TODAY’S CATHOLIC

Two ordained to the priesthood
Father Jason Freiburger and Father Robert Lengerich assigned to parishes they served as deacons

FORT WAYNE — “This is a great moment of joy and thanksgiving.” Bishop John M. D’Arcy said as he began the homily at the ordination of Jason E. Freiburger and Robert J. Lengerich to the holy priesthood at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Oct. 27.

The ordination followed years of preparation for Fathers Freiburger and Lengerich at St. John Seminary in Boston, Mass., and Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio, and weeks of prayers by the parishes they served as deacons, had served as seminarians or attended in their childhood. The overflow-cathedral only reiterated the support and prayers from the people who came to know these two men.

“This can be seen as it is a hunger for God, Jesus Christ, to remain close to us — to you and me, to everyone — not only on this day but forever through the ministry of the holy Eucharist,” Bishop D’Arcy said in his homily. “We will understand that there is only one priest and that is Jesus Christ, and we all share in that in baptism.”

He added, “The priesthood can never be anything to what he made it for us — all of us — like him. It is the offering of ourselves to God every day, and doing his will, with the help of his strength, which is received through the sacraments and the word of God in prayer.

“Without the ordained priest our priesthood that we

Diocesan musician ‘discovers a way’ to the National Catholic Youth Conference

NAPPANEE — David and Terri Smith of Nappanee have been making music together professionally since the mid 1990s. The multitalented couple sings, plays instruments, writes and produces songs. Recently their projects have been gaining more attention — winning awards and contests — including the contest for the theme song for the upcoming National Catholic Youth Conference later this week.

David submitted a song he co-wrote with Nick Cardelino titled, “Discover the Way.” The Smiths said there were approximately 25 entrants in the contest and Terri said, “We were hoping they’d pick it but we were surprised when we found out.”

The conference will be held in Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 8-11, and they expect there will be a huge audience of 20,000 or more youth.

The Smiths first started working together as a duo “Crossed Hearts” and after a while their work got noticed by GIA Publications (Gregorian Institute Association) who was starting a new company, Disciples Records.

“We were one of the first artists signed to Disciples Records about two years until they found, with a growing family, it was getting more difficult to travel and tour. Also at the time, the Smiths were getting a lot of inquiries about doing projects with other Catholic artists. In 2003, they slowly started to build the studio.

By DENISE FEDOROW

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Jubilee ordination will be the instrument of grace in diocese

Ordination to the priesthood: The jubilee class

I have often tried to collect and express my thoughts surrounding the privilege of ordaining a man to the priesthood. I always fail in being able to express the depth of conviction and emotion, which comes to me before and during the ordination itself.

It is said of the truths of the faith that all the expressions we have of them, the dogmatic formulations, for example, always fall short because, with our human minds and speech, we can never fully grasp the truths which are infinite.

It seems to me this relates to conferring holy orders. Then again, the nature of the ceremony, one of the most beautiful in the church, adds to the richness of it all. At any rate, here are a few thoughts the day after ordaining two noble and talented young men, who we hope will be the instruments of grace in this diocese for 50 years and more.

Cathedral

Ordination to the priesthood should always take place at the cathedral. Our cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, so beautifully restored these past eight years, has hosted many ordinations and is a worthy place for such beauty. The cathedral is best when it is full. Our ordinations take place in October. This is to help the candidate experience the diaconate, and it gives him time, after completing his academic studies, to prepare his heart through prayer and his diaconal service.

There is another value.

Hundreds came from St. Vincent de Paul, Fort Wayne, and St. Pius X, Granger, the two parishes where our two deacons, Jason Freiburger and Bob Lengrich, have been serving.

A moment of faith

The packed church was standing room only. So many families and children, and even very young children. To walk in behind 68 priests and feel the whole cathedral rise in song. The ceremony itself. The two young men prostrate on the hard marble floor of the cathedral. “Evocative” Pope John Paul called this gesture. To offer the sacrifice of the Mass and preach the word of God calls the candidate to a complete surrender by this gesture. The litany of the saints reminding us of the communion we have with those in heaven. The imposition of hands, which goes back to the apostles.

The quiet in the cathedral as the priests in turn lay hands on those who will be joining them in the worthy and noble effort. The sacrifice which is called for so perfectly edged in love during the words of instruction: Understand what you are doing, imitate what you handle, and model your life on the Lord’s cross.

In the instruction, we also hear the source of joy for the priest and for every one of us:

Therefore, carry out the ministry of Christ, the priest, with constant joy and genuine love, attending not to your own concerns but to those of Jesus Christ.

The hymn to the Holy Spirit, “Veni Creator Spiritus,” rising from the congregation. The invoking of the Holy Spirit. And most of all, the realization that with God’s help and the prayers of everyone, these two young men will be for decades, until they are old, offering the Eucharist, preaching the word of God, and faithfully carrying on the mission given to the apostles. The biographer of Pope John Paul II said he made of the priesthood once again “a great adventure.” May it be so for these two new priests.

To be the instrument of all this, demands from the bishop much prayer; for there is much to ponder, not the least of which is his own unworthiness. Indeed the Church, the priest, with constant joy and genuine love, attending not to your own concerns but to those of Jesus Christ.

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception — the story of the Pharisee and the publican — is good spiritual nourishment for the bishop as well.

Medical moral issues

It is incumbent on the church and especially on the bishop to bring the light of faith to the medical community. We know how the church’s position on the dignity of every person is challenged today, especially at the beginning and end of life. So in comunon with the St. Joseph Community Health Foundation, we sponsored Father Tad Pacholezyk, who gave three presentations over two days.

The first on Sunday night following the 5 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception was a presentation to the medical community of Allen County. There were about 120 people there including many physicians along with nurses, social workers, those in the hospice ministry and others.

Father Tad has extensive background as a theologian and also in neuroscience. With an excellent Powerpoint presentation and relying heavily on church teaching, he brought us through the difficult questions that arise in regards to palliative care; that is giving comfort to the dying, easing their pain and the important distinction between proportionate and disproportionate care.

The presentation was enlightening. The serious questions from the physicians and others were instructive. As always, I was much impressed by the medical community, by those involved intensely in hospice care, and by all who were present.

I am grateful to Fred Everett of our Pro-life and Family Life Office for his work in preparing this day. This day Fred and Father Tad drove to South Bend to make a presentation at St. Joseph Medical Center and returned to Fort Wayne for an evening presentation open to the general public.

More for our young people

On Saturday, Nov. 3, we will have an all day youth rally for junior high students, especially those preparing for the sacrament of confirmation. It will be held at Manchester College. I will be there at 1 p.m. to help with confessions and will celebrate the Mass at 4 p.m. I will be back soon on our regular confirmation schedule, visiting many of our parishes beginning in January. I hope to get a bishop or two to help.

How sweet it is

Seven straight victories after being down three games to one to the powerful Cleveland Indians. Now I can begin to get to bed at a reasonable hour. I am not sure which was more intense, watching the games or getting a call from my sister, Sister Anne D’Arcy, every two or three innings. She always called when things looked bad.

Especially heartwarming was the play of two young rookies and our noble third baseman. So, after 176 games, the Red Sox are the world champions. They played the best ball of the season in October. How sweet it is. Next week a concluding word from Professor Giamatti, the poet of baseball. See you all next week.
FORT WAYNE — The joy of the families and friends of the two new priests, Father Freiburger and Father Robert Lengerich, was apparent as the pews overflowed with possibly the largest congregation for a Confirmation events at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception during Bishop John M. D’Arcy’s years as bishop.

Paternal grandparents of Father Freiburger, Robert and Helen Freiburger of Yoder, sat in the first pew with Father Freiburger’s parents, Margaret and Eugene, as they waited for the ceremony to begin.

Grandfather Robert said, “It is a grand occasion and a once-in-a-lifetime event. Jason is a fine man, and we are so happy to have a grandson as a priest. Jason’s great-great uncle was a priest and another relative was a religious sister with the Sisters of Providence in Terre Haute.”

Father Freiburger’s mother, Margaret, said, “It’s a life’s dream come true. I have five sons, and I told the good Lord that if he wanted one or more of my sons to be priests, that would be fine.”

Father Lengerich’s aunt, Ruth Winters of Fort Wayne, said, “How can I keep from singing?” as the choir sang beautifully in the background. “Awesome. Wonderful. This is something that has been happening and praying for a long time.”

Father Lengerich has endeared himself to young people and adults wherever he has been assigned. As a result, priests and adult laity both have come to know him.

“Thank you all so very much,” said Father Freiburger, “for all of your prayers and support for Father Lengerich and myself.”

At the conclusion of the Mass, Bishop D’Arcy said, “May God give us many more priests, religious, husband and wives who see life as a gift. This is what brings vocations. When everybody — married, single, priest or religious — when everybody sees life as doing his will and doing it joyfully, it is the vocation of all of us. And this will eventually solve the crisis in vocations to holiness. When everybody sees life as a call from God, everybody will become priests and religious.”

The Freiburger family, Eugene, Margaret, Helen and Robert, are shown at the ordination of Father Jason Freiburger, their son and grandson.

Lengerich to be a blessing to many while he was at the Decatur parish.

“He never wastes a moment. He’s really a gift and a very humble man also.”

Perhaps this is due to his great devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and his devotion to people.

David Provoost from St. Pius Parish would concur. “Father Bob was on my CHRP (Christ Renews His Parish) weekend making it incredibly special to celebrate with him today. Father Bob has so genuine and full of joy. It is good for me to know him.”

Nathan Smith, a youth minister at Most Precious Blood Church, recalled Father Lengerich most fondly as being a part of his wedding.

“He did the holy and a blessing before we got married,” said Smith. “Being there when he got ordained was just amazing.” Smith also regarded Father Lengerich as hardworking and able to creatively engage himself in numerous projects at once.

Nathan Conroy, a teacher at Bishop Dwenger High School and a cousin of Father Freiburger, reflected on the experience of seeing someone he grew up with being ordained.

“Remember when we were kids, playing soccer and sports and swimming in the pool, family get-togethers and getting in trouble with his brothers and sisters,” Conroy thought it was neat to see him become a priest.

What is an indulgence?

An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed can obtain under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the santidad of Christ and the saints.

An indulgence is partial or plenary according as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin. The faithful can gain indulgences for themselves or apply them to the dead.

— Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1471

Through a special act of the church, a plenary indulgence may be gained for oneself or for our deceased during the present Jubilee Year of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend beginning on Nov. 1, 2007, the feast of All Saints up to and including the feast of the Epiphany, Jan. 6, 2008. This gift of God’s mercy may be sought at any parish church of the diocese where people go. This applies also to the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on the campus of Notre Dame, the Church of Loretto on the campus of Saint Mary’s College, the church at Holy Cross College staffed by the brothers, the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima on the campus of Notre Dame, and also to the churches and chapels of the congregations whose major superiors are located in the diocese; namely, Victory Noll in Huntington, the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Mishawaka, and the Poor Handmaids Sisters in Donalson.

A person who visits these sites for prayer, whether alone or in a group may receive the indulgence under the usual conditions: reception of the sacraments of penance and participation in Communion and prayer for the Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI.

For a fuller understanding of indulgences, see the Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraph 1471 through 1479. See also the catechesis contained in the jubilee booklet for the Eucharistic Congress.
I've been shopping at o.s.m.t.r.

God, Pope Benedict XVI said at his Oct. 28 Angelus.

that even an ordinary life can be holy if it is lived fully for religious, Blessed Celine Borzecka reminds today's faithful

ing her beatification Mass at the Basilica of St. John

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A cloth is lowered from a portrait of Blessed Celine

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TO CLOTH LOWERED FROM PORTRAIT OF BLESSED CELINE BORZECKA
**Today's Catholic**

**DECATUR — Two members of Christian acoustic rock band Popple, Kyle Heimann, 27, and Dan Harms, 23, will be the featured band at the Nov. 3 confirmation rally sponsored by the Office of Catechesis and the Office of Youth Ministry and Spiritual Formation.**

Harms spoke with Today's Catholic about the group's musical influences, inspiration and upcoming concert in this exclusive interview.

**Today's Catholic:** How did you become interested in youth ministry and outreach?

**Harms:** Kyle got involved with youth ministry in college and by his senior year he was a part-time youth minister and upon graduating was a full-time youth minister (which he did for two years). I got involved in my youth group during high school. I got really into the youth group and my faith after attending a Steubenville Youth Conference in 2000. From there, I got involved in the youth ministry at Mass and fell in love with being Catholic. Once I got to college I had a pretty strong desire to work with high school kids and to be involved in youth ministry.

**Today's Catholic:** Please explain the origins of your band name.

**Harms:** Our pastor at Purdue used to take a group of students camping each year on an island in the middle of Lake Michigan. One of the campsites on this island was called “Popple.” To make a long story short, we had an awful experience at Popple with leeches and poison ivy. When we got back from the camping trip the name Popple kept coming up and eventually it stuck with us.

**Today’s Catholic:** Who are your musical influences?

**Harms:** Kyle and I have pretty diverse musical influences. Kyle is really into rock and he has a much wider foundation of Christian music influences. He likes bands like Relient K, Weezer, Weird Al and Blues Traveler. It’s important to note that he has a soft side as well—he loves Enya.

My musical influences are primarily from my own family, I grew up listening to my older brother and my father play guitar and perform. Most of the music I love comes from my parent’s record collection. My favorites are Taylor, Paul Simon, Warren Zevon and Neil Young. But my common day influences include Jason Mraz, Randall Goodgame, Sarah and Nicole Creek. I love that folkie acoustic guitar singer-songwriter niche.

**Today’s Catholic:** What is your favorite Dan Harms song?

**Harms:** That’s a tough question. I think “Calm Again” is my favorite spiritually. The song that talks about the Eucharist and examines about how, as we go through life, the road that we’re following to get to heaven may change; we may not be following the path that we had expected to be on.

I feel also like “Calm Again” is one of my best prayers. When we perform that song it hardly feels as if we’re performing at all, when we play that song we’re just praying. Another one that is definitively “Contra,” which blends humor and faith together really well. When we play the song it is about a cheat code for a video game, the message of the song is about how really it’s good that life isn’t a video game and how heaven is such an amazing thing to look forward to that we wouldn’t want to lose forever, even if we could.

**Today’s Catholic:** What is the inspiration behind your music and lyrics in particular?

**Harms:** We try and make music that is fun, fun to play and fun for all audiences to listen to. We try as often as possible to put some kind of message in our music. Sometimes the messages are about God and faith. Sometimes the messages are about our favorite foods (peanut butter and jelly) or some other topic that we think is funny. More and more we’ve been working to write songs that tell a complete story. There were a few songs on our “Pulled in Both Directions” album that did that and there are a few more on our upcoming release, “Plaid,” that bring the audience along for a narrative journey.

**Today’s Catholic:** What do you enjoy most about what you do?

**Harms:** The thing that we enjoy most about what we do is that we are doing what we love. One of the best bits of advice I’ve ever heard is about success: “to succeed in life, do what you love.” I feel like that is exactly what we’re doing. The two things that we each are very passionate about are our faith and music. To be able to do both of those things and share our passion with youth in the process is absolutely one of the most amazing gifts God could give us.

**Today’s Catholic:** How does your faith impact your music?

**Harms:** Faith plays a tremendous role in our music. Everything we do is in some way impacted by our faith. Faith is what sustains us, we would not be able to travel this much and be away from our friends and family for so long if the Catholic Church weren’t as universal and catholic as it is. Even our silliest songs have some (perhaps deeply buried) element of our faith within them. Everything that we’ve accomplished and dared to do has been a result of faith and the church. We love what we do; we love to laugh, we love music, we love our faith and we love the church.

**Today’s Catholic:** What would you tell other young people who want to pursue a music career?

**Harms:** I would encourage people to go where they are called and remember that not every musician is called to a career in music. Make sure that music is what you love doing, because in order to succeed at music you have to commit tremendous amounts of time, energy, effort and resources to it. Keep God involved. He will help you immeasurably. No one “makes it” without a huge amount of sacrifice — regardless of what celebrity myths tell you. Go to school, get a degree and eat your Wheaties, then go after music with all your might.

**Today’s Catholic:** What’s next for Popple? Tour? Upcoming record?

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Orthodox, Catholics recognize pope’s primacy, disagree on authority

ROME (CNS) — Orthodox and Roman Catholics recognize that the bishop of Rome has primacy among all the world’s bishops, although they disagree on the extent to which his leadership translates into a concrete exercise of authority. “The question of the role of the bishop of Rome in the communion of all the churches” must be studied in greater depth, said members of the official Roman Catholic-Orthodox theological dialogue. The dialogue began in early October in Ravenna, Italy, and completed work on the document “Ecclesiological and Canonical Consequences of the Sacramental Nature of the Church: Ecclesial Communion, Conciliarity and Authority.” While the Catholic and Orthodox participants agreed to publish the document Nov. 15 after it had been reviewed by each of the churches, the Web site of the Russian Orthodox representative to European institutions published the document Oct. 21. Russian Orthodox Bishop Hilary of Vienna and Austria, head of the Latin rite in Europe, said the document went to Ravenna for the dialogue meeting, but walked out before the working sessions began.

The Russian Orthodox Church objected to the presence of a delegation of Western Roman Orthodox Church, which it does not recognize as independent.

Efforts made to reach out to wildfire refugees; one church is lost

SAN DIEGO (CNS) — As the fierce Santa Ana winds abated, giving firefighters a chance to make headway on wildfires that have scorched more than 500,000 acres in Southern California, Catholic groups and others like they likewise took the opportunity to make headway in helping those fleeing the flames. Catholic Charities agencies in four California dioceses have been helping evacuees find shelter and comfort. Despite the scope of the blazes, which destroyed 2,767 structures — including more than 2,000 homes — and caused the evacuation of hundreds of thousands of Southern California residents, there was relatively little personal injury. Three fire-related deaths had been confirmed through Oct. 26, with 21 injuries attributed to the wildfires. Smoke-choked air and power outages continued to hamper those living through the ordeal. An Associated Press story said four charred bodies were discovered by Border Patrol agents at a migrant camp east of San Diego near the Mexican border, but officials had not yet determined if they died in one of the fires. By Oct. 23, more than 900,000 people had been evacuated from fire-scorched areas. Days later news reports said many evacuees were being allowed to return home, and some were returning to what had become of their homes. Property damage in San Diego County alone reportedly has surpassed $1 billion. St. Bartholomew Church, a mission church on the Rincon Reservation, and several homes on the reservation were destroyed in one of the fires, according to Bo Mazzetti, a counselor for the Luiseno tribe on the reservation.

Traditional Anglicans ask for full communion with Catholics

DUBLIN, Ireland (CNS) — Parishioners from three Church of Ireland parishes have joined traditional Anglicans from 12 other countries in requesting that the Catholic Church receive them into full communion. If approved by the Vatican, the move would allow 400,000 traditional Anglicans worldwide to be admitted into the Catholic Church. The decision to petition for the move “seeking full, corporate, sacramental union” was made during an early October plenary meeting of the Traditional Anglican Communion, the umbrella organization for traditional Anglicans, in Portsmouth, England. The move, requested in a letter to the Vatican, would see the entire parish communities received into the Catholic Church. It is extremely rare for entire Anglican communities to seek corporate communion with the Catholic Church whereby every member of the parish becomes Catholic and the parish effectively becomes part of the Catholic Church. At the Vatican, officials would not comment on the letter, although they confirmed the doctrinal congregation had received it.

French priest criticizes church attitude toward Marian apparitions

PARIS (CNS) — A French Maronite expert has criticized the Vatican and church leaders for their dismissive attitude to Marian apparitions and urged greater sympathy for Catholic visionaries. “Apparitions are not a subject given much credit at present — they are seen very badly in the church,” said Father Rene Laurentin, an expert on Marian apparitions. “When the apparitions are historic ones, it’s magnificent and the Virgin can be honored in her sanctuaries. But when she appears now, this appears very dangerous, and one can’t touch it.” In an October interview with L’Media, a French-language news agency, the 90-year-old theologian said alleged Marian visions provoked “all kinds of reaction in the church,” but were generally viewed negatively by church authorities. He cited an example of a Marian manifestation that began in 1981 in Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina. “The situation in Medjugorje is very confused because there are claims all over every day, but the bishop is against it. And when Rome protects and covers the bishop, it’s partly in favor of the apparitions,” he said.

Women religious form global network to combat human trafficking

ROME (CNS) — Women religious from around the world have formed a global network aimed at combatting human trafficking. More than 30 nuns from 26 nations launched the initiative called the “International Network of Religious Against Trafficking in Persons” during a conference on human trafficking Oct. 15-19 in Rome. The conference and training seminar were funded by the U.S. Department of State. The events were organized by the U.S. Embassy to the Vatican and the Italian Union of Major Superiors, which, together with the International Organization for Migration, designed the training program that helps foreign women flee forced prostitution. Once upon a time, the notion of human trafficking was a kind of global family secret,” said Msgr. Pietro Parolin, Vatican undersecretary of state. But now, he said, thanks to public awareness campaigns, more people know about this $12 billion business, which in 2005 was built on the foundation of at least 12 million people.

Cardinal beatifies Austrian killed for refusing to fight for Hitler

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — A Vatican cardinal beatified Franz Cardinal Saraiva Martins, head of the Vatican’s Congregation for Saints’ Causes, said in his beatification homily that Blessed Jagerstatter “a shining example in dark times.” In 1943, however, his refusal to serve in the Nazi army connected with his priest, his bishop or most of his Catholic friends. Particularly because he had a wife and three daughters, many advised him to think of his family and put aside his conscientious objection to the Nazi war machine. Prosecutor over the beatification Mass in Linz, Austria, Oct. 26, Cardinal Jose Saraiva Martins said Blessed Jagerstatter offered an example of how to live the Christian faith fully and radically, even when there are extreme consequences. “Jagerstatter was beatiﬁed as a martyr, which means he was killed out of hatred for the faith,” Cardinal Saraiva Martins said. Many Austrian officials attended the beatification liturgy, and the Austrian bishops’ conference president said Blessed Jagerstatter’s decision represents a “challenge and an encouragement” for all Christians.

Belgian cardinal reflects on understanding, experiencing the liturgy

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Understanding the liturgy begins with experiencing and living it, said a Belgian cardinal. “Understanding the liturgy is far more than a cogita- tion in itself; to live, to be immer- sing in,” said Cardinal Godfried Danneels of Mechelen-Brussels, Belgium, in a talk on liturgical renewal Oct. 25 at the Catholic University of America. “The uniqueness of the liturgy is that it is a place of prayer; it is a place of encounter. ... First experience, first live the liturgy, then reflect and explain it.”

In his 1987 talk “The young theologian and liturgical expert in the 1960s was involved in drafting the Second Vatican Council’s Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy. He said those who did not experience the liturgy before the council must have been imagining how much it has changed in less than half a century, since today “the new liturgical model is evident practically everywhere.”
FORT WAYNE — Church historian Joseph White, author of a recently published book “Worthy of the Gospel of Christ,” describing the 150-year history of the Fort Wayne-South Bend Catholic Diocese, will be the speaker for the George R. Mather Lecture Series on Sunday, Nov. 4, 2 p.m. at The History Center, 217 E. Fifth St.

In a presentation entitled “Fort Wayne: a Catholic Community and a Diocese—a Diocesan Perspective,” Dr. White will describe the extent to which Catholics in this area, as elsewhere in the country, developed institutions — religious, educational and social — in a culture where they were a vitalized minority. “One of the most influential figures trying to defend and explain Catholics in a hostile culture — Bishop John F. Noll — is a major figure in local Catholic history” says White.

In writing his book, Dr. White faced a severe challenge because so little of the history had been collected. “I was dismayed that solidly researched and scholarly parish histories have not been written that reveal the life of a parish community in its religious and social contexts. That makes Dr. White’s contribution all the more valuable, at last bringing together this vast history that is a discursive and sometimes controversial story. “It surprised me that the diocese’s Bishops, Abbot (1900-1924) and Noll (1925-1956) were not more sympathetic to the cause of organized labor in the early 20th century. Their concern about radicalism and communism in the labor movement outweighed an interest in securing social justice for the large number of industrial workers in their diocese.”

During Dr. White’s lecture, the History Center will also present an exhibit of more than 20 color photographs capturing the extraordinary religious art inside Allen Mather. “That makes Dr. White’s contributions all the more valuable, at last bringing together this vast history that is a discursive and sometimes controversial story.”

St. Vincent de Paul Society welcomes services director

SOUTH BEND — Charlie Thompson, 33, is the new director of community services for the St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Joseph County.

In that position, he will serve as liaison between the agency and the Catholic parishes in the county. Vincentians in each parish serve the poor by delivering food, clothing, and vouchers for much needed household items.

Thompson’s duties will involve nurturing existing Vincentian groups or starting new ones within parishes.

Thompson is new to the community, having moved over the summer from Portland, Ore. where he worked for Inside Track, an organization that motivates college students.

While living in Portland, he volunteered with the Brother Andre Cafe, a Catholic ministry. It was there he became more familiar with the needs of the poor and homeless.

He also has a theater background. He worked three years as director of theater for Neosho County Community College in Chanute, Kan., directing plays, teaching courses, serving on committees and developing theater audiences.

Thompson says he was attracted to the society’s work in St. Joseph County because he wanted “some sort of connection with the church and social justice” to begin a new phase in his life, looking for opportunities to serve and give back to a community.

“I am the oldest of seven children,” he says. “My dad worked, but there were some lean years, so we sometimes had to rely on services in the community.”

When he first came to South Bend, he volunteered at the society by working in data entry.

Thompson is a native of Lake City, Minn. He holds a bachelor’s degree in theater from College of the Ozarks, Mo., and a master’s degree, also in theater, from Missouri State University, Springfield, Mo.

He is married to Kim Thompson, who is earning a master’s degree in theater from College of the Ozarks, Mo., and a master’s degree in theater from College of the Ozarks, Mo.

Father Angelus Shaughnessy to present New Haven mission

NEW HAVEN — St. John the Baptist Parish in New Haven will host a parish mission Nov. 4-7 with presentations at 7 p.m. and senior presentations Nov. 5-7 at 10 a.m. Father Angelus M. Shaughnessy, a priest from the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, and the minister general to the Franciscan Secular order, the Eternal Word, will be the presenter.

Father Angelus grew up in Rochester, Pa., the fourth of nine children. A talented and capable athlete in his youth, Father Angelus turned down an offer to play professional baseball as a left-handed pitcher for the Cleveland Indians to enter the Capuchin Novitate in Cumberland, Md. On July 14, 1953, Father Angelus solemnly professed his perpetual vows as a Capuchin Friar.

His resume includes the following: director of the Secular Franciscan Order, commission provincial and an assistant to the retreatmaster at St. Francis Retreat House in Pittsburgh.

He volunteered to work as a missionary in Papua New Guinea. For three years, Father Angelus did pastoral work in the Mendi Diocese of the Southern Highlands. As a major part of his parochial ministry, Father Angelus and his parishioners built 11 permanent churches and three bush churches. Father Angelus baptized 1,227 men, women and children while ministering in Papua, New Guinea.

Returning to the U.S. in 1980, he worked a rigorous schedule of parish missions and renewals, retreats, days of recollections and helped at parishes.

Since July of 2001, Father Angelus has been stationed at Birmingham, Ala., as the minister general to the Franciscan Missionaries of the Eternal Word. Father delights in characterizing his present ministry as “the good life — a taste of the hundredfold here on earth.”

St. John the Baptist Church is located at 943 Powers St., in New Haven. A reception will follow the Nov. 4 presentation.

University of Saint Francis hosts health careers day

FORT WAYNE — The University of Saint Francis will host Health Careers Visits Day on Saturday, Nov. 10, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Doermer Center for Health Sciences on the corner of Spring Street and Leesburg Road.

Prospective graduate and undergraduate students will have the chance to learn about the many career opportunities in healthcare being offered by the University of Saint Francis, including nursing, radiologic technology, physician assistant and healthcare administration.

In addition, attendees can speak with current students, tour patient care laboratories and bring college transcripts for transfer credit evaluation.

To register for Health Careers Visit Day or find out more about Health Careers and how to apply, call the office of admissions at (260) 434-3279 or (800) 729-4732.

Bishop Dwenger to host open house, merit exam

FORT WAYNE — Bishop Dwenger will be hosting an open house on Wednesday, Nov. 14, from 7-9:45 p.m. for all interested students in grades 5-8 and their parents.

Additionally, the high school will also be hosting Saints Day on Friday, Nov. 30. Current eighth graders are invited to experience Bishop Dwenger High School as a student by walking through the halls and attending classes. Registration is due at 7:45 a.m. Please call Joanne Scully for more information at (260) 496-4703.

Registration is open for the James E. Robinson Merit Exam at Bishop Dwenger High School. This is an opportunity to earn one of 10 $500 scholarships for the 2007-08 school year. The exam, which is open to any eighth-grade student, begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1. Openers do not arrive until 8:30 a.m. and the exam will begin at 9 a.m. A fee of $5 is due for those who pre-register. The registration deadline is Nov. 21. A limited number of registrations will be available, so those who wish to register should do so as early as possible.

For more information call Melissa Wiehe at (260) 496-4701.
St. Dominic parishioners lose home in Nappanee tornado

BY MICHELLE DONAGHEY

NAPPANEE — It was a matter of maybe two minutes, estimated Ina Martz, a St. Dominic, Bremen, parishioner from Nappanee from the time the sirens outside her house blared a tornado warning Oct. 18 to the time she crouched between her bathroom toilet and bathtub.

“I kept saying over and over again, ‘Please God, protect me,’” said Ina. She feels blessed that she made it through the tornado without a scratch.

The Martz’s house, however, didn’t fare as well. The home built in the 1980s was severely damaged by the tornado. “We’re hoping that they’ll decide to demolish it,” said Ina who was alone the night of the tornado while her husband Bill was away on business.

Ina said that she didn’t feel terribly scared after it was all over, but wondered how she would reach her shoes, which she needed to leave the house being the night the tornado passed through Nappanee while he was away on business in Pittsburgh, Pa.

“I didn’t listen to the messages until 6:30 the next morning,” said Bill. The two messages were from neighbors who took Ina into their home and asked Bill to call right away.

Bill drove back from Pittsburgh, preferring not to wait on a flight. His boss told him to take off as much time as he needed to make sure he did what was necessary to take care of his family.

When he reached Nappanee, Bill could hardly believe his eyes. “There were houses everywhere that were totally gone,” said Bill who also feels blessed that they were both alive and well.

Bill Martz didn’t usually get voice mail messages in the evening, so he charged his phone and checked messages at 9 p.m. “To this day, I don’t know how I got my shoes through all of the glass,” said Ina.

Bill Martz didn’t usually get

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BILL MARTZ

their home and belongings were not totally gone. Part of the Martz’s roof was gone and the garage blown off of its foundation. And the Martz’s privacy fence was blown into their home.

“Everything in the house pretty much stayed put,” he said. He added that while the contents were left in place, many of them were ruined by water and wind as half the roof was lost.

The first few days were extremely difficult during clean up as the roads were blocked by debris and trees just north of their home on South Jackson Street, which is on the south side of Nappanee.

“It took us over a half hour just to get to town and back,” said Bill. He had sent one of their older sons who no longer lives at home to get Ina’s car washed at a local car wash and wondered why he was gone so long.

“I called his cell phone and asked him if he went to South Bend to wash it,” he said. Bill added that half of the house was left untouched. The garage provided protection for his wife’s car and his new 2007 Harley Davidson even though it was moved off of its foundation.

On a Sunday town cleanup day where neighboring communities were asked to come and help, over 20 volunteers showed up at the Martz household, all cleaning up their backyard in record time.

“We didn’t know any of these people, and here they were, helping us clean up,” said Bill.

Since then, the Martz’s have also had help moving any salvagable items into storage.

The couple is now living temporarily at Amish Acres Inn in Nappanee and trying to put their lives back in place.

“I told Ina she should go and put a normal eight hours in,” Bill said urging his wife to start back to work immediately. The first week, Ina took off for a few days and half days but is now back to work.

Bill says he is working his engineering job half-days in order to get all of the necessary paperwork and meetings completed with insurance agents and contractors so they can decide what they will do next.

“We are so thankful for all the calls, prayers and concern,” said Bill.

Open House

November 4th

1–3 p.m.

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The excellence continues...
St. Patrick’s Church hosts first tri-culture festival

BY JENNIFER MURRAY

FORT WAYNE — Games for children, bingo and raffles for adults, music in the background and loads of food for everyone — typical parish festival. On Saturday, Oct. 20, St. Patrick’s Church in Fort Wayne joined together for a fall festival, and at first glance it did not seem too different from other parishes’ gatherings. What set this festival apart was not so much the activities offered but the purpose behind its organization.

St. Patrick’s is home to three different cultures: Anglo, Hispanic and Vietnamese. However, as is often the case, the three groups have remained separate from one another. Although they share the same faith, it takes time and effort for the cultures to come together.

This festival was the first major effort of the people of St. Patrick’s to bring each group together for a common goal. Father Chau Pham, pastor of St. Patrick’s, said “Our parish wanted to do something to bring the people together. We hope that people come out, enjoy and see how we are.”

The committee that worked so hard to organize the event had members of each culture to ensure that it really was a unified effort. They only began planning the festival 10 weeks earlier, so it required a lot of dedication from the committee members to pull it off so quickly. They were very pleased with their efforts and especially with the way the larger parish community helped out.

When asked if the parish showed support, committee member Elizabeth Berger answered with a resounding “yes.” She pointed to the many desserts on the table, explaining that the desserts, and most everything else in the festival, were donated by the parishioners.

“One unique aspect of the festival was the food. Each culture was represented, giving parishioners and other visitors the opportunity to sample new foods and gain an appreciation for each other in the process. It is when the people share a part of their cultures that they can become more comfortable with each other and recognize the strengths of the others. Only then is unity possible.” Irene Acenas said, “Since we have three communities, we decided to have (the festival) together, so we could have unity. Otherwise we are isolated. We can learn about our cultures.”

It is this isolation that the committee members want to overcome. This festival was their first major attempt to break through the barriers but it will not be their last. They are hoping that this is the first step towards a new future for St. Patrick’s as a unified faith community that works together for common goals from festivals to spiritual programs while towards common goals from festivals to spiritual programs while maintaining a sense of their wonderful diversity of peoples.

Parish Mission

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
943 Powers St., New Haven 46774
November 4,5,6,7 Presentations at 7 pm
Senior Presentations at 9 am, November 5,6,7
RECEPTION FOLLOWING NOVEMBER 4 PRESENTATION

FATHER ANGELUS M. SHAUGHNESSY
Order of Friars Minor Capuchin

Father Angelus has devoted his life to delivering God’s message of joy, hope and a promise of everlasting life. A message and teaching the fundamentals of Christianity through his missionary work in Papua, New Guinea and throughout the United States. Matthew Edmund Shaughnessy, fourth son and ninth child of John and Anna Shaughnessy, was born on November 16, 1929 in Rochester, Pa. He was baptized on November 24, 1929 at St. Cecilia’s Church in Rochester. For eight years he attended school there under the guidance of the Sisters of Divine Providence and graduated in 1943. Upon graduation, he entered St. Fidelis College and Seminary in Herman, Pa. which was staffed by the Capuchin-Franciscan Friars of the St. Augustine Province where he earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Liberal Arts. A talented and capable athlete in his youth, Father Angelus turned down an offer to play professional baseball as a left-handed pitcher for the Cleveland Indians to enter the Capuchin Niviniate in Cumberland, Maryland. On July 14, 1953, Father solemnly professed his perpetual vows as a Capuchin Friar. Father’s theological studies took him to Capuchin college in Washington, DC for four years where he received a Master’s Degree in Religious Education. On June 4, 1955, Father Angelus was ordained to the priesthood at the hands of Bishop John McNamara in the crypt of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. From 1956 until 1966, Father Angelus served as the Director of Secular Franciscan Order (S.F.O.) at St. Augustine Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. During that same period, he was Commissary Provincial for the St. Augustine Province. He also assisted Rev. Urban Adelman, O.F.M. Cap., who was the retreat master at St. Francis Retreat House in Pittsburgh. In October of 1966, Father Angelus volunteered to work as a missionary in Papua New Guinea (P.N.G.) where he was spiritual director and teacher in the Pontifical Seminary of Madang for eleven years. For three years, Father Angelus did pastoral work in the Mendi Diocese of the Southern Highlands. As a major part of his parishial ministry, Father and his parishioners built eleven permanent churches and three bush churches. While ministering to the needs of the people of P.N.G., Father was privileged to baptize 1,227 men, women, and children. It was there also that Father’s fondness for swimming led to his mastery of walking in deepwater for any distance - an unmatched record that was submitted to the Guinness Book of Records in London. Results of his physical examination revealed that his cardiogram was unsatisfactory and in the summer of 1980, Father was reassigned to western Pennsylvania. Under the auspices of St. Fidelis Retreat Center, he continued the work he had been doing for nine years out of St. Mary’s Friary, Export, PA and four years with St. Paulinus Church in Clairton, PA. Since July 1, 2001, Father Angelus has been stationed at Birmingham, Alabama as the Minister General to the Franciscan Missionaries of the Eternal Word. After circling the globe four times and traveling thousands of miles over barely navigable terrain, Father delights in characterizing this present ministry as “the good life - a taste of the hundredfold here on earth.”
Scouts’ Haunted Castle to come down for parish expansion

Plans for a new castle to open next fall

BY LAUREN CAGGIANO

FORT WAYNE — It’s the end of an era. The building many know as St. Vincent Scout’s Haunted Castle will close its doors after the season’s end.

Contrary to many rumors circulating, however, the reason for its close is quite simple. Mike Thomas, spokesperson for Troop 2 Boy Scouts, wants to clear up any possible misunderstandings resulting from the castle’s closing.

“The building is coming down,” he said. “The plan is to build a multi-purpose building on the land north of the (Scout) lodge.”

Thomas explained that due to substantial growth, St. Vincent’s had been stressing the need for more land for years; it was just a matter of time before it came to fruition.

“We’ve known for years (the church) wanted to remove the building,” he said. “Now is a time of a matter of a need for space. The church sees ways for better use.”

“Over the course of the years, the castle has acquired eight to 10 acres of land and donated it to the church,” Thomas said. The Scout lodge is often used for church-related activities. In fact Thomas views the Scout lodge as an “extension of the (church) campus.”

The St. Vincent’s Scouts initially built the former church in 1980 and have since continued the tradition.

“She officially ‘retired’ in 1998 but continues to be involved in the life of the college as a volunteer. Sister Basil Anthony is well loved and is truly an icon of the college. The citation proclaimed in 1994 when she received the President’s Medal, “She is sought out for her knowledge, her sincerity and exemplary faith, her belief in the power of prayer, her service, her courage, her subtle ability to bring out the best in others. She mentors with warmth, humor and a spirituality that is both contagious and moving.”

A testimony to this are the many messages sent by alumnae in response to a request for stories and memories of sister. A 1970 graduate wrote: “I know this should probably sound like a gift as you celebrate your birthday, but I want you to know what a gift you have given me in my life. You made such a positive difference in my life, and I am certain women who went to Saint Mary’s feel the same.”

Another wrote: “I know that God is well pleased with this precious servant of his. I pray with you and all the others. She mentors with warmth, understanding, but ‘some people are disappointed because it’s been an icon for years,’” he said. The Haunted Castle will be open this season until Nov. 3. “When the season is over, a plan will be formulated as how to remove the structure,” Thomas said. He said the troop intends to open the new castle by next fall. The Black Forest will still be in operation, despite the status of the castle, Thomas said.

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Scout troop because of funds raised from the castle.

In the end, “this is a Boy Scout troop and a fundraiser,” and the church recognizes that, Thomas said. The Scout volunteer said he has always felt supported by the diocese.

“Everything’s very positive,” he said. “I’ve never felt any negative (vibes) at all from the parish or the diocesan administration.” Likewise, Thomas said the public outcry has been minimal.

The general public has been understanding, but “some people are disappointed because it’s been an icon for years,” he said. The Haunted Castle will be open this season until Nov. 3. “When the season is over, a plan will be formulated as how to remove the structure,” Thomas said. He said the troop intends to open the new castle by next fall. The Black Forest will still be in operation, despite the status of the castle, Thomas said.


Saint Mary’s College honors a very special sister

BY SISTER MARGIE LAVONIS, CSC

NOTRE DAME — Few people associated with Saint Mary’s College have a greater knowledge of its history or love for its alumnae and dedicated faculty and staff than Holy Cross Sister M. Basil Anthony O’Flynn. To show its gratitude for her great love and devotion, the college gave her a 90th birthday party on Oct. 16.

In her remarks given at the celebration, Carol Ann Mooney, president and an alumna herself, put it well when she said, “When you talk about the heart of Saint Mary’s, talk always turns to the woman we honor today, Sister Basil Anthony O’Flynn. For generations of Saint Mary’s alumnae, she is Saint Mary’s.”

Sister B.A., as she is affectionately called, grew up in Washington, D.C. Her parents, who were Irish immigrants, instilled in her and her brother, Anthony, a deep faith and a love of learning. Eventually, she became a Sister of the Holy Cross, and he, a Jesuit priest.

As far back as she can remember, she wanted to become a sister. The first sisters she had in school were Dominicans from Wisconsin. After she graduated from high school, she worked while attending evening classes at Dunbarton College of Holy Cross in Washington, D.C. There she met her future community, the Sisters of the Holy Cross.

Her mother died when she was very young in the stay with her father until he, too, died. At that time, her brother, who knew she was thinking of religious life, challenged her to make a decision.

“It’s now or never,” she said. So in 1944, at the age of 24, she went to Saint Mary’s to enter the Sisters of the Holy Cross. “It was a very special time being the centenary year of the Holy Cross,” she said.

The first 17 years of her life’s ministry were spent working in the general administration of her congregation. With the exception of a few years, the rest of her life’s work, over 40 years, was at Saint Mary’s College where she served in a variety of capacities. She began her career there in 1961 when she was asked to take over the role of dean of students, a position she had until 1968. About those turbulent years (of many changes), she says, “I had both the good luck and misfortune to serve in that capacity during some of the most interesting times on college campuses.”

From her position as dean she went on to become vice president for fiscal affairs, then vice president for public relations and development. In 1974, she left the college for a short time to follow a lifelong goal to perform hospital-based ministry. She returned to Saint Mary’s in 1979 where she became a special assistant to the vice president of college relations.

Lastly, she wants everyone to know that “the sisters have given their life’s blood for this place and continue to pray for its needs and the needs of all those connected with it each day.”

Saint Mary’s College has indeed been blessed by this giant of a woman who has given so much of herself for its welfare.
Priests of Holy Cross offer sustained service to diocese

BY ALEX SCHEIDLER

SOUTH BEND — From its beginning, The Congregation of Holy Cross was founded to serve its surrounding community. Its founder, Father Basil Moreau, organized a group of auxiliary priests to assist clergy in the region around Le Mans, France in the 1830s. The group followed the same practice when they came to South Bend in 1842, responding to the needs of the church by working with the local bishop to fulfill his requests.

The congregation has three main pillars by which it lives. First, its members strive always toward being a good educator in the faith. That's the important thing. Second, its members strive to hear of him ... our ministry will hint to us of Jesus' suffering for us. — Constitution 8.4.

Father Kempinger has two associate superintendents assisting with the work of superintendent of schools. One, Rebecca Elswerky, works in Fort Wayne supervising personnel issues and policy, while the other, Mary Ann Bachman, works in South Bend managing curriculum and school improvement.

Prior to his appointment to superintendent of schools, Father Kempinger served as principal at Christ the King School in South Bend. I can bring what I know from my experiences as a teacher and administrator and share that — some of my gifts — in the mission.

“Serving as superintendent is a way of giving back to the diocese what the diocese has given to Holy Cross, in the sense that we are on the same mission,” he said.

What matters is that we're working toward being a good educator in the faith. That's the important thing.”

The Catholic School’s office also makes sure all the school improvement plans and state requirements are fulfilled.

All of our schools are accredited through the state of Indiana, and recently with the North Central Accreditation, we've gone to that,” he added.

A third major tenant of the order is Christian education of youth. Holy Cross has made its most notable contributions in South Bend in the foundation of the University of Notre Dame through the priestly branch, as well as St. Mary’s College through the sisters and Holy Cross College through the brothers. The sisters have also established St. Joseph Hospital, and the brothers started Saint Joseph’s High School.

Holy Cross also serves in several parishes in South Bend, including Christ the King, Holy Cross and St. Stanislaus, St. Adalbert, Little Flower, Faith, Hope and Charity Chapel, St. Augustine, St. Casimir and Sacred Heart.

As well, Holy Cross Father Steve Kempinger is the superintendent of schools in the diocese. In his role, Father Kempinger is responsible for overseeing 40 grade schools, four high schools and one new grade school under construction and due to open next year.

Father Kempinger’s primary role is to oversee the Catholic School’s Office and ensure that it carries out the bishop’s mission and policies.

“A big part of that is overseeing Catholic identity and curriculum in schools, personnel — we have close to 900 teachers that are part of our faculty,” said Father Kempinger.

There was a need, and Holy Cross was there

BY SISTER MARGIE LAVONIS, CSC

NOTRE DAME — In 1959, a group of concerned parents of mentally-handicapped children saw a great need to provide care for them while family members received some much-needed respite care. In 1962, these parents and others who joined them established a part-time service of respite care service. Eventually, in 1970, the first Corvilla House opened where children could be cared for while parents had some time off.

It soon went from a day and weekend program to a full-time care center. Holy Cross Sister Gabriella Doran, who was also teaching first grade, was appointed acting director. It was not until then it became clear that a full-time director was needed.

In the true fashion of their founder, Father Basil Moreau, the Brothers of Holy Cross recognized the need and responded. The community not only allowed Holy Cross Brother Flavius Ellison to accept the director position, it donated his salary to the Corvilla House.

Brother Flavius had many challenges in his ministry. In the first month of his tenure the house caught on fire, and again the Holy Cross Brothers were there to help.

The children stayed at Columba Hall, the brothers’ residence at Notre Dame, until Corvilla House was repaired. Brother Flavius commented in an interview, “The kids really livened the house up. I think we were the only religious house with a high chair at the dinner table.”

Brother Flavius, now deceased, worked at the home until 1987. He did not want the home to look or feel like an institution. His goal was to help the residents live as normal a life as was possible and to be a family.

Corvilla is now a corporation that sponsors four group homes in the South Bend area. Brother Flavius would be happy to know that his legacy has continued.

Fulfilling a diocesan need to serve the Hispanic people

Even as far back as the time when Bishop Leo Pursley was the bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend, the diocese was concerned about the needs of the many Spanish-speaking people coming to northern Indiana. He made sure a Spanish Mass was celebrated every Sunday on the east and west sides of the diocese.

Getting to one of these Masses was often a hardship for those who lived in the central part of the diocese. So in 1972, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish was born in Milford, housed in an old factory building, where a Spanish Mass could be celebrated.

In 1981, after Bishop Pursley retired, Bishop William McManus became convinced that he had no full-time Spanish-speaking priest to staff Our Lady of Guadalupe, so he did a search for a full-time administrator and Holy Cross responded through Holy Cross Brother James Linscott.

Brother James was no stranger to the diocese, as he taught Spanish at Saint Joseph’s High School in South Bend, from 1954 to 1961, and served as principal there from 1963 to 1973.

After he left the high school he decided to use his Spanish language background and served in an orphanage in Mexico for over six years. Afterwards, he returned to the United States, hoping to find a position where he could continue his Hispanic-centered ministry. In the providence of God, Bishop McManus was looking for someone at the same time and hired him.

Becoming the administrator of Our Lady of Guadalupe was a new challenge for Brother James, one he took on enthusiastically because it offered him an opportunity to use his fluency in Spanish.

Again, Holy Cross was fulfilling a need of the church through this ministry.

During his 10 years in Milford, Our Lady of Guadalupe grew from a rather small membership to a fully active parish with many programs.

When he left in 1991, Brother James left Father Paul Bueter, the new Spanish-speaking pastor, with a vibrant community.
Sisters Murphy, Cavender address a great need

BY SISTER MARGIE LAVONIS, CSC

NOTRE DAME — Holy Cross Sister Judith Ann Murphy is no stranger to the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. Her years of teaching assignments included several years at Christ the King School in South Bend. She was also an academic advisor at Holy Cross College and for one year worked for the diocesan Office of Campus and Young Adult Ministry. She ministered on the campuses of Bethel College and Indiana University, South Bend.

In July of 2007, the Lord called her to a new ministry as a literacy educator at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in South Bend. Sister works in a program begun over 20 years ago when the hospital, then sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Cross, came to realize that many of its employees lacked a high school education and/or could not speak English well.

In the true fashion of Father Moreau, the congregation saw a need, and Holy Cross Sister Joyce Troyer developed and implemented a literacy program to help employees to increase their English skills and/or prepare for high school equivalency tests.

Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center is so committed to this program that employees are encouraged by their supervisors to participate and come in one hour weekly to do so.

“Several of my students are taking an additional hour on their day off, and others know it could well help in promoting them to better positions,” says Sister Judy. “I love doing this for people who need such a boost, and I find their self-motivation a true joy.”

As far as the charism of Holy Cross is concerned, Sister Judy declares, “I believe this service walks hand-in-hand with Father Moreau’s drive for education, for service to those in need, and it has become very international. I have students from Ethiopia, Jamaica, Ghana, Rwanda, Russia, and Croatia, the United States and Mexico.”

Sister Amy Cavender professes final vows

Sister Amy Cavender will never forget July 21, 2007. In the presence of her parents, other family members, friends and members of the Holy Cross family from around the world, she consecrated herself to God forever as a Sister of the Holy Cross at a beautiful liturgy in the Church of Our Lady of Loreto at Saint Mary’s, Notre Dame. She made her final commitment to live the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Everyone was moved when at the closing of the ceremony all the professed Sisters of the Holy Cross were prom- ised to “live and die” with her.

Sister Amy’s journey to Holy Cross is an interesting one. When she began her graduate studies at the University of Notre Dame, little did she know she would eventually become a Catholic and a member of a religious community, but God is full of surprises.

Sister Amy was born in Del Rio, Texas. About her religious background, she says, “I was raised as an Evangelical Protestant, with no formal denominational affiliation, though my parents were raised in the Reformed Church. I had contact with a number of different churches because we moved frequently during my early childhood, but I never once thought I might one day be a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

That all changed during her undergraduate days at Gustavus Adolphus College, a small Lutheran school in southern Minnesota where she was challenged to own her own Christianity as a young adult.

In her search for a permanent church affiliation and a conviction of Catholicism’s intellectual coherence, she discovered in herself a strong attraction to the sacraments and the liturgy. She was open to the spirit and declared, “I was determined to enter the Catholic Church my first year of graduate school. And, as in confirmation of that choice, the two programs that best suited my interests and offered me the best financial aid packages were Loyola and Notre Dame.”

She chose Notre Dame. In her first semester she got involved in the RCIA program and was received into the Catholic Church in April 1991.

Amy enjoyed her life at Notre Dame. She liked her studies, and her work as a teaching assistant was fulfilling, but down deep she still was looking for something more. However, at the time she did not name it as “religious life.”

That all changed when a good friend of hers, who was discerning a vocation, invited her to accompany her to a final profes-

SISTER AMY CAVENDER, CSC

sion ceremony at Saint Mary’s in the Church of Our Lady of Loreto. Later her friend asked her if she had ever thought about religious life for herself.

Amy said, “My immediate response was to laugh and say, ‘no.’ It wasn’t that I was against the idea, but I had never thought about it!”

From that day on she could not stop thinking about it. Finally, she got enough courage to talk about her desire with a friend who is also a Holy Cross priest.

He encouraged her to do some investigating and put her in touch with one of the sisters she knew at Saint Mary’s.

From that time on, she took advantage of “Come and See” opportunities and got to know the sisters and began a serious process of discernment. On Aug. 15, 1999, she was welcomed into the candidacy program of the Sisters of the Holy Cross.

After her year as a candidate in South Bend, Sister Amy was then a novice for two years in the congregation’s novitate forma-

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tion program in Los Angeles and made her initial profession in July 2002 in Ventura, Calif.

She then spent 20 months in Jinja, Uganda, East Africa, where she taught at the Queen of Apostles Philosophy Centre. After this apostolic experience she returned to Saint Mary’s where she is currently an assistant professor of political science at Saint Mary’s College.

Sister Amy is grateful to be ministering in an area where there are so many sisters, brothers and priests of Holy Cross. This con-
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ation’s founder, Father Basil Moreau, who was beatified on Sept. 14, 2007, in Le Mans, France. Sister Amy in her dedica-
tion to Holy Cross is a true daughter of Father Moreau.

The Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross is an international community of women located at Saint Mary’s in Notre Dame. Founded in 1841 in Le Mans, France, the congregation currently serves more than 500 members worldwide and has sisters ministering in the United States, Mexico, Brazil, Peru, Uruguay, Ghana, Kenya, Tanzania, South Africa and India. Their ministries focus on education, healthcare, eradicating material poverty, ending gender discrimination, and promoting just, mutual relationships among peoples and the entire earth community.

The congregation is the founder and sponsor of Saint Mary’s College, Notre Dame.

For more information about the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, go to www.cscsisters.org.

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Devotion of St. Francis echoed in Mishawaka sisters

BY DON CLEMMER

The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration was founded in Olpe, Germany, in 1865 by Mother Maria Theresia Bonzel. The foundress had been attracted to the Franciscan charism, specifically the veneration of St. Francis of Assisi for the mystery of the Eucharist. Because of this, the sisters pray every day and night before the exposed Blessed Sacrament.

The works the sisters perform are patterned after those of Jesus — healing, teaching and caring for the poor. This combination of prayer and ministry is summed up by the quote from their founder, “After the example of their holy Father Francis, the sisters strive to combine the contemplative life with the active in the perpetual adoration and the works of mercy.”

In the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, the sisters are headquartered at their motherhouse on Dragon Trail in Mishawaka. Their other most concentrated presence in the diocese is the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne. Which was founded and is currently operated by the community.

Sister M. Elise Kriss, OSF

Sister M. Elise Kriss, OSF, president of the University of Saint Francis, first encountered the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration early in life, in her case, at her home parish in Lafayette. Also like Sister Elise, her primary ministry is currently in education, working with the diocesan Office of Campus/Young Adult Ministry and reaching out to Catholic students on non-Catholic college campuses such as Indiana Tech in Fort Wayne and Manchester College in North Manchester.

On the side, she has given workshops and various talks. She serves her community as a member of their provincial leadership council and will soon teach an evening course at the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne.

Sister Jacinta has also worked in healthcare and for the past eight years has edited her community’s newsletter. With all of the responsibilities of her ministry, Sister Jacinta says one challenge is remembering not to take on too many tasks. “We can’t do everything,” she notes, “and we need to constantly encourage and help others to do their part as members of the body of Christ.”

Living the religious life, Sister Jacinta has seen her spiritual life and the charism of her community grow more intertwined over the years. “My spirituality has become more consciously Franciscan,” she notes. “By gradually learning more about the Franciscan spirit, I’ve been thrilled to discover how much it is a part of me.”

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As president of the University of Saint Francis, Sister Elise’s work involves guiding the vision of the university and working with administrators and faculty to provide a faith-based education to students.

Despite her heavy administrative role, Sister Elise still maintains the routine of daily prayer and Mass. Particularly important to her is her time for personal prayer, which requires her to be creative with her schedule.

“I get up at least a half hour earlier each day to take time in prayer before the activities of the day call me,” Sister Elise says. While her responsibilities as president sometimes prevent her from being present to her community, Sister Elise tries to find balance by sometimes taking a few days away from the office to reconnect with God, the “spiritual source” of her life.

“It is also hard for me, on top of all of this, to find time to visit my family and for needed rest and relaxation,” she adds.

These challenges aside, Sister Elise finds joy in the ongoing reassurance that God is present in the ongoing ministry of the university.

“The university has been very much a part of me.”

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Riches for the poor — a visit at Victory Noll

BY MICHELLE DONAGHEY

Donaldson — Growing up on a farm near Delphos, Ohio, Poor Handmaid of Jesus Christ Sister Carleen Wrasman watched as her mother, a nurse at Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne for many years as a sister, which touched her heart.

“We visited her every year, and it was a big event,” said Sister Wrasman. She said her family would travel around Delphos around 50 miles to make their annual reunion possible.

“We took our lunch and ate it by a roadside table on Route 30,” said Sister Wrasman, looking back with a smile on the memory of the simple lunches they shared at the hospital.

“I knew I wanted to be a sister and my struggle was which order,” Sister Wrasman said, “a Franciscan order that taught me in grade school or following my aunt.”

“After visiting Donaldson, I decided to attend high school at Donaldson and entered the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ four years later,” she said.

“It really fit into my needs why I became a sister. A more significant question for me is why I stayed especially when so many sisters were leaving,” Sister Wrasman said. “Living in community, although difficult at times, was enriching. Living day to day with women of similar goals and aspirations helped me grow and mature.

“I enjoy the rich liturgical life of the church and realize that living as a sister gives me the opportunity to concentrate on the movement of the liturgical year,” Sister Wrasman said. “Convent life has helped me to grow in many ways, especially in my relationship with God. Religious life has empowered me to be of service and to contribute to the life of the church. Religious life has been fulfilling, it has challenged me, and it is a fit for me.”

Sister Wrasman, who has always enjoyed working in education, began her work teaching grade school for 11 years at St. Vincent Villa in Fort Wayne. She has taught “three grades including third, fourth and fifth in the same classroom.” Following her work there, she served as an elementary school principal for 19 years in the Archdiocese of Chicago and the dioceses of Gary and Belleville, Ill.

“I also served in provincial leadership for the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ for six years and am now the coordinator or mission integration at Ancilla College in Donaldson,” said Sister Wrasman. She has held the position since July of 2005 and also serves as the chair of the division of education. In the time allowable, sister also teaches religion classes.

“What the title means is that she is responsible for the promotion and mission of Ancilla College, and the Catholic identity of Ancilla. I am to facilitate a caring, transformational and values-centered environment that surrounds the administration, faculty and students,” said Sister Wrasman.

Some of her job duties including integrating theology into the academy of employees, conduct of orientation for those who are new to the Ancilla College community, coordinating in-service training for members of the college community and attending meetings of the board of trustees to represent mission issues.

“All of us at Ancilla are charged with living the mission of Ancilla College, a Catholic college, built on the sponsorship of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ. Ancilla is student focused and very respectful of various religious traditions,” said Sister Wrasman who says she tries to connect with every person she comes in contact.

“I try very hard to be aware of how others are living the mission and acknowledge these good deeds and attitudes. Many times I am impressed by the mission focus of an administrator, faculty, or staff person here at Ancilla and the amount of community service in which our employees are engaged,” she said noting she prefers the role of “coordinator rather than director of mission integration.”
Fort Wayne Serra sponsors annual sisters’ appreciation dinner

FORT WAYNE — The Fort Wayne Serra Club recently hosted the 50th Annual Sisters’ Appreciation Dinner at the Tower Bank Building on Oct. 18 in Fort Wayne.

Thirty-eight sisters attended the dinner along with the Serrans and their spouses bringing the attendance 80 people.

Dan Kelker, chairman of this event for the last six years, presented each of the sisters with a red rose.

Sisters Rita Musante, OLVM, and Sister Gertrude Ann Mueller, SND, received a special yellow rose as they celebrated their 50th anniversaries this year as a sister. Special roses were also given to Sister Carmela Farley, OLVM, and Sister Priscilla Wilke, OLVM, for their 60th anniversaries.

Father Glenn Kohrman had opening prayer followed by a social hour and dinner. Tom Kaough served as master of ceremonies for the event.

Bert Bryan, president of Serra Fort Wayne, mentioned some of the Serra projects — working with the campus ministry at the University of Saint Francis and promoting vocations through prayer and giving fifth graders magnetic prayer cards for vocations.

Prayers were requested for Serran Jack Skevington who is recovering from a stroke. The sisters came from various religious orders, which serve the Fort Wayne area — Sisters of Notre Dame, Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters, Order of St. Francis and Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ.

The Serrans asked the sisters to share their life stories — how they have ministered from teaching at schools, tending to the sick and working as missionaries.

The evening was capped off with the Church Ladies, a group of medical personnel from St. Joseph Hospital who performed a skit of desiring to become sisters with a lot of stipulations and humor. The Church Ladies had everyone laughing.

Gifts were give to each sister as a token of what these ladies have done in the service of Christ.

In honor of Sister Carmel Marie Sallows and Sister Ann Therese McAndrews on their Jubilee Celebration for Consecrated Life.

Saint Joseph’s High School commends both of these women for their dedication to religious life and to our Saint Joseph’s community.

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Sister Colleen has spent 20 years in the Second Grade!

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PRIESTS

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based in Fort Wayne, he clears out two days each week to meet with his Holy Cross community in South Bend.

Assisting in parishes

Father Nate Wills, recently ordained in April 2006, started serving at St. Joseph Parish as a deacon. He is currently the associate pastor and supervises the adult religious education program, RCIA, baptismal preparation and a men’s spirituality group.

As well, he is a part-time chaplain at Saint Joseph’s High School. He visits the high school each week where he sees students in the classrooms, works with the counselors and offers the sacrament of penance.

“T’ve been really impressed with the students at Saint Joe High School,” said Father Wills.

“They’ve taken advantage of it in ways that have surprised me,” he added.

He has been equally impressed with the parishioners at St. Joseph Parish.

“We have a huge structure of committees and commissioners where our parishioners are pretty much involved in every aspect of parish life.”

St. Joseph Parish was established in 1853 by Holy Cross Father Edward Sorin. The legacy of Holy Cross continues with Father Wills and the two other Holy Cross priests living at the parish: pastor, Father John DeRiso, and fellow associate pastor Father Stephen Sedlock.

As a Holy Cross Parish, they have a particular emphasis on education and community. As brothers in the same religious community, they join together every day for morning and evening prayer and Mass. Once a week, they have their own “community night,” and they share meals together almost nightly.

“I would think that a religious group like Holy Cross that values community so much couldn’t help but influence a spirit of community in a parish.”

Barbara Carlson, a parishioner whose family spans five generations at St. Joseph Parish, supports Father Wills’ logic.

“The community spirit that is present at St. Joe’s reflects the spirit of Holy Cross, which is lived and carried out to parishioners and families,” she said.

“Their communal spirit is seen in a great way in prayer and liturgy, especially in their attentiveness to communal prayer,” she added.

The writings of Father Moreau call those in Holy Cross to minister in a way in which heart, mind, and hands are united.
Today’s Catholic editorial board consists of Bishop John M. D’Arcy, Ann Carey, Don Clemmer, Father Mark Gurtner, Father Michael Heinitz, Tim Johnson and Vince LaBarbera.
Jesus brings life and security

THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

MSGR. OWEN F. CAMPION

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lk 19:9-10

The Book of Wisdom provides this weekend's first reading. As the condition of the environment is absorbed more and more public interest, the pope, and other agencies of the church, have addressed the problems of exploiting nature. This reading, while composed centuries before Christ, states the underlying principle in the church's teaching on respecting the environment.

This principle is that God is the creator of all, and the author of all life. It should be recalled that Wisdom was written in a world highly influenced by Greek philosophy. Surrounding Greek mythology, which saw gods and goddesses as beings within nature, they had control over nature, of course, but they could exercise their control in ways not necessarily kind to humanity.

For the second reading, the church gives us a passage from the Second Epistle of Peter to the Thessalonians.

While the nature within which humans live while on earth is marvelous, and is God's loving gift, it is not the end of all. The greatest of

God's gift to us is in Jesus. The Lord became human as we are in the mystery called by theologians the Incarnation. Through the Incarnation, through the redemption accomplished by Jesus on Calvary and in the Resurrection, and by accepting God's gift of faith, we gain the supreme result of possessing the gift of Jesus. We gain eternal life with God. Constantly, the Pauline epistles summoned Christians, such as the faithful in Thessalonica, to realize the wonder and greatness of God's gift of Jesus.

Never do the Pauline epistles lead anyone down a primrose path. The epistles, and this reading in particular, remind believers that the path through life with God is rough and crooked and beset with dangers and attractive detours. We must be resolute in our determination to be with God.

For its last reading, the church gives us a selection from St. Luke's Gospel. The Lord is on the way to Jericho, an ancient city not far from the Dead Sea, mentioned in several dramatic Old Testament passages.

While Jericho offered security to so many, as it offers security still, Jesus truly brings life and security.

We have hope, and we give thanks, because we are one with God, in Jesus. The key is truly to be with Jesus, without compromise, without pause. Our union must be such that Jesus is our king.

This weekend's reading points us toward the feast of Christ the King, the great celebration closing this year.

Our life, and our security, are in Jesus. We must realize that we are as desperately in need of the Lord as was Zacchaeus.

READINGS

Monday: Rm 11:29-36 Ps 6930-31, 33-34, 36-37 Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Rm 12:1-16 Ps 131:1-3 Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Rm 13:8-10 Ps 112:1-2, 4-5 Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Rm 14:7-12 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Lk 15:10
Friday: Ez 417:1-2, 8-9 Ps 462:3-5, 6-8, 9-1 Cor 30:1-16 21:12-22
Saturday: Rm 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 Ps 145:2-5, 10-11 Lk 16:9-15

CATEQUIZ'EM

By Dominic Campilison

In November, the church remembers St. Leo.

1. As well as being a saint, Leo is known as
   a. the lionhearted
   b. the great
   c. Felix the Cat

2. The highest position in the church he reached was
   a. pope
   b. chaplain to the Emperor Julian
   c. archimandrite

3. When did he live?
   a. at the height of the Roman Empire, in the 3rd century
   b. towards the ends of the Western Roman Empire, in the 5th century
   c. at the fall of the Eastern Roman Empire, in the 15th century

4. Leo opposed heresies including most famously this one:
   a. Jainism
   b. Storcius
   c. Pelagianism

5. He also opposed this group to which another famous churchman, Augustine of Hippo, once belonged:
   a. the Manicheans
   b. the Manatees
   c. the Munkees

6. Leo was reportedly from this region:
   a. Romania
   b. Tuscany
   c. Liberia

7. What was unusual about the circumstances under which Leo got his highest rank in the church?
   a. He was a Muslim so not technically eligible.
   b. He had never been an Italian archimandrite.
   c. He was away in France (Gaul) and so only found out by messenger.

8. Leo is reputed to have had a personal meeting with this infamous character:
   a. Attila the Hun
   b. Dismas the Good Thief
   c. Genghis Khan

9. What did he achieve in this encounter?
   a. He persuaded Attila to have his Huns retreat from their goal Rome.
   b. He got back goods that had been stolen.
   c. He persuaded the Mongols to attack the Caliphate from the East.

10. He was also credited with mitigating the vandalism done by these invaders:
    a. the Saracens
    b. the Goths
    c. the Vandals

11. Despite his erudition, Leo knew no
c. Etruria and Caledonia
b. the title of Patriarch of the Peninsula
a. supremacy over all other sees (dioceses)

12. He was extremely strong in claiming this for the papacy:
   a. supremacy over all other sees (dioceses)
   b. the title of Patriarch of the Peninsula
c. title to all gold found in the new world as a tithe

13. A work of Leo became a standard for one area of doctrinal theology. It was known simply as his
   a. Tome
   b. Life of Christ
   c. Volume

14. And this work was mostly concerned with
   a. charity
   b. politics
   c. Christology

15. Leo never succeeded in extending much authority over this area:
   a. Ireland
   b. the Eastern parts of the Empire
c. Ethiopia and Caledonia

ANSWERS:
1. b, 2, a, 3, b, 4, c, 5, a, 6, b, 7, c, 8, a, 9, c, 10, c, 11, b, 12, a, 13, a, 14, c, 15, b
Symbol of unworthiness in prostration

If you attend two Masses in one day, for two different reasons, for example, a funeral or a recitation for a loved one in the morning and then to a closing mission Mass that evening, are there restrictions about receiving Communion both times? How many times a day can one receive Communion? Anonymous

The law of the church states that one may receive Communion a second time in the same day as long as the second reception is at a Mass. However, if one goes to two different Masses, there is no specific permission for two different kinds of Masses. So, for example, one could go to two different Sunday morning Masses and receive Communion both times.

If one works on a Sunday and cannot make it to Sunday Mass, such as the vigil on Saturday, is it a sin? Anonymous

It must first be said that the obligation for Catholics to attend Mass every Sunday is a serious one. Purposefully to miss Mass without a serious reason is a grave sin. The church does not require this, and for those persons, to leave a job, which does require Sunday employment and to find a new one, which does not require Sunday employment, would be to put themselves and their families at grave risk of losing their source of livelihood. The church does not require this, and they would be excused from attending Sunday Mass if there were no other options. Falling into this category also, for example, would be doctors and nurses who may have to work long weekend shifts in order to take care of their patients.

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Win streak snapped — St. Vincent takes all

**BY MICHELLE CASTLEMAN**

FORT WAYNE — Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) football history was made at the University of Saint Francis last weekend as a new team was crowned 2007 tournament champs. And this season, for the first time in five years, it was not the Eagles from St. John Fort Wayne/Benoit/St. Joe Hessen Cassel. The Eagles fell prey to the Panthers from St. Vincent in a championship-style shootout 20-14.

It was the hard hitting, high quality CYO championship game everyone expected but maybe not the outcome. In their past 42 starts, the Eagles have come out on top — beating every opponent they faced during the 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 seasons, until now.

St. Vincent has had talented, tough teams many of these same years; oftentimes their only loss on the season coming at the hands of St. John’s — just like back on Oct. 7. The Panthers took the Eagles to overtime, but lost 20-22. This time the tables turned and the Panthers found a way to snap the streak.

One way the Panthers did it was by making very few mistakes and more importantly, by capitalizing on Eagle mistakes. The Panthers scored after both Eagle turnovers in the second half. St. Vincent coordinators, Lou Stroder, Matt Hatfield and Greg German relied heavily on Evan Feichter once again. Feichter delivered with 175 yards rushing and a 48-yard run on the Panthers’ second touchdown.

Head coach Andy Lehmann was also very pleased with the performance of defensive coordinator All Ferti’s unit. The Panthers were well aware of the great athletes and great ability they would face from St. John’s.

“We did not give up any big plays on defense,” Lehmann said. “Conner McCann was a ‘game changer’ giving an outstanding effort at defensive tackle for the Panthers. Josh Blevins was a wall at defensive end, and Nick German and Justin Schaefer shut down the Eagles’ deep pass game with great coverage and supported well on the sweeps.”

The Panthers were also successful forcing the Eagles into a conservative offense, which ate up precious time on the clock. An additional goal the Panthers accomplished for a short time in the game was to “get up by two scores.” This had been an impossible feat for any CYO team against the Eagles the past five years.

Holding solid blocks all day long, Bowers, Herberger, Campbell, Tippmann and Fredbloom allowed St. Vincent’s main man, Feichter, to go to work. He started off the scoring out of halftime with a 47-yard touchdown run in which fullback Austin Hartzog paved the way for Feichter’s second score. With just two minutes left, Feichter went up the middle again adding another six stinging the Eagles with the score now 20-8. But Coach Jim Carroll’s Eagles never gave up as tri-captain James Knuple led his team down the field one more time. With 21 seconds left in regulation, Causey found his way into the end zone, but it wasn’t enough, too late. The Panthers recovered the onside kick and quarterback, Luke Tippmann, took the final snap under center with “the kneel down.” Game over.

In the third quarter, it was more Feichter. Josh Blevins made a diving catch after Feichter found him open downtown. This set up a 9-yard touchdown run in which fullback Austin Hartzog paved the way for Feichter’s second score. With just two minutes left, Feichter went up the middle again adding another six stinging the Eagles with the score now 20-8. But Coach Jim Carroll’s Eagles never gave up as tri-captain James Knuple led his team down the field one more time. With 21 seconds left in regulation, Causey found his way into the end zone, but it wasn’t enough, too late. The Panthers recovered the onside kick and quarterback, Luke Tippmann, took the final snap under center with “the kneel down.” Game over.

These two CYO powerhouses, St. Vincent and St. John, Fort Wayne, will face off against the top two teams from South Bend this weekend in the diocesan showdown on Sunday, Nov. 4.

Sixth-grade football

It was the Panthers’ day all around as the undefeated sixth-grade team claimed the CYO title in the opening game at Bishop D’Arcy Stadium beating the Cardinals of St. Charles, 16-0.
Lady Eagles, Royals take CYO volleyball tournament

BY MICHELLE CASTLEMAN

FORT WAYNE — The Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) volleyball tournament championship was played at St. Charles on Saturday, Oct. 27. The Lady Eagles from St. Jude came out on top at both the seventh and eighth-grade levels (green and white, respectively) adding one more “W” each to their undefeated seasons.

In the small school or Blue League tournament, the Lady Royals from Queen of Angels had a remarkable year topped with the icing on the cake — the CYO championship. In their first undefeated season ever, the girls not only beat all 10 teams they faced, but never went three games taking their match record an unbelievable 20-0 for 2007.

The Royals have made it to the final game of the tournament a few times over the past couple years, but have not won a championship since 2002. In his 15th season, Coach Tim Houser was elated to share this special moment in the school history with his youngest daughter, Katie: “This was a great group of hardworking girls,” said Houser. “When we started in August, we had one goal in mind — to win the championship.”

With just seven on the roster, the Lady Royals were fortunate to escape injuries this season. One of their team strengths was serving, proving to be a key factor in the championship matches. The Lady Royals were successful in 34-38 attempts.

The Royals defeated the runner-up team from St. Rose-St. Louis by scores of 25-10, 25-13 for the title. Queen of Angels’ Ave Stout, a 6-foot, 1-inch front row middle hitter, led the Royals with “at least six kills.” “She may have had one or two more, but I get excited and forget to write everything down,” explained Houser.

Members of the championship group of eighth graders include Ashley Penker, Rose Lawrence, Tia Neuhaus, Morgan Sheets, Stout, Katie Houser and Katie Urban. Alongside Houser, Tom Fenker and Dean Noye served as assistant coaches for Queen of Angels.

Green League

St. Jude 7 over St. Charles 7: 25-18; 21-25; 25-14
Blue League

Queen of Angels 8 over St. Rose/Louis: 25-10; 25-13
White League

St. Jude 8 over St. John, Fort Wayne: 25-13; 25-11; 25-11

The Queen of Angels eighth grade volleyball CYO champions are shown in this team photo. They were the championship winners of the Blue League or the small school league. The team consists of the following: front row, from left, Kaitlin Urban, Katie Houser and Rose Lawrence; and back row, Coach Tim Houser, Morgan Sheets, Ashley Fenker, Ave Stout, Tia Neuhaus and Assistant Coach Tom Fenker.

St. Joseph School sweeps the soccer championship

SOUTH BEND — Something very rare in Inter-City Catholic League (ICCL) soccer occurred over the weekend at the championship tournament, St. Joseph School, South Bend, won all four ICCL soccer championships.

In the boys’ varsity, the St. Joseph Holy Cross eighth grade team defeated Christ the King, 3-1. In the girl’s varsity seventh and eighth grade division, St. Joseph beat Christ the King, 4-1.

In the boys junior varsity league, St. Joseph defeated Christ the King, 3-0. In the girl’s junior varsity, St. Joseph won over Christ the King, 2-1, in overtime.

The St. Joseph South Bend/Holy Cross eighth grade won the ICCL soccer championship Oct. 28. The team consists of the following: seated front row, from left, Jonathan Carton, Clay Kusbach, Thomas Labuzienski and Nick Hall; seated in second row: Paul Hickner, Pat Brunelle, Nick Barlow, Stuart Cowen, Kevin Carney, Jesse Cordoba-Wilson, Kevin Kruzewski and Coach Steve Burns; and standing, Tommy Byczewski, Tom Ferlic, Jeremy Doyle, Alec Fullenkamp, Sam Eleff and Coach Tom Labuzienski.

Mishawaka Catholic wins ICCL football championship

BY ELMER J. DANCH

MISHAWAKA — Mishawaka Catholic’s football Saints thumbed the championship of the Inter-City Catholic League for the first time in years with a resounding 36-8 verdict over the St. Anthony Panther at Marian High School.

This Sunday, the high-scoring Saints will face the St. Vincent de Paul Panthers of Fort Wayne’s Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) in the traditional diocesan Division I playoff between the two circuits. The game will be played at Marian. The St. John the Baptist/Hessen Cassel/Benoit Academy Eagles CYO will play the ICCL St. Anthony/St. Joseph Panthers in the Division II championship playoff game.

Coley Schultheis and Michael Whitfield were the big guns in the Saints’ championship game. Schultheis handled for two touchdowns and a fumble recovery and in addition added a trio of two-point conversions.

Whitfield cracked the opposition defense on runs of 2 and 5 yards for touchdowns and teammate Andrew O’Lena also broke through a stout defense for a for a 1-yard touchdown.

Nick Carmola prevented a whitewashing for the Panthers by tossing a short pass to Robert Mischler late in the game.

The Holy Cross/Christ the King Crusaders reached the junior varsity championship with a hard-fought 24-12 decision over the St. Matthew Blazers.

Quinn Irms led the Crusaders with a touchdown run of 25 yards and a pass interceptions, which he converted into a 25-yard touchdown. Matt Monseretz added another tally on a 2-yard score. Pat O’Connor also scored on a 4-yard run.

Dominique Sanders picked up the touchdown for the Blasers on a 5-yard run and added a 2-yard pass.]

Mishawaka Catholic will face Holy Cross for the junior varsity championship this weekend.

Marian Ladies head to post season volleyball tournament

BY ELMER J. DANCH

MISHAWAKA — The fast-paced volleyball Lady Knights of Marian High School in Mishawaka will make their second trip to the final round of the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) post season tournament this weekend at Muncie Central.

Coach Dave Anderson’s senior Knights will face Jasper in the first game.

Marian, which has been top ranked this season, captured the IHSAA regional round with two victories at the Class 3-A Twin Lakes Regional at Monticello.

Marian came from behind to thrash Frankfort, 3-0, on games of 25-21; 25-6 and 25-15; and then followed it up with a 3-0 decision over the Saints from Merrillville: 25-13; 25-11; 25-11.

In posting their season record at 34-4, the powerful Lady Knights were spearheaded by the combination of Katie Mischler, Katie Britton, Stephanie Kreager and Kaitlyn Chais who bombarded of kills, digs and placements. — EJD

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Cardegle Award — Heather Lothamer.
Mental Attitude Award — Luke Miller.
Most Improved Runner Award — Andrew Eckrich, Kate Kinley.

The Cardegles of St. Charles and St. Jude’s cross country team recently bestowed top honors to Andrew Eckrich and Kate Kinley.

Eckrich’s personal best on the course was established on the course by Lauren Eckrich, set a new course record for the girls, went to Kate Kinley.

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FUNDRAISERS
Craft bazaar supports Bishop band
Fort Wayne — The Bishop Dwenger Music Boosters will have a fall craft bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 10, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the school gymnasium, 1300 E. Washington Center Rd. Proceeds support the music program.

Fish Fry
New Haven — The Holy Name Society of St. John the Baptist Parish will have a fish fry on Friday, Nov. 2, from 4:7 p.m. Tickets are adults $6.50, children 5-12 years old $3.50 and children under 5 free.

Fall rummage, craft and bake sale planned
Fort Wayne — St. Joseph Hessen Cassel will have a fall rummage and bake sale on Friday, Nov. 9, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday Nov. 10, from 8 a.m. to noon in the parish hall. $3 sack sale on Saturday. The craft sale will be Saturday, Nov. 10, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the gymnasium. Lunch items will be available.

Knights plan fish fry
Fort Wayne — The Knights of Columbus Council #5570 will have a fish fry on Friday, Nov. 2, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. The cost is $7 for adults, $3 for children 12 and under. Fish, two sides and beverage are included.

Hanchar Foundation hosts charity event
Fort Wayne — The Brenda Hanchar Foundation, a charity which provides medical equipment to those with no insurance, will have a fundraiser Thursday, Nov. 8, from 4-7 p.m. Twelve local celebrities will compete with six local restaurants for the most popular soup, chili, chowder or gumbo. Free-will donations at the door. Band, cash bar and silent auction also offered.

Snowflake bazaar
Huntington — St. Mary Parish, 903 N. Jefferson, will hold a snowflake bazaar, Saturday, Nov. 9, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 4, after Masses. The bazaar, held in the school gym, will feature lunch, crafts, a raffle and a bake sale.

Spaghetti dinner
South Bend — The Knights of Columbus Council #5570 will have a spaghetti dinner, Thursday, Nov. 8, from 4-6 p.m. Adults $7, children ages 5 to 12 $2.50. The council is located at 5202 Linden Ave., one block east of Mayflower Road.

Deviations
Little Flower Holy Hour
Fort Wayne — Father Jason Freiburger, will celebrate the Holy Hour at MacDougal Chapel on Tuesday, Nov. 6, at 7:15 p.m. Father Jason is assisting at St. Vincent de Paul Parish.

Advent Carols combine choirs
Elkhart — An ecumenical Advent Lessons and Carols will be held Sunday, Dec. 2, at 5 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 1108 S. Main St. Membership in the combined choir is open to any interested singers. The rehearsal schedule is: Sunday, Nov. 11, 3-4:30 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 18, 3-4:30 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 25, 3-4:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 2, 2:30-4 p.m. Rehearsals will be held at Prairie Street Menonite Church, 1316 Prairie St.

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Bishop D’Arcy blesses new wing at Bishop Dwenger High School

BY LAUREN CAGGIANO

FORT WAYNE — Bishop Dwenger High School students, faculty, staff, parents, alumni and friends celebrated the blessing and dedication of the fine arts wing Oct. 24.

Through fundraising efforts like the ONE Family Campaign and private donations, the school was able to build an additional wing to better serve the needs of the school’s art programs. The new wing includes facilities for the marching band, orchestra, show choir, color guard and art classes.

The evening included a 6 p.m. reception with hors d’oeuvres, guided tours, performances by the orchestra, and most notably, the prayer of blessing by Bishop John M. D’Arcy.

Recent and senior alumni alike returned to their alma mater for a glimpse at the new facility. But it was the students and faculty who were the most ecstatic about the addition.

“We’re better able to meet the needs of the students,” said Christine Russell, the high school’s band and orchestra director, about her experience in the new wing.

“The students are thrilled about having their own space,” she said.

“Setting up is no longer a concern; we save an immense amount of time so we can get down to the business of making music.”

Liz Delaney, the high school’s development assistant, had more of a “behind the scenes” perspective as a fundraiser.

Delaney, a 1986 graduate, came on board during the middle of the fund-raising project. “It was a learning experience for me,” she said. “I was surprised how easy it was to get people to support (Dwenger’s) mission.”

Delaney attributes much of her success to Dennis Fech, the director of development and alumni relations.

“It was a lot of work,” she said. “Dennis taught me a lot.”

The assistant said the evening has special significance because it’s a time for donors to experience the fruits of their sacrifice.

“I’m looking forward to formally thanking the donors,” she said. “This is our opportunity to say thank you.”

The fine arts wing is one of many good things to come. CME Construction has broken ground for a new academic wing, which will be located in the southeast corner of the main school building. Work is expected to be completed in the spring of 2008.

The wing will house eight new classrooms, 130 additional student lockers, and additional restroom facilities. Soon campus ministry and the school’s service coordinator will have more space. Offices, a conference room, and open meeting space will help meet the needs of the various service clubs associated with campus ministry.

Bishop John M. D’Arcy blesses the music room of Bishop Dwenger High School’s new fine arts wing at an Oct. 24 dedication. The new wing includes facilities for the marching band, orchestra show choir, color guard and art classes.