 years ago in 1960, the first Teflon, non-sticking cookware went on sale at Macy's in New York. 'Ben-Hur' won the academy award for Best Picture. 'Mack the Knife' by Bobby Darin was the Grammy Record of the Year. 'Gunsmoke' was the number one TV show. It

was a joyful year for Bishop D'Arcy since the Boston Celtics won the NBA championship," said Bishop Rhoades.

Couples celebrating their 25th anniversary were equally intrigued by the bishop's comments about the year 1985. "Pope John Paul II was vigorously leading the Church and having a profound impact in the world. Ronald Reagan was our president and tax reform was in full swing. In 1985, Mikhail Gorbachev became the last president of the Soviet Union. You may recall that in 1985 the Live Aid concert in London and Philadelphia was beamed around the world and the song 'We are the World' was recorded for the benefit of Africa and became the song and record of the year."

Bishop Rhoades again affectionately referred to his predecessor. "Sadly, for Bishop D'Arcy, the Boston Celtics lost in the NBA championship against the Los Angeles Lakers. 'Back to the Future' was the top movie of the year and the 'Cosby Show' was the most popular TV show."

When referring to the anniversary Mass Gospel reading, Bishop Rhoades emphasized the true meaning of love within marriage: "The readings of today's Mass are very appropriate for our celebration. In the Gospel, Jesus gives the great commandment of love to his disciples. He says to them: 'love one another as I love you.' Our Lord teaches that 'no

one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.' This is the love that Jesus not only taught, but which He lived. He indeed laid down his life for us. This is the love that the vocation of marriage is to reveal, one that seeks the good of the other, a love that is ever ready and willing to sacrifice, a self-giving love."

St. Thomas the Apostle parishioners Tami and Nick DeLucenay, who renewed their silver anniversary vows, reflected on the sacrament of Marriage and how their faith has influenced their life together.

"When we did our Engaged Encounter weekend 25 years ago in a blizzard in South Bend, it was the first time that I really understood that the sacrament of Marriage is not just a day, but a lifetime. With renewing of our vows, it makes the commitment to the sacrament of Marriage that much stronger," said Nick.

Tami summed up their strong commitment to each other through Christ's love. "Our Catholic faith is what holds our marriage together. Through all of the joys and the trials of our marriage, our faith renews and refreshes us as we journey together."

The Fort Wayne silver and golden anniversary Mass will be held Sunday, Sept. 19, at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

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greatest are those who serve. In fact, one of the titles of the pope that began with Gregory the Great is "servant of the servants of God."

Many thanks to Father John Delaney, the pastor of St. Catherine of Siena Parish, and to Mr. Stephen Donndelinger, the principal of St. Jude School, for their gracious hospitality! It is very edifying to witness firsthand the good news of Catholic education. Visiting the classrooms after Holy Mass, I enjoyed seeing the enthusiasm of the children for their faith and also the excellent education they are receiving, thanks to the dedicated teachers and staff.

Installation of pastor at Holy Family Parish, South Bend

On Sept. 5, I celebrated Mass and installed Father Dominique Carboneau as pastor of Holy Family Parish. During the beautiful liturgy, the parishioners warmly received their new pastor whom many remembered serving there some years ago as a seminarian during the summer. I was happy to meet Father Carboneau's family and so many parishioners who attended the Mass and the reception afterwards.

Every pastor is called to teach, sanctify and guide the people entrusted to his pastoral care by the bishop. He is called to serve in imitation of Christ, the Good Shepherd. May our Lord bless Father Carboneau as he begins his new pastorate! And may our Lord bless the parishioners of Holy Family and its growth as a community of faith, hope and charity!

Dedication and blessing of Brookside Mansion at the University of Saint Francis

On Sept. 8, the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, I celebrated Mass at the Trinity Hall Chapel at the University of Saint Francis. The chapel was packed with members of the university community and several Sisters of Saint Francis of Perpetual Adoration. After the Mass, we enjoyed lunch together. Lunch was followed by an outdoor celebration of the dedication and blessing of the restored and renovated Bass Mansion, the first building of the university, now called the Brookside Mansion.

The weather was beautiful as we gathered for the dedication ceremony. It was interesting to learn about the history of the mansion and the Bass family of whom several descendants were present. The university choir provided inspiring music for the event. Sister Elise Kriss, president of the university, spoke and thanked the generous benefactors of the restoration. If you visit the University of Saint Francis, I recommend that you stop by and visit this beautiful and historic landmark of Fort Wayne.

Football

I can't complete this column without congratulating the Fighting Irish football team for their first victory under their new coach, Brian Kelly. I enjoyed the game and all the festivities on Sept. 4. I know we also have many Purdue graduates and fans in our diocese, so my condolences to the Boilermakers! I am writing this column before the ND-Michigan game, but I hope we are seeing the beginning of a winning streak!

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could invite someone to accompany them to church. "There are so many areas where all we need is the willingness to invite someone back to the faith," he said.

Those moments of everyday evangelization might include a family member, a friend, a neighbor, the person in a grocery check-out line or a golfing partner, the archbishop said, noting that Catholics can, by their witness, demonstrate to others how their faith is the source of the joy and meaning in their lives.

"We're all called to be disciples of the Lord, but a disciple who bears witness is an evangelist," said the archbishop, who later noted, "Our joy can be contagious, if people see in us how we have embraced the Gospel."

Simple acts of daily devotion can impact others, the archbishop said, noting how on a recent walk, he saw a Muslim man who had placed a prayer rug on a sidewalk across the street and removed his shoes, and was facing East, quietly praying. "I thought, what a powerful, quiet, personal testimony to his faith," the archbishop said. "Coming up on the street was a younger couple, who stopped talking as they passed him, out of respect."

Too many Catholics today see faith as a private matter, when in



CNS PHOTO/RAFAEL CRISOSTOMO, CATHOLIC STANDARD

Washington Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl greets a young adult confirmation candidate during Mass on Pentecost in late May at Sacred Heart Church in Bowie, Md. In a new pastoral letter, Archbishop Wuerl encourages Catholics to embrace Pope Benedict XVI's call for a new evangelization, renew their own love for Christ and share their faith with others who may have drifted away from the faith or have never heard the Gospel message.

reality, "faith is a part of who we are," and people should live and share their faith in the public square, the archbishop said.

As an example, he praised the witness of members of the Catholic movement called Communion and Liberation. On Good Friday, they process from St. Peter Church on Capitol Hill to the

National Mall, prayerfully walking through city streets behind a large cross.

Such manifestations of faith "should be a routine part of life," Archbishop Wuerl said, like praying before a meal at a restaurant as a way of acknowledging "God is a part of my life, and I'm grateful."

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Pope Benedict, Kentucky bishops join in effort to halt execution

FRANKFORT, Ky. (CNS) — Pope Benedict XVI and the Catholic bishops of Kentucky have asked Kentucky Gov. Steve Beshear to commute the death sentence of Gregory Wilson, whose execution was scheduled for Sept. 16. Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz of Louisville and the Rev. Marian McClure Taylor, executive director of the Kentucky Council of Churches, met with Beshear Sept. 9 in Frankfort to outline their legal and moral objections to the execution of Wilson, whose attorneys say is mentally disabled and who has asked for DNA testing that he says would exonerate him. The archbishop also presented a letter from Archbishop Pietro Sambi, apostolic nuncio to the United States, asking on behalf of Pope Benedict that Wilson's sentence be commuted to life in prison without the possibility of parole. Recalling the pope's appeal to end the death penalty during his 2008 visit to the United States, Archbishop Sambi told Beshear, "Please allow yourself to reflect on the Holy Father's plea and use your authority to help shape a society in which all human life is recognized as sacred." In a separate letter, the four Catholic bishops of Kentucky said they were appealing to the governor as "a man of faith and leader of our commonwealth" to be merciful toward Wilson. Mercy "protects the common good of society, honors justice and serves a higher purpose in putting aside the irreversible remedy of death," they said.

Pope: Clergy abuse needs conversion, not radical change of Church

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — The problem of abuse by clergy is solved more by a spirit of penitence and conversion by its members than by a radical change of Church structures, Pope Benedict XVI said. He made his comments Sept. 8 during his weekly general audience at the Vatican's Paul VI hall. The pope briefly left the papal summer residence at Castel Gandolfo to give his audience talk to about 7,000 pilgrims from all over the world. He continued his talk from last week on the life of St. Hildegard of Bingen, a 12th-century German mystic. He called her a "great nun" who used her gifts to "work for the renewal of the Church," which was experiencing troubles similar to those of today. In St. Hildegard's time, there were calls for radical reform of the Church to fight the problem of abuses made by the clergy, the pope said. However, she "bitterly reproached demands to subvert the very nature of the Church" and reminded people that "a true renewal of the ecclesial community is not achieved so much with a change in the structures as much

FLORIDA PRIEST SPEAKS OUT AGAINST THREAT



CNS PHOTO/SCOTT AUDETTE

Father Roland Julien, pastor of St. Patrick's Church in Gainesville, Fla., talks with the media as he and the Rev. Larry Reimer hold up letters Sept. 10 from an online petition asking the Rev. Terry Jones not to burn the Quran. Rev. Jones, of the Dove World Outreach Center in Gainesville, said Sept. 9 he had called off the Sept. 11 event, but later told reporters in Florida the burning was still being considered.

as with a sincere spirit of penitence" and conversion, the pope said. He said she urged the faithful, especially the clergy and monastic communities, to live holy and virtuous lives.

In Africa, US bishop finds 'youthfulness, energy ... zest for life'

ACCRA, Ghana (CNS) — A U.S. bishop on his first visit to the continent of his ancestors said he found Africa to be full of life and great potential. "There is youthfulness, energy and a zest for life here," said Washington Auxiliary Bishop Martin D. Holley, during a recent visit to Ghana and Nigeria. "No one seems to sit still." Bishop Holley traveled with a U.S. Catholic delegation led by Bishop John H. Ricard of Pensacola-Tallahassee, Fla. Both serve on the U.S. bishops' Subcommittee on the Church in Africa; Bishop Ricard is chairman. The delegation met with Church leaders in Ghana and Nigeria, discussing ways in which the U.S. and African churches can be better partners and share resources. Bishop Holley celebrated a three-hour Mass Aug. 29 at St. Kizito Church in Nima, a suburb of Accra. It was a typical Ghanaian service rich in traditional hymns,

ethnic music, dancing and drumming. Every pew, chair and bench on the church floor and in its balcony was full. People stood outside, listening. Many women, men and children were dressed in fabrics imprinted with religious images and the name of the parish patron, St. Kizito. Bishop Holley said he was awe-struck by the community, its joy and its sense of unity. "We received welcoming, lively and bright smiles," he said. The faith of the Catholic parishioners is "strong and full of joy."

Mass, stamp unveiling honor Mother Teresa's life and legacy

WASHINGTON (CNS) — More than 3,000 people packed the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Sept. 5 to mark the 13th anniversary of the death of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, attend a memorial Mass and witness the unveiling of a commemorative stamp in honor of the nun. Archbishop Pietro Sambi, apostolic nuncio to the United States, was the principal celebrant of the memorial Mass in the upper church that preceded the U.S. Postal Service's unveiling of its commemorative stamp in honor of the centennial of Mother Teresa's birth. In his homily, Archbishop

Sambi recalled the nun's "infectious and untiring work for her spiritual children," and said, "Mother Teresa loved God more than herself. Mother Teresa loved the Church more than herself. Mother Teresa loved the poorest of the poor more than herself." He also praised her for "her passion in defense of life. She said the greatest disease is not being wanted and the greatest destroyer of peace is abortion." Two dozen priests — including Washington Auxiliary Bishop Barry C. Knestout and Msgr. Walter Rossi, the national shrine's rector — concelebrated the Mass. Also in attendance was Cardinal William H. Keeler, retired archbishop of Baltimore.

No natural gas drilling at Pittsburgh Catholic cemetery, director says

PITTSBURGH (CNS) — The recent comments of a Pittsburgh city councilman "unnecessarily frightened a number of people" associated with a Catholic cemetery by giving the false impression that natural gas drilling might occur there, according to the head of the local Catholic Cemeteries Association. "There has been no interest whatsoever expressed by the gas company to drill for gas at Calvary Cemetery," said

Annabelle McGannon, executive director. "Even if there were expressed interest, the Catholic Cemeteries Association has reserved the right to designate and approve the location of such drilling." She was responding to comments made Aug. 17 by City Council President Doug Shields, who raised the issue of lease agreements between a gas drilling company and the Catholic Cemeteries Association. Shields opposes any Marcellus shale drilling activity within the city of Pittsburgh. Marcellus shale is found behind the earth's surface, primarily in Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and New York, and can be a source of natural gas. McGannon confirmed that a five-year mineral drilling lease agreement was signed in September 2008 with Huntley & Huntley Inc., an oil and natural gas development firm. But she added, "The board of trustees and the management of the Catholic Cemeteries Association are committed to maintaining the sacredness of our Catholic cemeteries and would never permit any activity at the cemetery that is incompatible with our mission." There is currently no Marcellus shale drilling activity of any kind occurring at any diocesan cemetery, and there are no discussions about any activity taking place, McGannon said.

Diocese of Spokane welcomes Bishop Cupich as its sixth bishop

SPOKANE, Wash. (CNS) — The Diocese of Spokane welcomed Bishop Blase J. Cupich as its sixth bishop with joyous celebrations of prayer in word and music Sept. 2 and 3. The celebration began with evening vespers at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes Sept. 2. Before the beginning of the service, the K-town drummers of the Colville tribe in Keller greeted visitors with singing and percussion on the steps of the cathedral. As the time came for vespers to begin, Bishop Cupich, accompanied by Archbishop Alexander J. Brunett of Seattle and Msgr. John Steiner of the Spokane Diocese, raised a mallet and pounded on the closed doors of the church. As the doors opened, Bishop William S. Skylstad, retired bishop of Spokane, with Father Steve Dublinski, the cathedral's rector, and Archbishop Pietro Sambi, apostolic nuncio to the United States, invited Bishop Cupich into his cathedral, filled with friends, relatives, and representatives of diocesan, civic and denominational leaders. In his homily, Bishop Cupich offered special thanks for the ministry of Bishop Skylstad. "No one could have asked more of you, but the record shows that whatever task you have been given, you responded with a generosity which both motivates and inspires," he said. The congregation affirmed his words with long, sustained applause.

Bishop Luers Alumni is accepting nominations for the Distinguished Knight

FORT WAYNE — The Bishop Luers Alumni Office is accepting nominations for a new award, the Distinguished Knight. The Alumni Office will honor both an outstanding alumnus or alumnae and a honorary alumnus or alumnae.

The Distinguished Knight will be presented after the 4:30 p.m. Mass held in the Bishop Luers High School gymnasium during Homecoming on Friday, Oct. 8. Father Vince Wirtner, class of 1981, will celebrate Mass for fellow alumni, friends and families of Bishop Luers High School.

The Distinguished Knight-Outstanding Alumnus will be awarded to a graduate who has contributed outstanding and distinguished service to his or her chosen profession and community. This individual lives out the mission of Bishop Luers High School in his or her everyday life and demonstrates ongoing dedication to the Catholic Church and its principles. Alumni nominees must be at least five years from graduation from Bishop Luers. Staff alumni nominees must have served Bishop Luers for at least three years.

The Distinguished Knight-Honorary Alumnus is open to friends, faculty, former faculty, staff, and benefactors who have lived out the spirit and mission of Bishop Luers High School through leadership and action. This individual will have contributed outstanding dedication, support and service to Bishop Luers, his or her community, and to the Catholic community. Staff nominees must have served Bishop Luers High School for at least three years.

A selection committee consisting of eight members: The directors of alumni, the director of development, two alumni board members, two faculty and the school principal. Nominations will be accepted until Friday, Sept. 24. Nomination forms can be downloaded from the Bishop Luers' Web site at www.bishopluers.org/alumni.

Saint Mary's College receives limited reproduction of The Saint John's Bible

NOTRE DAME — Saint Mary's College is the recipient of a rare Heritage Edition of The Saint John's Bible. This fine art reproduction of the original hand-calligraphied, hand-illuminated Bible was blessed at the school's Opening Mass on Wednesday, Aug. 25.

The opening Mass marks the beginning of the academic year at the college. The Bible was blessed during the liturgy. Classes were cancelled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. so all students, faculty and staff had the opportunity to attend.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

BISHOP RHOADES VISITS THE FRANCISCAN CENTER



TIM JOHNSON

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades greets The Franciscan Center Medicine Cabinet Manager Doris Bermes, on the Aug. 31 visit to the center in Fort Wayne and gets involved in dispersing supplies from the Medicine Cabinet, which serves over 400 families each month. On the visit, Bishop Rhoades received a tour of the food pantry, which serves over 800 families each month, and met with volunteers working on the Sack Lunch Program, which delivers over 1,200 lunches each Saturday. Seated at the table is volunteer Kathy Hartman.

Wednesday afternoon, the Saint Mary's Heritage Edition was put on permanent display in the Cushwa-Leighton Library. The Bible is a gift to the college from Saint Mary's alumna and friend of the college, Judy Rauenhorst Mahoney ('74) of the Minneapolis/St. Paul area.

Saint John's Abbey and University in Collegeville, Minn., commissioned the creation of The Saint John's Bible in 1998 and artists are still working on completing it. It is the first such hand-crafted Bible to be commissioned by a Benedictine monastery in 500 years. No project of this kind has been undertaken since the advent of the printing press in the 15th century.

"It is an honor to receive the Heritage Edition of The Saint John's Bible," said President Carol Ann Mooney of the seven-volume manuscript. "Saint Mary's is proud to be among the few educational, religious, art and cultural centers around the world, including the Vatican, to be presented one of just 299 copies of this fine work."

Saint Mary's is one of just 20 institutions that has received the Heritage Edition so far. The closest

locations to South Bend that have a reproduction of The Saint John's Bible are Marquette University in Milwaukee and John Carroll University in Cleveland. Currently Saint Mary's has four volumes of the seven-volume set of the Bible. The remaining three volumes will arrive at a later date.

For library hours, go to www3.saintmarys.edu/library/. To arrange a field trip/group viewing of the Bible, contact librarian Robert Hohl at rhohl@saintmarys.edu or (574) 284-5287. For more information on the Bible, go to www3.saintmarys.edu/pr-the-saint-johns-bible-2010.

USF celebrates International Day of Peace with a candlelight vigil

FORT WAYNE — Just Peace, a social justice organization of the University of Saint Francis (USF), will host an inter-faith candlelight vigil commemorating the International Day of Peace, on Tuesday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. This event will take place on the plaza area in front of Brookside, formerly called the Bass Mansion, on the

campus of the University of Saint Francis, 2701 Spring St. The public is invited and encouraged to participate in this worldwide commemoration. Donations of non-perishable food items for USF's Feed the Fort will be accepted.

In 2002, the United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution designating Sept. 21 of each year as an International Day of Peace. The intention is to have the entire world observe a day of peace and nonviolence in which all peoples and organizations would commemorate the day in an appropriate manner.

An increasing number of people worldwide from many faith and spiritual traditions have committed to the task of working "To encourage worldwide, 24-hour spiritual observations for peace and nonviolence on the International Day of Peace, Sept. 21 in every house of worship and place of spiritual practice, by all religious and spiritually-based groups and individuals, and by all men, women and children who seek peace in the world."

Knights award scholarships

SOUTH BEND — In support of Catholic youth, families and educational endeavors, the South Bend Knights of Columbus Archbishop John Carroll Council No. 5570 has awarded two high school scholarships for the 2010-2011 school year.

Connor Ruffing, a graduate of Corpus Christi School, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship and is attending Saint Joseph's High School. Ruffing is the son of Kim Perry and grandson of Knight Arthur Perry.

Christopher Meyer, a graduate of Holy Family School, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship and is attending Marian High School. Meyer is the son of Cheryl and Knight Mark Meyer.

THE FRANCISCAN BROTHERS MINOR CELEBRATE MASS OF THANKSGIVING



KAY COZAD

Father David Engo, superior of the congregation of the Franciscan Brothers Minor, celebrated a Mass of thanksgiving at the newly constructed sanctuary of Our Lady of the Angels Oratory on Aug. 29 for a standing-room-only crowd. The brothers offered the Mass in gratitude for family, friends and benefactors who have assisted them in the new construction of the interior of the former St. Andrew Church. Following Mass, those in attendance gathered for a potluck dinner in the brothers' backyard.

Two Saint Joseph's High School seniors take top spots in art contest

SOUTH BEND — The South Bend Museum of Art sponsored a contest last spring, which was open to the entire community. Drawings were submitted for consideration in the Festival of Banners.

Winners recreated their drawings on fabric and those banners are currently on display throughout the downtown South Bend area. They not only added a colorful element to the popular Art Beat Event but will remain on display until Oct. 8 for all to see.

Of all the entries chosen, a panel of jurors then selected the top three winners in each category — adult, teen and youth. In the teen division, Saint Joseph's High School senior Melissa Macellari was named the first-place winner and Patmala Boondej, also a senior, was the second-place winner. The theme "happy heART" is depicted in their banners.

In addition to having their artwork on display, each was given a cash award, a one-year membership to the South Bend Museum of Art, and one free art class. Twenty Saint Joseph's students had entries that were also chosen to be displayed.



MELISSA
MACELLARI



PATMALA
BOONDEJ



Melissa Macellari's banner is shown in this photo.



Patmala Boondej's banner is shown in this photo.

Teachers, administrators to reenergize, renew and retool at upcoming conference

BY BRIGID CURTIS AYER

INDIANAPOLIS — Reenergize, renew and retool. These items top the list of 30-year veteran science teacher Kim Elpers, who teaches grades (K-5) at Ss. Peter and Paul School in Haubstadt, located just north of Evansville. Elpers plans to accomplish this goal when she takes a two-day hiatus from the classroom to attend this year's Indiana Non-Public Education Conference (INPEC), Oct. 28 and 29, in Indianapolis, organized by the Indiana Non-Public Education Association (INPEA).

"INPEC is very important to me as a teacher," said Elpers. "It is a celebration of our unique mission as nonpublic educators. We have the opportunity to network with other teachers in a similar situation and gain professional growth."

Unity & Diversity: A Design For Success, this year's conference theme for nonpublic school professionals, along with well-known education experts Eric Jensen and Debbie Silver, will not disappoint Elpers or the 3,000 other school professionals that are expected to join her.

"Each year thousands of non-public school educators head back to classrooms to deliver the best educational opportunities available to meet today's challenging demands," said John Elcesser, Indiana Non-Public Education Association (INPEA) executive director. "Part of our role at INPEA is to equip our members to be cutting edge, innovative and technically savvy," said Elcesser.

INPEA conference keynote speaker Eric Jensen of the Jensen Learning Corporation, who will discuss the seven discoveries from brain research that could revolutionize education, said, "Everything we do involves the brain. That includes instruction, curriculum, environment and food," he said. "Every time something does not work at a school or in a classroom, there's a mismatch or conflict with 1) what we are doing; and 2) how the brain really works," Jensen said.

Debbie Silver, the other keynote speaker, who will discuss how teachers can engage students from all backgrounds, said, "Children must be given a reasonable chance at success. It's the job of the teacher to provide an environment for that to happen." Silver, who has worked for 40-years in education, holds a doctorate in education. The heart of Silver's message will address how to do this.

Kathy Mears, assistant superintendent of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and program chair for the conference, said, "We are ecstatic that we were able to get Mr. Jensen for our conference this year. Our other keynoter, Debbie Silver, well-known for her many

years of experience and entertaining delivery, will be another highlight of the conference," said Mears.

"In addition to the wonderful keynoters this year, there are many experts from our own schools from around the state who will give presentations in the various sectional breakout sessions," said Mears.

The conference will offer 150 mini-educational sessions, called sectionals, covering topics such as multiple intelligence and effective instruction; school fundraising and marketing; faith in learning; cultural diversity and emerging technology. Sectionals will be geared toward either a general audience or specific audience, such as, elementary, middle or high school. There will also be 100 educational exhibitors at the conference.

"Unity & Diversity, the 2010 conference theme reflects what INPEA is really about," said, Dr. Marie Williams, superintendent of Diocese of Lafayette, and conference steering committee co-chair. "One of the things we appreciate about INPEA is our diversity. We are a diverse group," said Williams, who also serves as an INPEA board member. "The majority of the members are faith-based, but many different faith traditions are represented from Jewish to Catholic to Lutheran to non-denominational to nonpublic schools without a faith tradition. While we are different, at the same time we have important things in common."

Williams said that the most important aspect of the conference is the feeling that she is part of something bigger. "There's networking with other people from around the state, a chance to reconnect, share ideas. It's a lot of community building. Teachers get a chance to grow professionally, but a chance to be with each other, share ideas and have a good time."

Officials from the Indiana Department of Education (DOE) will be presenting on how to comply with the new state initiatives for administrators; how to meet state requirements for the new core lesson plans and Indiana growth model. The DOE will also be explaining how to use their new Learning Connection, which is the Facebook of education, an electronic, Internet-based learning tool for teachers," said Williams.

"The upcoming conference is a vital part of delivering professional development, offering community building, and bringing essential resources to our members. Kathy Mears, Dr. Marie Williams and others have really done a fantastic job planning it this year," said Elcesser.

To register for the Indiana Non-Public Education Conference (INPEC) visit www.inpea.org.



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Knights honored at exemplification

BY DIANE FREEBY

SOUTH BEND — “I think you get closer to God by becoming a Knight!”

If anyone would know from experience, it would be Sir Knight Thomas Lesniak, one of the two men recently honored with the Fourth Degree Exemplification for the Knights of Columbus, Father J.A. Nieuwland Assembly No. 242.

The energetic 92-year-old Lesniak has been a Knight since age 18 and has been an active member of the Ave Maria Council No. 5521 in South Bend.

Sir Knight Father Joseph Browne, a Holy Cross priest who has been a Knight for 63 years, concelebrated the Exemplification Mass with Sir Knight Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades on a warm August evening at St. Patrick Church in South Bend.

An exemplification is the ceremony that inducts 3rd Degree members of the Knights of Columbus into the 4th Degree. This will be first exemplification to take place in South Bend since 2004.

In his homily, Bishop Rhoades talked about Knights of Columbus founder, Father Michael McGivney, and his humble priestly service. Father McGivney dedicated his life to the spiritual and physical welfare of others, creating the Knights of Columbus to provide insurance for the protection of widows and orphans, and the spiritual benefit of its members and families.

Bishop Rhoades noted the legacy continues today, with a growing number of schools, medical centers and social service agencies named for Father McGivney. In addition, the Knights of Columbus insures the lives of more than 1.2 million men, women and children. Bishop Rhoades implored his fellow Knights to resist the temptation to boast.



DIANE FREEBY

Knights of Columbus process into St. Patrick, South Bend for the Fourth Degree Exemplification ceremony and Mass.



FATHER JOSEPH BROWNE, CSC



THOMAS LESNIAK

“May all we do as Knights be done with a humble spirit,” said Bishop Rhoades. “That was the way of Father McGivney. That was the way of the Son of God, who humbled Himself in assuming our human nature. ... Jesus turns the world’s values upside down. All we do, including the good works of the Knights of Columbus, should not be for earthly praise or honor. All we do should be for the glory of God and the good of His Church.”

Bishop Rhoades thanked the Knights for their support in the Church’s mission.

“I am particularly grateful for your devoted service to the Gospel of Life, and your involvement in the pro-life cause,” continued Bishop Rhoades. “Your support of marriage and family as instituted

by God from the beginning ... and your support of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.”

Father McGivney was known to be a strong supporter of priestly and religious vocations among his parishioners. He had two brothers who also became priests.

“We need to rekindle within families today that spirit which recognizes priestly or religious vocations as a true blessing,” added Bishop Rhoades.

A dinner followed Mass, and the Exemplification itself took place the next day.

“I’ve been a Knight for over 60 years, and I’ve had some honors, but I think this one tops them all,” reflected Father Browne. He believes the Knights of Columbus unites Catholic men with their Church.

“I think for Catholic men, it’s the epitome of the Church,” explained Father Browne, referring to the work and spirit of the Church. “For the principles of the order: unity, fraternity, patriotism and charity... charity being the primary one. I think the Knights of Columbus show that throughout the country and throughout the world now.”

Lesniak could hardly contain his excitement on the eve of his Fourth Degree Exemplification.

“It’s beyond my comprehension,” he exclaimed. It’s so great!”

Bishop Rhoades inspires Knights

GRANGER — A “Meet and Greet” dinner was held by the St. Joseph Valley Chapter of the Knights of Columbus at the St. Pius X auxiliary gymnasium honoring Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades on Aug. 20. Vincent Reck, past district deputy, coordinated the event with Fred Everett, Chancellor of Council 553, as the masters of ceremonies.

The rosary, prayed by the over 190 gathered, was led by Ray and Susan Vales in the chapel of St. Pius X Church, followed by a social gathering with a Polish-style dinner.

In his remarks at the dinner, Bishop Rhoades noted that there

were now 10 new seminarians who will be joining the returning 16. The bishop strongly supports the Knights of Columbus and when asked how to increase membership he encouraged the men to pray and model Christian values. He also suggested the Knights ask other men to join.

The Bishop invited all Knights and their families to join him on Sept. 22 at 6 p.m. to recite the rosary at the South Bend abortion clinic on North Ironwood Road.

In closing, Gerald Patrick, trustee of Council 553, presented a check for \$1,600 from the chapter to Bishop Rhoades for his works in the diocese.

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BISHOP RHOADES VISITS ST. JUDE

BY KAREN CLIFFORD

SOUTH BEND — As Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades entered the eighth-grade classroom of St. Catherine of Sienna Parish at St. Jude School, he was greeted by students studying science. After a student named Justin showed Bishop Rhoades how to measure the density and mass of an object using a scale, the bishop asked him what his favorite subject was in school. “Science,” Justin replied and then with a pause said “no, religion!” which caused an outburst of laughter from classmates and the bishop. “You are going to be a good politician or a priest,” Bishop Rhoades chuckled.

Sept. 3 was Bishop Rhoades’ first official visit to the school that began with an all-school Mass and Adoration, followed by tours of the classrooms, playground, parish grotto, and computer lab, and finished with a Benediction in the church.

During his homily at Mass, Bishop Rhoades reflected on the theme of service. “I am among you as the one who serves.” Those were important words of Jesus in the Gospel today. Jesus is teaching us about

how to be great because the disciples, friends of Jesus, asked Him who will be the greatest in the kingdom of God. And they were thinking like we might think that being great might mean you have a lot of power, or a lot of money, or a lot of skills.”

He continued, “Jesus kind of turned those values upside down. The greatest in the kingdom of God is the one who serve others, the one who gives of himself or herself to help other people and to serve God.”

Bishop Rhoades gave examples of what it means to serve others. “To be a follower of Jesus we all want to be great and to be an imitator of Jesus. As soon as I arrived here at St. Jude’s School this morning, the wonderful altar servers were right there to help me. They said, ‘Bishop can we help you?’ And they carried all my vestments in. The students of St. Jude School have learned they have to serve one another.”

One of the greatest servants in the Church was St. Gregory the Great, whose feast day was Sept. 3, Bishop Rhoades noted. “So what made St. Gregory so great? He wanted to spend his whole life in prayer in a monastery. He had such a great love for the poor and the needy and would go out in the streets of Rome to give food to the hungry. He sent a missionary to England because it wasn’t Christian yet.”

Bishop Rhoades concluded his homily by asking students to incorporate service into their lives at school.

“At St. Jude School part of what you should be learning is to give of yourselves in service to others. Maybe you are a very good student in your class and someone is struggling. You can help them in preparing for a test or an exam.”

Steve Donndelinger, the principal of St. Jude School for the past five years, emphasized that “lifelong learning” is a key component of the school’s mission. “We have elective programs which give students exposure to band, choir, art studio, dance, drama and technology. Each quarter stu-

dents may choose to participate in one or more of those opportunities.”

The school’s technology was on display in five classrooms through the use of SMART boards, which are interactive white boards that use the power of a computer to write in digital ink and can save the work as well. In the fourth-grade classroom, Bishop Rhoades used the SMART board to write, “In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,” in Spanish for students.

Bishop Rhoades enjoyed the cool fall-like weather by interacting with students on the playground where children greeted him with hugs and questions, such as what his duties are as a bishop. “I teach the people all over the diocese, I celebrate all the sacraments, I ordain new priests, and I guide the Church, so the bishop is like a shepherd. So if I am the shepherd, who are the sheep?” he asked. “We are!” was the emphatic reply from the children.

Additionally, Bishop Rhoades was able to intermingle at recess by throwing a football to some of the students. The theme of football also came up during several of his visits in the classrooms with the impending Notre Dame vs. Purdue football game the next day, Sept. 4. In almost every classroom the vote for the winner of the game went to hometown favorite Notre Dame.

Sixth graders, who are studying the Old Testament in their religion class, asked Bishop Rhoades about the tall hat he wore during Mass. “It is called a miter and it

represents ‘the tongues of fire’ at Pentecost. It is the symbol of the office of the bishop,” he explained.

Bishop Rhoades then asked the class if they noticed when he took the miter off during Mass. A student answered that he took it off during prayer. The bishop responded, “Yes, every time I am talking to God. When I address you I put it on. Out of respect for God it comes off.”

Seventh-grade students gathered with the bishop at the parish grotto where he was asked when he got the calling to become a priest. Bishop Rhoades told the students that when he started to think about it he was their age in seventh grade, but it was after his second year of college when he finally decided to attend seminary.

Dr. Mark Myers, the superintendent of schools for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, who accompanied Bishop Rhoades on his visit to St. Jude School, remarked that the devotion of students, parents and teachers contribute to the success of the Catholic school system. “We have highly dedicated people. Our people are called to do this work, and I’m inspired every day by our teachers and our principals.”

St. Catherine of Siena pastor Father John Delaney expressed his gratitude for the bishop’s visit. “We were very pleased to have Bishop Rhoades with us today. The children and the parish community were looking forward to it knowing that the bishop was in the school with their children. It is so neat for us to see how he relates so well to children.”

“It is especially gratifying to receive this recognition during the year of Father Moreau’s beatification.”

SISTER JOY O’GRADY, CSC



Cantors lead the student body in song at the all-school Mass at St. Jude School.



Bishop Rhoades poses with seventh graders as they gather at the Marian gazebo.

Bishop Kevin Rhoades
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IDE SCHOOL



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After being shown how to find the mass of an object, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades asks Justin, an eighth-grade student what his favorite subject is. Justin responds with "science" and then says "religion," which causes the bishop to laugh.



Second graders discuss their upcoming sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist with Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades.



Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades gets ready to catch a ball during recess.



Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades answers students' questions during their school recess period.



From left, diocesan Catholic Schools Superintendent Mark Myers, Father John Delaney, Principal Steve Donndelinger and Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades discuss the morning's events.



Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades receives a St. Jude Falcons car plate from eighth graders.

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Maximizing opportunities for college-bound students is the name of the game for Susan Joyce

BY KAY COZAD

SOUTH BEND — Susan Joyce knows just what high school students need to make a healthy attempt at filling out a college application. And that's just what she offers as educational consultant at "Campus Quest Educational Consulting, LLC."

Founded by Joyce in 2008, Campus Quest became a reality when Joyce decided to fill a niche in her area that a former colleague in the consulting business had opened upon his move out of town. "It was a way to use my talents and give back to the area," says Joyce.

The consultation offered by the business is available to students as soon as they enter high school, and Joyce's guidance is dictated by the needs of each individual. About her unique position Joyce says, "I consult with college-bound students and their parents to maximize a student's opportunities and to take the guesswork out of college planning."

With the underclassmen Joyce assists with evaluating interests and aptitudes and high school course selection, as well as extracurricular activities to enhance their academic resume. High School juniors and seniors receive advice on narrowing the list of choice colleges, creating an action calendar for applications, tests and financial aid and scholar-



SUSAN JOYCE

ship forms, brainstorming essay topics and short answer responses, and filling out applications in a personal and professional manner.

Joyce also offers her expertise in evaluating admission and financial aid opportunities, as well as assisting with preparation for the transition to college.

A 1985 graduate of the University of Notre Dame, Joyce holds a degree in accounting. Her degree led her to a 23-year run in the Office of Undergraduate Admissions of Notre Dame, where she served on the Admissions Selection Committee. While coordinating transfer admissions there she honed her guidance skills working with the students.

"I love working with the students," she says.

Her interest in teaching got the

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best of her and in the final year of her employment in the admissions office, Joyce began a course of study at Bethel College that culminated in a elementary education certificate and a license to teach.

In 2008 as she inaugurated her consulting business, Joyce hit the floor running as she contacted specific families in need and area high school guidance counselors. She has consulted with local students as well as students as far away as Arizona, and generally works on an hourly basis to maintain reasonable rates. However, she offers an unlimited package program for those who request additional support throughout their application process.

Joyce reports that client time requirements vary. "I meet some for an hour and that's all they

need. Others require a weekly meeting," she says. Her client base of a dozen students allows her the flexibility to attend to each student's needs.

Joyce begins with a phone interview to discuss her services, followed by a meeting with the parents and student, where she offers "steps and strategies." Then family members fill out a survey to determine types of colleges they are interested in and more. Joyce also gathers student information at this time including grades, test scores and a history of school and extracurricular activities. The meetings, she says, are "tailored to what the student wants."

Not only does Joyce assist with listing colleges, but also preparation for essay writing and discovering special attributes that the stu-

dent can list on applications.

The value of her service, she says, is offering the families information from a third party. "The students hear me, and think 'She knows what she's talking about.' I'm affirming what they have already heard from their parents," she says. The tips she provides, she has found from her experience, are not common knowledge though. "It's the little things that make the difference," she says.

Joyce is adamant that she is not a college placement officer and cannot guarantee the results of any application. But she says, she is confident that she can maximize any student's opportunities as they seek entrance to the college of their choice.

This author and active community volunteer lives in South Bend with her two rescued Chow mix dogs. And in addition to her work as educational consultant, Joyce works full-time selling organic produce, another passion of this high-spirited and conscientious woman. She also holds free community seminars offering college applications and essay writing tips.

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Restored Brookside dedicated and blessed by Bishop Rhoades

BY KAY COZAD

FORT WAYNE — The dedication and blessing ceremony for the newly restored University of Saint Francis (USF) Brookside Mansion, formerly the Bass Mansion, took place on Sept. 8 with over 250 Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration, students, faculty, staff, board members, trustees, benefactors and university supporters, including 11 direct descendants of the Bass family, in attendance. Following a dedication Mass in the Trinity Hall Chapel concelebrated by Bishop Rhoades and USF Chaplain Father John Stecher, and a luncheon in the North Campus building, the supporters gathered on the newly constructed plaza outside the mansion, where Sister M. Elise Kriss, president of the university, addressed the crowd.

"The renovation of Brookside has been a true labor of love," said Sister Elise. "For all of us, the building is synonymous with the university, and its renovation marks a wonderful milestone in our history."

Bill Niezer, chairman of the board of the University of Saint Francis, provided an overview of

the renovations. The mansion, originally built by John D. Bass and home to the Bass family for many years, has been part of the University of Saint Francis since 1944, when the Sisters of Saint Francis of Perpetual Adoration purchased it as the new home for Saint Francis College. Used as space for classrooms, residences and the campus library until 2006, the yearlong construction done by local artisans brought the mansion back to its former splendor with original stenciling, woodworking and plaster cornices. Air conditioning and electrical reconstruction were also added.

Dr. J. Andrew Prall, interim director of general education and assistant professor of the department of English and foreign languages, then read a poem, "Brookside Crossing," written in honor of the dedication. Don Schenkel, vice president for university relations, served as the master of ceremonies.

The University Singers, directed by Robert Nance, adjunct professor of music, performed for those in attendance as Bishop Rhoades toured the mansion, blessing each elegantly restored room with holy water. Returning

to the plaza Bishop Rhoades offered a closing benediction on all those who will work

and study in the historic edifice. The Brookside Mansion now houses administration, development and alumni offices, and is open during business hours for tours and special events.



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Above, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades recites a special blessing for the newly restored Brookside Mansion, formerly known as the Bass Mansion, at the University of Saint Francis campus on Sept. 8.

At left, the bishop blesses the entrance to the renovated Brookside Mansion.

Post graduation employment requires network building

BY JUDY BRADFORD

NOTRE DAME — Start earlier and network often.

In a troubled economy, college students hoping for a job in their field need to plant the seeds for a job long before graduation — and sow those seeds wherever they can, say career counselors at area colleges.

“You need to start as early as your freshman or sophomore year with leadership activities both on and off campus,” said Lee Svete, director of the University of Notre Dame’s Career Center, which counsels about 6,500 undergraduates each year. “It’s important to get those contacts outside the academic bubble, with people in industry, or medicine or in investments.”

Volunteer work and internships will provide opportunities for meeting professionals with whom a student can develop “rich” relationships that will help him or her find a job after four years of college.

The past two years of economic downturn and slow recovery are forcing businesses to be much more selective when hiring. Job seekers need to have solid connections if they’re going to land a good job and especially if they’re new to the field.

“You have to start talking to people and asking them ‘How do I do this?’ and ‘How do I get this?’ It’s great if you can have someone mentoring you and advising you all along, possibly even from the freshman or sophomore year. You just can’t wait until your senior year any more to start looking for those relationships,” Svete added.

At Saint Mary’s College, those relationships often begin with alumni.

“I always ask students how much networking they’ve built into their job search,” says Stacie Jeffirs, director of the college’s Career

Crossings. “And I make sure they understand that it’s a relationship they’re building for the long term. This is a relationship that might lead to opportunities.”

Career Crossings puts students in touch with alumni who are already working in the student’s field, or in the geographic area where they want to locate after graduation. The conversation may begin with an e-mail, but it’s going to take time to blossom.

Jeffirs also said students need to hold onto their dreams and work toward a job they love, even though a faltering economy may tempt them to simply look for any kind of paying job.

Saint Mary’s encourages students to find the answers to four major questions: “Why am I here?” “What are my passions?” “To what is the world calling me?” and “Who am I and how can I make a difference in the world?”

“It can be really easy to fall into the mindset of doing what seems practical in terms of career choices, which certainly has its merit,” said Jeffirs. “What will sustain our students over their lives beyond Saint Mary’s, however, is exploring these questions and following where it might lead them despite the difficult economy, which will fluctuate throughout their lives.”

“These questions and their answers have much more holding power,” she said, adding that the answers can also change throughout our lives.

Jeffirs said it’s important to build relationships — not just connections — with professional people because in the long term, those relationships will become a part of a student’s gradual career building.

For Chuck Ball, director for the Center for Discernment and Preparation at Holy Cross College, it is never too early for a college student to begin networking.

It can begin while still in college with volunteer work in the community or an internship (a

requirement for graduation), two activities considered part of the career path discernment process and not just a precursor to a job.

“You can tap into your church or family to do this, and we also build relationships with temp services and agencies. We also invite

speakers to campus so students can begin to network that way.”

Professional groups, support groups, Internet social media such as Facebook or Linked In are also ways that networking can begin, and continue throughout a career.

Lee Svete, of Notre Dame’s

career counseling center, added that grades are also more important in a recession.

“You’ll need over a 3.3 grade point average because in this market, employers are becoming more selective.”



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COMMENTARY BY MSGR. MICHAEL HEINTZ, Ph.D.

Personal prayer, public prayer, and the presence of Christ

There is no such thing as “private” prayer. There is — and certainly should be — deeply personal prayer, but really no such thing as “private” prayer. All Christian prayer, if it is true to its name, is initiated by the promptings of the Holy Spirit received in Baptism, who prays in and through the hearts of the baptized who together are constituted as the Body of Christ, the Church.

Two things are worth noting here: First, all prayer begins with God’s initiative (it’s graced — in the Tradition, the Holy Spirit is often referred to as “uncreated Grace”); and, second, the Church is constituted by God’s action, not by mere human choice or conscious decision. All prayer then, personal or public, is done in communion with the Body of Christ, the Church, as the Spirit draws us in Christ to an ever-deeper communion with the Father.

Public, liturgical prayer should shape, inform and nurture our personal prayer. That is, rather than accommodating our experience of liturgical prayer to our experience of personal prayer — and thus asking, for example, whether the liturgy of the Church “meets my needs” or “touches me personally” — we should allow the public prayer of the Church continually to affect our experience of personal prayer, drawing us out of ourselves and uniting us more deeply to the self-offering of Christ to the Father. Our needs, like our tastes, should themselves be the subject of ongoing conversion.

The prayer of the Church par excellence is the Mass. The Eucharistic Liturgy, the Church tells us, is in fact the most effective thing the Church does. As Pope Benedict made clear in his first encyclical, “Deus Caritas Est,” the entire social mission of the Church, its apostolates of active charity and social justice, for example, derive their purpose and meaning — and their eschatological effectiveness — from the Sacrifice of the Altar, where the fullness of Love is revealed not as a human ideal but as a Divine Person. That’s one of the reasons Mass is offered daily, and why Catholics are encouraged to participate regularly — even daily, when possible — at the Mass.

Ask anyone who, over the course of time, has had the opportunity to become a “daily communicant,” and each will no doubt tell you that the opportunity to celebrate Mass daily has made a profound difference in their life.

At every celebration of the Eucharist, Christ is present in four distinct ways: In his Word proclaimed, in the person of the priest or bishop (who acts in persona Christi), in the assembled people of God, and most especially (maxime is the word used in the documents of the Church, literally, “most of all”) in the consecrated elements, the bread and wine upon which the Holy Spirit is invoked (the technical term for this is epiclesis) and which are substantially changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. It is this last, substantial presence of Christ which in fact constitutes the Church and which makes Christ present among his people. It’s not that, because we have gathered as the Church that somehow the Eucharist reveals Christ’s presence; rather, it’s because Christ reveals himself in the breaking of the bread (as he did to Cleopas and his otherwise unknown companion on the road to Emmaus), that we acknowledge Him present in the assembled people of God.

The Third Eucharistic Prayer itself, following the Institution Narrative and Consecration, entreats that, “Grant that we, who are nourished by his Body and Blood, may be filled with his Holy Spirit, and become one body, one spirit in Christ”; it is the Holy Spirit who constitutes the Church by configuring us to Christ through our sharing in the Eucharist. St. Augustine, in one of his homilies (Sermon 272), suggests to his congregation that it is “their Mystery” which is placed on the altar and that they are to “become what they receive” — their identity (and ours) is derived from the Paschal Mystery. Our participation in the Eucharist is what incorporates us, quite literally, into the Body of Christ, the Church.

While the Mass is the source and summit of our life as Christians, there are manifold ways of praying in the Catholic Tradition. Most notably, there is the Liturgy of the Hours (sometimes called the Divine Office or the Breviary), which is the official prayer, one might say, of the Catholic Church.

We might marvel at the devotion of Muslims who pray five times daily, yet Christians have, for centuries now and long before the Qur’an was composed, been praying as many as seven times daily, as the Liturgy of the Hours, with its rhythm of feasts, seasons, psalms and canticles, seeks both to sanctify each day and to rescue us from the tyranny of secular time, in which time is no longer seen as a gift, but a commodity to be managed and manipulated. Deacons, priests, bishops and religious are committed to the praying of this prayer with fidelity precisely for the well-being of the Church and the salvation of the world. It’s a great consolation to realize that at any one moment, somewhere in the Catholic world, this prayer is being prayed for you — and for me.

There are of course many other modes of prayer and devotional life which distinguish the lives of Catholics: The rosary, Lectio divina, novenas and litanies, and a host of other ways of praying which adorn the Church. But this panoply of styles and approaches must all be seen as somehow participating in the one prayer of the Church, and as always taking their orientation from and ultimately being directed to, the celebration of the Eucharist; even when alone, one is never praying alone.

There are times when a priest may celebrate Mass without a congregation. Even in such cases, we believe that the entire Church, including the angels and saints, are somehow present in that celebration. A homebound person living alone, who may devoutly pray each day, is an integral part of Christ’s Body, the Church, at prayer, offering itself to the Father in union with Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit. A young married couple, in their prayer together pray in communion with the entire Church, including all other married couples praying together, whether they realize it or not. A newly-ordained priest, saying the Divine Office alone in church one morning, is praying with the Church Universal, and all these individuals are not merely individuals when they pray: they pray as part of Christ’s Body, in communion with the whole Church on earth.

For those interested in deepening their life of prayer in and with and through the Church, I suggest two very fine books: Thomas Dubay’s “Prayer Primer: Igniting a Fire Within” and Jean Corbon’s “Wellspring of Worship” (both published by Ignatius Press).

COMMENTARY

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The battle is far from over

Pro-life Americans can applaud a federal judge’s recent decision to block guidelines for taxpayer funding of human embryonic stem-cell (ESC) research; yet we should remain vigilant in the fight to protect the lives of our tiniest brothers and sisters. It is morally wrong to destroy week-old human embryos for research using their stem cells — and funding such experimentation diverts funds from research and treatments that are providing real therapies today using adult stem cell sources.

Critics of the recent ruling argue that millions of dollars will now be wasted — ignoring the millions of dollars already spent on ESC research without clinical benefit, as well as the many lives already destroyed in this research. Because the human embryos must be obtained from fertility clinics, turning them into sources of research material perpetuates the destructive practices of the infertility industry. Procedures such as in vitro fertilization (IVF) typically involve the production of many embryos at one time, requiring hyperstimulation of the mother’s ovaries that poses risks to the mother’s health and even life; “excess” embryos inevitably result and are then frozen or discarded. Children should be seen as God’s beautiful gift to a married couple who remain open to His divine plan of love and life, and not as a commodity which we produce, manipulate and destroy at will.

Opposing the funding of destructive embryo research can seem like an uphill battle. But polling indicates that efforts to do so are having an impact. A recent poll by Rasmussen Reports found that 57 percent of U.S. voters oppose using taxpayer funds for embryonic stem-cell research. Unfortunately, the same polling showed only 24 percent of voters and 52 percent of “pro-life” voters seeing embryonic stem-cell research as morally wrong. Support for ESC research may be fueled by public confusion over embryonic versus adult stem-cell research, and by ignorance of the fact that the embryonic variety always involves killing the “donor.” Advocacy for the moral status and rights of embryonic human beings must continue, and most urgently within pro-life circles.

Despite the mixed polling results and the administration’s unfortunate decision to appeal this court ruling, hope can be found in decades of

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BY MARY MCCLUSKY

successful treatments and promising advances in adult stem-cell research. Recent examples include reversing leukemia, restoring the speech of stroke victims, and improving heart function in heart attack victims. Find out more by visiting www.stemcellresearch.org.

Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo, chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities, recently called for the government “to renew and expand its commitment to ethically sound avenues of stem-cell research. ... These avenues are showing far more promise than destructive human embryo research in serving the needs of suffering patients.” Catholics everywhere can answer this call by educating those nearest to them on how human embryonic stem-cell experimentation has been “hyped” and morally sound alternatives are given less attention. Spread the good news about continuing advances with adult stem cells. Visit www.nchla.org to stay alert for legislative developments on research that requires the destruction of human embryos.

The promise of ethical adult stem-cell research is real, and the battle to prevent federal funding of experimentation on the smallest of our brothers and sisters is far from over. Each of us is obligated to share the Gospel of Life and to declare that the life of each and every human being, regardless of his or her stage of development or condition of dependency, is a priceless gift and worthy of our protection.

Mary McClusky is Special Projects Coordinator at the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. To learn more about the bishops’ pro-life activities, go to www.usccb.org/prolife.

Only time

“Who can say where the road goes, where the day flows. Only time ...” is the opening verse in a popular melody by the award-winning Irish singer Enya, who laments the questions that only time will answer. Time may hold the answers, but we must travel at our own pace through it to find them. And so it is, I believe, with the process we call grief.

Don't get me wrong. I do not subscribe to the old adage, “time heals all wounds.” No, that one ranks right up with those other misleading, and sometimes hurtful clichés that may be offered at the most inopportune times. But time does play a significant role in our healing process following the death of a loved one.

Without time we won't have the opportunity to readjust our world view and life perspective. We won't be able to create the space in which to mourn, rest or move forward. And we won't find the doorway to our “new normal” way of life and our new



KAY COZAD

HOPE IN THE MOURNING

self identity in which our loved one's memory finds its rightful place.

Time, after a death, gifts us with the unfolding of life — littered with painful questions, the roller coaster of emotions, and the stuttering chaos — all of which we must learn to navigate in a manageable manner. Immediately following the death, we may feel time has become distorted — a natural response to loss. We may even feel suspended in time, with life swirling continuously around us.

And how do we deal with that?

By taking the time to discover how the death of our loved one has changed us. And it seems, because each grief experience is unique, there is no prescribed timeframe or schedule to follow. We all must discover our own pace.

As I companion the women who attend the widow's support group I am encouraged as I witness their active participation in the passage through grief. It is over time that they rediscover life. Several years ago one widow, Jillian, offered scornfully, that she wished she could fast forward five years and just be done with the pain and confusion. She faithfully shared the ups and downs of her journey with the other widows in the group month after month, confessing that though at times the chaos and confusion had her all but paralyzed, she was able to see progress over time.

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Pursue what is important



THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

MSGR. OWEN F. CAMPION

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Lk 16:1-13

The first reading for this weekend is from the Book of Amos. This prophet, regarded as one of the Minor Prophets, was from Tekoa, a rural area of Judea. It was about 10 miles from Jerusalem. Amos was a shepherd, and obviously he knew well the religious traditions of his ancestors.

He also had a sense of events occurring beyond his own environment, even events happening in other lands.

This pastoral occupation, and keen knowledge not only of tradition but also of life far beyond his own situation, gives his book of only nine chapters a special quality.

Money dominates the wording of this reading. Indeed the passage even mentions ancient units of currency, such as the shekel. Most importantly, it is highly critical of any quest to gather great sums of money. It instead insists that a higher standard exists. Obviously, a reward greater than monetary gain is to be desired, and it is available.

For its second reading the Church presents the First Letter to Timothy. Early Christian history, including that of the Apostolic Era, includes the names of deeply committed pioneer converts to Christianity.

Timothy was one of these converts. He was so close to the Apostle Paul that Paul referred to him as “beloved son,” although of course nothing suggests that Timothy literally was the Apostle's biological child. Son of a Greek father and a devout Jewish mother, and therefore Jewish under the laws of Judaism, Timothy became a Christian through Paul's influence. Tradition is that Timothy was the first bishop of the Christian community in Ephesus.

In this weekend's reading, Timothy is asked especially to pray for rulers and persons in authority. They especially are vulnerable to the temptation of yielding to greed and ambition.

St. Luke's Gospel supplies the last reading. It is a parable. An irresponsible manager fears the results if his employer discovers the manager's mishandling of his duty. So he called his employer's debtors and ordered them to reduce the amount owed. In fact, he canceled his own commission, but obviously the commission was excessive.

This arrangement would have been as unacceptable then as it would be now. The employer would have had every right to repudiate the manager's bold discounting of the amounts owed. However, had the manager insisted on the original figures, he would have been upholding the outrageous commission. He would have lost the regard of the community and appeared to be out of control of his own business. Saving honor was more important than the money owed as debts. In other words, there is a greater good than money.

Reflection

It is easy to become lost and confused in the world of ancient

Jewish economics, quite unlike modern economics, but then again quite similar. For this reason it is better not to elevate the employer in the parable recounted by Luke's Gospel to too high a level of prestige. There is little temptation to lionize the irresponsible manager.

Rather, the bottom line is that some things in life are more important than money. It is the theme of the reading from Amos. It seems a truism, however little else in contemporary life, in which materialism and profit reign supreme, could be more relevant that the caution in these readings not to stake our future, or measure success, in monetary terms.

The line between genuine security and peace of mind on the one hand, and grasping for more and more on the other, is easy to cross. It is easy to rationalize that struggling to obtain more material assets is in fact only an effort to be financially secure.

Wise and experienced, reinforced by God's inspiration, the Church offers these Scriptures to us as warning. Remember what is important. Pursue what is important.

READINGS

Sunday: Am 8:4-7 Ps 113:1-2,4-8

1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13

Monday: Prv 3:27-34 Ps 15:2-4b,5
Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5
Mt 9:9-13

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9 Ps 119:29,72,
89,101,104 163 Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14,
17bc Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11 Ps 144:1b,2abc,
3-4 Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8 Ps 90:3-6,
12-14, 17 Lk 9:43b-45

Two epistles to Thessalonians from Paul

Where is Thessalonica where St. Paul caused a riot?

St. Paul and Silas left the city of Philippi in Macedonia and took the road through Amphipolis, an ancient city in eastern Macedonia on the Struma river, which was the headquarters of the Roman governor of Macedonia. Amphipolis was famous for its lion sculpture from the fourth century B.C. Several early Christian basilicas have been excavated there.

Paul and Silas continued down the road to Apollonia, a Macedonian town 30 miles southwest of Amphipolis. Then they came to Thessalonica (modern Thessaloniki), a seaport city in west-central Macedonia (or northern Greece) at the head of the Gulf of Salonika. Today Thessaloniki is the main city of Macedonia with over 400,000 people. Thessalonike was the sister of the famous Alexander the Great.

At Thessalonica St. Paul entered the Jewish synagogue and spoke about Jesus as the promised Messiah who had to suffer and rise from the dead. Some of the Jews, a great number of Greeks, and prominent women agreed with Paul. But this aroused the resentment of unsympathetic Jews who engaged loafers from the public square to form a mob and start a riot. The angry Jews told the magistrates that Paul was disregarding the Roman emperor's decrees and claiming that Jesus was king. Here the Jews were distorting Paul's proclamation of Jesus' religious kingship into a political sense. Because of this dangerous situation, Paul and Silas left Thessalonica.

Baedeker mentions some of the sites in Thessalonica. The Arch of Galerius has carvings depicting the emperor's campaigns against the Persians in 297. To the south were the



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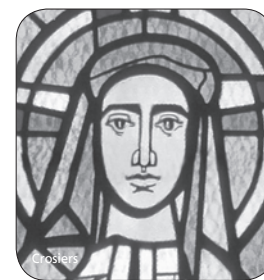
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Imperial Palace, the Hippodrome where many people were massacred in 391, which ushered in complaints by St. Ambrose, the bishop of Milan in Italy. Nearby is the Rotunda, converted into a Christian church dedicated to St. George in 400.

When I was in Thessaloniki, the huge White Tower on the seafront was the main imposing structure in the city that you usually see in pictures. Nearby is the church of Ayia Sofia, a domed cruciform church from the eighth century with beautiful mosaics. Nearby is the early Christian basilica of Ayia Paraskevi from the fifth century. Further on is the Church of Panayia Khalkeon from 1028, called the Church of the Mother of God of the Coppermiths. The main church in the city is Ayios Dimitrios, a five-aisled fifth-century basilica built over a Roman bath-house. The emperor Galerius caused an officer named Demetrius to be confined in the baths and subsequently killed in 306 A.D. Thereafter St. Demetrius became the town's patron saint. Finally there is the citadel, an imposing stronghold with seven towers.

St. Paul wrote two epistles to the Thessalonians that are the earliest books of the New Testament written around 51-52 A.D. These epistles were written before the Gospels and thus show us the very early teaching of the Catholic Church.

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Emily de Rodat

1787-1852
September 19

Described by one French contemporary as “a saint, but a headstrong saint,” Emily was brought up by her grandmother. From the age of 17 she practiced charitable works and entered three different convents but did not stay in any of them. With support from Abbe Marty, in 1815 she opened a free school to teach poor children at Villefranche-de-Rouergue; the Congregation of the Holy Family and 38 additional foundations grew from this first one. Mother Emily, outwardly dour and intensely prayerful, led her congregation for 30 years.

CNS Saints

The lesson of Lough Derg

Our Catholicism Project film crew arrived at the shores of large lake in far north-west Ireland, in the county of Donegal. We stepped onto a ferry and were taken to an island in the middle of the lake. On the island was a collection of buildings, which in both architecture and color reminded me vividly of Alcatraz prison. The weather that day was horrific: Temperature around 50, heavy winds and a steady cold rainfall. Our hosts offered us tea and scones and then we made our way onto the island to begin our work. Out of the mists and the rain emerged the figures that we had come to film. They were swathed in raincoats, hoods, and jackets, but their feet were bare. Most of them carried rosaries in their hands, and some of them were praying aloud. A few were making their way, on their knees, around rude "beds" of stone, and one woman was standing against a wall in the attitude of the crucified Christ. Some of the more elderly denizens of the island were walking with a halting, pained gait. We had come to Lough Derg, otherwise known as St. Patrick's Purgatory.

I had wanted to find a place which would be a fitting visual accompaniment to the section of our Catholicism series dealing with Purgatory—and I wasn't disappointed. I don't know any other place on earth that better exemplifies the idea and practice of purgative suffering than Lough Derg. Tradition has it that St. Patrick himself came to this island in the fifth century in order to spend a penitential retreat of 40 days and 40 nights. And from the Middle Ages to the present day, pilgrims have journeyed there, in imitation of Patrick, to do penance and to pray. When the retreatants arrive, they are instructed immediately to take off their shoes and socks, and they endure the three-day process barefoot, regardless of the weather. That first day, they fast (eating nothing but dry bread and a soup composed of hot water and pepper), and they move through a

series of prayers and spiritual exercises. The first night, they are compelled to stay awake, fasting from sleep. If someone dozes off, his fellow pilgrims are expected to wake him up. The following day, they continue with their fast and their exercises, but they are allowed to sleep that night. The third day involves still more prayer and culminates with Confession and Mass. After the liturgy, the pilgrims put their shoes back on and are ferried across to the mainland. Though we didn't want to disturb the prayer of the retreatants, a few of the pilgrims approached us. One, a man in his mid-70s, told us that he has made the Lough Derg retreat every year since 1957; and another, a woman in her 60s, told us that the feeling of freedom and inner peace that she has upon leaving the retreat is incomparable.

Now I'm sure that many people, especially in our largely secularized culture, would raise a number of questions about a place like Lough Derg. Why would anyone willingly endure such suffering? Why would a gracious God expect this of any of his children? Isn't all of this a sign of neurosis, the fruit of low self-esteem and the product of a sick culture? Well, I know lots of people who quite willingly go through an hour or more of intense physical exercise every day—running on tread mills, climbing on stair masters, lifting heavy weights—in order to assure the health of their bodies. And the Chicago Bears and other professional football teams have grueling two-a-day workouts in the late summer sun in order to prepare for the rigors of the NFL season. And young people all across the country regularly move through hours and hours of practice in order to master the guitar, the flute or the violin. No one accuses these people of neurosis or low self-esteem or construes their exercises as the fruits of a dysfunctional culture. The point is this: Whenever we take something to be of great importance,

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we are willing to suffer in order to achieve it or participate in it.

Those who come to Lough Derg take their spiritual lives with utter seriousness, and that is precisely why they are willing to endure hardship—even imposing it on themselves—in order to deepen their communion with God. They know that there are certain tendencies within their bodies and souls that are preventing the achievement of full friendship with God and therefore they seek, quite sensibly, to discipline themselves. John Henry Newman commented that the ascetical principle is basic to a healthy Christianity. He meant that Christians, at their best, understand that our sinful nature has to be chastised, disciplined and rightly ordered. When the ascetical instinct disappears (as it has in much of Western Christianity), the spiritual life rapidly becomes superficial and attenuated, devolving into an easy "I'm okay and you're okay" attitude.

The whole point of the Christian life is to find joy, but the attainment of true joy comes, in a sinful world, at the cost of some suffering. That's why I, for one, am glad that a place like Lough Derg exists.

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ing on our own personal journey of grief. But there are no rewards for speed. I believe we must take all the time we need to find our way to the life that holds purpose, promise and sweet memories of our beloved.

No, time itself does not heal, but it does give us the venue through which we can embrace the work of mourning and move on to healing as our new life unfolds.

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Now seven years after the death of her beloved husband she shares her journey with those who have just begun. "I can relate to so much of what they are saying during this initial time of their journey," she says. "But I want them to know there's hope that as time goes on, and it does, if they do the work of mourning, they will find joy again."

Many who are learning day by day how to live without their deceased loved one, find that as time moves forward a sense of guilt arises as they discover one

day that they are not thinking as frequently in such sorrowful terms. Jillian says, "My husband died on March 4. So for months I marked the fourth. But after eight months I recognized that I had forgotten the fourth. At first I was upset that I had forgotten. But then I thought, maybe that's a good thing."

I believe that is indeed a good thing. She will, of course, never forget her dear husband. But in the passage of time, reclaiming her life as it is while cherishing the memory of her husband, is the natural process of healing.

Taking time to mourn after a loss is paramount to living fully again. Finding support from a nurturing person or group can be the saving grace to keep us mov-

SCRIPTURE SEARCH

Gospel for September 19, 2010

Luke 16:1-13

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C: the story of the shrewd manager. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

RICH MAN	SQUANDERING	SUMMONED
MASTER	ASHAMED	TO BEG
I KNOW	WELCOME ME	DEBTORS
HUNDRED	OLIVE OIL	FIFTY
WHEAT	EIGHTY	CHILDREN
GENERATION	WEALTH	ETERNAL
TRUST	SERVE	HATE ONE

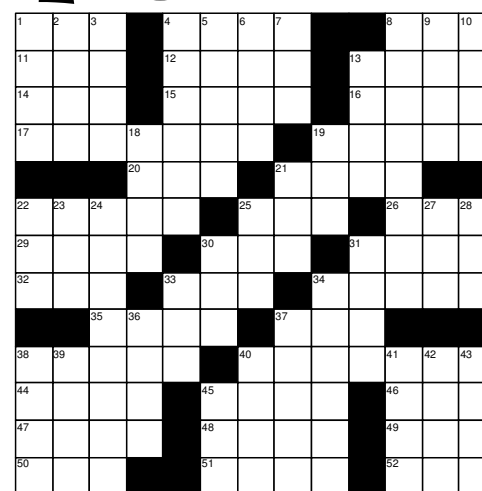
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Based on these Scripture Readings: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 and Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Tim 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

- Across**
- 1 Sorbet
 - 4 Mexican money
 - 8 Swab
 - 11 Tiny mark
 - 12 Declare openly
 - 13 Baby's "ball"
 - 14 Long time
 - 15 What children play
 - 16 Dives raised to heaven
 - 17 Served with ice cream
 - 19 Scraps fell from
 - 20 Poem of praise
 - 21 Speak indistinctly
 - 22 Powdered chocolate
 - 25 And so forth
 - 26 First woman
 - 29 Black
 - 30 Contorted
 - 31 Pony tail stuff
 - 32 Master was owed jars of olive ____
 - 33 Cheat
 - 34 Capital of Senegal
 - 35 Squeal
 - 37 Title of respect
 - 38 These should be holy
 - 40 Playing noisily
 - 44 Butter spread
 - 45 Air (prefix)
 - 46 Day after Easter
 - 47 Lounge
- Down**
- 1 Belief
 - 2 Water does on hot tongue
 - 3 Bunsen burner
 - 4 Temple
 - 5 Skirt
 - 6 Any
 - 7 Have bills
 - 8 Women went to tomb then
 - 9 Cain killed him
 - 10 Elemental
 - 13 Swain
 - 18 Dark of the moon
 - 19 What a nurse gives
 - 21 Eye infection
 - 22 Executive director
 - 23 Kimono sash
 - 24 Army leaders
 - 25 White-tailed sea eagle
 - 27 ____ *Dolorosa*
 - 28 Make a mistake
 - 30 Chinese cooking pan
 - 31 David played
 - 33 Central nervous system
 - 34 Dark
 - 36 False god image
 - 37 Dogs licked Lazarus'
 - 38 Lifting ____ hands
 - 39 Lotion ingredient
 - 40 Stable gear
 - 41 Little devils
 - 42 Promissory ____
 - 43 Chew
 - 45 Boxer Muhammad

Answer Key can be found on page 19

Sports

ANCILLA COLLEGE HOSTS SECOND ANNUAL 'TRI ANCILLA' SPRINT TRIATHLON Ancilla College's second annual Tri Ancilla sprint triathlon was deemed a tremendous success as 110 participants from Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Nevada, Arkansas and New York converged upon Ancilla College and the PHJC Ministry Center in Donaldson on Sept. 5. Men and women, ranging in age from 13 to 85, participated in a 500 yard swim, 11-mile bike ride, and a 3.1-mile run that toured the Donaldson-based campus and surrounding areas.

ICCL football opens for the season

BY CHUCK FREEBY

SOUTH BEND — The slogan at Holy Cross College is "experience matters."

In the shadow of that institution Sunday, Holy Cross/Christ the King's football team showed that slogan is true.

Coach John Krzyzewski's Crusaders — many of whom have been together since the fourth grade — used their experience and size to beat their rivals from Westside Catholic, 22-7, in the Inter-City Catholic League (ICCL) football season opener at Saint Joseph's High School.

Holy Cross took the opening kickoff and drove 64 yards in six plays, capping it with Peter Rymcza's nine-yard touchdown run off the right side. All six plays were running plays, and none gained fewer than eight yards.

"We came out and ran the football, because that's who we are," said Krzyzewski. "Our offensive line — Jacob Jobe, Matt Potter, Conner Futa, Jack Matthews and John Dyczko — did a great job."

West Side Catholic tightened up defensively through much of the first half, with Jacob Wroblewski recording two sacks. Greg Marks thwarted another Crusader drive with his fumble recovery midway through the second quarter.

It looked as though the Cardinals might be able to run out the clock for the first half, but Derek Glon was intercepted by Holy Cross' Lou DeTrempe at



DIANE FREEBY

Holy Cross/Christ the King running back Ryan Mannell tries to maneuver around Westside Catholic linebacker Greg Marks during Inter-City Catholic League football action Sunday at Saint Joseph's High School. Mannell ran for 56 yards on the day as the Crusaders went on to a 22-6 triumph in the season opener.

midfield. A 42-yard run by Ryan Mannell helped set up a three-yard touchdown pass from Brendan Connelly to Mitch Murphy on the half's final play to make it, 14-0, Crusaders.

Holy Cross/Christ the King put the game away with one electric play midway through the third. Rymcza burst through a hole up the middle, cut to his right, and

raced 59 yards to paydirt. Connelly's second converted kick made it, 22-0. For the day, Rymcza carried 10 times for 156 yards and two scores.

"Rymcza had a great game," stated Krzyzewski. "Overall, for a first game, I thought everybody did a nice job on both side of the ball."

Westside Catholic, a collaboration of Holy Family, Corpus Christi, St. John the Baptist and St. Adalbert's, finally got on the board on the first play of the fourth quarter. On 4th and 11, the Cardinals ran a fake punt, with Glon hitting Marks on a strike that went 55 yards for the score.

"The kids called that fake punt," chuckled Cardinals coach John Glon. "We hadn't even put in a play for that. I was proud of our team. After the first series, we played hard. You have to give Holy Cross credit. They have a nice, disciplined team, and we made way too many mistakes."

St. Anthony won the week's other varsity game with a 24-0 whitewash of St. Matthew. Justin Drinkall ran for two touchdowns to lead the Panthers, while Camden Bohn connected with Oliver Page for another score.

Next week, St. Anthony faces Mishawaka Catholic at Otoliski Field, while St. Matthew and Westside Catholic collide at Saint Joseph's High School.

Hard-hitting action fills CYO football games

BY MICHELLE CASTLEMAN

FORT WAYNE — In the second week of hard-hitting, nose-to-nose Catholic Youth League (CYO) gridiron action, the St. John, New Haven Raiders vs. St. Joseph/St. Elizabeth/Therese/Aloysius (JAT) contest could have gone either way.

"The game was very evenly matched with JAT making one more PAT (points-after-touchdown), explained Raider Coach Troy Hoffer. The final score was 14-12 in favor of the JAT Knights.

He added, "JAT's quickness from their skilled players was tough to handle."

Andy Korhman led the defensive attack for New Haven with numerous tackles and a caused fumble. Adam Hoffer set up long pass receptions for both of the Raider touchdowns with one to Evan Trable and the other to seventh-grader Jacque Jacquay.

Despite the sweltering heat, JAT Coach Eric Downey agreed, "It was a great game with both teams playing very well. The Raider defense was extremely tough and made us work very hard on offense to get our scores."

JAT's outstanding defensive players were backs, Luke Dippold and Nate Burrows who combined for multiple stops when St. John's tried to sweep around the ends.

Downey pointed out, "The difference in the game turned out to be when Drew Bahel blocked their extra point."

Quarterback Travis Eckert had a stellar performance, while Jordan McHenry picked up a long touchdown run that put JAT ahead in the game, and Burrows added the touchdown reception on the opening drive to be named offensive standouts for JAT in the victory.

They improve to 2-0 and will face the also undefeated St. John, Fort Wayne, Eagles in Week 3 play.

The Eagles beat St. Jude, 22-6, in their second outing. Damian Brough had a big day kicking two conversions for the Eagles and scoring a touchdown along with Christian Milligan and Josh Jones.

Also on Sunday, Aug. 29, Holy Cross remained unbeaten in the 2010 season downing St. Vincent by a narrow margin, 20-14.

Given the much bigger opponent, Panther Coach Drew Linder was very proud of his team, "I feel like our boys gained a lot of confi-

dence even in the tough loss."

The Panthers played tremendously hard and led for most of the game. Jeffrey Kalonji had a kick-off return and an interception return for touchdowns.

"The Panther offense and defense both played extremely well," summarized Linder.

Rounding out the results, St. Charles beat Most Precious Blood/Queen of Angels, 30-6. The Cardinals now perch in the middle of the CYO pack with a 1-1 record.

Sept. 12 games — Week 4

Damian Brough did it all for the St. John Fort Wayne/St. Joseph Hessen Cassel (SJFW) Eagles again in Week 4 Catholic Youth League (CYO) football play. The dangerous weapon converted three of four point-after-attempts and scored two touchdowns as the Eagles continued their win streak downing St. Vincent, 30-6. Tyrell Johnson added the other two scores to seal the victory for the undefeated Eagles who improved to 4-0.

Queen of Angels/Most Precious Blood lost last week as St. Jude bettered their record to 2-2. According to Coach Jeff Weddle, B.J. Koehl had an interception for the Royal Reds and made a lot of plays happen in the loss. The defense also had a fumble recovery. "We're going to keep working hard and try to make things happen," vowed a positive Weddle.


After a 2-0 start, St. Joseph/St. Elizabeth/St. Aloysius/St. Therese (JAT) suffered losses to St. John, Fort Wayne, in Week 3 (36-0) and Holy Cross in Week 4 (20-8). In their second loss of the season, against defending champs, Holy Cross, Coach Eric Downey reported several highlights:

"Luke Dippold and Jordan McHenry both did an excellent job running the football, which kept us in game on offense and Dippold had a huge pass reception and run that put us into scoring position in the second half."

Brenden Spangler stepped up when Nate Burrows was injured and had some nice gains as full-back. Downey also felt the offense did a very good job moving the ball in the second half against the Crusaders, but were just unable to get in the end zone.

Defensively, there were also

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many spectacular plays. Spangler and Drew Baehl forced Holy Cross to punt after their big sack. Sam Downey also had a huge stop on the big running back from Holy Cross for a loss, preventing a long pass reception and recovering a fumble, caused by a hard tackle by Dippold and Luke Sheer giving JAT another opportunity to score.

"Our players accepted the challenge given to them by their coaches and performed well," Downey concluded.

With their huge victory over two-time defending champs, Holy Cross and another win over St. John, New Haven, the St. Charles Cardinals moved into second place with a 3-1 record. In the 22-8 victory over the Raiders, Andrew Gabet scored three times and rushed for over

CYO football standings as of Sept. 12 games

- St. John, Fort Wayne 4-0
- St. Charles 3-1
- Holy Cross 3-1
- St. Vincent 2-2
- Sts. Joseph/Aloysius/Therese 2-2
- St. Jude 2-2
- St. John, New Haven 0-4
- Precious Blood/Queen of Angels 0-4

100 yards for the fourth straight week.

Also instrumental, by keeping three drives going and converting on third downs, were quarterback George Talarico and fullback William Blume. Coach Mike Herald feels his offensive line of Will Federspiel, Marty Pentenburg, Dustin Messman, Scott Beamon, Nolan Sipe and Will Ridenour deserve most of the credit for their weekly improvement, while the defense

may be the best the Cardinals have rounded up in years.

Herald explained, "Our secondary and LB Corp. are really making plays and tackling well. Brandon Pearson, Landon Rasmussen and Greg Tippmann have played great all season as evident this week and last in the 8-0 shut out against Holy Cross."

Herald summarized, "We are really putting in the work every night at practice and it's paying off on Sunday!"

The Cardinals face the well-coached Eagles from St. Jude and will continue preparing for the formidable challenge in Week 5 action at Saint Francis in hopes of another win.

SAINT JOSEPH'S GIRLS' TENNIS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM CELEBRATED



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The Saint Joseph's girls' tennis team celebrated their state championship at the halftime of the Friday, Aug. 20, football game. The girls were honored by the city, their fellow students, family and friends. As the names of the state tennis team were called, the Saint Joseph's cheerleaders presented roses to each of the girls. After a recap of their winning season, Chief Darryl Boykins, representing the city of South Bend, unveiled a replica of the state championship signs that will soon be placed at each entrance to the city. The team members are Michelle Fredlake, Elle Harding, Darby Mountford, Jessica Rink, Alaina Roberts, Kayle Sexton, Bridget Veldman, and Abby Watkins. Coaches are Bill Mountford and Dan Rogers.

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LuersKnight ladies luncheon
Fort Wayne — A ladies luncheon will be Sunday, Sept. 26, with speaker Sister Janet Gildea, MD, Bishop Luers Class of 1974, at 12:30 p.m. at the Fort Wayne Country Club, 5221 Covington Rd. RSVP by Sept. 22, to (260) 456-1261.

Spaghetti dinner-Tailgate-Vegas Night
South Bend — Knights of Columbus, Council 553, 553 E. Washington St., will have a spaghetti dinner Saturday, Sept. 18, from 6-11 p.m. Tickets are \$8

for adults, \$4 for children 6-13 and free for children 5 and under.

Warm hats and gloves being collected
Fort Wayne — The Council of Catholic Women is collecting hats and gloves for the men's and women's Rescue Mission at St. Joseph Hospital, Lower Level Sept. 28 at 10 a.m. To donate, call Marie Reichelt at (260) 622-4211. All Catholic women are members.

Little Flower Holy Hour
Fort Wayne — Father Joseph

Gaughan will celebrate the Little Flower Holy Hour at St. Mother Theodore Guérin Chapel on Tuesday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. to pray for priests and vocations. Father Gaughan is pastor of Most Precious Blood Parish in Fort Wayne.

Class reunion
Fort Wayne — The Central Catholic class of 1950 will have a reunion Friday, Sept. 24, from 5-7 p.m. at Orchard Ridge Country Club. Cost is \$25 per person. Call Don Vordran at (260) 637-6068 for information.

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Knights plan spaghetti dinner
South Bend — The Knights of Columbus Council 5521, 61533 S. Ironwood Dr., will have a spaghetti dinner on Friday, Sept. 17, from 5 to 7 p.m. Adults \$7, children (5-12) \$3. Carry-out available.

Rummage sale
New Haven — St. Louis Besancon Parish will have a rummage and bake sale, Friday, Sept. 24, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., with bag sale after 3 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 25, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The CrossWord

Sept. 19 and 26, 2010

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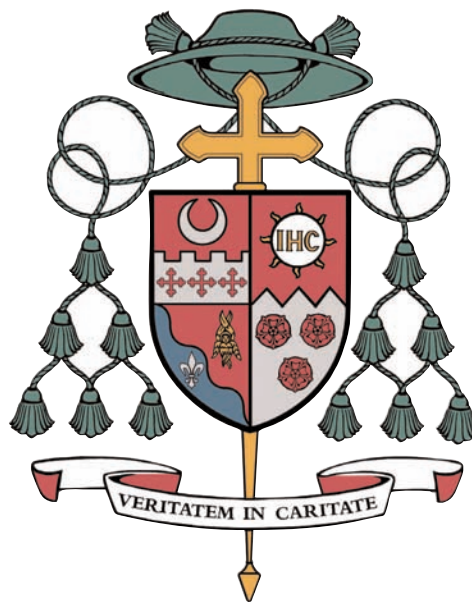
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