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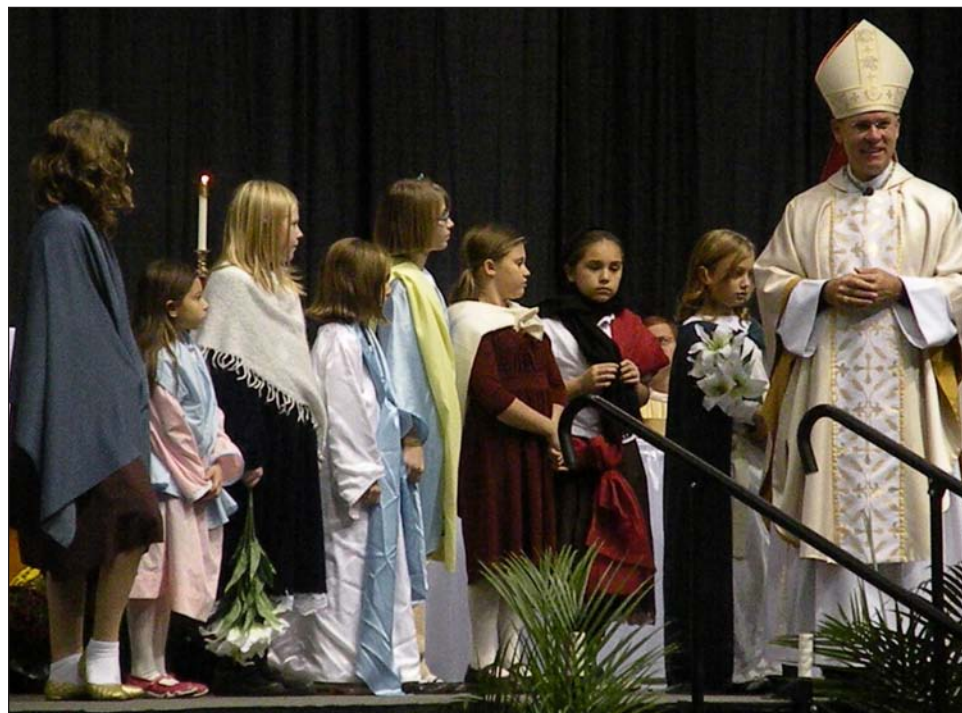
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When Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades asked fourth-grade schoolchildren if any came to the all-schools Mass as St. Maria Goretti, eight young girls stepped forward to the altar during the homily. Bishop Rhoades and the girls shared the saint's commitment to being pure of heart, the theme of bishop's homily Nov. 1 at the Mass celebrated at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum with schoolchildren across the eastern side of the diocese.

**Students gather for all-school Mass on All Saints Day**

BY TIM JOHNSON

FORT WAYNE — Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades asked schoolchildren of the diocese to remember this beatitude at the all-schools Mass: "Blessed are the pure of heart, for they will see God."

Schoolchildren in grades 4-8 gathered for Mass at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum on Monday, Nov. 1. Fourth-grade students were invited to dress as their favorite saint and sit on the main floor.

Bishop Rhoades, celebrating his first all-school Mass in Fort Wayne, was joined by 17 priests and about 3,500 students, teachers, parents, principals and chaperones.

"We are called to live the beatitudes," Bishop Rhoades said in his homily, just as the saints lived the beatitudes in their lives. "God was the center of their lives," Bishop Rhoades said.

He said that the sacraments, especially Holy Communion and Reconciliation, help us to be pure of heart.

"All of us are called to be saints and to be holy," Bishop Rhoades shared with the children.

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## Traditional pilgrim rituals await pope at Santiago de Compostela

BY CAROL GLATZ

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — When Pope Benedict XVI heads to Spain Nov. 6-7, he will follow some of the traditional rituals that pilgrims engage in when visiting the popular pilgrimage site of Santiago de Compostela.

It will be his first time to the ancient pilgrimage city and to Barcelona where he will consecrate the partially completed Church of the Sagrada Familia, or Holy Family.

"He's very happy to go (to Compostela) because it's something he has wanted very much," said the Vatican's chief spokesman, Jesuit Father Federico Lombardi, during a press briefing Oct. 29.

Before becoming pope, "he and his brother also once talked about them going together, but it never happened," said Father Lombardi.

Though he will not have walked the miles of roadsides and pathways other Compostela pilgrims travel when going on foot or by horse, the pope will still carry out some of the traditional pilgrimage rituals at the cathedral.

The pope will walk through the cathedral's Holy Door, which was opened at the

start of the year. The feast of St. James, July 25, fell on a Sunday this year, making 2010 a holy year.

Tradition holds that the remains of the apostle St. James the Greater — Santiago in Spanish — are buried in the city's cathedral. The pope will head to the crypt and pray at the Apostle's tomb and he will embrace a statue of St. James, another pilgrim tradition.

Finally, the pope will incense the cathedral in an unusual method particular to the Santiago church.

A giant incense burner, about the size of an adult human being, hangs from a rope wrapped around a double pulley in front of the main altar. At special pilgrim Masses and events, the incense burner is swung across the church in a trajectory similar to that of a trapeze performer in a circus.

The burner is called a "botafumeiro" in Galician, the Spanish dialect spoken in Santiago de Compostela, and it means "smoke thrower."

In medieval times, its function was not just liturgical. It was also filled with perfumes to deodorize the smells from the hordes of sweating and unwashed pilgrims who went straight to the cathedral after days on the road.

## CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF PERPETUAL ADORATION



FRANCIE HOGAN

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades prays before the Blessed Sacrament commemorating the 25th anniversary of perpetual adoration at St. Jude Parish, Fort Wayne, Oct. 31.

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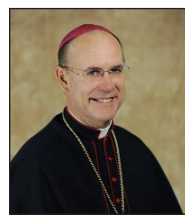
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# Bishop reflects on All Souls Day



IN TRUTH  
AND  
CHARITY

BY BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

*The following is the text of the homily delivered by Bishop Rhoades at Mass on All Souls Day, November 2nd, 2010, at the Pontifical College Josephinum.*

## All Souls Day

Yesterday, the Feast of All Saints, we contemplated the holy city, the heavenly Jerusalem. Today we remember those who have died, yet are still on the journey toward the holy city. In his beautiful encyclical on Christian hope, Pope Benedict writes that we can suppose that the experience of purgatory is one that the great majority of people have (or will have). I think this is something we need to rediscover since there is a tendency today, especially at funerals, to presume that the deceased immediately are with God in heaven. Perhaps this is natural since, in the midst of grief, people want to believe that their loved ones are immediately in eternal peace. But the Holy Father says that "those who are so pure that they can enter immediately into God's communion are undoubtedly few" (Meeting with Clergy of Rome, February 7, 2008).

## Purgatory

The doctrine of purgatory, forgotten or ignored by many, is, I believe, an obvious and necessary truth. We need to be made capable of being with God for eternity. We need to have that integrity in order to enter into perfect and complete communion with God. We need to be prepared and purified since there are so many wounds, "so much dirt in our souls" that "needs to be washed with God's goodness" (ibid.). This is what purgatory is: it is not a place, but "a condition of existence." In this state of purification after death, the remnants of imperfection are removed from the souls in purgatory by the merciful love of Christ (General audience of Pope John Paul II, August 4, 1999).

There is an image used by Saint Paul in his first letter to the Corinthians that sheds some light on this mystery of purgatory. The Apostle Paul speaks of the value of our work on earth and how it will be revealed on the day of judgment. He writes: "If the work which any man has built on the foundation (which is Christ) survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire" (1 Cor 3: 14-15). Pope Benedict explains that "in this text, it is ... evident that our salvation can take different forms, that some of what is built may be burned down, that in order to be saved we personally have to pass through 'fire' so as to become fully open to receiving God and able to take our place at the table of the eternal marriage-feast" (Spe Salvi #46). What is this fire? It is Christ Himself and the holy power of His love. In our encounter with the Lord at death, there is a healing that takes place through the burning away of the dirt in our souls, the elimination of every trace of attachment to evil within us, the correction of the imperfections of our souls. This is the



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**A rosary is draped around a crucifix marking a grave at Holy Rood Cemetery in Westbury, N.Y., on All Souls' Day in November. All Souls' Day, the commemoration of all the faithful who have departed, is Nov. 2.**

purification called purgatory. Pope Benedict writes that "in the pain of this encounter, when the impurity and sickness of our lives become evident to us, there lies salvation. Christ's gaze, the touch of his heart heals us through an undeniably painful transformation 'as through fire.' But it is a blessed pain, in which the holy power of his love sears through us like a flame, enabling us to become totally ourselves and thus totally of God. ... At the moment of judgment we experience and we absorb the overwhelming power of his love over all the evil in the world and in ourselves. The pain of love becomes our salvation and our joy" (Spe Salvi #47). We are thus cleansed and transformed as we pass to communion with God, made ready to enter the heavenly Jerusalem.

## Ecclesial Solidarity with the Souls in Purgatory

Today, All Souls Day, we remember in prayer all our brothers and sisters who live in this state of purification. The beautiful and profound doctrine of the communion of saints reminds us of our ecclesial solidarity, not only with the saints in heaven, but also with the souls in purgatory. We are all part of the Mystical Body of Christ: the saints in heaven, the souls in purgatory and we the pilgrim Church on earth. How does this solidarity work? Through prayer and love! We can offer up prayers and good works on behalf of our brothers and sisters in purgatory. Indeed, we have a holy obligation to pray for the dead who may need final purification in order to enter the joy of heaven. The Church has always recommended prayers for the dead.

## Masses for the Deceased

Some weeks ago, I had a conversation with the priests on the Presbyteral Council of my diocese. They related to me that there has been a significant decrease in recent years of people requesting Masses for the deceased. It

is important for us to revitalize this tradition since prayer for the deceased reaches its summit in the celebration of the Eucharist. By offering Mass for the faithful departed, we are sustaining their final purification. When we receive Holy Communion with faith, our bonds of spiritual love with the deceased are strengthened. Death cannot destroy our spiritual communion with our beloved deceased. We will pray in the Prayer after Communion at the end of today's Mass: "Lord God, may the death and resurrection of Christ which we celebrate in this Eucharist bring the departed faithful to the peace of your eternal home." The Mass, which makes present the sacrifice of the Cross, has a power that touches not only us, but those for whom we offer the sacrifice. The offering of Mass is the greatest prayer we can offer for our beloved deceased brothers and sisters. The fruits of the Mass draw the faithful departed into the ultimate communion of saints in the heavenly banquet.

## Our Profound Communion in Love with the Deceased

Some may ask how we as third persons can intervene in the lives of those who have died, how our prayers or our works can benefit the souls in purgatory. Pope Benedict reflects on this in his encyclical on Christian hope. He writes: "When we ask such a question, we should recall that no man is an island, entire of itself. Our lives are involved with one another, through innumerable interactions they are linked together. No one lives alone. No one sins alone. No one is saved alone. The lives of others continually spill over into mine: in what I think, say, do and achieve. And conversely, my life spills over into that of others: for better and for worse. So my prayer for another is not something extraneous to that person, something external, not even after death. In the interconnectedness of Being, my gratitude to the other — my prayer for him — can play a small part in his purification. And for that there is no need to convert earthly time into God's time: in the communion of souls simple terrestrial time is superseded. It is never too late to touch the heart of another, nor is it ever in vain. ... As Christians we should never limit ourselves to asking: how can I save myself? We should also ask: what can I do in order that others may be saved and that for them too the star of hope may rise? Then I will have done my utmost for my own personal salvation as well."

This is what All Saints Day and All Souls Day are all about. Our lives here on earth are profoundly linked with our brothers and sisters in heaven and with our brothers and sisters in purgatory. We pray for the dead today, trusting that, in a way beyond our understanding, we can contribute to their entry into the holy city, the heavenly Jerusalem. The communion of saints is a wondrous mystery. At this Eucharist and at every celebration of the Eucharist, we entrust our beloved dead to the Lord. We present to the Father of mercies those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. Our prayers for the dead are an expression of our love for them and our ecclesial solidarity with them. We are all united in Christ, members of his Mystical Body. We live in the blessed hope that we will one day be together in the glory of the holy city, the new Jerusalem, the family of God united in perfect joy and peace.

# Pope calls on world community to help end savage violence in Iraq

BY CAROL GLATZ

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — A deadly militant siege of a Catholic cathedral in Baghdad, Iraq, was a “savage” act of “absurd violence,” Pope Benedict XVI said.

The pope urged international and national authorities and all people of good will to work together to end the “heinous episodes of violence that continue to ravage the people of the Middle East.”

“In a very grave attack on the Syrian Catholic cathedral of Baghdad, dozens of people were killed and injured, among them two priests and a group of faithful gathered for Sunday Mass,” the pope said of the Oct. 31 incident.

“I pray for the victims of this absurd violence, which is even more savage because it struck defenseless people, gathered in God’s house, which is a house of love and reconciliation,” he said after praying the Angelus with pilgrims in St. Peter’s Square Nov. 1, the feast of All Saints.

He expressed his closeness to Iraqi Christians, who have suffered another attack in their homeland, and he encouraged the nation’s priests and lay faithful “to be strong and steady in hope.”

Pope Benedict renewed his urgent call for peace in the Middle East.

While peace may be a gift of God, “it is also the result of efforts by people of good will and national and international institutions,” he said.

“May everyone unite their efforts so as to end all violence,” he said.

Armed militants wearing explosives stormed the cathedral Oct. 31 while an estimated 100 faithful were celebrating evening Mass, news reports said.

The terrorists first set off a car bomb across the street in front of the Baghdad Stock Exchange, which left at least two people dead. Then they stormed the church, killing another two people, according to reports.

The militants, who said they were part of the Islamic State of Iraq — a group with suspected ties to al-Qaida — held parishioners and priests hostage in the hopes of leveraging the release of prisoners from their network.

The terrorists demanded prisoners linked to al-Qaida be set free from detention in Iraq and Egypt and they threatened to blow up the church if military forces attempted to break the siege, according to Italian state media RAI.

Iraqi security forces ringed the church and U.S. military flew overhead in helicopters.

After a standoff that lasted hours, Iraqi forces stormed the cathedral and the ensuing firefight and a series of explosions left a large number of people dead and injured.



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**Residents load the body of a victim into an ambulance outside the Syrian Catholic cathedral in Baghdad Nov. 1. Dozens of hostages and police were killed when security forces raided the cathedral Oct. 31 to free worshippers being held by gunmen wearing explosives.**

The Associated Press reported Nov. 1 that at least 39 people were killed, which included hostages, Iraqi security forces and suspected militants. Other agencies were reporting 52 people dead and 56 people wounded.

One report said Iraqi Church sources included three young priests among those dead.

Syrian Catholic Patriarch Ignace Joseph III Younan was in Canada when the blasts occurred. In an e-mail to Catholic News Service Nov. 1 while he was en route to Baghdad, he criticized the lack of security for Christian places of worship and called on “Iraqi parties to overcome their personal and confessional interests and look for the good of the Iraqi people who have elected them.”

“There are a few churches and Christian institutions left in Baghdad, not so great a number that it is not unreasonable for them to be protected, security-wise,” he said, noting that the security being provided by the government is “far less than what we have hoped for and requested.”

“Christians are slaughtered in Iraq, in their homes and churches, and the so-called ‘free’ world is watching in complete indifference, interested only in responding in a way that is politically correct and economically opportune, but in reality is hypocritical,” said the patriarch, who served as bishop of the New Jersey-based Syrian-rite diocese in the United States and Canada from 1995 until his election as patriarch in 2009.

The patriarch demanded “that the U.S. Congress, the United Nations, the International Commission for Civil Rights and the League of Arab States” condemn the actions at the church and “take the appropriate action to defend innocent Christians brutally

singled out because of their religion, in Iraq and some other Middle Eastern countries.”

Chaldean Auxiliary Bishop Shlemon Warduni of Baghdad told Vatican Radio Oct. 31 that at least one child was killed in the incident.

During the siege, he asked people to pray that God would give the hostage-takers the grace to take into consideration the women, children and all the innocent who were threatened by their actions.

Vatican spokesman Jesuit Father Federico Lombardi told reporters at the time of the siege that “it’s a very sad situation, which confirms the difficult situation in which Christians live in the country.”

Iraqi bishops had just participated in a special Synod of Bishops Oct. 10-24 with the pope at the Vatican; the synod drew attention to the challenges facing Christians in the Middle East.

During the synod, Iraqi bishops said kidnappings for ransom, bombings of churches and other Christian buildings and a general lack of security have made life so precarious for the vulnerable Christian community that about half have left their homeland for safer destinations in the past seven years.

At least one bishop raised the question of systematic attacks as part of a “plan” to drive all Christians from the Middle East.

The cathedral and four other churches were the target of a string of bombings Aug. 1, 2004, when parishioners were leaving Sunday Mass; 15 people were killed in those attacks.

**Contributing to this story** was Doreen Abi Raad in Beirut.



## PUBLIC SCHEDULE OF BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

- Sunday, Nov. 7, 1 p.m. — Centennial Mass at St. Adalbert Church and dinner, South Bend
- Sunday, Nov. 7, 7:15 p.m. — Mass and reception at Saint Mary’s College, Notre Dame
- Monday, Nov. 8, 10 a.m. — Speech and Mass at Leadership Conference for Health Care Leaders of Sisters of Saint Francis Health Services, Century Center, South Bend
- Tuesday, Nov. 9 — Fall Presbyterate Day, Sacred Heart Parish, Warsaw
- Wednesday, Nov. 10, 10:30 a.m. — Diocesan Department Heads meeting, Archbishop Noll Center, Fort Wayne
- Wednesday, Nov. 10, 6 p.m. — Stewardship evening, St. Mary’s Parish Hall, Fort Wayne
- Thursday, Nov. 11, 1 p.m. — Meeting of Diocesan Finance Council, Mishawaka
- Thursday, Nov. 11, 6 p.m. — Stewardship evening, Little Flower Parish Hall, South Bend
- Saturday, Nov. 12, 2 p.m. — Meeting of USCCB Subcommittee on the Catechism, Baltimore, Md.

## Pope to visit pilgrimage site, consecrate church in Spain

BY CAROL GLATZ

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — During his November visit to the pilgrimage city of Santiago de Compostela and Barcelona, Spain, Pope Benedict XVI plans to preside over the consecration of Barcelona’s still unfinished yet most famous church, La Sagrada Familia.

The pope is also scheduled to meet with Spanish bishops, the king and queen of Spain, and the prince and princess of Asturias during the Nov. 6-7 visit.

He will visit the northern

Spanish city of Santiago de Compostela, which became an important pilgrim destination in the Middle Ages. Tradition holds that the remains of the apostle St. James the Greater are buried there.

The pope’s visit coincides with the Santiago de Compostela Holy Year, which occurs every time St. James’ feast day, July 25, falls on a Sunday.

In Barcelona, he will preside over the consecration of La Sagrada Familia, the unfinished masterpiece by Catalan architect Antoni Gaudi. Construction of the church began in 1882 and it is expected to be completed by 2026.

## Death toll mounts from double disasters in parts of Indonesia

BY DENNIS SADOWSKI

WASHINGTON (CNS) — A double dose of natural disasters led Catholic agencies working in Indonesia to mount several efforts to provide emergency services to victims.

The disasters — a magnitude 7.7 undersea earthquake Oct. 25 that triggered a tsunami that swamped coastal villages in the remote Mentawai Islands off the west coast of Sumatra and the eruption of a volcano on Java beginning Oct. 26 — claimed more than 400 lives and displaced thousands of people.

Authorities reported the tsunami killed 408 people and that at

least 400 people remained missing Oct. 29, four days after 10-foot waves washed away homes and other structures up to 2,000 feet inland.

“Entire villages were swept away,” Xaverian Father Silvano Zulian, a missionary priest who has lived in the Mentawai Islands for more than 30 years, told MISNA, the missionary news service. “The toll is destined to rise by the hour.”

Local priests and women religious were among the first to reach the affected communities, reported the Asian Church news agency UCA News.

“We came (to the villages) with

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whatever we had, especially medicine because there was no hospital," said Father Fransiskus Xaverius Wio Hurint Pei from the Assumption of Mary Church in Sikakap. He was accompanied by Charity of Jesus and Mary, Mother of Good Help sisters.

The priest said he helped bury dead victims. "It was very sad. ... bodies were scattered," he said. "Survivors are having problems taking care of themselves."

Father Agustinus Mujihartono, head of the Padang diocesan Commission for Socio-Economic Development, said the Church's Caritas network sent four volunteers to help collect information from survivors and distribute relief supplies.

High seas slowed the delivery of aid from Sumatra, but cargo

ships carrying workers, emergency supplies and temporary housing material began arriving Oct. 28 at South Pegai, the southernmost and nearest island to the epicenter, MISNA reported.

Catholic Relief Services met with representatives of Caritas Switzerland, Secours Catholique/Caritas France and officials from the Padang Diocese Oct. 27 to discuss a coordinated response.

Meanwhile, the Semarang Archdiocese sent workers and emergency supplies to assist evacuees sheltered in makeshift tents following three eruptions of Mount Merapi, Indonesia's most active volcano.

The government reported 34 deaths. An estimated 50,000 people have been displaced by the eruptions.

"We set up soup kitchens at every community and an aid post in our parish compound," Father Petrus Sadjijana of Assumption of Mary Church told UCA News.

Workers helped distribute basic

necessities and drinking water to about 4,000 displaced people, the priest said. Caritas Indonesia also assisted evacuees.

CRS sent 2,000 blankets, 2,000 sarongs and 800 tarps to assist up to 10,000 evacuees. The aid was being sent through the Semarang Archdiocese.

The eruption in central Java claimed at least 28 lives and forced thousands of people to flee despite the government's advance warning to evacuate.

Suryani told Catholic News Service that people were reluctant to leave the area because they were tending their farms and feared abandoning their livelihood.

Joining the aid effort were about 60 college students from nine university groups, including the Union of Catholic University Students and the Association of Muslim University Students.

"We want to show people that we do not just criticize the government, but we can also help the victims," said Stefanus Gusma, chairman of the Catholic student group.

## CCHD adopts stronger policy to ensure funds used match Church teaching

BY DENNIS SADOWSKI

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Under persistent criticism from a small but vocal group of activists as well as questions from some bishops, leaders of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development have established "stronger policies and clearer mechanisms" to guide how grants are awarded to poverty-fighting groups and strengthen oversight of how funds are spent.

Made public Oct. 26, the plan places greater emphasis on the Catholic identity of the 41-year-old program and renews the U.S. bishops' commitment to fight poverty in all its forms, said Bishop Roger P. Morin of Biloxi, Miss., chairman of the bishops' CCHD subcommittee.

"There were those who were concerned that renewal in some way might mean moving away from a priority of helping the poor achieve greater self-sufficiency. There is a reaffirmation that the CCHD will continue to have a priority for the poor and in helping the poor to help themselves. That has not changed," Bishop Morin told Catholic News Service.

"For CCHD, its focus always was on poverty and trying to always find the best method of dynamics or organizations to address poverty at the local level," he said.

A 15-page document outlining the changes, "The Review and Renewal of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development," provides a "road map for the renewal" of the program.

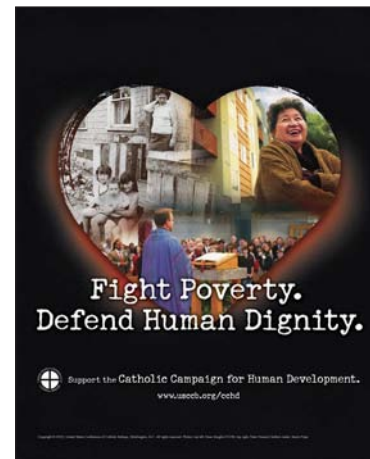
It includes 10 commitments under which the program will operate.

"These 10 commitments are neither an abandonment of CCHD's foundations nor are they an effort to repackage 'business as usual,'" the document states.

The effort also aligns itself with the five priorities the bishops established for 2008-2011. CCHD goals, according to the document, most closely match three of the priorities: emphasizing the life and dignity of the human person, recognizing cultural diversity and strengthening marriage and family life.

John Carr, executive director of the U.S. bishops' Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development, said broader Catholic participation in the program is expected under the plan. Traditionally, CCHD has funded neighborhood and community organizations, not all of which were Catholic or had formal Catholic participation.

"It will be a plus for an application that has Catholic parishes and institutions," Carr said. "(It's) not a requirement, but it is a plus. It weighs favorably. The truth is the



CNS PHOTO/COURTESY OF CCHD

This ad from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops promotes the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. The conference announced Oct. 26 that it has developed stronger policies to guide how CCHD grants are awarded to poverty-fighting groups.

majority of our projects have substantial Catholic involvement. But we're going to encourage and reward Catholic participation."

CCHD has been under fire since 2008 from critics who claim the program has lost its way by funding organizations that joined coalitions taking positions contrary to Catholic teaching on issues such as abortion and same-sex marriage.

In recent years, at least eight bishops have decided not to participate in the annual collection, citing questions about the activities of groups being funded.

The criticisms were the most recent the program has faced. CCHD's emphasis on funding programs that empower poor and low-income people largely through community organizing activities has been the target of critics almost since the program started in 1969.

Bishop Morin said five of the 270 organizations funded in the 2008-2009 grant cycle lost their awards for violating grant guidelines. He apologized to donors — people in the pews — for the program's lapses.

"This is not a perfect world or a perfect organization," he told CNS. "We can only do our best to continue the process with the benefit of finding out where there is failure. Where there is failure there is the opportunity to build something better."

Bishop Morin said the review allowed CCHD officials to recommit to the program's founding principles, including its Gospel-based mission of seeking justice rooted in Catholic social teaching and faithful stewardship of human, financial and institutional resources.

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# Bishop D'Arcy receives Good Shepherd Award at the Pontifical College Josephinum

BY CAROLYN DI NOVA

COLUMBUS, Ohio — At its inaugural Good Shepherd Dinner on Oct. 26, the Pontifical College Josephinum presented Bishop-Emeritus John M. D'Arcy of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, with the Good Shepherd: Defending the Truth Award. More than 150 guests — relatives and friends of Bishop D'Arcy as well as members of the seminary community — were present for the celebration.

"This evening we praise our God for the many blessings that have come to us," said Father James A. Wehner, rector and president of Pontifical College Josephinum. He offered the welcoming address and explained that The Good Shepherd: Defending the Truth Award considers how Jesus Christ, as the Good Shepherd, exhorted the Apostles to lay down their lives for the sake of love. "Bishop D'Arcy has exemplified the virtues of a Good Shepherd through his leadership of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, and through his unwavering support of the Josephinum," he said.

Fort Wayne-South Bend seminarian Deacon Matthew Coonan, whom Bishop D'Arcy ordained to the Order of Deacon last spring, spoke about his bishop from a seminarian's perspective. "The seminarian may not know his bishop in quite the same capacity as a priest in his presbyterate, but the seminarian does have a unique perspective of the bishop's ministry," he said. "We were close to you, bishop, through your time and conversations with us. You spoke to us as a father to sons. You talked with us about seminary life, about formation, and opened up to us about being a pastor and a spiritual father. "Times like that we will never



forget," Deacon Coonan said. "We were so blessed to have a bishop who was close to us. How grateful we are that you showed us that fatherly love."

Bishop D'Arcy is known and respected for his courage and perseverance in his ministry in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, especially through the abuse crisis and the years following. Through his leadership, Bishop D'Arcy personified, and helped the seminarians to understand more clearly, the Good Shepherd.

"We saw this in the way that you taught us, in the way that you taught our diocese," said Deacon Coonan. "We saw it when, at times, you were pushed by certain circumstances to stand up for the Truth and to defend the Truth. We also saw how, first, before standing up in the public eye, you tried to move in a subtle way to shepherd others toward embracing the Truth. That is the heart of a true Good Shepherd, one who is close to his sheep, loves them, and guides them to Christ."

After receiving the award — an



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**Bishop D'Arcy is presented with the award by Father James Wehner, rector and president of Pontifical College Josephinum.**

18-inch bronze statue of Jesus the Good Shepherd, mounted upon an inscribed marble base — Bishop D'Arcy offered words of gratitude to Father Wehner and to the Josephinum. "It is a great honor. I don't feel I deserve it. We have a wonderful college of bishops, several of whom are here. So many are more deserving of this than I," he said.

Three other bishops were present at the dinner: Bishop Roger Foys of Covington; Bishop Frederick Campbell of Columbus; and Bishop-emeritus James Griffin

of Columbus.

Reflecting on his episcopacy and the issues that had to be addressed during his time, Bishop D'Arcy said, "I only did, in the questions before me, what I thought was right. I am conscious of my mistakes, errors and sins. Whatever I accomplished was the result of the light and grace given by Christ."

The call to priesthood, specifically seminary formation, was the primary focus of the bishop's remarks. He spoke of his own background in seminary work — his years as spiritual director and

Bishop-emeritus John M. D'Arcy was joined by seminarians, family and friends from the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend Oct. 26 at Pontifical College Josephinum. Father James Wehner, rector and president of the Josephinum, is next to the bishop, near the center.

teacher at St. John's Seminary in Boston.

As bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend, he sent four of his priests to visit seminaries in the Midwest. They selected the Josephinum for the formation of the diocese's seminarians. "I have been very pleased with this seminary and its academic and spiritual formation," said Bishop D'Arcy. "I have a regard for Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, a former rector, and especially thank Father James Wehner who has brought great strength and leadership to this seminary."

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend currently has six seminarians in formation at the Josephinum.

Quoting often from the encyclicals and letters of Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI, Bishop D'Arcy spoke of the admittance of men to seminary formation and the importance of weighing the authenticity of the seminarians' vocations.

"This is a familiar theme of this pontificate and of all pontificates during the 54 years that I have been a priest," he said. "And it places a special responsibility upon bishops and vocations directors, and upon this historic seminary."

Following the bishop's remarks, a closing blessing was given by Bishop Campbell, and the seminarians of the Josephinum lead everyone in a prayerful singing of the *Salve Regina*.

"The role of a bishop in today's world is very challenging," said Father Wehner. "As St. Paul says, they must be all things to all people. Very clearly, Bishop D'Arcy has been able to live this in his own life as a model of the Good Shepherd, willing to lay down his life for his people, for his priests and for God Himself."



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## Romanian bishop's beatification recalls persecutions

WARSAW, Poland (CNS) — The Oct. 30 beatification of a martyred bishop will be an “important reminder” of the Church’s communist-era persecution and serve to boost the country’s Christian faith, the head of Romania’s Catholic Church said. “We’ve tried to draw the attention of all Romanians to this great event, which will be marked by the ringing of church bells nationwide,” said Archbishop Ioan Robu of Bucharest in advance of the beatification of Bishop Szilard Bogdanffy, the ethnic Hungarian prelate who died after being tortured in a communist-run Romanian prison. “We must hope the new generations can understand what happened to the Church at the time, and what we’re celebrating today,” he said. “Although it all happened in a very different era, today’s young people need links with those who lived before, to see and recognize the witness we share with them.” The beatification of Bishop Bogdanffy was set for the northern city of Oradea, 47 years after the prelate’s death at age 42. In a Catholic News Service interview, Archbishop Robu said the honoring of a Latin-rite bishop from Romania’s Hungarian minority would focus attention on the fate of Christians from various ethnic and religious backgrounds. “The idea being faithful to the point of martyrdom is something understandable to everyone which goes beyond matters of identity and belonging,” Archbishop Robu said.

## Michigan religious order set to buy Pope John Paul II Cultural Center

WASHINGTON (CNS) — A Michigan religious order experiencing rapid growth since its formation in 1997 is planning to buy the 10-year-old Pope John Paul II Cultural Center across the street from The Catholic University of America. The Ann Arbor-based Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist signed a purchase agreement with the Archdiocese of Detroit to buy the 100,000-square-foot center in Washington and use it as a house of study for its members. No purchase price for the 12-acre property was disclosed. The property was valued at \$37.3 million for the 2011 tax year during the most recent real estate appraisal. Its proximity to the well-established Dominican House of Studies and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception makes it an attractive site, said a spokeswoman for the order. Sister Maria Gemma Martek, superior of the motherhouse in Ann Arbor, said the hope is that the center can be developed into a house of studies for sisters. “This is an exciting possibility,” she told Catholic News Service. “The idea of being able to potentially have a presence

## CHICAGOANS SAY FAREWELL TO AUXILIARY BISHOP



KAREN CALLAWAY/CATHOLIC NEW WORLD

Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller greets people as he arrives for a farewell Mass at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago Oct. 26. After serving as an auxiliary bishop of Chicago for seven years, he has been appointed to head the Archdiocese of San Antonio. His installation in San Antonio is scheduled for Nov. 23.

in our nation’s capital in such a great location in proximity to Catholic University, the Dominican House of Studies and the basilica.”

## For pro-life cause, opposing death penalty comes down to God’s mercy

WASHINGTON (CNS) — As the 2010 edition of Respect Life Month drew to a close, the issue of capital punishment was once again in the world spotlight as the Vatican called on Iraq not to execute former Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz. It might not be easy to advocate for the life of a convicted murderer or for someone like Aziz, sentenced to death by hanging for persecuting Shiite Muslims, but it is important to the pro-life cause, said Deirdre A. McQuade, assistant director for policy and communications in the U.S. bishops’ Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities. “It demeans our culture to use violence to answer violence, and it can only further undermine respect for innocent life,” McQuade told Catholic News Service Oct. 27. “If the state can protect us without committing additional violence, that is the way we are called to go.” Bishop Robert W. Finn of Kansas City-St.

Joseph, Mo., made that point in one of the articles for this year’s Respect Life program, linking the death penalty issue to the Catholic belief in divine mercy. “God did not abolish justice. Rather, he intended by the offering of his Son to purge human justice of any sense of wrath or revenge,” he wrote. “As we seek a reason to put aside the practice of the death penalty, perhaps the best motive is our desire to imitate God in his mercy toward those for whom Jesus died.” Bishop Finn’s call came at a time when many others — including members of law enforcement — were calling for an end to or curtailing of the use of capital punishment.

## US, world food systems called unsustainable for people or planet

WASHINGTON (CNS) — The growing adoption of U.S.-style industrial farming practices worldwide puts too much stress on the planet and deceives people into thinking that the world will be able to keep feeding a growing population, currently 6.8 billion. That was one of the main points raised at an Oct. 27 forum titled “Are We Eating Ourselves to Death?” It was sponsored by the Woodstock Center and held at Georgetown University. Those

reading the forum’s title might think it was a symposium on eating disorders, said Franciscan Sister Iliia Delio, the program’s moderator and a Woodstock Center senior research fellow. And in a sense it is, she added. “We have an eating disorder that is affecting us nationally and internationally,” Sister Iliia said. “The saying ‘you are what you eat’ has never had a more profound meaning than it has today.” Creating a more sustainable agricultural system poses a huge challenge, according to the forum’s panelists, especially given all of the mechanized and monetized developments of recent generations. Holy Cross Brother David Andrews, a senior representative for Food and Water Watch and for 13 years prior the executive director of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference, said other nations are adopting U.S.-style farming practices not because they want to, but because they have to.

## Pope says bishops must educate faithful to vote against abortion

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Bishops must guide their faithful to use their vote to oppose efforts to legalize abortion and euthanasia, Pope Benedict XVI told bishops from Brazil. “Dear brother

bishops, to defend life we must not fear hostility or unpopularity, and we must refuse any compromise or ambiguity which might conform us to the world’s way of thinking,” the pope said Oct. 28 during a meeting with bishops from northeast Brazil. The bishops were making their “ad limina” visits to report on the status of their dioceses. Pope Benedict did not mention the fact that Brazilians were to vote Oct. 31 in a presidential election, but said he wanted to discuss with the bishops their obligation to give their faithful the information and moral guidance they need to ensure their political decisions contribute to the true good of humanity. Both of Brazil’s presidential candidates, Dilma Rousseff and Jose Serra, have said they oppose lifting restrictions on abortion, but Brazil’s anti-abortion laws still have been a recurrent theme in the campaign. Pope Benedict told the Brazilian bishops that while direct involvement in politics is the responsibility of the laity, “when the fundamental rights of the person or the salvation of souls requires it, pastors have a serious duty to make moral judgments even in political matters.”

## Pope defends ‘right to emigrate’ in annual migration message

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Benedict XVI said the world has a responsibility to help refugees find places to live and work in safety, as part of its vocation to form “one family.” Welcoming refugees is an “imperative gesture of human solidarity,” the pope said in a message released at the Vatican Oct. 26. “This means that those who are forced to leave their homes or their country will be helped to find a place where they may live in peace and safety, where they may work and take on the rights and duties that exist in the country that welcomes them,” he said. The pope made the comments in his message for the 2011 World Day for Migrants and Refugees, which will be celebrated Jan. 16 in most countries. He chose “One Human Family” as the theme for next year’s commemoration. The human family is multi-ethnic and multicultural, the pope said, and everyone, including migrants and the local populations that welcome them, “have the same right to enjoy the goods of the earth whose destination is universal, as the social doctrine of the Church teaches.” “It is here that solidarity and sharing are founded,” he said. The pope underlined that the increasing movement of peoples today is often motivated by situations of conflict or discrimination. “For these people who flee from violence or persecution, the international community has taken on precise commitments. Respect of their rights, as well as the legitimate concern for security and social coherence, foster a stable and harmonious existence,” he said.

## Formation workshops offered for pastoral associates, staff, volunteers

FORT WAYNE — The Office of Spiritual Development and Evangelization will offer a series of workshops in November for pastoral associates, staff members and volunteers who assist their pastor with faith-sharing groups, Bible studies, outreach initiatives to inactive Catholics, and any other form of adult faith formation or evangelization in parishes.

The Office of Spiritual Development and Evangelization is currently compiling a contact list of e-mail addresses, and could use assistance in identifying the right individuals to notify concerning the office-sponsored events.

The November workshop will serve as an introduction to the Office of Spiritual Development and Evangelization. The workshop will take a closer look at those who are called to serve the Church in lay ecclesial ministry, and offer a chance to discuss best practices for starting a Bible study in a parish.

As e-mails are collected, a separate e-mail invitation will be sent out once the contact list is complete. The following dates, times and locations may be shared with those interested:

- Fort Wayne — Monday, Nov. 15, from 1-4 p.m. at the Archbishop Noll Catholic Center
- Mishawaka — Tuesday, Nov. 16, from 1-4 p.m. at the Catholic Education Center
- Warsaw — Wednesday, Nov. 17, from 1-4 p.m. at Living Well Center at Sacred Heart Parish

Those planning to attend should RSVP by Friday, Nov. 12, by contacting Natalie Kohrman at (260) 399-1437 or [nkohrman@diocese-fwsb.org](mailto:nkohrman@diocese-fwsb.org).

## St. Aloysius School collects cell phones

YODER — St. Aloysius School in Yoder is collecting cellular phones as a fundraiser during the month of November.

"There is nothing for you to buy or sell to participate," said Principal Tina Voors. "We simply ask that you donate your extra cell phones to our drive. Not only will 100 percent of the proceeds go directly to our school through the program, but your efforts will also benefit the environment by keeping the harmful materials the phones contain out of our landfills."

The phones will be utilized for 911 purposes in the U.S., redeployed nationwide, and also used in developing countries to improve the quality of life through better communication.

The donations may be tax deductible, and those donating should contact their tax preparers for information and to calculate the value of the donation.

Old cell phones may be dropped off at the school located at 14607 Bluffton Rd., Yoder. There will be a light blue plastic container near the main entrance on the north side of

# AROUND THE DIOCESE

## BISHOP BLESSES OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS CONVENT



MARK WEBER

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades blessed the private chapel and Our Lady of the Angels convent located at St. John the Baptist Parish in Fort Wayne. The bishop reminded the nine sisters present of their partnership and how their love for God, the Church and one another shall grow each day. After sprinkling holy water throughout the building from bedrooms to the boiler room, Bishop Rhoades prayed that this residence used by the Sisters of St. Francis Minor be blessed with a wall of divine protection and that the sisters themselves be living signs and messengers of the Gospel, spreading the Christian way of life to all. Before breakfast with Sisters of St. Francis Minor, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades shared with them a brief outline of the life of St. Camilla Battista Varano, whose canonization he observed recently.

the building. Phones may be placed inside the container, and donors may take a form if needed.

## University of Dayton alumni bring spirit of campus event to area

FORT WAYNE — Members of the Fort Wayne chapter of the University of Dayton (UD) Alumni Association and volunteers will bring the joy of Christmas and the UD spirit to children in the Fort Wayne area. The alumni will host a special holiday party for the children in the Hanna-Creighton neighborhood at the Fort Wayne Urban League (2135 South Hanna St.) Saturday, Dec. 11, from 2-4 p.m.

The event, Christmas off Campus, is an extension of the university's Christmas on Campus, a campus-wide celebration that brings the joy of Christmas to the underprivileged children of the Dayton area. The tradition of celebrating Christmas on the feast of the Immaculate Conception dates back to 1964 when a group of students got together and decided they wanted to celebrate Christmas

before they left for the holidays. With that small group of students back in 1964, Christmas on Campus was born.

The alumni volunteers hope to bring that same excitement to the Fort Wayne community with their off campus celebration. An afternoon of arts and crafts, games and snacks, and even a visit from Santa himself are planned.

The alumni welcome contributions from alumni and the Fort Wayne community. Those who would like to give a monetary donation or provide supplies may contact Lauren Caggiano at (260) 466-6218 or [caggialp@gmail.com](mailto:caggialp@gmail.com).

More information about Christmas on Campus is available at [www.udayton.edu](http://www.udayton.edu).

## Ecumenical supporters of Citizens for Community Values holds rally in South Bend

SOUTH BEND — The culture wars are raging and the struggle has certainly intensified as the stakes have escalated in recent years. At the forefront of local battles has

been Citizens for Community Values of Indiana (CCV). The ecumenical group describes itself as "an educational organization devoted to protecting families from the harms of the pornography/sex industry in all of its forms by promoting the principles of the Judeo/Christian ethic, which is the foundation of our nation."

CCV held a rally Oct. 12 in place of its annual dinner.

Pastor Steve Sumrall, founder and president of Provident Ministries and senior pastor at Christ Chapel, was named CCV Faith Leader of the Year. Patrick Mangan, the CCV executive director, noted that the pastor was unafraid to preach on the issues of pornography, sexual purity, homosexuality and abortion.

Sumrall said, "We have to be careful that members of the body of Christ don't get laryngitis and don't speak up. We, as Christians, have every right to speak up. Know the truth and the truth will set you free."

In his keynote address Mangan, who is also an evangelical minister, echoed that theme. "The church has lost its voice on pornography,

promiscuity, living together. These are the ABC's. It's not hard. ..."

Mangan stressed the role of the church in the culture wars. "The church decides everything — by what it pays attention to, gets involved in, or what it ignores."

Tom Gill, president of Saint Joseph County Right to Life and who has been a long time supporter of CCV, was honored with the organization's Volunteer of the Year award. Gill said he recognized that CCV's fighting evils was "not only a noble mission but that I have an understanding of the difficulty of their work." He noted that the right to life cause and the pro-family cause "are alike in many ways. There aren't many causes where you are cursed as often as you are thanked."

The Business Leader of the Year Award went to Al Scott, president, and Tony Sergio, founder, of First Response where Mangan and CCV president Joe Sergio work.

Eric Miller was recognized as Citizen of the Year. Miller founded Advance America, "the state's largest pro-family, pro-church, pro-private and home school, and pro-tax reform organization."

— Tom Uebbing

## Church's teachings on how abortion, sex and marriage are pro-women lecture planned

NOTRE DAME — The public is invited to attend a lecture at Saint Mary's College by Catholic Pro-Life author and speaker Erika Bachiochi. The event will be held on Thursday, Nov. 11, at 7:30 p.m. in Stapleton Lounge, Le Mans Hall. Bachiochi's talk is titled "How the Church's Teachings on Abortion, Sex, and Marriage are Pro-woman." The event is sponsored by the student club SMC for Life, the Student Government Association and Campus Ministry.

Bachiochi earned her law degree from Boston University School of Law, a master's degree in theology from Boston College, and bachelor's degree in political science from Middlebury College. She has edited two successful books: "The Cost of Choice: Women Evaluate the Impact of Abortion" (2004), and newly released in August 2010, "Women, Sex, and the Church: A Case for Catholic Teaching." "Women, Sex, and the Church," has a contribution in it by former Saint Mary's College philosophy professor Laura L. Garcia, PhD. The introduction to the book says, "The women who write in this volume challenge the common misconception that the Catholic Church's teachings are anti-women and anti-sex. Rather, these women believe that is precisely the Church's controversial teachings on abortion, sex, marriage, and contraception that bespeak the Church's love of women..."

# Saint Joseph's High School and St. Adalbert School forge arts partnership

SOUTH BEND — Annette Romans, second-grade teacher at St. Adalbert Grade School, recognized the importance of fine arts in the lives of her students. And with grant money attained through the ACE Program at Notre Dame, she has partnered with the Saint Joseph's High School fine arts department to provide a fine arts program for the seventh- and eighth-grade students at St. Adalbert's.

Last spring, Kim Coleman, teacher of ceramics and digital

design, met with Annette and Erica Futa, the middle school language arts teacher who is also directly involved in the program. Together they created the program. The 10-week course will cover ceramics, drawing, photography and digital design, with hour-and-a-half classes.

Kim Coleman and Paul Kuharic teach ceramics and digital design. Cynthia MacWhorter will be teaching 2D art, and Jack Kapsa will teach photography. Members of the Saint Joseph's

Art Club will assist the students and share their expertise.

St. Adalbert students are transported to Saint Joseph's after school on Mondays for the program. Eighth graders will take classes the first semester, and the seventh graders will take the classes second semester. A showcase of the students' artwork is planned in the Harriet Hardy Gallery at Saint Joseph's at the conclusion of each course.

## SJRCM to host free seminars on planning for end-of-life care

MISHAWAKA — Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center/Mishawaka will host free community forums on Tuesday, Nov. 9 about advance directives and planning for end-of-life care. The seminars will be held in the hospital's Education Center at 12 p.m. and again at 6 p.m. Those attending may use SJRCM's free valet parking service at the hospital's main entrance on the east side of the building.

Advance directives are legal documents to be prepared while medically and mentally capable and are intended to direct medical care in the future. They provide a way to communicate personal wishes to family, friends and health care professionals and can only be used when patients are unable to speak for themselves. State-specific advance directives documents will be available to complete at the seminar or take home to complete.

Featured speakers include Holy Cross Father James Foster, MD, the ethics consultant for Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, who is the director of the Center for Health Sciences Advising at the University of Notre Dame and Richard Korman, who is the general counsel for Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, overseeing legal issues, compliance and patient privacy and security.

This free one-hour forum will include time for questions and will cover topics including:

- Durable Health Care Power of Attorney
- Living Will
- Finding support to address moral, ethical and religious concerns.

## St. Joseph Hospital announces new CEO

FORT WAYNE — The St. Joseph Hospital Board of Directors has selected Eric Looper as the hospital's new chief executive officer. He will join the administrative team at St. Joe Nov. 15.

Looper comes to Fort Wayne from Oklahoma, where he served in several executive roles, including CEO of Henryetta Medical Center and most recently senior vice president at the 691-bed Hillcrest Medical Center in Tulsa.

"His past experience as a CEO and his extensive operational experience were two of the biggest factors we considered during our search," said Don Schenkel, St. Joseph Hospital board member. "We thought his skills and leadership would complement our excellent team already in place."

Looper is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives and Rotary International. He is also an active volunteer with organizations such as Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Kids Involvement Network.

Looper received a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Texas, Austin, and a

master's in healthcare administration from Trinity University in San Antonio. When he's not spending time with his wife, Sarah, and 3-year-old daughter, Rachel, which Looper says is most of the time, he enjoys fishing and photography.

## Victory rally concludes 40 Days for Life campaign

SOUTH BEND — The 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign ended with a victory rally at Little Flower Church Oct. 31. Campaign Director Mary Akre emphasized the power of prayer and to continue to pray and fast beyond the 40 days "because every day women are having crisis pregnancies." It is uncertain how many lives were saved in South Bend by this campaign, but Cindy Robertson related two incidents that were probable saves and another vigil participant spoke of a third.

Will Heckaman shared his experience walking across America this summer from Los Angeles to Washington, D.C. for Crossroads, a pro-life ministry inspired by Pope John Paul II. At World Youth Day in Denver in 1993, the Holy Father challenged young people to not be afraid to take the Gospel of Life to the streets just like the first Apostles. Some students at Franciscan University of Steubenville decided to do just that and launched Crossroads, a pro-life walk across America.

Heckaman said he was amazed at the generosity and support his team received on their walk by ordinary Americans they met along the way. He said despite what the media would have you believe, "America is pro-life — it really is."

The students prayed at least one rosary for every five miles they walked and Heckaman credited this with establishing him in a daily personal prayer life, which he had not had before. A priest that was with them told them that not only were they bearing witness and praying but that they were also making reparation.

Vigil director Shawn Sullivan announced some ambitious plans including setting up a marble statue of Our Lady of Tears in the prayer garden adjacent to the abortion business. Knights of Columbus Council 553 will be holding a fundraiser Nov. 20 for this project. Doors open at the council, located at Hill and Washington streets in South Bend, at 8 p.m. The event includes all you can eat for \$8 and games of chance.

Dr. Tom Akre shared about a 20-minute conversation he and Dr. Laura McGuire had with the abortionist and expressed the hope that the seeds they planted there would touch the abortionist's heart.

Akre concluded the rally with a prayer to Servant of God Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen and St. Michael the Archangel. — *Tom Uebbing*

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## Father Sneyd celebrates 40th jubilee

AUBURN — Father Derrick Sneyd, pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Auburn, celebrated his 40th anniversary as a priest at a 3 p.m. Mass and then a reception on Oct. 24.

Father Sneyd was born in India in 1945. He has served the pastoral needs of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend for 38 of his 40 years as a priest.

When Father Sneyd came to the diocese in 1972 he was perhaps the youngest active priest at the time — 27.

Now at 65, he is pleased to have served the people of God under four bishops — Bishop Leo Pursley, Bishop William McManus, Bishop John M. D'Arcy and Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades.

Bishop-emeritus John D'Arcy preached the homily at the anniversary Mass and recalled his association with Father Derrick for the past 25 years. Bishop D'Arcy had gracious words of appreciation for Father Sneyd's ministry and his personal loyalty to the Office of Bishop in the many assignments he was given over the years.

Father Sneyd expressed his deep regard for his staff and the



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**Friends and brother priests of Father Derrick Sneyd, pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, Auburn, celebrated his 40th anniversary to the ordination of priesthood on Sunday, Oct. 24. Bishop-emeritus John M. D'Arcy was the homilist at the Mass. A reception followed at the parish.**

many parishioners who pooled their time and talent to make the celebrations memorable for the community. Tom and Pat Dendinger chaired the open house reception. Carol Dettmer, coordinator of music ministry, together with Tom Laverghetta and Carol Foley, planned the liturgical music that included the many talented high school students who were instrumentalists.

The Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus were included in the thank-you's for gracing the occasion with their presence and participation.

## Healthcare workers to 'respect the dignity of the human person'

BY JODI MAGALLANES

SOUTH BEND — Physicians, nurses, researchers and other healthcare personnel can have no distinction between their personal beliefs and their professional lives, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades told a group of healthcare professionals on Oct. 26.

Bishop Rhoades addressed members of the medical community during and after a White Mass at Moreau Seminary Chapel. The Mass and subsequent address took place in observance of the Oct. 18 feast day of St. Luke. The actual feast day of the doctor, apostle, author and evangelist passed while Bishop Rhoades was in Rome for the canonization of St. André Bessette.

In a welcome statement before the Mass began, Dr. Walt Halloran lifted up the example of St. Luke as a physician who took on a spiritual role after being called to do so by Jesus. Halloran asked St. Luke, the patron saint of physicians, to provide the professionals present with "the wisdom, strength and humanity" to do their jobs in a spiritual manner.

During his homily, Bishop Rhoades added that healthcare workers are called to be the messengers of God's hope.

"Today I want to emphasize that your work is more than a profession — it's a vocation. You're called to be the guardians of life ... you're called to be instruments of God's holy power and God's pas-



JODI MAGALLANES

**Dr. Jose Bufill talks with Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades following the White Mass Oct. 26, at Moreau Seminary Chapel.**

sion," he said.

In the midst of a "growing culture of death," Bishop Rhoades asked them to become countercultural and to give their patients the best care possible, "with utmost respect for their dignity, with respect for the Church and with respect for life."

During a brief presentation after the Mass, Dr. Jose Bufill traced the history of the medical profession back to the first time people started caring for those afflicted by infection instead of simply abandoning them.

"We have inherited their vocation. Now we have more tools at our disposal," he noted — but as Catholics we also "have the

responsibility to respond to the pessimistic view that humans are not loved by God."

Bishop Rhoades stated that the vocation and mission of healthcare workers is to guard and to serve life. He called them to see their patients not as clinical cases, but as neighbors, brothers and sisters, reminding them that the Church associates their profession with the work of Jesus Himself.

Several Church documents, including Pope John Paul II's encyclical, "Evangelium Vitae," also require of healthcare workers that they be guided by the Church's teachings — including those on moral ethics.

"I cannot emphasize enough how important it is that our Catholic healthcare workers study and know these documents. We are not the arbiters of anyone's life or death. God is the sole breath of life," he said. "The Church needs you in your profession to bear witness to the sanctity of life."

Kathy Hawley of South Bend said she has attended the White Mass several times because she enjoys worshipping with other professionals who share her goal. She first learned about the special Mass when her former healthcare employer was asked to participate.

Hawley came again this year, she said, because "you as the healthcare worker, you are that person who brings that special peace to people who are suffering. It's nice to be recognized for that, and get a new energy to keep on doing it."



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# Handmade bazaar items to fund mission, teaching trip to Africa

BY LISA KOCHANOWSKI

**SOUTH BEND** — Holiday bazaars are a long lived tradition at Holy Cross Grade School and teacher Jennifer Sosinski uses the bazaar as an opportunity to educate people about some of the orphans in Africa. She hopes to make money that will help her get back to the orphanage this summer to work with the orphans who have touched her heart for the past several years.

"The purpose of the booth is intended to raise money for me to get back to the By Grace Disabled and Orphans Center, an orphanage in Nairobi, Kenya. Originally I wrote and was awarded a grant to go to the orphanage and now I can't stay away from the community and the children. I am constantly looking for fundraising ideas and trying to raise money so I can get back there and teach for three weeks during the summer. Carol James (organizer) suggested the

Holy Cross Bazaar put on by the Rosary Society and I gave it a try. This year's bazaar will be held Saturday, Dec. 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"Last year was my first year at the bazaar and I didn't know what to expect only to find out that the African items were a big hit, and I raised enough money to pay for my volunteer fee and some of my host family fee," said Sosinski.

Sosinski plans on offering a wide selection of items that she has created or that have come from Africa directly.

"I will have handmade jewelry: necklaces and bracelets, hand carved wooden animals, beaded key chains, soapstone items, a few batik fabric pieces and some purses," Sosinski said. "All of the items are directly from Africa and all handmade."

"I will also have some purses for girls, with matching doll purses, made out of children's pants and skirts, tote bags, small pouches for rosaries or change



PHOTOS BY LISA KOCHANOWSKI

Pictured are items that will be available for purchase at Jennifer Sosinski's booth at the annual Holy Cross Rosary Society Holiday Bazaar.

purses, knitted scarves all which I have hand made," she added. "I will also have some Christmas ornaments that my Holy Cross students made. I also have one-decade rosary bracelets, which are handmade and donated for my cause. I have some housewares items, as well as some Christmas

items.

"The prices," Sosinski said, "start at \$1 for the ornaments and go up. The wooden animals are \$5 to \$6 each and the bracelets and necklaces range from \$5 to \$10. Everything is reasonable."

Sosinski thought the bazaar would not only be a great place to



raise some needed funds for her trip but also a great chance to introduce the community to some new and unique pieces.

"It is a great way to meet new people and to tell my story about the kids in the orphanage. This year I am planning to run a slideshow with pictures of the children from the orphanage and of the safari with the Masai people who made the jewelry," Sosinski said. "I chose the African items because it is something that not everyone can get and they are reasonably priced. I wear the necklaces and bracelets and get many, many comments on them."

Visiting the orphanage has been an amazing experience for Sosinski and her family. It has opened her eyes to places outside her own community and given her a new purpose in life that she loves to share with others; especially her students.

"My mission for By Grace Disabled and Orphans Center consists of living with an African host family and volunteering at the orphanage, teaching English, science, creative arts and sometimes physical education to students in the third through sixth grades. I also get to hang out with the kids on a daily basis when school is over and dance, jump rope, talk about America and sing with them.

"I originally went to the orphanage because I had this thought that all orphanages were bad places and children need to be removed and hopefully be adopted to America," Sosinski said. "But I have learned that this orphanage has become a family for the children who are there because their parents have died of AIDS. They have come to a place that promotes a relationship with Jesus, they are given a place to sleep, go to school, and they are given one to two meals a day. They truly have been blessed to be at the orphanage. It has enhanced my life by giving me the ability to see that we take so much for granted in America. I have changed my ways of helping others, caring for others, and mostly it has enhanced my spiritual life and my relationship with Christ."



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# Saint Mary's College Christmas Craft Show helps those in need

NOTRE DAME — The Office for Civic and Social Engagement (OCSE) at Saint Mary's College will host its fourth annual Christmas Craft Show, Friday, Dec. 10, from noon until 6 p.m., in Le Mans Hall. The bazaar helps to raise funds for OCSE's 12 Days of Christmas program, an effort that provides holiday gifts and necessities to area families and individuals in need. In all, there will be at least 50 booths.

The show features the creative talents of local crafters. The vendor fees are donated in support of the 12 Days program, and some vendors choose to donate all or part of their proceeds to the cause. The more successful the craft show is, the more people OCSE can help this holiday season. Last year, 25 adults and 71

children benefited, and with the recession still affecting so many people, OCSE hopes to have an even bigger impact this year.

The show is a win-win for the South Bend region, says Carrie Call, director of OCSE. "We support the community by supporting the local artists, and we support families in need through the 12 Days program," explains Call. "A craft show is a unique way to reach one of the Office for Civic and Social Engagements primary goals: to support the community in which Saint Mary's resides."

Local agencies and schools that partner with OCSE throughout the academic year choose the recipients of the holiday help. These agencies and schools include Catholic Charities, the Salvation Army, REAL Services and select Title 1 schools in

South Bend.

Saint Mary's students involved in the program say the experience is a lesson in humanity. "Being a part of 12 Days of Christmas is absolutely amazing," said Alma Bravo of South Bend. "I am not only a helper, but a witness to the generosity that the Saint Mary's community shows through the giving of their time, talents and treasures. Everyone becomes united in a loving and caring spirit. The best part is seeing the happy faces of the families who receive these gifts because you know they are receiving the message that someone cares."

For more information e-mail [ocse@saintmarys.edu](mailto:ocse@saintmarys.edu) or call (574) 284-4573.

## Area holiday bazaars aplenty

### Rosary Society plans craft, candy and bake sale

Fort Wayne — Precious Blood Church, 1515 Barthold St., will have a craft show, candy and bake sale, Saturday, Nov. 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the school gym.

### Fancy fair and cookie bar

Rome City — St. Gaspar Parish will have a fancy fair and cookie bar Saturday, Nov. 6, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Table rental and lunch available. Call (260) 854-4888 for information.

### Holiday craft bazaar

South Bend — St. Anthony de Padua will have a holiday craft bazaar Saturday, Nov. 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the school auditorium. Lunch will be available.

### Holiday home party and craft show

New Haven — St. Louis Besancon Parish will have a holiday craft show Saturday, Nov. 6, from noon to 6 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 7, from 9 a.m. to noon at the recreation hall, 15535 East Lincoln Highway.

### Fall rummage and bake sale

Fort Wayne — St. Joseph-Hessen Cassel, 11521 U.S. Highway 27 S., will have a rummage and bake sale Friday, Nov. 5, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 6, from 8 a.m. to noon. Sack sale on Saturday for \$3.

### Holiday Bazaar

Mishawaka — Queen of Peace Parish, 4508 Vistula Rd., will have a holiday bazaar Saturday, Nov. 13, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Craft Show, Friday, Dec. 10, from noon until 6 p.m., in Le Mans Hall. Over 50 booths will provide necessities for area families.

### Crafters needed

South Bend — Crafters needed for the Kris Kringle craft show at Little Flower Church on Saturday, Nov. 20. Contact Eli Tyl at (574) 340-7555 or [Buddytyl@aol.com](mailto:Buddytyl@aol.com) for more information.

### Holiday bazaar

Bristol — St. Mary Parish, 411 W. Vistula St., will have a holiday bazaar Saturday, Nov. 13, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Dismas House Holiday Open House

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### Holy Cross Rosary Society Holiday Bazaar

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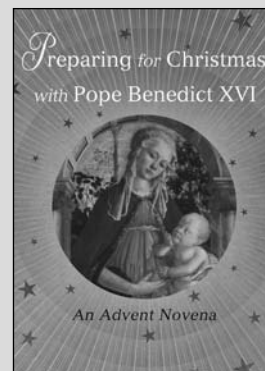
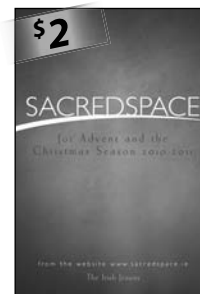
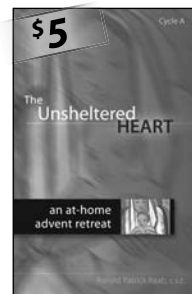
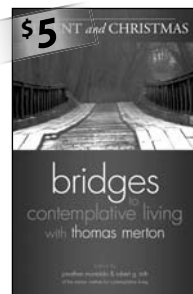
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# Notre Dame community mourns student killed in accident

SOUTH BEND (CNS) — More than 1,000 students attended an evening Mass of remembrance celebrated Oct. 28 for a University of Notre Dame student who was killed a day earlier in an accident at a university football practice field.

During the Mass, another thousand students stood outside the basilica and 500 watched live coverage of it at the student center, according to news reports.

Declan Sullivan, a 20-year-old junior from Long Grove, Ill., was injured when a film tower fell over during a wind storm at about 4:50 p.m. He was filming football practice for the Department of Athletics from a hydraulic scissor lift when the incident occurred.

He was transported to Memorial Hospital in South Bend, where he later died, according to a university press release. A preliminary report by the coroner cited blunt force trauma to the head as the apparent cause of death.

"There is no greater sadness

for a university community than the death of one of its students," Holy Cross Father John I.

Jenkins, Notre Dame's president, said in an afternoon media briefing Oct. 28.

"There is certainly no greater sadness for a family than the loss of a son or brother. It is with a sense of that double sadness that, on behalf of our university, I express our deepest condolences to Declan's family, friends and classmates," said the priest, who presided at the Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

Notre Dame's athletic director, Jack Swarbrick, said the accident will be thoroughly investigated by the Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration and the Notre Dame Security Police Department.

"There's a lot to learn here and we will learn it all in an expeditious manner," he said at the media briefing.

In a letter to students issued the same day as the news conference, Father Jenkins and Holy



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Students gather outside the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at the University of Notre Dame for a Mass of remembrance for Declan Sullivan Oct. 28 in Indiana. Sullivan, a junior, was killed Oct. 27 when a scissor lift on which he had been standing to videotape football practice toppled over.

bright and enthusiastic film and marketing student and a valued member of the Notre Dame family. His death is a tremendous loss that will be felt very deeply and we share in your grief during this incredibly difficult time," they wrote.

They offered their prayers and "most profound sympathies" to Declan's parents, his sister Gwyneth, who attends Notre Dame, and to other family members, his friends and fellow students.

Swarbrick said the Oct. 30 game against the University of Tulsa was to go on as planned and be played in Sullivan's memory. Players wore decals on their helmets commemorating Sullivan; a moment of silence preceded the coin toss.

He said the football coach's primary focus was the emotional state of the players.

"Our focus is on the team, and on Declan," Swarbrick said. "There is an intensity that attaches to the experience of being part of a team and an athletic program. Declan is part of that program. And so, the sorrow that is felt is even greater."

A number of traditional home football weekend events were canceled.

Cross Father Tom Doyle, vice president of student affairs, said, "No words can convey the shock and grief we all are experiencing."

"Declan was a well-liked,

## Holy Cross institutions hold 'Holy Cross Harvest' donation drive

NOTRE DAME — It's harvest time in Michiana, but food is not abundant for many who live here. The bad economy finds people still unemployed or underemployed, and many families struggle to put food on the table. That's why the Holy Cross institutions of Saint Mary's College, Holy Cross College and the University of Notre Dame are holding the Holy Cross Harvest, a large-scale donation drive to benefit the Northern Indiana Food Bank. The Holy Cross Harvest began Monday, Oct. 25 as students returned to campus from fall break, and will continue through Nov. 18.

"The Holy Cross congregations have always worked to provide for those people on the margins," said Carrie Call, director of the Office for Civic and Social Engagement (OCSE) at Saint Mary's College. "In the Michiana community, there is a great deal of hunger and food insecurity due to the economy. We should keep the needs of others in the forefront of our minds and hold ourselves accountable for how we're responding to that need."

Call is challenging the Saint Mary's College community (students, faculty and staff) to each donate a dollar. "One dollar pro-

vides an astounding seven meals to the hungry," Call said. "We have 2,000 people on this campus. If everyone gives just one dollar, we can provide 14,000 meals!" When a dollar donation is made, a Holy Cross Harvest logo will be hung in the Student Center to give a visual image of how much has been collected.

Saint Mary's College invites the Michiana community to get involved in the Holy Cross Harvest. Anyone interested in donating can contact OCSE at [ocse@saintmarys.edu](mailto:ocse@saintmarys.edu) or (574) 284-4573. OCSE will even come and pick up large food donations. The public may also bring donations to the OCSE office, which is located on the second floor of the Student Center. For a campus map, go to [www3.saintmarys.edu](http://www3.saintmarys.edu)

For those who would like to participate in the Holy Cross Harvest through the University of Notre Dame, please bring nonperishable food items or cash donations to the Hammes Bookstore and Cafe at Eddy Street Commons. Those who would like to make a donation through Holy Cross College may contact Erin Busch, alumni and development liaison, at [ebusch@hcc-nd.edu](mailto:ebusch@hcc-nd.edu) or (574) 239-8404.



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# Student engagement is message to teachers at education conference

BY BRIGID CURTIS AYER

INDIANAPOLIS — “If you cannot connect with kids, you cannot teach.”

Keynote speakers Eric Jensen and Debbie Silver drove home this message to nearly 2,500 nonpublic school educators who traveled to Indianapolis to learn how to engage students at the Indiana Non-Public Education Conference at the Indianapolis Convention Center, Oct. 28-29. The conference was hosted by the Indiana Non-Public Education Association (INPEA).

The conference opened in prayer lead by Michelle Priar, assistant superintendent for the Diocese of Evansville and co-chair of the conference planning committee who said, “We are really blessed to be able to share our gifts and be the face of God to all those we meet.”

Following Priar, John Angotti, Christian recording artist, continued the prayer and worship to God through his music. At keyboard and microphone, Angotti revved-up conference attendees when they joined in song praising God, and concluded arms locked together and sang “Lean on Me.”

“The energy created by Mr. Angotti from his music at the opening session to his concert on Thursday evening was characteristic of attendee engagement throughout the two-day conference,” said John Elcesser, INPEA executive director.

Thursday’s keynote address given by Eric Jensen, founder of a brain-based learning center called the Jensen Learning Corporation, offered strategies for student engagement based on seven discoveries about the brain.

Jensen defines brain-based teaching as implementing educational strategies based on current cognitive science. “Some education strategies have absolutely no research basis at all or are based on either out of date or highly biased research, which renders them ineffective,” said Jensen. “Every time a teacher struggles with poor achievement, there is a mismatch between what the teacher is doing in the classroom and what really works.”

The seven new brain discoveries discussed by Jensen include, 1) Allostasis — the brain’s stress management thermostat does not reset to normal after extended chronic stress; 2) Emotional learning links — emotional connection to subject matter is vital to learning and memory; 3) Neuroplasticity — brain matter is not fixed, but changes based on environmental input; 4) Malleability of memory — memories are not fixed; 5) Neurogenesis — brain cells are not fixed, but new brain cells grow with proper input; 6) Social Neuroscience — positive human relationships are vital to learning; and 7) Gene Expression — genes do not determine educational destiny, but only account for 30 to 40

percent of the brain’s outcome. Environmental input and integration impacts education more than was originally thought.

“Each area of discovery brings a vast potential for new opportunities for increasing our learning,” said Jensen.

“Children do not arrive at school pre-assembled by their DNA, as was previously believed,” said Jensen. “Instead, they are glued together by life experiences. The single discovery of neuroplasticity means that the brain changes by input from the environment. Teaching is a highly targeted form of environmental input. Therefore, teaching and teaching methods change the brain.”

Jensen told teachers that what they do in the classroom really matters. “Current research shows everything a teacher does in the classroom will affect and change the student’s brain development,” said Jensen. “You have much more to do with how your students turn out than you think.”

Jensen, who is based in Maunaloa, Hawaii, has taught at every level and has authored 24 books.

Friday’s keynote speaker, Debbie Silver, of Melissa, Texas, delivered the message of student engagement in a candid, yet comical manner based on her 40 years of teaching. “Drumming to the Beat of Different Marchers” the title of Silver’s keynote address and also the title of her book, gave teachers practical strategies for reaching students who may seem to be unreachable.

Silver, who holds a doctorate degree in education, said, “First, you need to find out where each student really is. Not where the standards say they should be, or where you think they should be, but where they really are,” said Silver. “Then raise the bar just beyond where the students are. Make them stretch, but also make the goal reachable,” she said.

“All students must be given a reasonable chance to learn and succeed,” she said. “When they are given this opportunity, they will be engaged, and reach beyond where even they thought possible. Raising the bar and steering kids toward self-efficacy is what teachers need to be doing in the classroom.”

“Kids are starved for individualized attention,” said Silvers. “Be with kids.” Silver said she understood the pressures of content, and paperwork and other teacher responsibilities, but told teachers, “When you’re in the classroom, being really present to the students is the best thing they can do for their educational success.”

Becky Thibodeau, who teaches junior high language arts at Trinity Lutheran School in Indianapolis said, “Wow, these were top-notch speakers with great information. I think what I took away about the brain is that we can actually grow new brain cells. Mr. Jensen’s information about improving the learning state for students is going to affect my teaching.

“Dr. Silver really inspired me to watch for people who are different marchers and encourage them,” said Thibodeau. “The sectional on motivating gifted and struggling students will change my teaching the most. Silver talked a lot about how to praise a student, and what not to do,” she said. “I found that although I am trying to encourage, my words might be discouraging or making students think they are only successful in some things. I plan to encourage students in the process and not as much on the product. This way everyone can learn and grow in class,” said Thibodeau.

The 20-year administrator, Steve Westrick, principal of St. Mary’s in Muncie, said he enjoyed the feeling of community most about the conference. “We don’t see each other day to day, but when we gather as a group at the INPEA, it is very powerful. We realize we are not alone. We are part of a large community of educators who are working to make a difference in the lives of young

people every day.”

Pam Daugherty, who teaches third grade at St. Mary’s Catholic Academy in New Albany, said she was most interested in learning about the differentiated learning. “Every child should have an I.E.P., an individual education plan, because all students are different and learn differently. It’s tough to do,” said Daugherty, “but if your heart is in it, you will find a way.”

Matt Goddard, principal of St. Michael the Archangel, Indianapolis said he’s taking away from the conference the primacy of student engagement. “If the student is not engaged, learning is not happening,” he said. “The quick solution is to get the blood flowing.” Goddard, who has a background in physical education, said he’s open to leading jumping jacks over the announcement system if necessary.

Patty Mauck, a kindergarten through eighth-grade music teacher at Holy Family School in South Bend said she’s always felt that connecting with the student is

more important than the specific music content that she’s teaching. Silver’s talk confirmed that for Mauck. “It’s been my experience that it is the arts: music, art, computer or other enrichment courses are the things that keep kids going and engaged throughout their education,” said Mauck.

Elcesser thanked teachers for their hard work and because of it, said his job is “made easy.” “It’s an exciting time for education,” said Elcesser. In addition to the professional development opportunities and community building that the conference provides, Elcesser said the INPEA would be working the advocacy side during the upcoming 2010 Indiana General Assembly. “This year could be huge for education at the Indiana General Assembly.” He also encouraged them to stay informed and engaged. “As lawmakers return to the statehouse to consider a new budget and develop education policy, our educators and our school communities need to be a part of the public policy discussion.”



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## GUEST COMMENTARY

## Counting 'The Twelve'

Jesus had numerous disciples, some of them known to us, most of them lost to history (but not to the mind of God). From among those disciples — literally, “learners,” or “followers” — Jesus hand-picked and commissioned 12 as his Apostles. Sometimes folks puzzle about the count and the names of the various disciples whom Jesus designated Apostles — literally, those “sent with a mission.”

If we can trust Prosper of Aquitaine's dictum — “*legem credendi lex statuat supplicandi*” (roughly, “let the pattern of prayer serve as a norm for faith”) — we can begin with the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I), which lists, in the first “Memento” or “commemoration”:

Peter, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon, and Jude (minus, of course, Judas Iscariot and his replacement — Acts 1.15-26 — Matthias).

## This reflects the evidence of the Synoptic Gospels:

Mk 3:14-19: Simon (Peter), James, John, Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James (son of Alphaeus), Thaddeus (same as Jude), Simon the Cananite (Zealot) and Judas Iscariot;

Mt 10:2-4: Simon (Peter), Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew, James (son of Alphaeus), Thaddeus (same as Jude), Simon the Cananite (Zealot) and Judas Iscariot;

Lk 6:13-16: Simon (Peter), Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James (son of Alphaeus), Simon the Zealot, Judas son of James (same as Jude) and Judas Iscariot;

Note that there are two Jameses, one usually called in the Tradition, the “greater” (son of Zebedee and John's brother, cf. Mk 1:19; 10:35 and Mt 20:20) and the other, the “lesser” (son of Alphaeus), as well as two Judas/Judes; the name is the same in Greek, Jude being an anglicized form of the Greek (and the distinction between them thus more easily maintained); one is usually referred to for clarity as Thaddeus, the other by the nickname Iscariot, which some scholars suggest means something like “dagger-man,” a possible indication of his zealot sympathies and perhaps providing a basis for understanding his betrayal of Jesus: Christ offered no political solution to Israel's woes. There are also two Simons (one later named “Peter,” the other the Cananite or Zealot). Simon Peter and Andrew (sons of Jonah, cf. Mt 16:17 and Jn 21:15-17) are brothers, as are James and John (sons of Zebedee); elsewhere, James and John were given the nickname “Boanerges” or “sons of thunder” by Jesus, because of their desire to call down fire on an unwelcoming town, cf. Mk 3:17.

In John's Gospel, there is no systematic listing or accounting of the names of the 12, but reference is made to Nathaniel (Jn 1:47); in subsequent tradition (since at least the 9th century in the east and since the 12th century in the west), he has been associated with Bartholomew, particularly in art and devotional piety and in liturgical texts. This is quite plausible, as Bartholomew is likely equivalent to a surname (literally, “son of Tolmai”).

Thus if one follows the list in the Roman Canon (which inserts Paul between Peter and Andrew), and recalls that Bartholomew and Nathaniel refer to the same person, it's easy to remember the Twelve.

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## Backyard chicken lessons, part two

It arrived with much anticipation. For weeks Heather, my 8-year-old, and I would open the boxes of the chicken coop to see if our treasured three hens had begun laying eggs. Day after day we checked the boxes and nothing. I tried chicken psychology and would ask, “When are you hens going to make me breakfast?”

Finally, Heather found the first egg — a nice light brown egg. Heather screamed with excitement as I was working in the garden at the time, “Daddy, we got an egg!” I'm sure the neighbors heard the excitement too.

She held the egg, showed the treasure to the neighbor kids, and when mom arrived home from school, Heather greeted her at the car door holding the egg.

The egg went to school the next morning, in an egg carton of course, and was shown to the teachers and fellow classmates of the first- and second-grade room at St. Aloysius. Then the egg came to work with me. I admit that I was a pretty proud papa too.

After being passed around to so many hands, we decided that this egg should be preserved as a souvenir. It waits to be drained, decorated and situated in a place of honor on the fireplace.

In late summer, we had a bit of a chicken catastrophe. Three of the hens and one rooster had escaped the pen and something — a dog, a coyote — had killed them. One was hauled off, the other three were found dead in the yard. Heather was devastated.

But she said her goodbyes and helped me bury them in the garden.

I also learned a lesson. Keep the chickens' wings clipped so they don't fly out. In the meantime, my father-in-law, who is a great carpenter, made a covered chicken run that looks like it came straight from the zoo. The chickens free range when I get home from work and can keep an eye on them.

A trip to my favorite farm store in Huntington had a supply of fall chicks — breeds that I wanted. So we have six pullets now living in my shed, who will hopefully be big enough to defend themselves against the other hens in a few months.

Isn't that how life is? We raise our children to be strong Catholics with the hope that they will be able to defend themselves against the secularism of the world. The world will peck at them — just like the older hens do to the younger pullets — and maybe even harm them. But as parents we must do our best to prepare our children to meet the dangers of the world. Sometimes we need to protect them from the dangers of the world. Sometimes we need to clip their wings.

Since that first egg, we have gained quite a few eggs, over a dozen in the past week. We all enjoyed scrambled eggs on Heather's birthday last week. Homegrown chicken eggs are pretty dynamite.

Of course, when you feed them table scraps, garden leftovers, sunflower seeds, bugs



MANY HATS

TIM JOHNSON

from the yard and the farm store feed, they reap some pretty tasty results. In the same way, we need to “feed” our children the Gospel, not only on Sundays, but in the way we live each and every day, which includes the table scraps, garden leftovers, seeds and bugs of real life. Our example in daily life paves the way for how our children will see us living the faith.

Our chickens are quickly becoming pets. It's not uncommon for me to see Heather holding one of the Rhode Island Reds or the Barred Rock. But then again, it's not uncommon for me to be holding one of the hens too.

A buddy of mine says chickens have a brain the size of a pea. But Heather and I enjoy them in our backyard. We love to see them chase the cats, and the cats chase the chickens. We can embrace their little quirks and feistiness. There's something gentle and relaxing about watching them in their simplicity and that's a gift we all can enjoy.

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## Redeemer Radio announces fall sharathon

FORT WAYNE — Redeemer Radio, Catholic Radio AM 1450, will hold its Fall Sharathon on Nov. 17-19, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day. The fundraiser is appropriately titled “Giving Thanks.”

Redeemer Radio is a local, independent Catholic radio apostolate broadcasting the truth and beauty of the Catholic faith to the community of Fort Wayne, Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio.

The station's programming includes popular programs from national Catholic networks like Ave Maria Radio and EWTN, and an increasing number of locally-produced shows and specials.

Fall Sharathon chair couple Dee Dee and Mike Dahm expressed their thoughts on the

Fall Sharathon, “It never ceases to amaze us how the Catholic community of Fort Wayne responds so generously to this radio apostolate. We look forward to seeing God's hand at work through the generous response of our listeners during the Fall 2010 Sharathon.”

Jerry Usher, president of Third Millennium Media, will be in the studio to host the sharathon. Usher is the former host of “Catholic Answers Live,” which broadcasts twice each weekday on Redeemer Radio. As in past sharathons, Usher will be joined by local guests who will share with listeners the many ways that Redeemer Radio touches their lives.

Pledges from individuals and businesses will be accepted by

phone (260) 436-1450 and toll-free (888) 436-1450, by mail to “Redeemer Radio,” 4618 E. State Blvd., Suite 200, Fort Wayne, IN 46815, online at Redeemer Radio's Web site [www.redeemerradio.com](http://www.redeemerradio.com) or in person at the studio located at 4618 East State Blvd., Suite 200. Volunteers are also welcome.

Redeemer Radio continues to offer the best of Catholic network programming in addition to local programs featuring catechesis, prayers, daily Mass readings with reflections from area priests, local sports broadcasts and interviews of prominent authors and Catholic leaders. Redeemer Radio is the radio source for Bishop Luers and Bishop Dwenger football and basketball games.

## Pilgrim pope: Journey highlights faith

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Benedict XVI has said he's heading to Spain Nov. 6-7 as a pilgrim, and the trip will give him an opportunity to participate in the most popular foot pilgrimage in Europe, the "camino" or journey to Santiago de Compostela.

His pilgrimage also will give him an opportunity to pay homage to a more modern expression of a Spaniard's faith when he travels to Barcelona for the dedication of Antoni Gaudí's Church of the Holy Family, more widely known by its Spanish name, Sagrada Familia.

As a pilgrim, the pope is expected to highlight the virtue of hope and the Church's mission of charity in an increasingly secularized nation.

A traditionally Catholic country, Spain has embarked on a number of policies that have caused local bishops much concern.

Since Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero came to

power in 2004, Church leaders have protested the scrapping of religion classes from the state school curriculum and cuts in funding for Spain's private schools. They also have taken issue with the government over its relaxation of divorce laws, legalization of gay marriage and legislation to make abortion more accessible.

Pope Benedict obviously has something to say about the direction Spain is moving and the trip — the pope's 18th visit abroad — is likely to include pleas that Spaniards recognize how much the faith has and continues to contribute to the country, a theme Pope Benedict has continually shone the spotlight on during his pontificate.

A high point of the trip will be the pope's arrival in Santiago de Compostela Nov. 6 to visit one of Catholicism's most popular and ancient pilgrimage sites.

Tradition holds that the remains

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of the apostle St. James the Greater — Santiago in Spanish — are buried in the city's cathedral. The city has been a pilgrim destination for 11 centuries and today, thousands of people still walk, bike or ride atop donkeys or horses every year to visit the cathedral.

Because the feast of St. James, July 25, fell on a Sunday this year, 2010 marks a holy year in which a special door is opened into the cathedral.

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## Peace comes when God is respected



### THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

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### 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Lk 20:27-38

This weekend, observed by the Church as the 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time, has as its first reading a section from the Second Book of Maccabees.

Maccabees, First or Second, rarely appears as a reading at Mass. These books are late in the formation of the Scriptures as we now have them. They date from a period only two centuries before Christ, describing a very dark period in the history of God's people.

When Alexander the Great, who had conquered so much of the present-day Middle East died, his generals scrambled to succeed him. One of them, Ptolemy, became the pharaoh of Egypt. Another of them, Seleucus, became king of Syria.

A successor of Seleucus, Antiochus IV, believed himself to be divine. He demanded that his subjects, including the Jews, worship him. Anyone who refused this demand paid dearly. Maccabees I and II were written about martyrs who defied Antiochus.

These two books of Maccabees lionize these pious Jewish martyrs who refused to forsake the one God of Israel. This weekend's reading reports quite vividly the penalty Antiochus IV reserved for those who denied that he was a god.

Heroism, therefore, is one lesson. Another is about the afterlife, and it mentions the afterlife as a reward for holy living on earth. The afterlife as a doctrine was not very refined in the more ancient Hebrew writings. Thus, Maccabees expands the notion.

The Second Epistle to the Thessalonians provides the second reading. This work too was written when times were very hard for true believers. The epistle is challenging but encouraging. Regardless of whatever may lie ahead, it insists that disciples must hold firm to their bond with the Lord. Times may be bad, even terrifying, but God will be victorious!

St. Luke's Gospel, the source of the last reading, continues the theme of the afterlife. Its message is clear. Those faithful to God in this life will live with God, triumphantly and eternally, in the next life.

This reading also says that the ways of God are beyond our experience and our understanding. We are humans, nothing less but nothing more. We are nothing less in that we can decide to live so as to receive as God's gift eternal life itself. We are nothing more in that we need God.

### Reflection

On Nov. 11, our country celebrates Veterans' Day, a commemoration that is in fact an extension of the observance of the day in 1918 when Germany and its allies surrendered, and the First World War ended.

No war has been fought without great suffering and death. The First World War, however, was new to human experience in the lives that it took. Hundreds of thousands lost their lives on battlefields, or in bombing raids. Millions of others starved, or were

maimed or died.

Today, historians look back upon this tragic time and wonder why it all happened. It is a ghastly pronouncement of human bad judgment and of human greed. It was proof of how badly humans can make life for themselves and for others when they ignore or defy God.

Evidence of this same reality was in the experiences of the Maccabees. The mighty Antiochus brought death and anguish. However, in the end, the just triumphed. We celebrate the Maccabees. For the Thessalonians, imperial Rome brought terror and agony. The just triumphed. They are glorified. Imperial Rome is gone.

These readings remind us again that peace, justice and security come only when God is respected. They also warn us of the allurements that so often drive humans to hurt themselves and others inevitably will pass away.

Without turning to God, we are doomed, condemned by our own human inadequacies. Again and again in history, we find proof of this fact.

### READINGS

**Sunday:** 2 Mc 7:1-2,9-14 Ps 17:1,5-6,8, 15 2 Thes 2:16-3:5 Lk 20:27-38

**Monday:** Ti 1:1-9 Ps 24:1b-4b,5-6 Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6,8-9 1 Cor 3:9-11,16-17 Jn 2:13-22

**Wednesday:** Ti 3:1-7 Ps 23:1b-6 Lk 17:11-19

**Thursday:** Phlm 7-20 Ps 146:7-10 Lk 17:20-25

**Friday:** 2 Jn 4-9 Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18 Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday:** 3 Jn 5-8 Ps 112:1-6 Lk 18:1-8

## A vocation is no minor call

The question on the cover of the November issue of *O, The Oprah Magazine*, caught my eye: "What's your true calling?"

It appears beside a pared-down Oprah Winfrey — which is to say her fake eyelashes are less dramatic. The cosmetics are softer: brown eye shadow, peach lipstick. Wrapped in an ivory sweater, Oprah's hands are drawn to her heart. She's practically down-to-earth — except for the walnut-sized emerald on her right hand.

"True calling," of course, is a safe, secular way of saying vocation, and the words have the same origin. "Vocation" comes from Latin — the noun "summons," based on the verb "to call." It is, by definition, a call or summons, something with an irresistible pull — not a could-do or a should-do, but a must-do.

The life you were born to lead was designed by a detail-oriented Creator who counted the hairs on your head and stamped you with unmatched fingerprints.

As Catholics we identify the big-picture vocations to marriage or religious life. When it comes to the smaller-scale vocations, a person's work, the options are multiplied exponentially and things get fuzzy. Suddenly it's time to declare a major, submit a resume and navigate a labyrinth of salaries, superiors and suits.

Few jobs provide a perfect fit, satisfying that quiet hunger to use all your gifts and talents at once, heart and head in concert. Whether it is designing a house, building it, decorating it, selling it or raising a family in it, a vocation feels both important and fun, exhausting and life giving.

We can delay or deny, but the summons of a vocation cannot be escaped. I was reminded of this last week when I indulged in an hour-long massage. The lights were dimmed and ocean waves sounded, and I closed my eyes, preparing to shut up and shut down — until a nagging curiosity bobbed in my brain.

Where was my masseuse from? Where does she live? What's her family like? I lobbed a



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CHRISTINA CAPECCHI

few questions her way, and as she massaged my neck, I made eye contact several times, which required a lot of my eyeballs.

I silently scolded myself then decided to accept the Chatty Kathy attack. I am an eternal reporter. So be it.

My masseuse proved just as committed to her vocation. Sitting beneath a framed diploma, Paula told me she'd been called to her industry as a teen. She rattled off the health benefits of massage and dismissed her lengthy commute.

The next day I watched Chilean miners emerge from their deep desert tomb. The second rescue, 39-year-old Mario Sepulveda, gave an early interview to CNN, professing a renewed commitment to his vocations of marriage and mining.

He resisted the celebrity awaiting him. "I want to be treated as Mario Sepulveda, as a worker, as a miner," he said. "I want to continue to work because I think I was born to die tied to the anvil."

Then came the marriage bit, Mario's counsel against divorce. "You've got to talk. Don't put an end to things just like that. Love is the most beautiful thing in the world. ... I'm going to live a long, long time, to have a new beginning with my son, my dear wife ... and my daughter. ..."

So go, pull yourself out of your own rocky entrapments. Follow your love and embrace your loved ones. It's your true calling.

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### Margaret of Scotland

c. 1045-1093

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Margaret may have been born in Hungary of a German mother, but as the granddaughter of an English king was brought to England. She took refuge in Scotland after the Norman conquest and in 1070 married King Malcolm III. They had two daughters and six sons; one son also became a saint. Deeply religious, she used her influence to bring the Scottish church in line with Rome, and was noted for caring for orphans and the poor. She died four days after her husband's murder; they were buried at Dunfermline Abbey.

# Papal humor

Despite the world's fascination with all things papal, there isn't much out there about papal humor. Which is, in a sense, entirely understandable: It takes a certain breadth of imagination, shall we say, to imagine Gregory XVI or Pius XI telling a joke (much less telling one on himself). Blessed John XXIII is an exception, as he was in many other ways, and two of his wisecracks have been widely circulated. In one, the pope is asked how many people work at the Vatican, to which the pontiff replies, "About half." In the other, the pope visits the Convent of the Holy Spirit, where the somewhat flustered nun in charge greets him by saying, "Welcome, Your Holiness, I am the superior of the Holy Spirit," to which John responds, "Congratulations, sister; I am merely the Vicar of Jesus Christ."

I hope that the publication of my new book, "The End and the Beginning: Pope John Paul II — The Victory of Freedom, the Last Years, the Legacy" (Doubleday), adds the Polish pope to the short list of papal humorists, where he certainly deserves a roster spot.

John Paul II's humor, as I experienced it, tended toward the ironic: not in the postmodern sense, in which irony is the short road to cynicism, but in the more venerable sense of irony as a recognition that we're not in charge of our own lives, and that we play the fool if we try to control everything. Thus one of my favorite John Paul II stories involves the late pope turning the skirmishing fire of his humor on himself and his office.

The distinguished Polish actor

Jerzy Stuhr was in Rome at one point during John Paul's pontificate, and the pope invited him to dinner in the papal apartment. When they were seated at the table, the pope asked Stuhr what had brought him to Rome, and Stuhr replied that he was playing in a production of Adam Mickiewicz's "Forefather's Eve." The pope spoke about the importance of this drama in Polish history — "Forefather's Eve" was considered such an emotionally inflammatory evocation of Polish nationalism that its performance was banned in the Russian- and Prussian-occupied parts of partitioned Poland during the 19th century — and then asked Stuhr what role he was taking in the Roman production of Mickiewicz's classic. Stuhr replied, "Your Holiness, I regret to report that I am Satan." To which the pope, on reflection, said, "Well, none of us gets to choose our roles, do we?"

On another occasion, John Paul II turned his own humor against that unhappy attempt at humor known as the Polish joke: in this case, the habit that Germans had, in the 1970s, of calling shabby goods, shoddy work, or any kind of foul-up "polnische Wirtschaft" — "Polish business."

In the wake of the Banco Ambrosiano scandal of the early 1980s, in which the Vatican bank was embroiled, the pope summoned several cardinals known to be knowledgeable about finance to the Vatican to sort through the wreckage. After spending the morning listening to a tale of corruption, incompetence, bureaucratic self-preservation and general stupidity, John



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Paul decided it was time for lunch. As he was walking with the cardinals toward the meal, he spotted the German Joachim Meisner, cardinal archbishop of Cologne, and walked up beside him: "Tell me, Eminence," John Paul said, with that signature twinkle in his eye, "do you think we have some polnische Wirtschaft in the Vatican finances?" As Cardinal Meisner told me years later, his jaw dropped and he was "speechless." Later, after lunch, several of his brother cardinals asked Meisner what the pope had said. "It can't be translated," was the German's discrete reply.

A great Christian thinker once noted that joy is the infallible sign of God's presence. If a robust sense of humor is an expression of a fundamentally joyful stance toward life — a stance founded on faith in God's ultimate triumph over what so often seems to be the world's tragedy — then the humor of John Paul II is yet another reason to recognize in him a life of heroic virtue.

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But Gaudi died in 1926 before it was finished. Now completion is set for 2026, the 100th anniversary of the architect's death. Even though church services are held in the uncompleted church, it has never been formally consecrated.

Gaudi was a Catholic who renounced secular art in his later years and dedicated much of his adult life to building the church. When questioned about the lengthy construction period, he would answer, "My client is not in a hurry."

The architect's sainthood cause is under way. Supporters for his beatification are working on a biography detailing the life and holiness of Gaudi. The volume, called the "positio" or position paper, will need to be filed with the Congregation for Saints' Causes and evaluated before he can be declared venerable. Promoters say there are already two possible miracles; one miracle attributed to Gaudi's intercession would be needed for his beatification.

The pope's 31-hour visit will be simple: two Masses, lunches with Spanish bishops and cardinals, private meetings with the king and queen of Spain and the prince and

princess of Asturias, and a visit to a Catholic-run center in Barcelona that provides social, educational and medical assistance.

There may not be much chance to speak with Prime Minister Zapatero, who is scheduled to see the pope off at the airport Nov. 7. However, the two leaders have met a number of times, most recently in June at the Vatican.

During that meeting, Zapatero pledged his government's full support for Pope Benedict's visits to Spain in November and again for World Youth Day in August 2011.

The Vatican said the pope and prime minister discussed world affairs as well as "the eventual presentation of a new law on religious freedom, the sacredness of human life from the moment of conception and the importance of education."

Zapatero's government has drafted a religious freedom law that would strengthen the secular character of the state, including by removing religious symbols from government-run buildings. Apparently, however, no action on the law is expected until after Pope Benedict's pilgrimage.

# SCRIPTURE SEARCH

Gospel for November 7, 2010

Luke 20:27-38

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C: a trap that was laid for Jesus by the Sadducees. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

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| SADDUCEES | QUESTION | TEACHER      |
| MOSES     | BROTHER  | DIES         |
| A WIFE    | RAISE UP | SEVEN        |
| SECOND    | WOMAN    | RESURRECTION |
| THIS AGE  | MARRY    | TO ATTAIN    |
| MARRIAGE  | ANGELS   | PASSAGE      |
| THE BUSH  | JACOB    | LIVING       |

## THE LIVING GOD

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# LETTER

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In a message to a recent conference on the pastoral care of pilgrimages and shrines, the pope said he was looking forward to his pilgrimage to the tomb of St. James. He said ever since he was elected pontiff, he wanted to live his ministry "with the sentiments of a pilgrim who travels over the roads of the world with hope and simplicity, bringing on his lips and in his heart the saving message of the risen Christ, and strengthening his brothers in the faith."

In fact, he said he included the image of a shell — the symbol of the Santiago pilgrimage — on his papal coat-of-arms as a sign of his deeply felt pilgrim's mission.

The other focus of the trip is the dedication Nov. 7 of the Sagrada Familia church, Gaudi's unfinished masterpiece. A UNESCO World Heritage site, the massive church with intricate sculptured facades, attracts an estimated 10,000 visitors a day.

The church dedicated to the Holy Family was begun in 1882.

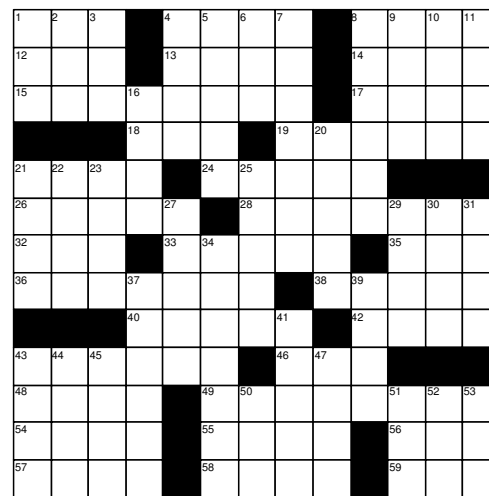
# The CrossWord

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- 57 Snaky fish
- 58 Fox holes
- 59 Time span

### DOWN

- 1 American Cancer Society (abbr.)
- 2 Thai
- 3 Recede
- 4 Handed over and placed in
- 5 Red headed orphan
- 6 One drank Jezebel's blood
- 7 Devil tries to do
- 8 Used to love
- 9 Shorten (abbr.)
- 10 Slang for robotic
- 11 Had known
- 16 "First shall be"
- 20 Hydrochloric and nitric, for example
- 21 Tableland
- 22 A nun takes (2 wds)
- 23 Children of God will
- 25 Bellybutton
- 27 Hawaiian 'hello'
- 29 False god
- 30 "Don't do that"
- 31 Satisfaction
- 34 Missed
- 37 Perfumes
- 39 Sticky black oozes
- 41 Condescend
- 43 Wrath
- 44 Women's magazine
- 45 Epistle writer
- 47 Brews
- 50 Poem of praise
- 51 Gold containing
- 52 Impair
- 53 Protects environment



Based on these Scripture readings: 2 Thess 2:16-3:5; Lk 20 27-38 and Lk 21:5-16

### ACROSS

- 1 Had Communion
- 4 Chinese gemstone
- 8 Biblical "listen"
- 12 Car
- 13 After awhile
- 14 Black
- 15 brothers and sisters
- 17 French abbot
- 18 Arabic for "exalted"
- 19 Try to enter this door
- 21 Red planet
- 24 Make into law
- 26 Argentine heroine
- 28 Moving upward
- 32 Distress call
- 33 "God our Father has \_\_\_ us"
- 35 Dept. of Labor
- 36 Amazing
- 38 Jewel is precious one
- 40 Widow had not one
- 42 Nicodemus brought myrrh and \_\_\_
- 43 Echo
- 46 Malchus lost his
- 48 Bless \_\_\_ de la Roche
- 49 Laborsome
- 54 Engorge
- 55 Fringe
- 56 Type of music

Answer Key can be found on page 19



# Sports

**NAIA CHAMPION COUGARS NO. 1 IN NAIA BASKETBALL PRESEASON TOP 25** It was another first for the University of Saint Francis men's basketball team on Oct. 25 — No. 1 in the 2010-11 Division II Coaches Top 25. It's not the first time USF has been ranked No. 1. The Cougars were No. 1 in the final 1999-00 Top 25 on Feb. 22, 2000. It is the first time USF has opened the season at No. 1. The University of Saint Francis women's basketball team will start out its 37th season as the No. 8 team in the 2010-11 NAIA Division II Top 25 preseason ratings released Oct. 25.

## Panthers preserve perfect season and ICCL championship, next up — diocesan crown

BY JOE KOZINSKI

MISHAWAKA — Trick or treat would be the theme of the Inter-City Catholic League Championship game played at Otolowski Field on Halloween afternoon as one team's exploitation of the other's gifts would decide the game.

The St. Anthony/St. Joseph (SB)/St. Pius X Panthers, who were undefeated and triumphant 6-0, against the Holy Cross/Christ the King Crusaders on Oct. 10, would hope that their open-style offense would be able to out duel the grind-it-out, smash-mouth style of football played by the north side squad.

The Crusaders' inability to hold on to the football would spell trouble as a fumble ended their opening drive and on their second possession, a bouncing ball found the hands of Panther Andrew Kimm who returned it down the sideline and across the goal. The left foot of quarterback Camden Bohn found its mark hitting the points after try.

The Crusaders again held on downs and began their patented drive down the field, but once again, a loose ball ended up in a Panther's grip and this time Justin Drinkall scampered untouched 50 yards for another score. The points after try would hit the left upright and bounce no good, 14-0, maroon.

The Crusaders would again put the pigskin on the deck, this time Oliver Page would rumble the ball 55 yards to the five-yard line. A Bohn pass to Page would seal the deal along with a points

after try good, making the score, 22-0, with 3:11 left in the half.

Some would think the game would be over, but the black-and-blue clad Crusaders were determined not to give up as they handed the ball off to backs Brendan Connelly and Peter Rymsza driving inside the Panther 10.

Lined up in a wildcat formation, Andrew Petsche took the snap and found pay dirt, Connelly's kick was good making the margin, 22-8, before intermission.

Connelly took the second half kickoff 70 yards to the 10 and two plays later scored and he added the kick making it, 22-16, with almost an entire half to play.

Bounces, bounces and more bounces would again spark the Panthers as two plays later, the maroon multitude fumbled the ball but recovered by a racing teammate Drinkall scoring untouched for a 65-yard touchdown. The points after were no good, 28-16, Panthers.

The fight in the Crusaders would not be extinguished as they got back to business and helped by two 4th down conversions by Connelly, he finished the drive with a nine-yard run and the points after conversion leaving the margin at four with 15 seconds left in the third quarter.

The Crusaders would however get no closer as on a 4th down and six completion with 1:25 left in the game was swarmed by a bevy of Panthers preserving the perfect season and the championship.

"It is a tough thing, I have been coaching for a long time and I have found that being on the short end of the turnover margin in championship game can spell defeat," commented Panther Coach Kevin Sandor. "I'm just so proud of our kids, they have a great attitude, great work habits and are just good kids."

"These guys have such a great deal of talent and were so easy to coach, I'm just blessed to be associated with them," continued Sandor. "I am really anxious to see these kids at the next level, I think they will be equally successful in high school."

"Coach Sandor has done a great job with his team this season and congratulations need to be expressed to him and his team," stated Crusader Coach John Krzyzewski. "I feel by mishandling the football, we gift-wrapped the championship."

"The thing that was glaring to me is that being down by three touchdowns, we never quit, we fought and gave ourselves an opportunity to win," remarked Krzyzewski. "I'll tell you, Connelly, Rymsza, Petsche, Jack Matthews, Jacob Jobe, Matt Potter and Conner Futa and the rest of the team really showed character on the field today."

The ICCL/CYO Diocesan Division 2 Championship will be played on Saturday at noon at Marian High School's Otolowski Field between St. Vincent and Holy Cross and the Division 1 Championship will follow at 2 p.m. between St. Charles and host St. Anthony Panthers.

## CYO volleyball team earns tournament title

BY MICHELLE CASTLEMAN

FORT WAYNE — Catholic Youth League (CYO) fans would certainly agree that the 2010 volleyball tournament was nothing short of thrilling and lived up to all of the pre-season hype. As predicted by St. Jude Coach Matt Momper, the 47th running was a "100 percent dog fight" with close matches, intense rivalries and good solid volleyball. Momper's eighth-grade Lady Eagles once again took the large-school title, like they did in the fifth and seventh grades when Momper was also their coach.

Along with St. Charles and St. Joe Decatur, his group of 10 entered this post season in a three-way tie for league runner-ups, each having posted two losses. St. Jude opened against a tough St. John the Baptist, Fort Wayne, team and won in two. Next they faced the well-coached Commodores from Decatur who have a rich, winning tradition. Knowing they would be up against fierce competition, St. Jude had goals to control the net,

return spikes and ace their serves.

They ended with only two total service errors. "We executed very well and played nearly flawless to pull off the win," explained Momper.

In the championship, St. Jude downed St. Vincent, 25-18, 25-17. Again, the Eagles were prepared to be ready on defense against Katie Brown's top-seeded Panthers.

"We dug a hole in the first game and had to use both time

outs to get our girls

focused. We came

back and caught

fire which carried

to the

second

game,"

described

Momper.

"Katie

Brown did a

great job with

her girls,"

Momper added.

Although it was

Caroline Ray who

"almost blocked every-

thing that came her way" and

Hayley Henline who "got hot

with her jump serves and dump-

ing the ball on her opponents,"

Momper felt the tournament

was definitely a total team effort.

His unit finished the 2010 season

with a 10-3 record and a career

tally of an astounding 38-6 over-

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# Saint Joseph's girls take state soccer championship

BY JOE KOZINSKI

SOUTH BEND — Hoosier Hysteria found its way from the north fields of Saint Joseph's High School to the state finals' stage at Kuntz Stadium in Indianapolis where the Lady Indians once again reigned supreme.

The Saint Joseph's girls' soccer team started off the year 1-1-1, but lofty goals and determination set them out on a course that would lead to a triumphant tournament run.

"We always set our goal to win the state tournament each and every year no matter if we have a realistic shot of attaining it," commented Head Coach Johan Kuitse. "We would rather fall short of a high mark than to succeed at a low expectation."

"I have a tremendous respect for our team. They were committed to being better and worked so hard to be the best they could," remarked Kuitse. "After a slow start the girls ended the season winning 21 straight games."

The corner stone to the state's best defense was junior goal keeper, Melissa Kuhar, who finished the season with 16 shutouts, two in the finals.

"Melissa had two or three big saves in the semifinal game that without, we would have been driving home in the early afternoon," emphasized Kuitse. "She did such an outstanding job all



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The Lady Indians, Saint Joseph's High School's girls' soccer team, pose after their victory in the state soccer championship. Seated in the first row are, from left, Kate Vasile, Rachel Staud, Kelsey Gill, Sarah Hall, Ali Connelly and Ellen Bachmannhuff. Kneeling in the middle row are Mary Robertson, Merideth Warinner, Angela Loebach, Maggie Doslak, Gracie Gallagher, Lindsey Kuitse, Makayla Manta and Melissa Kuhar. Standing in the back row are Johan Kuitse, Jessica Smudey, Cati Kral, Catherine Raster, Maddy Turner, Jessica Hall, Ryan Durham, Karoline Langheinrich, Abby Toth, Grace McGinn, Emily Rompolo, Maddy Kearney, Phil DePauw and Brandon Gill.

year long leading from the net and positioning her defensive teammates."

While Kuhar held down the defense, senior forward Sarah Hall was the offensive juggernaut that had the assist in the semifinal game and the lone goal in the final.

"Sarah is relentless and has a nose for the goal, she literally ran herself into the ground the first game," insisted Kruitse. "Most

goal scorers are one dimensional, but Sarah is such a team player and looks to make everyone around her better and involved in the offense."

Coach Kuitse was at the helm when the Lady Indians won their only other title in 1998, that championship was important to him personally, but this one had a little more significance.

"This championship was a little different because I was able to

share it with my daughter Lindsey (starting junior defender)," explained Kruitse. "Lindsey and I and our whole family can truly share this achievement for the rest of our lives."

The Lady Indians will again set their sights on a state title next season as they lose just three seniors.

"I'm so proud of the girls and they all play with so much determination," exclaimed Kruitse.

# Bishop Dwenger to host 5K race for Invisible Children

FORT WAYNE — The Bishop Dwenger High School Social Justice Club is sponsoring a 5K race for all ages on Saturday, Nov. 6, to raise funds for the Invisible Children organization.

This group is working to end Africa's longest-running civil war in Uganda. The money raised is used primarily to build and refurbish boarding schools for the youth of Uganda. The progress of Bishop Dwenger's fundraising for this group may be tracked by clicking on this link: <http://s4s.invisiblechildren.com/school/0/001700000S6ojfAAB>.

The race will take place at Shoaff Park with registration and check-in at 7:30 a.m. and start time at 8:30 a.m.

Pre-registration price is \$10, and race day price is \$15. The price includes a T-shirt. One hundred percent of the proceeds will benefit Invisible Children. To download a race registration form, visit Bishop Dwenger's Web site at [www.bishopdwenger.com](http://www.bishopdwenger.com). For additional information, contact Joe Garcia at (260) 496-4700 ext. 305, or e-mail [jgarcia@bishopdwenger.com](mailto:jgarcia@bishopdwenger.com).

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**Port-A-Pit fundraiser helps WYD trip**  
South Bend — St. Anthony de Padua will hold a Nelson's Port-A-Pit chicken fundraiser on Saturday, Nov. 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets are available for pre-sale from the parish office, 2114 E. Jefferson, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Half-chickens will be sold for \$6 each. One order of Pit-Tatoes is \$3. Order forms can also be found on the St. Anthony Web site, www.stanthonywsb.org. Proceeds will help fund the 2011 Youth Ministry trip to Spain for World Youth Day.

**Blanket drive and volunteer call**  
South Bend — St. Vincent de Paul Society is conducting a blanket drive through Dec. 6. New and gently used blankets may be dropped off at any store location or drop box. Volunteers are also needed to pack Christmas toys Nov. 8-23. Contact Denise Blanche (574) 234-6000 ext. 12105 for information and times.

**Day of Reflection**  
Mishawaka — A day of reflection will be held at St. Francis Convent (across from Marian High School) Wednesday, Nov. 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The theme for the day is "Healing Our Memories." Please bring a Bible. The cost of the day is \$15 and includes lunch. Register by Nov. 12 to Sister Barbara Anne Hallman at (574) 259-5427.

**Open house at Saint Joseph's**  
South Bend — Saint Joseph's High School will have an open house for prospective students and parents on Sunday, Nov. 14, from 1-3 p.m. Booths representing all departments, offices, sports and cocurriculars will be on display in the gym. Student ambassadors will provide tours of the school. For information contact Julie Chismar at (574) 233-6137 or e-mail jchismar@saintjoehigh.com.

**Spaghetti dinner planned**  
South Bend — The Knights of Columbus Council No. 5570, 5202 Linden Ave., will have a spaghetti dinner, Thursday, Nov. 11, from 4-6 p.m. Adults \$7, children 5-12 \$2.50.

**Panis Vitae**  
Elkhart — High school teens can attend a weekend retreat Friday Nov. 12, at 6 p.m. till Sunday Nov. 14, at 3:30 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Church. Engaging speakers, music, prayer in Eucharistic Adoration, Confession and sessions on: "Jesus: Liar, Lunatic or Lord?" "How do Christians live?" and "The Crucifixion." For more information and to register visit www.diocesefwsb.org/YM. Cost is \$25 per teen with scholarships available.

**14th annual Turkey Trot**  
Fort Wayne — The Bishop Luers Turkey Trot, featuring the Junk Yard Band will be Sunday, Nov. 21, at Columbia Street

West beginning at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 minimum donation per person. Price includes beer, wine, soft drinks and heavy appetizers and benefits Bishop Luers High School and the athletic department.

**Breakfast for clergy and chaplains at Hospice**  
Fort Wayne — Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home, 5910 Homestead Rd., will offer a breakfast and open house for clergy and chaplains Tuesday, Nov. 9, from 8-10 a.m. Free resources will be available to assist in ministry. RSVP to Kathleen at (260) 435-3222.

**Catholicism Revisited**  
Fort Wayne — St. Vincent de Paul Parish announces Catholicism Revisited Monday evenings from 6:30-8 p.m. Nov. 8, "In the Beginning" will be presented by Perry J. Cahall,

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Ph.D., associate professor of historical theology at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

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Nov. 7	32th Sunday In Ordinary Time	Rev. Jason Freiburger Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception	Rev. Neil Wack, CSC Christ the King South Bend
Nov. 14	33th Sunday In Ordinary Time	Rev. Edward Erpelding St. Mary of the Assumption Avilla	Rev. Leroy Clementich, CSC Notre Dame
Nov. 21	Feast of Christ the King	Rev. Dave Voors St. Mary of the Assumption Decatur	Most Rev. Kevin C. Rhoades Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend
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# MASS

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He spoke of the Scripture reading from Revelation and John's vision of heaven with the saints — a number so large he couldn't count. They were adoring God, and of every nation, every race, young and old. "They were men and women of the beatitudes," Bishop Rhoades added.

He spoke of his recent pilgrimage to Rome for the canonization of St. André Bessette, a Holy Cross brother who was known for his simplicity and humility. Brother André spent many years in humble service as a doorman at a college in Montreal, but did it "with the love of Christ in his heart." Many would come to Brother André for prayers. Brother André, who had a great devotion to St. Joseph, would then ask St. Joseph to intercede. Brother André became known as the "Miracle Man of Montreal."

"I got to meet the pope," Bishop Rhoades said. "He knew where Indiana was as well as Fort Wayne. And he asked me to give you his greeting and his blessing," Bishop Rhoades told the children.

"The day after the canonization in Rome, I went on a day trip to pray for the children of our diocese in Corinaldo, where St. Maria Goretti is from." Bishop Rhoades asked if any of the fourth-graders were dressed as St. Maria Goretti and eight students came forward.

Bishop Rhoades said that the saint was 12 years old and he asked the little "saints" if anyone knew how she died. After he received an answer that was correct, he went on to explain that a young man wanted her to commit a sin. She said "no" to him exhibiting much courage and he stabbed her 14 times. "As she lay dying the next day she forgave him — his name was Alessandro — for killing her," Bishop Rhoades said.

Alessandro was arrested and put in prison, Bishop Rhoades related. He was sorry and repented for his sin. He even prayed to Maria, figuring she must be in heaven for what she suffered. Eventually, he was released from prison and was at the canonization ceremony for St. Maria Goretti. He also became a holy person and spent the rest of his life in a monastery.

Again, Bishop Rhoades asked the children to remember the beatitude, "Blessed be the pure of heart for they shall see God."

Bishop Rhoades said he couldn't think of a better way to celebrate All Saints Day than being with all of the children present. "Let's all help one another to live the beatitudes," he said. In fact, one way to help one another is by feeding the poor and he thanked them for having brought food for the needy to the Mass.

Students participated in the Mass as servers, gift presenters, incense bearers and in other liturgical functions including the readings and petitions. Bishop Dwenger High School students provided the musical accompaniment and choir. Bishop Luers High School students helped with parking.

Collin Quinlan, from St. Charles Borromeo, chose his school's patron as his saint. Luke Elasser, also of St. Charles School, chose the saint after his middle name, St. Anthony de Padua. And Bryce Lothamer, dressed as St. Gregory the Great, was very honest when he admitted, "I chose my saint because I could borrow this great costume from my cousin."

At the end of Mass, Bishop Rhoades asked if anyone had dressed as St. André Bessette. No student had selected the new saint this year, but Bishop Rhoades challenged students to come as St. André Bessette next year.



MICHELLE CASTLEMAN

Fourth-grade students dressed as their favorite saints take offertory gifts to Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades at the all-schools Mass at the Allen County Memorial Coliseum on Nov. 1. Bishop Rhoades asked the students to memorize the beatitude, "Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God."

## BOOK OF THE MONTH CLUB

This month's featured selection: "Prayer Primer: Igniting A Fire Within," by Thomas Dubay, S.M.

BY KAY COZAD

As the seasons change and the light of day grows shorter, "Prayer Primer: Igniting A Fire Within," by Thomas Dubay, S.M. (Servant Books, ISBN: 978-1-56955-339-8, \$10.99) is a perfect choice for this month's Book of the Month Club. The 179-page tome is an illuminating guide book pointing us toward the heart of God.

The easy-to-read primer begins its quest to disseminate meaningful information on developing a rich prayer life with the first of four sections, titled "Preliminaries." These initial five chapters set the stage for the author's reasoning that humans have an innate hunger that cannot be quenched by anything finite — only by communication with God. It is through prayer that we grow in intimacy with our Lord, though Father Dubay reminds us in his primer that there is no one way to pray.

Father Dubay clarifies and reinforces each notion he presents, from why we should pray to the types of prayer investigated, by incorporating references from the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Vatican II decrees and constitutions, the Jerusalem Bible and other resources. The richness of prayer is beautifully illustrated by the author's interjection of relevant Scripture verses as well.

Though the text swirls with heartfelt thoughts of falling in love with our Creator through prayer, it lays out a logical step by step order that guides the reader to a new understanding of the types of prayer within our grasp. Part II, "Interpersonal Union/Intimacy," furnishes the starting points of prayer and walks the reader through vocal prayer and its use and misuse, and mental prayer, including meditation and contemplation.

Meditation, says Father Dubay, is a mental conversation between two friends coming closer and growing in intimacy. He outlines the steps to reaching this communion with

God, including finding a quiet place to read Scripture to ponder and apply. Contemplation, he says, is a wordless prayer type that we cannot manufacture but must only receive from God as we desire to love Him.

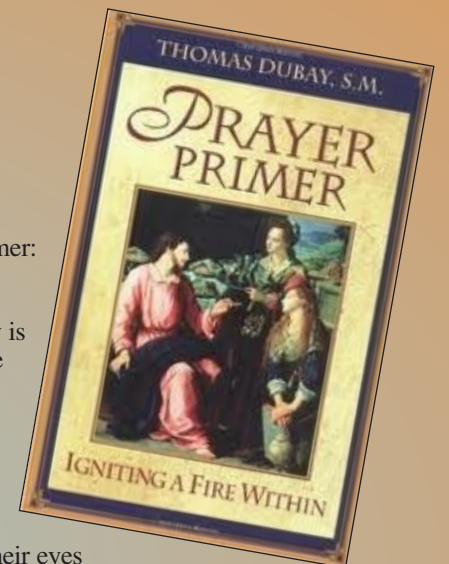
"Prayer Primer" provides new insights into the true meaning of communication with God and gently reiterates throughout the text that prayer development is a gradual process, meeting distractions with determination. Depth of prayer grows gradually in duration "if we continue to live the Gospel in a wholehearted manner," says the author. Prayer focus must always be on Jesus — even and especially amidst the "incessant noise" of our modern culture.

Father Dubay refers to a "delightful awareness" of God in our prayer — that feeling which we all hope for as we commune with our Savior. But he also addresses a "dry desire" for God that explains those times when the Almighty feels far from our reach. These "empty feeling" times are most beneficial, he says, because God is purifying us of "defects that impede greater intimacy" — a relief to hear for many who struggle to grow closer to God.

The four chapters in Part III, "Church and Family," provide a look into family and liturgical prayer, citing the importance of praying with children and your own church community. The Liturgy of the Hours is investigated in the light of "a flowing continuity of praise, worship, love and petition" to the Triune God across global time zones. New perspectives and principles are set forth as guides to integrating set times for prayer as well.

The 32 pages of the final section, "Questions and Problems," address many of the practical inquiries of prayer practices as well as some of the pitfalls. The author concludes the book with a progress assessment and four hints of growth to look for as communion with God deepens through prayer.

"Prayer Primer: Igniting A Fire Within," by Thomas Dubay is a hopeful guide filled with an abundance of logical steps and heartfelt ponderings to help anyone learn to keep their eyes on Jesus through prayer. Becoming head over heels in love with our Divine Creator, and with His Church, can help we grow in virtue and service to others. And isn't that the very purpose of life?



### Questions for reflection

- What type of communication with God makes up your current prayer life? What improvements can you make using suggestions from this book?
- How can continual intimate communication with God help you grow in virtue and service?
- Choose a question from chapters 15 or 16 that resonates with you. Discuss the answer provided and how it changed your perspective on the issue.

Marist Priest Father Thomas Dubay passed away on Sunday, Sept. 26 at age 88, in Washington, D.C. He had recently celebrated 60 years of ordained ministry and was an internationally known retreat master, author of more than 20 books and had a close association with EWTN.

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