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Two ordained to life of humble service



JOE ROMIE

Jacob Meyer and Ben Muhlenkamp, right, lie prostrate on the sanctuary floor as the Litany of Saints is sung at St. Matthew Cathedral on Saturday, May 14, during the Mass of Ordination to the diaconate.

BY TIM JOHNSON

SOUTH BEND — Newly-ordained Deacons Benjamin Muhlenkamp and Jacob Meyer are one step closer to ordination to the Priesthood next year.

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades ordained the two men to the order of the diaconate May 14 at St. Matthew Cathedral in South Bend. They will minister for a year as deacons before their ordination to the Priesthood on June 2, 2012.

Bishop Rhoades began the Mass by thanking all those who attended, but especially the deacon-

candidates' parents — Kurt and Julie Meyer, and Gary and Mary Agnes Muhlenkamp — because the home is the seedbed of vocations. Also present were Bishop Emeritus John M. D'Arcy and Father James A. Wehner, rector of the Pontifical College Josephinum, where the deacons attend seminary.

May 14 marked the Feast of St. Matthias, apostle and martyr. The Book of Acts relates how St. Matthias was chosen to replace Judas Iscariot, the

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apostle who betrayed Jesus. Bishop Rhoades, in his homily, explained that "the one chosen would become, along with them, 'a witness to Christ's resurrection.' This was their mission, the mission of Matthias and the other apostles. This is also the mission of the Church, which we can rightly call 'the community of the Resurrection.' This is our mission and the mission of our two candidates for ordination, Jacob and Ben."

In explaining their role as ministers of God's word, Bishop Rhoades said, "Jacob and Ben will proclaim the crowning truth of Christianity: that

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Oregon Jesuit nominated as House chaplain

BY NANCY FRAZIER O'BRIEN

WASHINGTON (CNS) — House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi has dropped her objections to House Speaker John Boehner's intended nomination of an Oregon Jesuit priest as the next chaplain of the U.S. House of Representatives.

A spokesman for Pelosi said late May 11 that Jesuit Father Patrick J. Conroy "has responded to additional questions posed to him" by the California Democrat. Pelosi had expressed concern that Father Conroy belongs to the Oregon province of the Society of Jesus, which agreed in March to pay about \$166 million in settlements to 500 people who have sought damages for abuse they said they suffered under Jesuits

at schools and parishes in the Northwest.

"Based on his answers, the Leader sees no obstacle to him being named chaplain," said spokesman Drew Hammill.

Father Conroy has not been accused of any involvement in the sexual abuse of minors or any cover-up of such abuse.

Hammill told Catholic News Service earlier May 11 that Pelosi was reviewing "new information" about Father Conroy "just as expeditiously as possible as we have with all other materials provided by Speaker Boehner's office. There is no pre-judgment of this new information."

Boehner spokesman Michael Steel told Roll Call in an e-mail, "The settlement is

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DIACONATE ORDINATION MAY 21 AT CATHEDRAL

Due to an expected large congregation of family, friends and guests of the 11 men who will be ordained to the Order of the Diaconate on Saturday, May 21, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne, admittance to the Mass of Ordination is by invitation only. Redeemer Radio, Catholic Radio AM 1450, or online at redeemerradio.com will broadcast the ordination beginning at 10:55 a.m. on Saturday, May 21.

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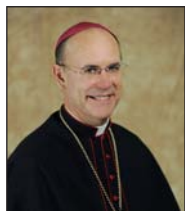
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Our diocese and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception



IN TRUTH AND CHARITY

BY BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

I am already looking forward to our diocesan pilgrimage in September. One of the highlights of the pilgrimage will be a day at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. As you may know, there is a special connection between our diocese and the National Shrine.

The famous fifth Bishop of Fort Wayne, John Francis Noll, led the diocese from 1925 until 1956. He was nationally known as the founder and publisher of *Our Sunday Visitor* and as a leader in the National Catholic Welfare Conference, the forerunner of our national Episcopal Conference. He was a prominent figure in battling anti-Catholic bigotry and defending the faith as well as fighting atheistic Communism.

Construction of the National Shrine honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary and her Immaculate Conception (the patroness of the United States) began in 1920. The crypt was completed in 1927, but construction on the great upper church was postponed due to lack of funds. With the Great Depression in 1929 and the 1930s, followed by the Second World War, the National Shrine remained incomplete. After the war, in 1946, Bishop Noll chaired the bishops' committee to raise \$7 million to complete the great church.

How were the funds raised? Bishops were asked to raise funds in their own dioceses. Since not enough was raised, it was decided to have a national fund drive in 1953. In our own diocese, Bishop Noll had a diocesan collection that raised the largest amount ever raised in a collection in our diocese up to that time: \$104,486 for the National Shrine. Incidentally, it was in 1953 that Pope Pius XII raised Bishop Noll to the personal rank of "archbishop" due to his outstanding service to the Church.

When we go on pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine, the largest Catholic church in the United States, we will have the opportunity to pray in and to visit this magnificent edifice that was completed in 1959, thanks to the efforts of our own Archbishop John Noll. He was given the title "Apostle of the Shrine." We must look for the bronze bust of Archbishop Noll and the plaque honoring him and his efforts when we visit the crypt. The bust was the gift of our sixth Bishop, Leo A. Pursley, to the National Shrine.

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception contains over 70 chapels and oratories. Beautiful mosaics and sculptures abound throughout the upper



TIM JOHNSON

This bust of Archbishop John Francis Noll is located in the crypt of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C.

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church and in the crypt. I have served on the Board of Trustees of the National Shrine since 2006. My most active role was helping to raise funds for the Oratory of Our Lady of Pompei (the "Italian Chapel" and I am not even Italian!). This is one of the newest chapels in the Shrine and its walls are adorned by the Mysteries of Light (the luminous mysteries) which were added to the rosary by Pope John Paul II in 2002.

I love walking through all the chapels and oratories of the National Shrine, enjoying the art, reading the inscriptions, and reflecting on the many Biblical scenes and Marian devotions depicted there. Besides the bronze bust of Archbishop Noll, there is another "Indiana" contribution to the Shrine. A limestone sculpture of Saint Mother Theodore Guérin, donated by the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, is located on the North Terrace, next to "Mary's Garden," an outdoor area for rest and prayer that has a fountain and reflecting pool amid the trees, shrubs, and flowers.

The mosaics in the interiors of the domes of the National Shrine are amazing works of art. The succession of decorated domes is the chief characteristic of the interior of the upper church. Covering all the interior domes of the upper church with mosaics is an ongoing effort. When I became a member of the Board of Trustees, the major project at the time was the decoration of the dome (3,780 square feet) in the south nave. It is called "The Incarnation

Dome" since it depicts four scenes of the Incarnation and manifestation of Jesus: the Annunciation, the Nativity, the Wedding Feast of Cana, and the Transfiguration. The four pendentives of the dome portray the prophets Jeremiah, Isaiah, and Micah and the matriarch Sarah. Around the bottom of the dome are the words of the Gospel of John 1:14: "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. And we saw his glory — glory as the only Begotten of the Father, full of grace and of truth." The Incarnation Dome was completed in 2007, thanks to the generous \$1 million gift from the Knights of Columbus.

Planning has begun for the ornamentation with mosaic of the largest dome in the upper church, located at the crossing of the nave and transepts. It will be called The Trinity Dome.

When asked what is my favorite chapel in the National Shrine, it is very difficult for me to respond since they are all beautiful. But the most meaningful for most of us is probably the one with which we relate due to our ethnic background (most of the chapels and oratories reflect ethnic devotions and titles of Our Lady). Since my "Catholic" roots are Irish, I have to say that the Oratory of Mary, Queen of Ireland is most meaningful to me. It has a statue of Our Lady and the Holy Child. The mosaics and carvings in the chapel reflect the heritage of Irish Catholics. The mosaic depictions of the four evangelists from the Book of Kells are beautiful.

The exterior of the Basilica also has an abundance of iconography. On the east façade, one finds another "Indiana connection." There are five mosaic tympana within the interior of the east porch that highlight events in U.S. church history. One is a mosaic of the ordination of Father Stephen Badin in 1793, the first priest to be ordained within the original U.S. colonies. Father Badin was a devoted missionary to the Indians, a pioneer of the Catholic faith in our area. He served among the Potawatomi Indians. In 1832, he purchased the 524 acres in northern Indiana with two small lakes and named the site "Saint Mary of the Lakes," the future Notre Dame! Father Badin also visited Fort Wayne regularly to celebrate the sacraments. He convinced Catholic laymen to purchase the land on which our cathedral now stands. When you visit Notre Dame, stop by the Log Chapel and pray over the place where he is buried (his remains were transferred from Cincinnati to Notre Dame in 1906). When we are at the National Shrine, we will have to try to find the mosaic of Father Badin's ordination since he was the pioneer of the Catholic faith in our diocese.

If you are interested in making a reservation for our diocesan pilgrimage to Washington and Emmitsburg (September 8-11, 2011), please visit our website, www.diocesefwsb.org and click on "Pilgrimage of Faith" or call Jeff Krudop at Travel Leaders at (260) 434-6540.

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public knowledge, reported in *The New York Times*, among other media outlets. It was not part of the discussion because it has absolutely nothing to do with Father Conroy."

Steel said both Boehner and Pelosi "reviewed Father Conroy's background before the Speaker selected him. Father Conroy was honest and candid, and the Speaker is confident he will be a great chaplain for the entire House of Representatives community."

Father Conroy, 60, currently works as a theology teacher, campus ministry assistant and coach at Jesuit High School in Portland and long served as a pastor to Native Americans in the Pacific Northwest.

If confirmed by the 435-member House, he would be the first Jesuit and only the second Catholic priest to serve as House chaplain. Father Daniel P. Coughlin of Chicago, House chaplain for the past 11 years, told Boehner last fall that he wanted to retire and left the post in April.

Boehner, a Catholic who attended Jesuit-run Xavier University in Cincinnati, decided he wanted a Jesuit to serve as the next pastor and confidant to House members and staff. Pelosi also is Catholic and has a son who attended Jesuit-run Georgetown University in Washington.

Father Coughlin contacted the U.S. Jesuit office in Washington, which in turn notified Jesuit provincials around the country. Each provincial put a man forward, including Jesuit Father Patrick Lee in Oregon, who asked Father Conroy, a lawyer who had been a campus minister at Georgetown for a decade.

In a statement released to the press May 10, Father Lee said he was "deeply disappointed to hear of the reaction of some people" to the nomination of Father Conroy, whom he called "an excellent priest worthy



CNS PHOTO/JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL, PORTLAND, ORE.

Speaker of the House John Boehner, R-Ohio, says he will nominate Jesuit Father Patrick J. Conroy, who now teaches at Jesuit High School in Portland, Ore., as the next House chaplain. Father Conroy will succeed Father Daniel Coughlin. Father Conroy is pictured in a 2009 photo.

of the nomination made by Speaker Boehner."

Father Conroy told the *Catholic Sentinel*, Portland archdiocesan newspaper, that he was unnerved when his provincial approached him last fall about the possibility. But as time passed, the excitement and glamour turned to a feeling of peace, which Father Conroy said is a classic sign in Jesuit spirituality that a decision was right.

"My thought was, if it happens, glory be to God. And if it doesn't happen, glory be to God," Father Conroy said.

Jesuit spirituality, based on the 16th-century writings of St. Ignatius of Loyola, centers on making good decisions. That could fit well in the business of the House of Representatives, Father Conroy said.

"I would hope I'd be able to remind everyone what they're about," he said. "They are not about winning something so someone else loses, but winning so everyone wins. They are there to serve, not to gain glory."

He imagines most of his work will happen in one-on-one conversa-

tions. He said he aims to help House members and staff discern which urges are coming from God and which are coming from them.

"You need to know the difference," the priest said.

The House chaplain earns \$167,800 a year, according to the Congressional Research Service. As a member of a religious community, Father Conroy does not keep his salary, but turns it into a common fund for Jesuit life and ministry.

At Jesuit High since 2004, he has served as superior of the Jesuit community, teacher of freshman and sophomore theology, assistant coach of the junior varsity softball team, campus ministry assistant, member of the school's board of trustees, chaplain to athletic teams and director of freshman retreats — where he is known for his guitar playing around the campfire.

"He is a man of the world and a spiritual man," said Greg Allen, chairman of the religion department at Jesuit. "He challenges kids to show up, to be present. He tells them that they matter, that their presence at retreats and liturgy matters and, in a sense, he tells them to show up in the world."

"Father Conroy has been significantly involved in the daily life of Jesuit, and his legacy at our school will be enduring," said John Gladstone, president of the Southwest Portland school.

Father Conroy entered the Jesuits in 1973 and was ordained in 1983, having earned a law degree and several theology degrees during formation. From 1984 to 1989, he served as pastor of a mission in Inchelium, Wash., serving the people of the Colville Indian reservation. From 1986 to 1989, he also served as pastor at the Spokane Indian reservation.

Father Coughlin was chosen in 2000 as the first Catholic chaplain after an imbroglio that included charges of anti-Catholicism. But the controversy faded and Father Coughlin told CNS in 2005 that his work on Capitol Hill was the "balance of contemplation and action, prayer and reflection, words and listening" he had longed for his whole life.



PUBLIC SCHEDULE OF BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

- Sunday, May 22, 2 p.m. — Confirmation Mass at Holy Family Church, South Bend
- Sunday, May 22, 7 p.m. — "Tribute to Blessed John Paul II," St. Bavo Parish, Mishawaka
- Monday, May 23, 10 a.m. — Eighth Grade Graduation Mass, St. Matthew Cathedral, South Bend
- Monday, May 23, 6 p.m. — Meeting of Diocesan School Board, Warsaw
- Tuesday, May 24, 10 a.m. — Eighth Grade Graduation Mass, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne
- Wednesday, May 25, 1 p.m. — Meeting of Diocesan Finance Council, Archbishop Noll Catholic Center, Fort Wayne
- Wednesday, May 25, 5:30 p.m. — Bishop Dwenger High School Baccalaureate Mass, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne
- Thursday, May 26, 12 Noon — Meeting of Catholic Community Foundation, Archbishop Noll Catholic Center, Fort Wayne
- Thursday, May 26, 7 p.m. — Marian High School Baccalaureate Mass, St. Matthew Cathedral, South Bend
- Friday, May 27, 10 a.m. — Bishop Luers High School Baccalaureate Mass, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne
- Saturday, May 28, 10 a.m. — Confirmation Mass at St. John Bosco Church, Churubusco
- Saturday, May 28, 5 p.m. — Mass at St. Joseph Church,



Assignments announced

The Most Reverend Kevin C. Rhoades, Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend, has announced the following summer assignments for the newly ordained deacons, effective May 23, 2011:

- **Deacon Jacob Meyer** to Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Fort Wayne.
- **Deacon Benjamin Muhlenkamp** to Saint John the Baptist Parish, Fort Wayne.

Bishop Rhoades also has announced the following summer assignment, effective June 1, 2011:

- **Reverend Jacob Runyon**, Parochial Vicar at Saint Matthew Cathedral Parish, to canon law studies at The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. Father Runyon will continue as Parochial Vicar at Saint Matthew Cathedral, South Bend.

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'Jesus Christ is truly risen.' This proclamation of Easter is at the core of the Gospel they will preach."

Bishop Rhoades said, "The Church's mission of evangelization is the proclamation of the One who died on the cross and rose again on the third day to save the world. Jacob and Ben will be ordained to bring the Risen Jesus to all those whom they will serve, especially to the poor, the sick, the suffering, the lonely and the outcast. They are called to bring the Gospel of salvation to sinners, to help them to die to sin and to be renewed by Christ who came that we might have life and have it to the full."

Bishop Rhoades spoke on the passage of St. John's Gospel, "It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to

go and bear fruit that will remain."

He told Meyer and Muhlenkamp, "The Lord who calls you to the priesthood, today consecrates you as deacons, servants — servants of the Gospel, servants of the sacred liturgy, and servants of charity. He also calls you 'friends,' with whom He shares His special relationship with the Father, friends whom He loves even to the point of dying on the cross for you."

The bishop explained that the two men make their solemn promise that day to live a celibate life. "You do so as a response to God's call and as an expression of your love for Christ and your self-giving for the sake of His kingdom," Bishop Rhoades said.

He added, "I encourage you today to be resolved to remain in Christ's love, through daily personal prayer and daily Mass, meditation with the Sacred Scriptures, and adoration of the most Holy Eucharist. If your ministry is to bear fruit that endures, your knowledge and

love of the Lord needs to grow and deepen through the years."

And the bishop encouraged the two to love the Church in imitation of Jesus, the Bridegroom, who gave His life for His Bride, the Church. "It is in and through the Church that we receive the saving Gospel of Christ," Bishop Rhoades said. "The Church hands on to us the teaching of the apostles in all its purity, integrity and power."

The Rite of Ordination itself is rich with meaning and symbolism. After the chanting of the Gospel, came the Election of the Candidates, whereby candidates are formally chosen for ordination and become referred to as the elect. The two candidates were presented to the bishop by Msgr. Bernard Galic, director of the Office of Vocations for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend and pastor of St. Aloysius Parish, Yoder. Msgr. Galic testified to their worthiness, after which Bishop Rhoades formally accepted them to be ordained

as deacons.

After the homily, the elect declared their intention to assume the responsibility of the office of deacon, and promised obedience and respect to Bishop Rhoades and his successors. During the Litany of Supplication, the candidates laid prostrate on the floor of St. Matthew Cathedral while the intercession of the Saints and Angels was invoked.

After the litany, Bishop Rhoades laid his hands on the head of each of the elect in accordance with the apostolic tradition. Then, with the elect kneeling and with hands outstretched, Bishop Rhoades solemnly recited the Prayer of Ordination.

The newly ordained were then invested with the stole and dalmatic — the proper liturgical attire of the diaconate. They were also handed the Book of the Gospels, symbolizing the task of the deacon to proclaim the Gospel in liturgical celebrations and to preach the faith of the Church in word and deed.

Bishop Rhoades then bestowed

the traditional liturgical gesture known as the fraternal kiss of peace, and thereby welcomed the new deacons into their ministry. The other deacons present also welcomed the newly ordained.

Outside the steps of St. Matthew Cathedral, Deacon Muhlenkamp told *Today's Catholic* that he felt excellent about the day. When asked what he looked forward to the most while serving his diaconate, he said, "Just being with the people, being able to talk and preach to the people, but just being more involved in parish life."

Deacon Meyer could only describe the day as an amazing gift. He could not stop smiling. As a deacon, he looks forward to "entering more deeply into the love of Christ, through His Word — the proclamation of the Gospel. It's really an opportunity, a grace to go into this and know that this is the first step of giving my entire life. So today I promised everything over to our Lord, and from here on out, it's all His."

Local youth to sing at Festival of Praise for beatified pope

BY SUSAN BAXTER

MISHAWAKA— When the news broke that Pope John Paul II would be beatified, some people wanted to weep, some wanted to dance in the streets, and some, like a group of Catholic youth in Mishawaka, wanted to sing ... and sing and sing.

This Sunday, May 22, members of Mishawaka Antioch Youth with singers from Marian High School will present a special concert, A Festival of Praise in Honor of the Beatification of Pope John Paul II, at 7 p.m. at St. Bavo Church. St. Bavo's Joe Higgenbotham, who organized the event, will conduct.

"There are 12 short readings from the writings of the pope," Higgenbotham said. "Each will be followed by a brief reflection by Father Bob Lengerich, parochial vicar at St. Pius X in Granger. A song will then be presented by the choir or a soloist."

The readings were selected by Joe Bagiackas of South Bend and St. Bavo Pastoral Associate Gus Zuehlke. Bagiackas, who has a doctorate in theology from the Catholic University of America, has published the "Lay Person's Guide" series.

"These are summations that were written for lay people to help them better appreciate the papal teachings," Higgenbotham said. "Joe and Gus came up with 12 themes (with short readings) which they felt were emphasized in his pontificate."

"I then tried to come up with music that would match the theme.



SUSAN BAXTER

Members of Mishawaka Antioch Youth and the Marian High School Choir rehearse for A Festival of Praise in Honor of Pope John Paul II, at St. Bavo Church. From left are Stacie Bert, Mary Schmitt, Caty Long, Melanie Williams, Madeline Pingel, John Uebbing, Zane Langenbrunner and John Banes.

Of course, Father Lengerich will tie in his reflection with the theme."

Higgenbotham says the concert will have a variety of liturgical music, from traditional to contemporary.

There is no doubt that the Blessed John Paul II will be pleased with the event; he held a special place in his heart for artists. In his "Letter to Artists," as extracted by EWTN in a Vatican Update in 1999, the pope wrote that "the faith of countless believers has been nourished by melodies flowing from the hearts of other believers, either introduced into the liturgy or used as an aid to dignified worship."

"In song faith is experienced as vibrant joy, love and confident expectation of the saving interven-

tion of God," Higgenbotham said.

The concert, which features so many beautiful young voices, is an appropriate response to the gift of John Paul II, Higgenbotham said as he shared his family's reflection.

"He was a saint for our times; a great gift from God for the whole world," he said. "He spoke to so many areas that we needed to hear about. He conveyed the truth courageously and was an example of Christ to all."

"He always upheld the dignity and sanctity of human life and he modeled to the whole world through his own suffering the value of human life, even up to one's last moments on earth."

"He was a great light." The concert is free and open to the public.

A WIN FOR TEAM MONASTERY



MARK WEBER

Teamwork and leadership were displayed Saturday, May 14, when students from Huntington Catholic School helped with housekeeping at St. Felix Monastery in Huntington. Andrew Albertson, left, and his brother Justin, were there with their cousin Michael, center, to meet Notre Dame tight end Tyler Eifert, who demonstrated that he could handle a broom and mop as well as a football. Renovation of the monastery has been underway since last August.

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Vatican norms insist on 'generous' approval for use of Tridentine rite

BY JOHN THAVIS

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — A new Vatican instruction calls on local bishops and pastors to respond generously to Catholics who seek celebration of the Mass according to the 1962 Roman Missal, commonly known as the Tridentine rite.

The instruction, issued May 13, said pastors should approve such Masses for groups of faithful, even when such groups are small or are formed of people from different parishes or dioceses. These faithful cannot, however, contest the validity of the modern Mass or the authority of the pope.

"In deciding individual cases, the pastor or the rector, or the priest responsible for a church, is to be guided by his own prudence, motivated by pastoral zeal and a spirit of generous welcome," it said.

The instruction said that, depending on pastoral needs, bishops should make sure seminarians are trained in celebrating the Tridentine rite, or "extraordinary form" of the Mass.

At the same time, the Vatican said the Pontifical Commission Ecclesia Dei would be responsible for ensuring local Church officials were making the old rite available where warranted.

The instruction was issued by the Ecclesia Dei commission and approved by Pope Benedict XVI. It came nearly four years after the pope, in an apostolic letter titled "Summorum Pontificum," relaxed restrictions on use of the Tridentine



CNS PHOTO/NANCY WIECHEC

Children receive Communion during a 2010 pontifical solemn high Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. A new Vatican instruction calls on local bishops and pastors to respond generously to Catholics who seek celebration of the Mass according to the 1962 Roman Missal, commonly known as the Tridentine rite.

rite and said it should be made available in every parish where groups of the faithful desire it.

The new instruction said the pope's letter of 2007 had three main aims: to offer the old rite to all the faithful as a "precious treasure" to be preserved, to guarantee the use of the old rite "for all who ask for it" and to promote reconciliation in the Church.

It said local bishops have the responsibility to make sure liturgical matters in their dioceses are proceeding in agreement with the pope's expressed desires and in "peace and serenity." That includes taking measures to ensure respect

for the extraordinary form of the Roman rite, it said.

The instruction, in a section listing "specific norms," addressed several issues that have arisen as groups of faithful have petitioned for the scheduling of Masses in the old rite:

- The papal letter had stated that a "group of the faithful" existing "in a stable manner," could legitimately request celebration of the Tridentine rite. The norms said such a group could be "quite small," could have formed after the publication of "Summorum Pontificum" and could be made up of Catholics from different parishes or dioceses who want to gather in a specific parish

church or chapel.

- In the case of a priest who presents himself occasionally in a parish church with some of the faithful and wishes to celebrate in the extraordinary form, the local pastor should permit it.

- The norms said the Tridentine rite should be made available at sanctuaries and pilgrimage sites to groups of pilgrims who request it, if there is a qualified priest.

- The faithful who ask for celebration of the Tridentine rite must not belong to or support groups that contest the pope or the validity of the Mass and sacraments as celebrated in the ordinary form, the norms said.

Jesuit Father Federico Lombardi, Vatican spokesman, said the language of that provision made it clear that "there should be no polemical or critical intent on the part of those people making the request."

The instruction also addressed the question of who can celebrate the Tridentine rite. The papal letter had said that priests who use the 1962 Roman Missal must be "qualified" to do so, but did not spell out requirements.

The new document said that every Catholic priest in good standing is generally qualified to celebrate Mass in the extraordinary form. A basic knowledge of Latin is needed,

enough to pronounce the words correctly and understand their meaning, it said.

Regarding the need to know the rite, it said priests are presumed to be qualified if they present themselves spontaneously to celebrate the Tridentine rite and have celebrated it previously.

Father Lombardi said learning, or relearning, the rubrics of the old rite could be "demanding."

"For example, I wouldn't have a problem with the Latin. But knowing all the rubrics that indicate the movements and particular gestures is much more complex," he said.

The instruction said the Ecclesia Dei commission would be in charge of monitoring compliance with the provisions allowing the use of the old rite, and would have the power to decide on recourse by groups of faithful against "any possible singular administrative provision of an ordinary which appears to be contrary" to the papal letter. The commission's decisions can, in turn, be appealed to the Vatican's highest tribunal, the Apostolic Signature.

The Ecclesia Dei commission is headed by U.S. Cardinal William J. Levada, the prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, who signed the instruction.



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Fiesta in Madrid: Preparations heating up for World Youth Day

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — With fewer than 100 days to go, preparations for World Youth Day 2011 in Madrid are heating up and organizers are promising a “fiesta,” adding a Spanish flavor to the traditional opportunities for prayer, friendship, music and religious education. As of May 7, organizers reported 347,965 youths had registered for the Aug. 16-21 event, which Pope Benedict XVI will attend. The figure included 22,488 young people from the United States and 5,439 from Canada. The Italians — always a big contingent at World Youth Day — were leading the pack with 65,196 registrants, outpacing even the Spaniards by more than 10,000. While registering has benefits — including priority seating at papal events — young people seem to know they won't be turned away, and so an earlier estimate of 1.5 million participants seems to be right on track. Father Eric Jacquet, the official in charge of the youth section at the Pontifical Council for the Laity, the official sponsor of World Youth Day, said, “We can't predict how many will register at the last minute.” At WYD Paris in 1997, he said, 300,000 young people pre-registered and there were 1.2 million people at the closing vigil and closing Mass with Pope John Paul II. The staff of WYD Madrid has rallied interest and is helping prepare all those young people with a major presence on the Internet, especially through social media such as Facebook and Twitter. Photos of the preparation phase are posted on Flickr and videos produced by or about WYD 2011 are collected on a special YouTube channel.

Sexuality is God-given gift for communicating true love, pope says

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — The human body is a God-given instrument for communicating love, although it also can be used to inflict harm on others or for one's own selfish pleasure, Pope Benedict XVI said. That the body is designed for true love is what gives value to chastity as the virtue that takes seriously the power of the body to communicate something profound if given the respect and time it needs, the pope told participants in a meeting sponsored by the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family. The pope met the group May 13 during their celebration of the 30th anniversary of the founding of the institute by Blessed Pope John Paul II. The late pope encouraged the institute to study and promote what has been described as his “theology of the body.” Pope Benedict told the group that by “connecting the theology of the body with the theology of love” they could help Catholics reach a greater under-

MEN SANDBAG AREAS ON LEVEE TO SLOW FLOODING



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Members of the Vicksburg, Miss., Fire Department and county crews sandbag areas on the levee to slow down floodwaters from the swollen Mississippi River May 11. Water from the Mississippi and its tributaries spilled across farm fields, cut off churches, washed over roads and forced people from their homes.

standing about the purpose of their lives. “The true fascination of sexuality stems from the greatness of this horizon which it opens: the integral beauty, the universe of the other person and of the ‘we’ that is born of union, the promise of communion hidden there, the new fruitfulness, the journey that love opens toward God, who is the source of love,” the pope said.

Pope sends representative to Japan to show support for quake victims

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Two months after a strong earthquake created havoc in Japan, setting off a tsunami and crippling a nuclear power plant, Pope Benedict XVI sent an envoy to the disaster area to express the pope's concern for all affected, the Vatican said. Cardinal Robert Sarah, president of the Pontifical Council Cor Unum, was visiting Japan May 13-16 to convey the pope's “closeness, his prayers and his assistance,” said a Vatican communique May 12. The magnitude 9 earthquake struck March 11. According to a report May 6 from the Japanese Red Cross Society, 14,704 people have been confirmed dead and almost 11,000 were still missing. The Red Cross also said that more than 125,000 of

the people displaced by the quake were still in temporary housing two months after the earthquake. Cardinal Sarah was to convey the pope's support to “all the families of the victims, the displaced and all the volunteers who tirelessly are working on reconstruction,” the Vatican said. The cardinal was scheduled to visit Saitama May 14, going to Catholic shelters for those left homeless by the quake, and then on to Tokyo to join the Japanese bishops at a Mass of thanksgiving for the beatification of Pope John Paul II.

Wall Street lawyer gave up high finance for death-row chaplaincy

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Dale Recinella played the financing game like a fiddle, even working through Christmas one year to secure the complex arrangements to finance a new stadium for football's Miami Dolphins. Yet he turned his back on the twin rushes of high pay and high power to minister to some of the most downtrodden: poor people with HIV and AIDS, and eventually prisoners on death row. Recinella chronicled his journey in a new book, “Now I Walk on Death Row.” “The book is not so much about the death penalty than it is

about seeking the answer to the question: Did Jesus mean what he said?” Recinella told Catholic News Service in a recent telephone interview from his job in northern Florida, where he works part time to support his wife and family. One similarity to his high-flying corporate career: He's got a window office. “And right outside are the garbage cans,” Recinella said with a laugh. As a volunteer chaplain, he ministers on death row three days each week, all day Mondays at a death-row prison in the Sunshine State and part of the day Wednesdays and some Saturdays. He gives religious education instruction Wednesday nights at Union Correctional Institution near Raiford, Fla. “Wednesday, everybody goes to church at night except the Catholics,” Recinella said. He teaches inmates about “living Gospel values authentically in our lives and in situations we encounter day in and day out. We have 110 inmates. ... They change over every year. It is an extremely valuable program. Those (in the program) who are released have a much better chance of making it.” Recinella, who has written the “Respect Life” column for the *Florida Catholic* string of diocesan newspapers for the past 11 years, is now an opponent of the death penalty but had long been unaware of the inconsistency in his position on life issues.

Muslim, Catholic students learn about others' faith — and their own

WASHINGTON (CNS) — When the news of Osama bin Laden's death was announced May 1, college students accounted for a majority of the cheering crowd that descended on the streets near the White House. Jordan Denari, a sophomore at Georgetown University was not among the revelers. She talked about it with her friends, including one of her roommates from Pakistan, and they didn't feel right about celebrating someone's death. Denari gets the chance to talk about contemporary and religious issues on a pretty regular basis in the university's Muslim Living-Learning Community where she lives. She said the on-campus residence with 24 Christian and Muslim students provides plenty of opportunities for “unstructured dialogue,” which, as she put it, “often happens when I should be studying for my econ(omics) exam.” The setting also set the stage for something she is coordinating on campus next year: interfaith dialogue groups. Denari was part of such a group last year when she and two other students — one Muslim and one Protestant — decided to get together once a week to talk about their religious perspectives. These group discussions helped Denari, in Georgetown's School of Foreign Service, not only learn about different faiths but clarify her Catholic faith, which she wasn't so sure about when she started college. Although her campus living situation is unique, what happens when these students are together — simply getting to know one another and breaking down stereotypes — is also occurring at other colleges as the number of campus interfaith groups grows.

Obama launches new push for immigration reform during Texas visit

WASHINGTON (CNS) — President Barack Obama chose the Chamizal National Memorial in El Paso, Texas, near the U.S.-Mexico border to launch a push for immigration reform that the administration has been working toward for about a month. His May 10 speech was accompanied by the release of a 34-page “blueprint,” called “Building a 21st Century Immigration System.” The document outlines an approach to immigration reform that includes: emphasizing federal responsibility for enforcement of immigration laws; holding employers accountable if they hire or exploit undocumented workers; creating a legal immigration system that adequately provides for the demands of employment and family reunification; and holding people in the United States illegally accountable for their actions before enabling them to “get on the right side of the law.” Obama's address came just as the Texas Catholic Conference decried the passage May 9 of an immigration enforcement bill by the Texas House.

World Apostolate of Fatima holds annual breakfast

FORT WAYNE — The Fort Wayne-South Bend Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima will hold its Annual Breakfast on Saturday, June 4.

The morning begins at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne with Confessions, meditation and the holy rosary at 8 a.m.

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades will celebrate Mass at 9 a.m., followed by breakfast catered by Classic Café at St. Mary's Community Center on Lafayette Street.

Franciscan Father David Mary Engo, superior of the Order of Franciscan Brothers Minor, will be the guest speaker.

Prepaid reservations for the breakfast are required by Thursday, May 26. Adult tickets are \$6.50, 10 and younger are \$4. For reservations, call Carol Bunt at (260) 437-1202.

St. Joseph School hosted 1,800-piece art fair

SOUTH BEND — St. Joseph Grade School hosted an all-student art fair on Sunday, May 15. Organized by art teacher Katie Patton, the art fair is one of the biggest events the school hosts each year. Over 1,800 paintings, drawings, and projects are displayed, covering each and every wall in classrooms and hallways in the school.

Patton maintains that the art fair is a very important event at St. Joseph School because it manifests her philosophy that every student has creative capacity, every student can make meaningful art. Her philosophy is part of why St. Joseph's Art Fair is so unique. The exhibit displays each piece of artwork created by the students from the entire year. Most schools send art projects home with students as they are graded. Patton, on the other hand, carefully labels and stores each piece of work from her students all year.

"Seeing their artwork displayed, with their name for all to see, can be a really magical moment of inspiration for these kids," Patton says. "They are really proud to see their hard work displayed around the school and admired by patrons of the fair."

Principal Suzanne Wiwi has made keeping the art fair an annual tradition a top priority. "I believe that a well rounded curriculum for children of all ages should include a strong visual and performing arts program," she says. "We are blessed to have parents, children and teachers who believe in and support the arts."

The school has hosted such fairs for nine years. Although they have taken on different focuses throughout the years, the objective remains the same.

This massive event claims every square foot of the school's interior and takes weeks of planning and work not only by Patton, but the countless parent and stu-

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DIOCESAN SEMINARIANS RECEIVE DEGREES AT PONTIFICAL COLLEGE JOSEPHINUM



PATRICK WELSH

The Pontifical College Josephinum held its 112th baccalaureate and commencement on Saturday, May 7. Seminarians from the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend who received degrees are Matthew Coonan, master of divinity, Terrence Coonan, Jr., master of divinity, and Royce Gregerson, bachelor's degree in philosophy. Pictured are the graduates, from left, Terrence Coonan, Father James Wehner, rector, Royce Gregerson and Matthew Coonan.

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Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus from the Anthony Wayne and the Mother Teresa Assemblies honored priests, sisters and brothers at the Religious Appreciation Dinner on Wednesday, May 11. Admiral Jim Alwine and Sister Rose Clare Ehrlich, a Sister of St. Agnes, who is the liturgy and music director at St. Joseph, Bluffton and St. Paul of the Cross, Columbia City, were among those present.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS RECEIVE CERTIFICATES



MARK WEBER

Among those honored were Sister Jacinta Krecek, left, for 25 years with the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration, Mishawaka, now a professor of theology at the University of Saint Francis, Fort Wayne; and Sister Genevieve Raupp of the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart, Frankfort, Ill., who was recognized for 40 years of religious life. Sister Genevieve is the assistant principal at St. Charles Borromeo School, Fort Wayne.

dent volunteers who offer their time and energy to make the fair happen. The school is carefully mapped out to plan where each class will display their work. Volunteers start matting, labeling and hanging pieces several weeks before the fair.

This year's fair included a few very special features. The "Strolling Strings," a mobile musical ensemble directed by local musician Martha Bradberry, performed during the fair. The eighth-grade class hosted a French-themed exhibition in Fanelli Hall, complete with themed beverages and food. The exhibit was based on their study of French artist, Henri Matisse's later works of cut paper collages.

Ancilla College makes donations to local organizations

DONALDSON — A series of collections by the Ancilla College community allowed the Donaldson-based College to provide donations of non-perishable food items and cash to Marshall County's Neighborhood Community Food Pantry and the Community Services of Starke County.

College representatives visited both organizations with food items and cash collected from Ancilla's First Tuesday Collection and Gratitude Day in May, as well as the Graduation Collection that took place on May 7.

According to Sister Carleen Wrasman, a Sister of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, the cash donations enabled the pantries to purchase needed food items at a reduced price.

"A generous group of donors united to provide food to persons in the two counties, and each donor was able to express gratitude for all of God's gifts," said Sister Wrasman.

John W. Rosenthal Sr. receives Spirit of Holy Cross Award

NOTRE DAME — The Congregation of Holy Cross recognized John W. Rosenthal Sr. as he received the Spirit of Holy Cross award for his recent commitments as a benefactor to the province, volunteer solicitor for major campaign gifts, volunteer chair of the province's Development Advisory Committee and chair of the Regional Events phase of the Following in the Footsteps of a Great Band of Men campaign — which provides financial resources for the Indiana Province's formation programs, international missions, and health care for retiring and elderly priests and brothers.

A tireless advocate for Holy Cross, Rosenthal's relationship with the community is an alignment of his personal mission and values with those of Holy Cross — specifically through volunteerism, lay ministry with the Holy Cross community and philanthropy.

Historic mural of St. Mother Theodore Guérin unveiled

SAINT MARY-OF-THE-WOODS — A large mural featuring the life of St. Mother Theodore Guérin that soon will have a permanent home in the rotunda of the Vigo County Court House was unveiled May 6 in Providence Center at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.

St. Mother Theodore, foundress of the Sisters of Providence, was canonized Oct. 15, 2006, in Rome by Pope Benedict XVI. She came to the United States in 1840 to establish the Sisters of Providence.

The five-foot-by-ten-foot mural was created by well-known Terre Haute artist Bill Wolfe, who was assisted by Terre Haute artist Becky Gropp-Hochhalter. The frame for the mural was made by Keith Ruble of the Vigo County Park and Recreation Department. About half of the lumber used for the frame came from the same walnut stock that was used for St. Mother Theodore's coffin. The coffin rests for public veneration

in the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.

The mural shows St. Mother Theodore as a baby, then as a young woman walking on the Breton Shore in France. A map of France locates the French motherhouse for the Sisters of Providence.

The central image shows Saint Mother Theodore kneeling in prayer at the ship's bow as she and her companions prepare to arrive in the United States. Other images show LeFer Bridge at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, St. Mother Theodore welcoming students to the Academy, now Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, the sisters' journey by stagecoach across swollen river waters to their new home, a sister carrying firewood to a log cabin and a map of Indiana documenting the state's only Catholic saint.

Also shown is an authentic replica of St. Mother Theodore's handwriting from her journals.

"I'm happy it's completed



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and I'm honored to have had this opportunity to document history, not only for Mother Guérin, but also the other parts of history in Vigo County," Wolfe said about the three-month project.

Wolfe also will create three other murals about Vigo County's history for the rotunda project.

Sister Denise Wilkinson, the Congregation's general superior, hosted the unveiling reception in the Providence Center lobby on behalf of the Congregation.

A large mural featuring the life of St. Mother Theodore Guérin was unveiled May 6 in Providence Center at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods before finding a permanent home in the rotunda of the Vigo County Court House. The five-by-ten-foot mural was created by well-known Terre Haute artist Bill Wolfe, pictured, who was assisted by Terre Haute artist Becky Gropp-Hochhalter.



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Holy Family hosts Cinco de Mayo math night



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Students and parents from Holy Family School in South Bend participated in the Cinco de Mayo math night on May 5. The evening provided fun and innovative ways for students to practice math skills, and parents got to join in the fun.

SOUTH BEND — Holy Family School's inaugural math night was held on May 5. Math teachers at Holy Family School collaborated for months to present fun and innovative ways for students to practice math skills, and parents got to join in the fun. Using Cinco de Mayo as their theme, the teachers created different math activities and games for students to try together. "We created passports for the students to use on their 'journey' through Mexico," explained Jessica Stevens, a fourth-grade teacher at the school.

Several classrooms were designated to represent Mexican cities. Upon arrival at the school the students were presented with a passport to carry from one room to another. Once a student com-

pleted a math activity or game, the teacher would add a stamp to the passport. "In my room we had a Math Restaurant. I used Mexican-themed items on my menu, and the students bought items. With the help of their parents, they counted out toy money to pay for their selections," second-grade teacher Charlene Weber said.

Math Night has allowed the school to continue their work on the school's improvement plan and motivate parent involvement as well. Ashley Parmelee, a third-grade teacher, added, "I would definitely make Math Night an annual event. Parents are able to learn ways to review math concepts taught in school, and it's a fun way for families to work together and enjoy learning."

Holy Family teachers also hope they have given parents tools to help their children develop an interest for math and learning beyond the classroom walls. "Hopefully they have new ideas for what kinds of activities the kids can do at home and

through the summer to enrich math skills presented at school," said Stevens.

As a mother of two Holy Family School students and the junior high science teacher there, Tracey Ackerley certainly recognizes and appreciates the need to

reinforce learning at home. "My sons loved Math Night! Jacob, my youngest, loved the computer games the teachers could pull up on the SMART Board. I was sure to ask for the websites these games came from so we could work on math together at home."



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St. Joseph-St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School held an "Era Day" at the St. Joseph campus on May 10, where teachers chose a decade and presented "stations" that looked closely at various cultural aspects of that time. This year's decade was the 1920s and the fifth through eighth grades participated in learning about baseball, the art, music and literature of the Harlem Renaissance, the game of marbles, silent movies, dances, Fort Wayne architecture and more. Students and staff came to school in 1920s period clothing. Noah Kriesel and Mitch Gigli are shown playing marbles.



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Deacon Jacob Meyer is handed the Book of Gospels by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades.



Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades lays hands on Ben Muhlenkamp.



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Here's to the ...
GRADUATES

Lifelong friends lead Bishop Dwenger senior class as valedictorian and salutatorian

BY **KAY COZAD**

FORT WAYNE — Bishop Dwenger High School seniors Michael Gloudemans and Max Roesler have a lot in common. They both are academic scholars, interested in science, play in a jazz band together and lead their graduating class of 2011 in scholarship. Gloudemans is Bishop Dwenger's valedictorian with an astounding GPA of 4.938 on a four point scale, with Roesler on his heels as salutatorian with a GPA of 4.837. The young men have been friends since kindergarten.

Valedictorian Michael Gloudemans likes to go by Mike. The Fort Wayne native has been a lifelong member of St. Vincent

de Paul Parish along with his parents, Monica and Mark, and his four younger siblings. He anticipates an exciting college career at Duke University, a choice he made just recently, where he will study biology. "I'm planning on doing research in college and seeing what other opportunities are out there," he says of his wide open career path.

Gloudemans feels that his exemplary Catholic education has brought him this far in fine form. "I enjoy having groups of peers and adult role models that show me I'm not alone. ... I enjoy having the opportunity to do things, like praying before class that you can't do in public school. The All-school Masses are pretty cool," the scholar says. Because this young man is the oldest of

the five Gloudemans children he takes his responsibility of being a faithful role model seriously. "I try to behave in a Catholic way so they can see Christian behavior. Then we can all together grow in faith and be good people," Gloudemans says.

Gloudemans is grateful for his close-knit family. His parents and grandparents have been instrumental in his faith and academic development, and he says. "I'm fortunate. My family is supportive. I want to thank them."

In addition to his flourishing academic career that includes participation in honors classes, such as AP chemistry and AP history, and his favorite science classes like microbiology,

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Michael Gloudemans, valedictorian, left, poses with his longtime buddy, Max Roesler, who is salutatorian of Bishop Dwenger High School.

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Bishop Luers valedictorian to attend Notre Dame

BY BONNIE ELBERSON

FORT WAYNE — Bishop Luers High School valedictorian Sean Driscoll is the youngest of Theresa and Patric Driscoll's three children and the first in his family to attend Bishop Luers High School. Driscoll is thankful that his parents have provided him with a Catholic education. "Dad sacrificed a lot to send me here," he says with gratitude.

He plans to attend the University of Notre Dame as an engineering student in the fall and says, "I'm very excited about it." He credits his Luers education with his acceptance. "Otherwise, I wouldn't have gotten into Notre Dame."

Sean is a member of St. Therese Parish in Fort Wayne and puts a high value on his Catholic upbringing and education. "I have to say, it's very fulfilling."

His favorite high school subjects are math and science, and he says he enjoys seeing how religion



SEAN DRISCOLL

works alongside them.

He feels he was only of "average" faith when entering Bishop Luers but knows he has grown tremendously as a result of his Bishop

Luers experience and a summer retreat in South Bend.

He says he now tries to incorporate faith in all aspects of his life. He is a liturgical minister at his home parish and active in youth groups at St. Jude and St. Vincent parishes. And he especially enjoyed the Knights of Faith retreats at Bishop Luers his junior and senior years.

Driscoll's favorite classes have been calculus and advanced placement chemistry. He hopes to earn a degree in chemical engineering at Notre Dame and notes that there are already several engineers in his family.

Extracurricular activities include cross country, where he was a team co-captain, track, peer ministry and National Honor Society. He is also a member of both the math and science teams in the Academic Super Bowl. He is a member of Key Club where he became active in Big Brothers Big Sisters, and he also earned his Eagle Scout ranking.

In his spare time, Driscoll likes to play the piano and "hang out with friends."

His best memories of high school will include the friendships he made in cross country and track. And when counseling younger students, he says, "You'll only regret (it) if you didn't get involved."

Driscoll's future plans include studying for advanced degrees after college and possibly doing mission work — something he'll explore at Notre Dame.

With this young man's quiet determination, he'll no doubt find success in whatever pursuit he chooses.

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Salutatorian will study pre-med

BY BONNIE ELBERSON

FORT WAYNE — Bishop Luers High School salutatorian Ann Kebede is a young woman who knows exactly what she wants to do with her life.

"For as long as I can remember, I've wanted to be a pediatrician," she says. "I just like working with little kids."

Though she is the younger of two children — her older brother attends North Park University in Chicago — she has many young cousins whom she enjoys, sees frequently and baby-sits often.

Kebede has been accepted at and plans to attend the University of Notre Dame, where she will study pre-med on her journey to a career in pediatrics.

At Luers, she most enjoys math and science classes with chemistry, anatomy and calculus high on the list, though she confesses to a passion for reading as well, which she pur-



ANN KEBEDE

sues in her spare time. "I really like reading a lot," she says. Interestingly, she is on the Luers English team during the highly competitive Academic Super Bowl challenge matches.

Kebede values her Catholic education and "being able to learn what it is to be Catholic" surrounded by others of the same faith. She likes that "the sacraments are right there for you" and that her faith is exemplified every day, in every class.

Her other extracurricular activities include four years on the varsity soccer team, Key Club, peer ministry and acting as a student ambassador for Bishop Luers at the many elementary feeder schools in the area.

Kebede says she explains to younger students the importance of

a faith-based academic community and what it means to be part of the Luers family. And she emphasizes that they should "work hard, have fun and get involved."

Kebede is grateful to her parents, Martha and Yeneru Kebede, members of St. Jude Parish in Fort Wayne, for the strong faith they exemplified and for making it possible for her to attend Luers. Reminiscing, she says she will always treasure the memories of her four years there, of its many sporting events and its close-knit community.

For Kebede, the future is as rosy as her sunny personality. She says she hopes, in years to come, that she will be a practicing pediatrician — "doing what I love."



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Samuel Leung is Marian valedictorian

BY JODI MAGALLANES

MISHAWAKA — Samuel Leung, Marian High School 2011 valedictorian, has a clear idea of what he'd like his education to lead to.

Leung applied and has been accepted to study chemical engineering at the University of Notre Dame in the fall of 2011. He'll take business courses as well and possibly declare a second major in business, he said, because he'd like to establish his own chemical engineering firm someday.

The high-reaching 18-year-old is a resident of Granger and formerly of Elkhart. Although not an initiated Catholic, Leung attends Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Elkhart. He appreciates the opportunity to have had his classroom studies infused with a religious perspective, he said, adding that the Church's presence in his education helped him to orient his goals toward God and to apply what he learned to his faith as well.



SAMUEL LEUNG

"It has really showed me how to focus on my goals and to apply my talents to what I want to do," Leung said. "When school gets rough or difficult, it's helped me to remember

what's important and remember who I am. It helped me to push forward."

In the future he'd like to contribute to the discovery of a new process that's useful to the world, he said. Little surprise, then, that his favorite classes at Marian were science, physics and chemistry.

Michael Largey, Leung's math teacher, made a particular impression. Largey invited Leung to work beside him at Notre Dame during summer vacations. The experiences encouraged him academically and interested him in attending Notre Dame. He hopes to use his education to advance to the front lines and improve the lives of people.

"In 10 years I want to be contributing to the world by working on the frontier of new technology and whatever that has brought about at the time — whatever people need at the time," he said. "I'll go wherever that takes me."

He'll graduate from Marian with a weighted 4.6 grade point average, putting him at the top of the 2011 class. In addition to studying, Leung is an accomplished pianist and has performed publicly at area nursing homes, school functions and Masses. He also enjoys photography, spending time with his friends and going on bike rides.

Leung volunteered with Junior Civitans during his high school career, was a member of National Honor Society, played tennis all four years and was member of the Spanish and chemistry clubs. He was awarded a scholarship for an advanced research project, "Quantification of dNTP Pools in Brain Mitochondria."

And in case there's ever a need for a commanding puzzle-solver, Leung learned years ago to solve a Rubik's cube in about 45 seconds.

"The first time I solved it, back in the seventh grade, it took about two days. I got a lot quicker pretty fast. I don't know why. It was just a challenge that I wanted to take on and beat."

Leung encourages younger students to be themselves, be true to who they are and to always keep trying.

"You have to believe in yourself because God believes in you. Whatever it is you want to do, He'll be there to help you do it. You've just got to hang in there and keep trying."

Salutatorian Dana Lind to pursue teaching career

BY JODI MAGALLANES

MISHAWAKA — Dana Lind has so much respect for her Catholic school teachers that she'd like to become one of them.

Lind is a Granger resident and Marian High School's 2011 salutatorian. The 18-year-old graduates with a 4.595 grade point average, just .005 behind valedictorian Samuel Leung, and plans to attend Saint Mary's College in the fall to study education.

Her decision to pursue a career in teaching is a result of the educators she studied under, both at Marian and as a young student at St. Anthony de Padua School in South Bend.

"I was really inspired by my teachers I've had during my Catholic education that I just wanted to give back," Lind said. "I'm hoping to get my masters in elementary education and teach in the diocese ... beyond that, I trust God will reveal His plan for me."

A parishioner of St. Anthony de Padua Parish, she's strongly convinced of the value of an education that incorporates her Catholic faith. That faith is the center of her life, and Catholic morality shaped her character and continues to influence her decision-making.

"A Catholic education helps us to discern our vocation and orients us to our specific, unique ways of helping others," Lind said.

Through students' relationship with God, Catholic education emphasizes individuals' unity and



DANA LIND

motivates them to serve each other, she added.

While a student at Marian, Lind found the most enjoyment in courses that allowed her to explore her potential careers

first hand. A class in exploratory teaching took her into working grade school classrooms and a course in applied science research allowed students into university laboratories. All of her teachers, she said, were dedicated to seeing their students succeed.

But dance team competitions, academic competitions also made for good high school memories. Lind was a member of the Marian Dance Team for four years, on the varsity squad for three and served as captain of the varsity squad for two years. The many trips to and from competitions were fun and memorable and made the trips particularly enjoyable.

She was also a member of Junior Civitans group, Student Ambassadors, A Chance to Serve Campus Ministry Leadership Team and National Honor Society. In her free time she dances, plays Wii table tennis and crochets.

Lind hopes that younger students will honor God with their actions, specifically by being kind and helping others. She expressed appreciation for the love and support she was given during her school career by her parents, her sister and fellow classmates.



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Ellen Roof named co-valedictorian of Saint Joseph's High School

BY JOE KOZINSKI



ELLEN ROOF

SOUTH BEND — Ellen Roof achieved the title of co-valedictorian of Saint Joseph's High School class of 2011 due to her classroom acumen, focus and performance.

Ellen attends Clay United Methodist Church and will be attending the University of Notre Dame in the fall.

"I'm not sure of my major but I'm leaning toward English or biology as my focus of study," Roof said. "I'm really toying with becoming a professor."

"The overwhelming part of my high school Catholic education has

to be the focus on service and community and using academics to enrich others," commented Roof. "Service, interacted with my faith to define life as more than school work and a job, it is knowing that its God's plan to do for others."

"My favorite class is AP English with Mr. DePauw. We had so many great discussions about books and he really let the commentary take us to new directions," Roof said. "As for thanks, my family definitely

encouraged me and understood on stressful days."

"The teachers at Saint Joseph's High School were there for me all four years," said Roof. "They were available after school for questions and helped me understand critical points in lesson plans."

"My extracurricular activities included student council for three years, varsity cross country and swimming, Reach Out and Read, Hope, and I was the president of the school's chapter of the National Honor Society," explained Roof. "There isn't a lot of spare time after that, but when I get some time, I like to read and spend it with family and friends."

"The culmination of all of my friends make up my most treasured memories of high school. I also treasure our trip down state with the swim team my junior year. It showed me what hard work could accomplish," Roof continued. "I think that when I was elected vice president of the sophomore class of the student council I felt that other people trusted me and I had officially become an Indian."

"The words of wisdom I would like to pass on to the underclassmen has to do with fear. Don't be afraid to try something new and get

involved," Roof exclaimed. "Take initiative, older people really like to support and help high school students more so than college pupils, this will let you accomplish many things."

"Ten years from now I would like to say that I have studied abroad, completed my undergraduate degree and my postgraduate studies and will be in the workforce," Roof said. "At the 20-year mark, I hope to be somewhere warmer, have a family (happy and secure), be a professor of English and be involved in my community."

Lesli Mark, co-valedictorian, meets challenges with passion

BY JOE KOZINSKI



LESLI MARK

SOUTH BEND — Lesli Mark has distinguished herself as the co-valedictorian of Saint Joseph's High School through her commitment to excellence in the classroom.

"I was originally born in Columbus, Ohio, but my family moved to South Bend when I was in the fifth grade so I consider this home," explained Mark. "It looks like it will be home for at least another four years as I have been accepted to attend the University of Notre Dame."

"I plan on studying chemical engineering with a focus on medicine, but I have an interest in eco-

nomics and I may look into other disciplines," Mark said. "I really like challenges and I try not to back down in accomplishing anything I have a passion for."

"I think that the education I received at Saint Joseph's High School was very good. The teachers were outstanding. I absolutely enjoyed all four years," Mark said. "My favorite class was any science class and I enjoyed economics. This year all my classes were especially enjoyable."

"I was not brought up in a religious household, but the theology

classes solidified my ideas on ethics and how to live a moral life," added Mark. "I haven't declared what direction I will pursue religiously but Saint Joseph's has definitely affected my life."

"I have to thank my parents for pushing me to work hard and to reach my full potential," said Mark. "I also have to thank Dr. Liberman at Notre Dame who let me work on graduate level research and grad student Kyung Nan Kim for fueling my passion for research."

"My extracurricular activities were two years of tennis, science research at the University of Notre Dame, science fair and symposiums, mock trial, quiz bowl, film club and

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Saint Joseph's salutatorian has plans for career in pharmacology

BY JOE KOZINSKI

SOUTH BEND — Bridget Veldman has the honorable distinction of being named the Saint Joseph's High School salutatorian for the graduating class of 2011 for her diligence, focus and accomplishments in the classroom.

Veldman is a member of Little Flower Parish in South Bend and will be attending Butler University this fall.

"I will be studying pharmacology to work in a hospital or possibly in the area of research," said Veldman. "I found that my Catholic education was extremely helpful in my daily life.

"Being able to pray in school, sharing the same path with my peers and teachers, living their lives in the Catholic faith, were a constant in my spiritual development," explained Veldman. "I found that the Catholic social teaching helped me live my life in faith.

"The 20 hours of service got



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VELDMAN

me out into the community and had me make time for others," continued Veldman. "As for my favorite classes, they would have to be AP microbiology and AP chemistry.

"All of my classes in my senior year have been a little smaller with more interaction with my teachers," Veldman said. "It seemed that all my classmates were as excited about learning as I was.

"I would definitely like to thank my parents for their unselfishness and the sacrifices they made in giving me this education," commented Veldman. "I can't quantify how much I appreciate them.

"My extracurricular activities included varsity tennis, National Honor Society (tutoring coordinator), Hope, student council

for three years and Spirit Club," Veldman said. "My spare time is spent with more tennis, and I enjoy our lake cottage on the water.

"One of my many treasured memories of high school was last year when we won the state tournament in tennis," Veldman explained. "Coach Bill Mountford taught us to work hard together and we could achieve our goals. And our collective diligence paid off.

"My words of wisdom to the younger students are simply, God gave you gifts, use your talents and gifts to their full potential," remarked Veldman. "When you apply yourself, it will pay off in the long run.

"At the 10-year mark I would love to have traveled to Europe, graduated from pharmacy school and be working in my profession," continued Veldman. "I think that I will let the romance take care of itself.

"My 20-year plan will definitely include being married and

having children, I absolutely love kids," exclaimed Veldman. "I really want to make a difference in the community through service work.

"My plans hopefully allow

me to continue my career as a pharmacist and to be able to stay home with my children," Veldman said. "I want to do the same for my children as my parents have done for me."

opened the acceptance package. My sister was there with a camera. What a feeling."

"My words of wisdom to pass along to the younger students are, works as hard as you can and don't let anyone bring you down," Mark said. "This is a time where you can reach for your goals.

"If I'm doing the math right, in 10 years, I would have got my degree at age 21 and then graduated from med school with a MD Ph.D.," exclaimed Mark. "So I would spend most of that time in school laying the foundation for my next 10 years.

"At the 20 year mark, I expect to be doing medical research and work for a cure for cancer," commented Mark. "I really believe that I can help the world through medicine."

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Gloude-mans is an avid runner and active in several extracurriculars including cross country and track, National Honor Society, Key Club, Academic Super Bowl in math and science and Scrabble Club. And if that's not enough, this academic leader enjoys playing alto sax in a jazz band he helped form with his buddy Roesler and friends some years ago. "The jazz band is with friends from St. Vincent. I'm glad we've kept it going. It's fun," he says. Gloude-mans also plays piano and admits to "trying guitar" as well.

As he looks back over his high school career two special memories come to mind for the valedictorian of Bishop Dwenger High School. "I went to Costa Rica for my marine biology class. That was the best experience," he says, adding, "And when the cross country team won semi-state in 2011. That was really exciting!"

As for the promising future of this academic star, Gloude-mans says, "Someday I'd like to be married and have kids. I like Colorado. I'd like to live there."

And for those who are climbing the ranks of Bishop Dwenger, Gloude-mans has this advice, "Give any subject a chance. Don't say I don't like it right off the bat. You never know what you might get out of it. And don't give up on yourself in class. Everybody thinks about things differently."

Gloude-mans' lifelong friend Max Roesler agrees with that advice and adds, "And don't neglect to do homework because if you do your homework you'll know what you'll need to focus on when you study. And don't be afraid to ask for help."

Roesler, the oldest of Max and Kathy's two sons, was born in Fort Wayne and has been a life-long member of St. Vincent de Paul Parish where he is active as server and lector, and as trumpet player for Masses. His kindergarten through 12th-grade Catholic education formation will assist him on the next leg of his academic career — this fall at the University of Notre Dame where he'll major in chemical engineering and minor in biomolecular engineering.

He says, "My Catholic education is definitely important. It has reinforced my Catholic values that I'll bring to college." Roesler adds that his faith has been instrumental in his college choice. "I prayed a lot before deciding on a college."

During his exemplary career at Bishop Dwenger, Roesler enjoyed AP chemistry as well as calculus class. And he says, "And marine biology. I really enjoyed that!" In addition to his heavy class schedule Roesler made time for extracurriculars including Key Club, National Honor Society as president, Academic Superbowl as captain, and was a National Merit scholarship finalist.

After hours this busy young man plays recreational soccer, listens to music and likes to go on outings. But one of his favorite pastimes is playing music. Roesler has played trumpet since the fifth grade and now holds the noteworthy position of principal player with the Fort Wayne Youth Symphony. "It's been a good experience," he says.

Roesler, like his buddy Gloude-mans, enjoys playing in the jazz band formed by friends as well. "It's a jazz combo — four person. We play at parties, art festivals and at the Art Museum." And the gifted musician admits he likes to play guitar too.

This well rounded scholar has also recently earned his Eagle

Scout award after over eight years in Boy Scouts, by designing and building a handicapped accessible garden for an area nursing home.

Great memories of high school bring a smile to Roesler's face as he reports his involvement in an overseas field trip, the same trip his friend Gloude-mans took. "It was a field research trip to Costa Rica with my marine biology class. We helped with research and conservation of leather-back sea turtles."

None of this would have been possible if it weren't for his family and friends, says Roesler. "I'd like to thank my parents and grandparents for motivating me. I thank God for hanging on during the rough times. And thanks to my friends for supporting me and showing me how to laugh," he says.

As for this promising academic scholar the future looks bright. He hopes to earn his bachelor's and possibly a master's degree and work in the midwest.

These exceptional men have traveled an academic and social path together for 13 years and agree that they are grateful for their friendship. Gloude-mans says, "I've been blessed to have such a genuine friend as Max. Over the years, he has always set an excellent example for his classmates, both academically and spiritually. I am thrilled to share this honor with him and I know an amazing future lies ahead of him!"

Roesler agrees, "It feels great to take number one and number two for St. Vincent's! Knowing that we have helped each other for the past 12 years or so makes it even better. Having been classmates for so long means that we have had a lot of similar experiences, and the mutual support of friends in these experiences is one of the most important factors in a growing academic and faith life."

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science club," Mark said. "In my free time I read, enjoy family and friends, play the piano and I find research both relaxing and simulating.

"My high school experience is a mixture of study, work and friends blended together," said Mark. "I would say the biggest event was the day I was accepted to Notre Dame. My mother tried to keep my mind off the mail by planning a shopping trip to Old Navy. When we got home I raced to the mailbox and pulled out a big envelope, as I



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The conversion of Bob Marley

May 11, 2011, marks the 30th anniversary of the passing of Robert Nesta Marley, more popularly known as Bob Marley. He's known by other titles as well: "The king of reggae," "the first Third World superstar," "The Honorable Robert Nesta Marley," and, by Rastafarians, as "The Prophet," or "The Teacher." There have even been efforts by Jamaicans for him to be declared a national hero.

What many don't know is that Bob Marley can also be called a Christian. He was baptized into the Ethiopian Orthodox faith before his death in 1981.

Marley had become a zealous Rastafarian as a young man. The dreadlocks and pot smoking that became central to his image weren't just accessories to a rock star lifestyle. They were pillars of Rastafarian faith. Rastas believe that cannabis removes mental barriers to enlightened thinking, and they base

their dreadlocks in Old Testament law. As debatable as these doctrines are, it's clear that a sincere faith in God and service of his people were the driving forces in Bob's life and music.

One doesn't have to dig deep into his lyrics to see Marley's faith. In "One Love," named the song of the millennium by BBC, Bob sings, "Give thanks and praise to the Lord and I will feel all right." And in songs like, "Forever Loving Jah" ("Jah" is the Rastafarian word for God), Marley is clearly praying, not just performing. Praise to "Jah" can be found throughout his music. Bob wasn't just a secular rock star. It's probably more accurate to say he was a religious musician who had made it in the secular world.

And when Marley wasn't praying with his music, he was using it to fight for peace and equality, giving a voice to the marginalized in Jamaica and throughout the world. Bob's fame overlapped a particularly turbulent time in Jamaica's



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history. His musical career had so much social influence that he was the target of an assassination attempt in 1976. Two days later, with his would-be-assassins still on the loose, he took to the stage to perform with two gunshot wounds. Asked why he'd take such a risk, he answered: "The people who are trying to make this world worse aren't taking a day off. How can I?"

His musical career was clearly motivated by more than fame and fortune. "If my life is just for me,"

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Once again this season, the Acts of the Apostles provides the first reading. The early chapters of Acts marvelously reveal to us the lives led by the early Christians. Very obvious, and important, in this glimpse into events so long ago, is the place of the Apostles, and among them the place of Peter.

The Apostles led the community because the Christians recognized the Apostles' special relationship with, and calling from, the Lord. Indeed, reverence for the Apostles was so deep that the people placed their possessions at the Apostles' feet, allowing the Apostles to control even the material assets of the community.

In Acts, this community was situated in Jerusalem. Although the very heart of Jewish life, and a city supremely symbolic for Jews, Jerusalem was not Corinth. It was not Antioch. It most certainly was not Rome. In the total scheme of things, therefore, it was not a very important city.

In Palestine, the Romans maintained the city of Caesarea, a seaport on the Mediterranean Sea, as their capital. In Caesarea, the Roman governor resided, and the Roman occupation had its headquarters. Even then, and in the Holy Land, Jerusalem was secondary.

(The ruins of this city now are in the suburbs of modern Tel Aviv. It is interesting, incidentally, that the only relic of the administration of Pontius Pilate as governor, aside from mention in the Gospels, is a stone carved with his name, and the stone was found in the ruins of Caesarea.)

Care of the needy, and of widows who were very needy, was a Christian priority. Evidently the Apostles directed such care, but they also taught the Gospel. To assist in providing this care, they chose seven holy men to be deacons. Calling deacons was an exercise not just of organization but also of innovation, in the name of Jesus.

First Peter provides the second reading, centering Jesus as essential in salvation. He is the promise of God. The reading urges Christians to be true to Jesus.

St. John's Gospel supplies the last reading. Not a Resurrection Narrative, it recalls the Lord's discourse with the Apostles, consoling them as to what they should expect in the future. As it looks ahead, and frankly suggests that obstacles await, it is an appropriate reading for now as people contemplate Christian living amid modern troubles.

Reassuringly, Christ will be with us always. His "the way, the truth, and the life" belongs only to the Son of God.

Reflection

Almost a month has passed since Easter. For weeks the Church joyfully has told us of the Resurrection. He lives!

Before long, the season will end. We will return to life in 2011, with its burdens and uncertainties.

The Church tells us not to lose heart. Jesus still is with us. He is

our rock and our shield. He lives in the community of Christians. However, if authentic, this modern community must be the same as the community described in Acts.

Applying the picture in Acts to the present is interesting. Which Christian community actually resembles the gathering of Christians in Jerusalem long ago, precisely in their reliance upon the Apostles with Peter at their head? It has to be the Roman Catholic Church. Trace the modern Church to Acts.

The community in Acts profoundly was dedicated to the Lord, caring for the sick and the needy. Ever since, care for others has been no charming sideline for Christians. It is of the essence of their religion.

Finally, the Church tells us, as the Easter season concludes, that Christ is with us. In turn, we must draw ourselves into the community that the Lord created.

However, being in the community is more than joining a club. We must give our hearts to the Lord.

READINGS

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 1 Pt 2:4-9 Jn 14:1-12

Monday: Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-5, 15-16 Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-13ab, 21 Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-5 Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-3, 10 Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31 Ps 57:8-10, 12 Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1-3, 5 Jn 15:18-21

Dynamic, dedicated — a driven disciple

St. Patrick parishioners say farewell to Father Ascheman

"Whenever an act of love is shown, God is making His presence known," and it is beamed through Father Tom, or Padre Tomas, to many. This selfless smiling servant has been a beacon of light to many hungry souls searching for God. They have found the theological virtues of hope, love and charity through this Society of the Divine Word priest and the fruits and gifts of the Holy Spirit have been exemplified through him. Joy radiates from Father Tom Ascheman and he fulfills daily his Holy Order of the sacrament at the service of Communion directed to the salvation of others and consequently, he has grown in holiness immensely through these actions.

September, 2008, brought the joy and giddiness of Father Ascheman who had been yearning to be a parish priest again after many years working in an administrative capacity. He stole our hearts after he grinned as big as all outdoors and announced that he chose our parish for his pastoral care at our annual picnic upon his arrival.

And care for us he has done with a love and dedication that would be hard to match. His natural outgoing personality drew one and all of us to him and he "had us" with his infectious smile and hearty laugh.

Our parish is multicultural and with that came a great challenge to intermingle us. Father Ascheman relishes our diverse community and makes a point to embrace differences and eagerly welcome everyone to become a part of our parish. Under his auspices, we have made great strides to keep the integrity of our cultures separate but together as well.

Being a natural and dynamic leader, he took to heart all of the challenges our parish faced and addressed them, one by one, from the physical to the spiritual needs. Selflessly driven, he has put his heart and soul into serving our needs as fellow children of God, zealously rallying for justice for the underprivileged. Father Ascheman has been a stalwart advocate for the immigrants who have made a new life in our area. And, he has been a true humanitarian for all who have been marginalized, which include the elderly and ill.



GUEST COMMENT

DONNA BROOKE

With an illustrious well-earned background, Father Ascheman has used his unassuming nature to tackle any problems that have come our way, transforming the souls of all of us. Growth has reached a milestone with the amount of people called to be disciples under his guidance, and yearning of parishioners to share the enthusiasm and love shown to them. Spirituality is at an all-time high, with many opportunities for prayer-life to uplift the desire of parishioners.

Seeing the need to be an integral part of the neighborhood he has improved the morale of those in the area. He has invited

St. Patrick's Square to be the home of many community and civic meetings, and has brought vitality back to our Church and vicinity. Leaving no stone unturned, he has brought our parish to recognition as an active and fruitful part of Fort Wayne.

Each and every parishioner of St. Patrick will be indebted to Father Ascheman as his sincere kindness has

touched one and all. His friendship will be cherished by many and our gratitude is immeasurable.

Godspeed, Father Ascheman. Our prayers and love will be with you in your new assignment.

Father Thomas Ascheman has been named the provincial superior of the Society of the Divine Word Chicago Province. His three-year term begins June 1.

Donna Brooke is a parishioner of St. Patrick Church, Fort Wayne, and active with the Fort Wayne St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Selflessly driven, he has put his heart and soul into serving our needs as fellow children of God, zealously rallying for justice for the underprivileged.

Aquinas and horses

Lander, Wyo., is not an easy place to get to. I got there in February by flying from Washington to Denver and then sitting around the Denver airport for hours, while the local commuter airline that flies to the airport nearest Lander tried to get its small planes refueled in 15-below-zero weather. While waiting, I was informed that the flight schedule of this particular airline, which will remain nameless, is more subjunctive than indicative.

Yet the wait, the aggravation, and the bitter cold were worth it, for they were part of getting introduced to a new venture in Catholic higher education that's unfolding in Lander: Wyoming Catholic College, where students read Thomas Aquinas in the original Latin, take a mandatory freshman course in horsemanship, and go on a three-week, survival-skills trek through the Rockies before they crack a book. Oh yes: at Wyoming Catholic, students are not allowed to have cell phones, but the college provides a gun room for their rifles. A visitor from the Ivy League found this combination disconcerting. I found it charming.

Wyoming Catholic College celebrated its first commencement on May 14 — outdoors, of course — with one of its founding fathers, Bishop David Ricken of Green Bay, in attendance. Bishop Ricken came to the diocese of Cheyenne, Wyo., straight from the Roman Curia, which must have been something of a culture shock (or a relief). But he quickly caught the adventurous spirit of the place and decided that Wyoming, which has something short of 70,000 Catholics, needed a Catholic college.

Starting such an enterprise these days is an act of faith. But Bishop

Ricken, who is not short on faith (or hope, or charity), found partners with a similar pioneer attitude and a similar passion for classic Catholic liberal arts education (cowboy style). Thus Wyoming Catholic College was launched, before the good bishop was transferred to a diocese where one of his principal catechetical challenges is explaining why the Lombardi Trophy is not a fit object of Christian worship.

Wyoming Catholic is a byproduct of the most striking exercise in unintended consequences in the history of federal higher education funding. In 1970, Washington's largesse led the University of Kansas to create a pilot project in classic liberal arts education called the Pearson Integrated Humanities Program, or IHP. The program was led by John Senior, Dennis Quinn and Frank Nelick, three brilliant teachers who believed passionately that higher education meant immersion in the classic texts of western civilization and civilized conversation about them. Many IHP students soon discovered that wrestling with the literary and philosophical classics of western civilization meant encountering, and thinking seriously about, the Catholic Church.

Conversions, intellectual and religious, followed. Those conversions later produced numerous vocations to the priesthood and the religious life, and two bishops. Authoritarian liberals on the KU faculty killed the IHP in 1979. But for several glorious years, your federal tax dollars were building a wholly unexpected vocations factory. As the late Peter Rossi used to say, there are many ironies in the fire.

The people who designed the curriculum at Wyoming Catholic



THE CATHOLIC DIFFERENCE

GEORGE WEIGEL

College are disciples of John Senior and the IHP approach to liberal learning. The program they offer students is, obviously, not for everyone, just as reading Aquinas in Latin on horseback (metaphorically if not literally) is not for everyone. But serious students who want to be stretched intellectually, who want to deepen their friendship with Jesus Christ, and who love the outdoors should give Wyoming Catholic College a serious look.

Nature makes me sneeze, which is one reason why I'm a confirmed urbanite. I appreciate the beauty that surrounds Lander, however, and I wish the school and its students the very best as Wyoming Catholic sends its first graduating class out into a world that can use more young men and women steeped in the western classics, serious in their Catholic faith, and ready for just about anything. The school is in the midst of a capital campaign; resources invested in Wyoming Catholic are resources invested in the kind of higher learning from which both Church and society benefit.

George Weigel is a senior fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, D.C.

Years of friendship and charity earned the archbishop the right to be heard and, according to Father Malakot:

"Bob cried when the archbishop invited him to conversion and to give his heart to Christ. He decided to accept baptism."

Bob's baptism is marked by the heroic conviction with which he lived his life. For some Rastas, conversion to Christianity is tantamount to sacrificing the sacred cow. Yet this man who had become the international icon of Rastafarianism converted anyway, deeply upsetting many people, including some of his closest friends. Marley showed a willingness to renounce everything in his pursuit of God.

The late archbishop who baptized Bob several months before his death spoke of his deep faith in a 1984 newspaper interview with Jamaica's *Sunday Gleaner*:

"I remember once while I was conducting the Mass, I looked at Bob and tears were streaming down his face. ... When he toured Los Angeles and New York and England, he preached the Orthodox faith, and many members in those cities came to the church because of Bob. ... When he was baptized, he hugged his family and wept, they all wept together for about half an hour."

Judy Mowatt, one of Bob's background singers, recalled in an interview with "The 700 Club" that she got a call from Bob's wife as he was dying. "She said to me that Bob was in such excruciating pain and he stretched out his hand and said 'Jesus take me.'" That prayer was answered on May 11, 1981. He was only 36.

"Many Rastaman call him the prophet," Father Malakot said. "Even myself as the chief of the Church in Jamaica, I saw he was a prophet in his own right. His music was inspired by God. It was an expression of his belief that the Lord was with him. And he inspired so many people to enter the Church. Many are inspired by him, even now, to convert. Five months ago I baptized a Rasta priest with his big dreadlocks who came into the Church with his wife."

I've seen many T-shirts depicting Bob's smiling face with a pot leaf next to it. I'd like to create a T-shirt of Bob's face with a cross next to it instead.

Speaker and author Christopher Stefanick is director of Youth, Young Adult and Campus Ministry for the Denver Archdiocese.

MARLEY

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he said, "my own security, then I don't want it. My life is for people. That is the way I am."

Marley developed a friendship with Ethiopian Orthodox Archbishop Abuna Yesehaq who had been sent from Africa by the Emperor Haile Selassie I after he found out that many in Jamaica were worshipping him as God incarnate. (This belief is the center of Rastafarianism.)

Father Lloyd Malakot, currently the chief priest and administrator of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church in Jamaica, knew Archbishop Yesehaq well. He shared with me how the archbishop won Bob and many Rastas over through the witness of his love and respect for them. When police were arresting Rastas and shaving their dreads before releasing them, he went to the commissioner of police and stopped the persecution.

Archbishop Yesehaq became close friends with Bob who donated to his ministry, even giving him one of his houses in which the archbishop lived for years.

SCRIPTURE SEARCH

Gospel for May 22, 2011
John 14:1-12

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the Fifth Sunday of Easter, Cycle A: a part of Jesus' farewell discourse to his friends. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

HEARTS	BE TROUBLED	IN GOD
HOUSE	MANY	PREPARE
A PLACE	MYSELF	WHERE I AM
I AM GOING	THOMAS	KNOW THE WAY
TRUTH	NO ONE	FATHER
HAVE SEEN	PHILIP	SHOW US
BELIEVE	THE WORDS	DWELLS IN ME

A PLACE FOR YOU

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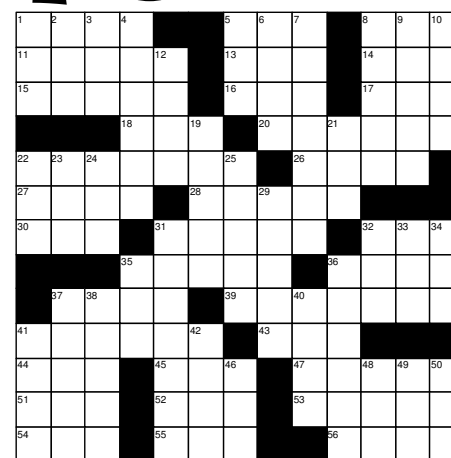
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Based on these Scripture Readings: Acts 6:1-7; 1 Pt. 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12 and Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pt. 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

ACROSS

- 1 Traveled by airplane
- 5 Reverential feeling
- 8 Expression of surprise
- 11 Spooky
- 13 Sun's name
- 14 Snatch
- 15 Most corrupt
- 16 Garden tool
- 17 Business title ending
- 18 Deserved
- 20 Chides
- 22 Borders
- 26 Binds
- 27 Carpe __

- 28 Type of peace prize
- 30 Manna appeared after this
- 31 Philip did for the sick
- 32 Bishop's territory
- 35 Peter was the __ apostle
- 36 Sins
- 37 Hawaiian Island
- 39 Lettuce type
- 41 A set of seven
- 43 Butane
- 44 " __ Father, who art"
- 45 Noah (alt. spelling)
- 47 Vatican City __
- 51 Pounds per square inch

- 52 Bath
- 53 Number of first deacons
- 54 Snake like fish
- 55 Tax agency
- 56 "A bruised __" Is. 42:3

DOWN

- 1 Many are called, __ chosen
- 2 Popular papal name
- 3 Make a mistake
- 4 key trait of a deacon
- 5 Lenten Wednesday
- 6 Courts
- 7 chosen for office
- 8 Senile
- 9 Apostles laid these on deacons
- 10 The alphabet
- 12 Decorative needle case
- 19 Boredom
- 21 Used to anoint
- 22 Count
- 23 Stamping tool
- 24 Hebrew
- 25 More angry
- 29 Confuse
- 31 Dry red wine from Tuscany
- 32 __ Lanka
- 33 Gray sea eagle
- 34 Vane direction
- 35 Prune
- 36 Resurrection feast
- 37 European river
- 38 Easter month
- 40 Sacred liturgy
- 41 Christ is our reason for
- 42 Sullen
- 46 electronic braking system
- 48 Hail Mary (Latin)
- 49 Golf holder
- 50 "Omega" means

Answer Key can be found on page 19

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

WHAT'S HAPPENING carries announcements about upcoming events in the diocese. Send in your announcement at least two weeks prior to the event. Mail to: Today's Catholic, P.O. Box 11169, Fort Wayne 46856; or e-mail: fhogan@fw.diocesefwsb.org. Events that require an admission charge or payment to participate will receive one free listing. For additional listings of that event, please call our advertising sales staff at (260) 456-2824 to purchase space.

Second annual People Fest

South Bend — Our Lady of Hungary Parish will celebrate ethnic cultures in the area with People Fest Saturday, June 4, at the 4-H fair grounds, 5117 S. Ironwood Rd., from noon to 11:30 p.m. Live music throughout the day and ethnic food will be offered. Also included will be a raffle, beer garden, and dancing. For presale tickets or information, call (574) 287-1700 or visit ourladyofhungary.org/peoplefest.

Knights plan spaghetti dinner

South Bend — The Knights of Columbus Council 5521, 61533 S. Ironwood Dr., will have a spaghetti dinner on Friday, May 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. Adults \$7, children (5-12) \$3. Carry-out available.

Breakfast is served

Fort Wayne — The St. Joseph-Hessen Cassel Knights of Columbus will have a pancake, egg and sausage breakfast Sunday, May 22, from 8 a.m. to noon in the hall. Proceeds will benefit the Women's Care Center. Free-will donations accepted.

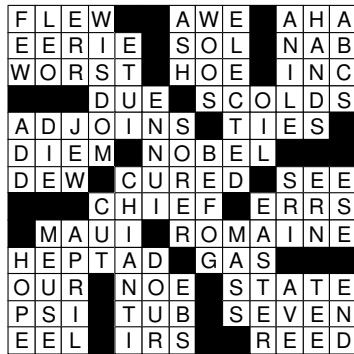
ARISE steering committee being formed

Ladies interested in learning more about the 2011 ARISE Women's Conference are invited to be part of a steering committee to meet Tuesday, May 24, at 7 p.m., at the Archbishop Noll Catholic Center in Fort Wayne. There will be food, prizes and a chance to volunteer. RSVP to Natalie Kohrman at (260) 399-1437 or nkohrman@diocesefwsb.org by Friday, May 20. All women are invited.

Father Paul Banet, 89, dies

Father Paul E. Banet, a Josephite priest, died April 30 at St Joseph Manor, Baltimore, Md. He was 89. Father Banet was interred May 9, at St. Charles Center of the Precious Blood community in Cartagena, Ohio, next to his brother, Father Charles Banet, CPPS. Father Banet, the oldest of seven children, was born in Fort Wayne June 30, 1921, to Henry and Marie Henry Banet. He attended St. Paul Catholic School in Fort Wayne. In 1949, Father Banet began studies with the Josephites and was ordained on June 4, 1955. Father Banet ministered throughout the U.S.

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REST IN PEACE

Decatur

Stuart A. Braun, 46, St. Mary/Assumption

Sister Margaret Rose Donnelly, SSND, 76, St. Mary/Assumption

Fort Wayne

Donald Vincent Charais, 88, St. Henry

Richard D. LeBanc, 77, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Donald H. Ceckowski, 72, St. Charles Borromeo

Gwendolyn E. Danker, 72, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Michael S. Recht, 57, St. Jude

Bernard J. Reuille 87, St. John the Baptist

Katherine L. Monagle, St. Charles Borromeo

Rita Cullen, 85, St. Patrick

Paul G. Geoffray, 79, St. Vincent de Paul

Agnes M. Smith, 85, St. Joseph Hessen-Cassel

Bronislawa Wojnarski, 103, St. Jude

Granger

Michael Wachowiak Jr., 37, St. Pius X

Robert Jerzak, 72, St. Pius X

Milo D. Mishler Jr., 91, St. Pius X

Mishawaka

Blaisé Laczai, 86, St. Bavo

Catherine J. Redman, 93, St. Monica

South Bend

Rita M. Rouhselang, 81, St. Matthew Cathedral

Theresa A. Cholewczyński, 77, St. Adalbert

Franks Z. Gerbasich, 90, Holy Family

Clem C. Szczypiorski, 79, Holy Family

Eva Stockberger, 90, St. Matthew Cathedral

Wabash

Helen A. Dorais, 88, St. Bernard

Warsaw

David J. Blake, 73, Sacred Heart

Waterloo

Robert Joseph Houser, 80, St. Michael

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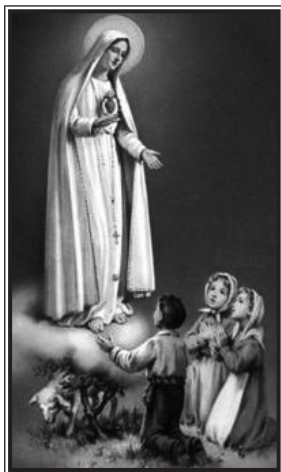
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Annual Fatima Breakfast



The local division of the World Apostolate of Fatima invites everyone to the Annual Breakfast on Saturday, June 4, 2011 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne. The morning begins with Confessions, Meditation and Holy Rosary at 8:00 am. Holy Mass begins at 9:00 am. Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades will be the celebrant and homilist. After Holy Mass, all are invited to St. Mary's Church on Lafayette Street for breakfast. Father David Mary Engo, FFM, of Our Lady of Angles Friary will be the guest speaker.

Pre-paid reservations are required by May 26.

Adult tickets: \$6.50 Tickets for those 10 and younger: \$4.00

In the words of Our Lady to Saint Dominic

"One day through the Rosary and the Scapular, I will save the World."

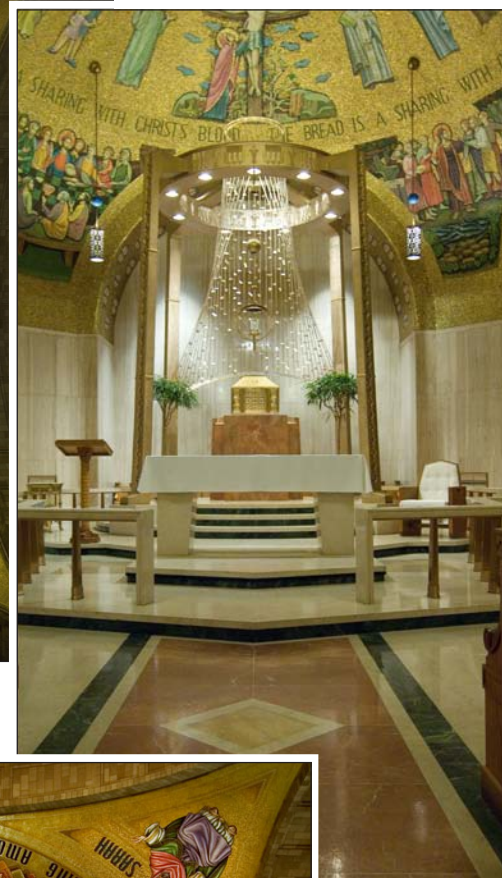
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Mail entries to:

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