KAY COZAD

Matlachines Guadalupanos De San Patricio, St. Patrick’s ethic dance group, performs a traditional Mexican dance of thanksgiving at the fiesta that celebrates the Ligonier parish’s 150th anniversary on Aug. 15.

LIGONIER — Neither the threat of rain nor the stiflingly humid temperatures deterred the Anglo and Hispanic communities of St. Patrick Church, Ligonier, from gathering together to celebrate the parish’s 150th anniversary on Sunday, Aug. 15, the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades concelebrated two Masses, one in English and the other in Spanish, with St. Patrick pastor Father Wilson Corzo, who spoke of his gratitude at each Mass for the many opportunities the bishop has provided for growth in the parish.

“It is a joy to be with you today to celebrate with thanksgiving the 150th anniversary of St. Patrick Parish,” began Bishop Rhoades. “And what a beautiful feast it is to celebrate your parish anniversary: The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary body and soul into heaven.”

During the Spanish Mass the bishop was bedecked in a golden chasuble, beautifully appliquéd with colorful images of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The standing-room only congregation sang clearly in their mother tongue in praise of the Father, accompanied by a Hispanic band replete with guitars, tambourines and castanets.

During his homily the bishop summarized the history of the parish and its ardent ancestry saying, “Despite the hard economic times on the eve of the Civil War, strong and faith-filled Catholics made many sacrifices to build this parish, beginning with a log cabin church on North Martin Street.” He remembered with gratitude not only those early pioneers but the bishop’s own family as well.

BY KAY COZAD

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By Nancy Frazier O’Brien

WASHINGON (CNS) — Catholics in the United States will begin using the long-awaited English translation of the Roman Missal on the first Sunday of Advent in 2011, Cardinal Francis E. George of Chicago said Aug. 20.

The cardinal’s announcement as president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops marks the formal beginning of a more than 15-month period of education and training leading to the first use of the “third typical edition” of the Roman Missal at English-language Masses in the United States on Nov. 27, 2011.

The missal, announced by Pope John Paul II in 2000 and first published in Latin in 2002, has undergone a lengthy and rigorous translation process through the International Commission on English in the Liturgy, followed by sometimes heated discussions over particular wording at USCCB general assemblies during much of the past decade.

The USCCB said April 30 that the Vatican has given its “recognitio,” or confirmation, of the new English translation of the missal, but final editing by Vatican officials was continuing at that time.

In a decree of proclamation sent to the U.S. bishops Aug. 20, Cardinal George said, “The use of the third edition of the Roman Missal enters into use in the dioceses of the United States of America as of the first Sunday of Advent, Nov. 27, 2011. From that date forward, no other edition of

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IN TRUTH AND CHARITY

BY BISHOP KEVIN C. RHoades

May God bless our children and their teachers this school year

Back to school

As I write this column, our children and young people have already been in school a week or more. The academic year begins much earlier here than back home in Pennsylvania. On Friday, Aug. 20, after a meeting with diocesan and parish workers in Hispanic ministry at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Goshen, Father Christopher took me around to visit the classes at St. John School. This was an unscheduled visit, my first to a grade school in our diocese. I visited the classrooms and speaking to the children, though it was a brief visit. I asked the children if they were happy to be back in school and they all answered “yes.” I am looking forward to visiting three of our Catholic grade schools in the next few weeks, celebrating school Masses and visiting the classes. May God bless our children and their teachers as they begin a new school year!

I was happy to celebrate Holy Mass with our Catholic school principals on Aug. 12 at Sacred Heart Church in Warsaw. At the end of Mass, there was a special blessing of our new principals. Many thanks to our dedicated principals for their fine leadership of our schools!

Proven profession of vows at Sisters of St. Francis motherhouse

On Aug. 11, the feast of St. Clare, I had the joy to celebrate Mass at the motherhouse chapel of the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration in Mishawaka. During the Mass, Sister Lethia Marie made her perpetual vows as a Sister of St. Francis. Sister’s family was present for the beautiful liturgy.

It was very moving to witness the solemn consecration of Sister Lethia Marie as a bride of our Lord Jesus. The ceremony reminded me of the importance and the beauty of consecrated religious life in the Church. It is important that we increase and intensify our prayers for vocations to the religious life. I wonder how many of our young Catholic women consider that God may be calling them to this beautiful vocation.

By the profession of the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience, religious women and men follow Christ in a radical way, leaving everything to be with Christ and to serve the Church. The consecrated life is truly a gift to the Church. Consecrated religious are a much-needed example for all of us of ever greater fidelity to the Gospel.

Thank you, Sister Lethia Marie, for your generous response to God’s call! May the Lord bless the Sisters of St. Francis with an abundance of vocations!

On the evening of Aug. 11, I joined several priests and young men discerning the priesthood for the Andrew Dinner at Holy Family Parish in South Bend. It is encouraging to see so many young men open to the possibility that God may be calling them to the priesthood.

World Youth Day 2011

On Aug. 13, I celebrated Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Angola for the participants in World Youth Day next year in Madrid, Spain. This was the first gathering of the group. After Mass, we enjoyed pizza together, a great opportunity for the young people from parishes throughout our diocese to meet one another. The priests who will be joining me for the pilgrimage with our youth also joined us. It is a way away, but it was good to meet as we spiritually prepare for World Youth Day. Thank you all for your prayers and donations!

Deacon gathering

Our deacons and deacon candidates and their wives held a picnic at Toll Hall at the Wawasee on Aug. 14. I was happy to join them and celebrate Mass with them. It was the feast of one of my favorite modern saints, Father Maximilian Kolbe. I attended Father Kolbe’s canonization in Rome in 1982 while I was a seminarian there. It was the biggest crowd I have experienced in Saint Peter’s Square during my seven years in Rome. At Mass, I shall not only my experience at the canonization, but more importantly, about the life and death of this heroic priest, a model of exemplary pastoral charity. Father Kolbe, who had a great devotion to Mary Immaculate, gave his life to save a fellow prisoner condemned to execution. Such selfless love is an imitation of our Lord Jesus, who was both Priest and Victim, on the cross.

May God bless our deacons and their wives for their selfless service to the Church! And May God bless our candidates and their wives who begin their final year of formation before diaconal ordination next May!

150th anniversary of St. Patrick, Ligonier

August 15 was a festive day at St. Patrick Parish in Ligonier. I was privileged to celebrate an English and a Spanish Mass at St. Patrick’s to mark the 150th anniversary of the Catholic community in Ligonier. It was a joyful occasion for the anniversary celebration: The solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I thank Father Wilson Corzo, the pastor, for his gracious welcome and for his devoted priestly ministry at St. Patrick’s.

After the liturgies, a fiesta was held in the parking lot adjacent to the church. There was delicious food in abundance, prepared by parishioners. We enjoyed music and folkloric dancing by Mexican and American parishioners. St. Patrick’s is growing and, as I learned during my visit, in need of more space. The vitality of the community was evident. After 150 years, St. Patrick’s Parish continues to be a beacon of the Catholic faith in Noble County.

Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem

On Aug. 16, I celebrated Mass in the chapel at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Fort Wayne for the Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre in our diocese. I have been a member of the order since serving as rector of Mount St. Mary’s Seminary. It was good to meet the members of the order here in our diocese. We enjoyed a delicious dinner following the Mass at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maury O’Daniel.

You may recognize members of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre by their distinctive vesture: White mantles for the Knights and black mantles for the Ladies in the tradition that began with the red Jerusalem cross. More important than the vesture or insignia is the mission of this order that began in the 12th century. The order fosters in its members the practice of the Christian life and supports the Church’s pastoral and charitable works in the Holy Land. It strives to promote peace and justice in the Holy Land. I think the members of the Equestrian Order stand in our diocese for their generosity on behalf of this important mission.

Installation of new bishop of Harrisburg

I flew home to Harrisburg for the installation of Bishop Joseph McFadden as the 10th bishop of Harrisburg on Aug. 18. It was a quick visit, but I was happy to be there to see my successor installed. Bishop McFadden was previously an auxiliary bishop in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. He is a very fine bishop who will be a good shepherd in my former diocese. The priests and faithful received their new bishop warmly and were happy that people of my former diocese have a bishop again and I pray that the Lord will bless Bishop McFadden with many graces as he leads the people of the Diocese of Harrisburg in the way of Christ.

South Bend Knights of Columbus

On Aug. 20, I attended a dinner of the council and auxiliary leaders of the Knights of Columbus and their wives of the Saint Joseph Valley Chapter. It was another of those delicious Polish dinners I have come to enjoy at special occasions in South Bend! The gathering took place at St. Pius X Parish in Granger. It was a wonderful evening, an opportunity for me to learn about the activities and many good works of the Knights in Saint Joseph Valley. It was also an opportunity to share with my Brother Knights my own reflections on the mission of the order.

The Knights of Columbus, as you know, is the largest Catholic men’s organization in the world. The Knights serve the Church faithfully in countless ways: Promoting vocations, supporting pro-life activities, promoting marriage and family, programs for youth and for the disabled, and many other activities that put our Catholic faith into action through charity. I encourage men, especially young men, of our diocese if you are not already members, to consider joining a local council.

Many thanks to all the Knights of Columbus in our diocese for your fidelity and service!

Our Lady of the Angels Convent

On Aug. 21, I celebrated Holy Mass for the retired Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration at Our Lady of the Angels Convent, next to the motherhouse, in Mishawaka. It is always a blessing to meet and pray with the retired sisters of different religious communities throughout our diocese. These holy women have given their lives in the service of Christ and His Church and they continue to serve us through their beautiful ministry of prayer.

The retired Sisters of St. Francis maintain that their life is a gift that makes religious community life. Thank you, Sisters, for your example and your prayers!
History of the Annual Bishop’s Appeal

BY BISHOP EMERITUS JOHN M. D’ARCY

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades kindly asked me to write an article on the history of the Annual Bishop’s Appeal and its importance for the mission of the Church in our diocese. I welcome the opportunity. As I recall how the appeal unfolded, I am struck at how quickly this initiative became not only a fundraiser, but an instrument of evangelization and a means of what the Church calls “communion.” This is a central work of the bishop bringing people together in Christ.

Also, from the beginning it was directed to help the parish, lifting a burden and allowing a parish priest to use his resources to strengthen the life of the parish.

In my first months as a bishop, I was approached by priests who explained to me the great burden of the system in place: A 13 percent tax on all income—collections, fundraisers, school tuition. I remember Fathers John Suelzer and Bob Epping, CSC, and I recall an important and courageous public intervention by Father John Pfister. Quickly, we formed a committee of 10 priests and six laity under the dynamic chairmanship of Father Bill Schooler. They met with them at Sacred Heart Chapel, University of Saint Francis, followed by Service of Dedication and Blessing of Brookside.”

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Bishop McFadden entered St. Patrick Cathedral Aug. 18, and was installed as bishop Aug. 19.

HARRISBURG, Pa. (CNS) — When Bishop Joseph P. McFadden entered St. Patrick Cathedral Aug. 18, he also assumed the heart of the Diocese of Harrisburg, and asked for their prayers.

“I ask you to pray for me that I may be a good shepherd after the heart of Jesus. Pray that together we may be good builders of the kingdom of God here in Harrisburg,” the bishop said in his homily during the Mass to install him as the diocese’s 10th bishop.

“I pray that we will have the courage to invite others to embrace our faith in Jesus. Pray that I may be able to encourage those who have grown lax in their faith to recapture the great gift that God has given to us in his son, Jesus, and the great treasure that he has left us in the Eucharist,” he said.

The installation Mass began with a 20-minute procession that included a Knights of Columbus honor guard, seminarians, lectors, ecumenical representatives and clergy, including priests from the Harrisburg Diocese and the Philadelphia Archdiocese, where Bishop McFadden had been an auxiliary bishop for the past six years.

Numerous bishops also were in attendance. Among them were Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, Harrisburg’s ninth bishop and now head of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend; Archbishop Pietro Sambi, apostolic nuncio to the United States; Cardinal Justin Rigali of Philadelphia; Cardinal John P. Foley, grand master of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem; and Cardinal William H. Keeler, retired archbishop of Baltimore and former bishop of Harrisburg.

As the procession made its way to the altar, Bishop McFadden knocked at the cathedral doors. He was welcomed inside by Father Thomas Rozman, pastor of the cathedral parish.

Cardinal Rigali then presented Bishop McFadden to Father Chester Snyder, who was diocesan administrator for the past seven months, and Father Kenneth Lawrence, senior mem-

Bishop asks for prayers: he’ll be ‘good shepherd after heart of Jesus’
faithful priests who served the parish as well.
And with thanksgiving to God for the many blessings bestowed on the parish since its establishment in 1860, Bishop Rhoades prayed “that the Lord will continue to bless your parish as you move into the future with faith and hope.”
He went on to encourage those in attendance to look to Mary, for spiritual nurturing. “Mary, our spiritual mother, is queen of heaven and earth. She has a motherly affection for us and is concerned for our salvation... She is very close to us...”
“Mary,” the bishop added, “always points us to Jesus. She helps us to know, love and praise her Son.” In closing he said, “Today we rejoice at Mary’s assumption into heaven. We rejoice in the 150th anniversary of St. Patrick Parish. May this community of faith always honor the holy Mother of God, strive to imitate her virtues and be close to her on the journey to salvation. Mary, assumed body and soul into heaven pray for us.”

Following the Mass, Matlachines Guadalupanos De San Patricio, St. Patrick’s ethnic dance group met Bishop Rhoades outside the church with a colorful performance of welcome. Close to 400 parishioners, Anglo and Hispanics alike, gathered on the church grounds then for a fiesta offering Mexican and American foods, drink and traditional Mexican dance entertainment.
Claudia Villalobos has been a parishioner of St. Patrick’s for 17 years and has danced with the Matlachines Guadalupanos De San Patricio group since her uncle initiated it 15 years ago. She reports the group dispersed a few years ago, but was revitalized last year and is again dancing at celebrations around the area. “These are traditional Mexican dances. They are giving thanks to God — for the rain — for corn,” she said, adjusting her colorful, floor-length beaded costume. Dancers from the Folkaloric group in Goshen joined in the festivities as well.
Dorothy Mynhier, parishioner since 1930 said of the anniversary celebration, “I think it’s great — we’re trying to communicate... We’re getting acquainted.”
Leticia Pena, agreed. A parishioner of St. Patrick Parish since 1993, Pena headed the the anniversary celebration planning committee and said the three months of planning has paid off. “I’m so happy, I thank God that the rain stopped. Everything is good. We want to have unity — one community. That is our main point.”
Daniel Silva, George Rodriguez and Pedro Delira worked behind the scenes barbecuing the chicken for the fiesta. Silva, who hails from Mexico, said, “I am involved in church as (an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist). I enjoy being part of Church. I like this town.”
Father Corzo was pleased with the turnout at the celebration and said, “I think the celebration was important because it united many people in the congregation. Many people live in identification with the Church and it was interesting for us. The presence of the bishop was important for us because people like talking to him and knowing they have one pastor to help the community. They are more motivated now.”
And in gratitude Father Corzo added, “I thank the bishop and the Catholics. Working together is so important. I thank the bishop for coming and for the motivation. And for the time he shared with us. I also thank all the parishioners that helped.”
As the St. Patrick community united over colorful ethnic foods, music and dance entertainment, Bishop Rhoades had this to say, “It’s always a pleasure to celebrate a parish anniversary. It’s a time to think about the past and the ancestors of the faith who built this church. But it’s also a time to be renewed in the faith and build community in God’s love. To be inspired by history and move into the future with enthusiasm and renewed faith.”

The colorful Folkaloric dance group from Goshen joined the festivities at St. Patrick’s, Ligonier, for its 150th anniversary fiesta celebration on Aug. 15.

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, left, concelebrates Mass with Father Wilson Corzo, pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Ligonier, during its 150th anniversary celebration on Aug. 15, the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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Changes Coming
Some changes in wording at Mass that will come with the new Roman Missal in English at Advent 2011

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Source: St. Charlesbeat of Catholic Bishops

With the introduction of the new Roman Missal the order and structure of the Mass will not change. Catholics can expect some changes in the wording of prayers and responses beginning at Advent next year.

“I think I can actually do this,” especially because of the wealth of resource materials that will be available to them.

The USCCB has prepared a parish implementation guide that includes a detailed timeline, bulletin inserts, suggestions for homilies and adult education classes on the liturgy and a wide variety of other resources. Audio, visual and print resources for priests, liturgical musicians and laypeople are also available now or in the works.

Sister Janet Baxendale, a Sister of Charity of New York who teaches liturgy at St. Joseph Seminary in Dunwoodie, N.Y., and its Institute of Religious Studies, is a consultant to the bishops’ Committee on Divine Worship. She said the new translation has been needed for a long time.

When the Second Vatican Council endorsed a new missal and permitted Catholics around the world to begin celebrating Mass in their local languages, the translation work that followed “was at its best a rush job,” she said. The Vatican’s translation principles at the time also favored “a looser construction, with the thought that in this way it could be adapted to various people more readily,” she added.

“As time went on, it became evident that . . . in many instances, the richness and power of the Latin text didn’t really come through,” Sister Janet said. “This was true of all the translations, not just the English.”

The new translation offers “more poetic texts, more beautiful texts,” she said.

Father Hilgartner said Pope Benedict XVI has placed his own personal stamp on the liturgical changes by adding two new options for the dismissal prayer at the end of Mass, emphasizing the “connection between the Mass and living the Christian life.”

In place of the current “The Mass is ended, go in peace,” celebrants will be able to choose from four options, including the pope’s suggestions — “Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord!” and “Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.”

There has been a lot of enthusiasm at the workshops for those added texts — “an audible kind of ‘oooh,’” Father Hilgartner said. “There’s a reaction of some awe and enthusiasm for just these two phrases, and I think that’s worth getting excited about.”

For information visit www.usccb.org/romanmissal.
Impact of Mother Teresa’s work, prayer still felt 13 years after death

BY CAROL ZIMMERMANN

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Thirteen years after her death, the impact of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta’s work and prayer is still felt around the world.

Mother Teresa would have turned 100 Aug. 26. The order she started 60 years ago — the Missionaries of Charity — continues its outreach to the “poorest of the poor.” Her spiritual life also continues to gain attention as her sainthood cause progresses.

Many say Mother Teresa’s legacy is the combination of her extreme devotion to the poor and her humility since both were so deeply intertwined.

For young people, the nun is a model for how to live out one’s faith.

“What strikes them is that she practiced what she preached,” said Eileen Burke-Sullivan, an associate professor of theology at Jesuit-run Creighton University in Omaha, Neb.

She said students connect with Mother Teresa because she grew up seeing her image on television or in the newspaper and they knew she “lived and died working for people.”

Burke-Sullivan told Catholic News Service that students appreciate how Mother Teresa made that connection between the practice of faith and justice.

Students at Benedictine College in Atchison, Kan., have a vivid reminder of the founder of the Missionaries of Charity. They are part of the school’s Mother Teresa Center for Nursing and Health Education to be dedicated Aug. 26 as part of the college’s new nursing program.

Stephen Minnis, president of Benedictine College, said school officials are searching for a name for their new nursing center kept talking about Mother Teresa even though she wasn’t a nurse.

“Who is a better caregiver than Mother Teresa?” he said, adding that she is a “wonderful example” for students and hopes they will be inspired by her quote displayed at the building’s entrance: “Give your hands to serve and your heart to love.”

David Gentry-Akin, a theology professor at St. Mary’s College of California in Moraga, said for all the accolades about Mother Teresa, she also received a fair amount of criticism. Although many thought her work was noble, they also wanted her to do more to “change the system” and some in the Church thought she was too traditional.

But as he sees it, the nun’s enduring legacy is her spirituality. “The work she did is phenome-

nal,” he said, adding that it was more effective because it was “motivated out of deep faith and holiness.”

Gentry-Akin said a telling feature of Mother Teresa’s spirituality is revealed in a prayer she is said to have prayed each day asking God’s light to shine through her so that those she came in contact with would “see no longer me but only Jesus.”

The prayer’s imagery serves as title for a book of her writings published in 2001: “Mother Teresa: Come Be My Light.” It describes, in her own words, the crises of faith she experienced and how she often felt that God had abandoned her.

After its publication, some said the revelations made Mother Teresa seem less genuine, but Gentry-Akin said it only made her more inspirational.

“The fact that she could go through that and remain faithful makes her sainthood all the greater,” he said.

Margaret Thompson, a history professor at Sycamore University, said: “We are only now beginning to learn how complex she really was, and as historians we’re not ready to issue final word on her.”

Thompson found irony in those who dismissed Mother Teresa for being too traditional, saying she was initially viewed as controversial when she left her religious order to start her own order and walked through impoverished neighborhoods in India wearing a saree.

She said Mother Teresa’s work was not about making good impressions but meeting the needs of people wherever they were. And those needs are still carried out by about 5,000 sisters of her order in 762 convents in 135 countries.

The order’s work also has expanded to priests and brothers of the Missionaries of Charity as well as lay Missionaries of Charity who run orphanages, AIDS hospices and centers for refugees and the disabled.

Five years after her death, the Vatican began the process of beatification for the woman often described as a “living saint.” In 2002, the Vatican recognized one miracle attributed to her intercession. Her canonization is currently awaiting proof of a second miracle.

A sister at Queen of Peace, the North American motherhouse for the Missionaries of Charity in the New York City borough of the Bronx, told CNS there is no shortage of miracles attributed to Mother Teresa. The sister, who did not want to be identified, said she spent a year in Calcutta working on the nun’s sainthood cause and spent three days simply entering miracles into the computer that people attributed to Mother Teresa’s intercession.

The sister said she’s convinced the order continues its work through her prayers.

“We constantly feel her spirit,” she said.

August 26 marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta. "God calls us to be his people here in this place at this time and this moment in history." BISHOP JOSEPH P. MCFADDEN

Bishop Joseph P. McFadden offers the sign of peace to his predecessor, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, during his installation Mass at St. Patrick’s Cathedral in Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 18. Bishop Rhoades was named to head the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend last November.

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Bishop McFadden remarked that God desires to live in His people so that they can help build His kingdom.

“This is really the task and work of the Church in Harrisburg,” he said. “God calls us to be His people here in this place at this time and this moment in history.”

The bishop called upon the faithful to promote respect for human life, proclaim the truth of the sanctity of marriage, and recapture an appreciation for the sacrament of reconciliation.

He also addressed and apologized to victims of clergy sexual abuse.

“I assure you, the victims, that you have my deepest love and concern and I will do all in my power to see that no such tragedy occurs again in the Church,” he said.

Before addressing the Spanish-speaking members of the diocese in their language, Bishop McFadden spoke of Mary as a model for the faithful.

“She teaches us that we must always be a people of hope and always trust that our loving God will sustain and accomplish His work in us if we will only remain faithful to Him and to His promises,” the bishop said. “It is my prayer that we the people of the Church in Harrisburg will always be a people full of hope.”

Cardinal Rigali told The Catholic Witness, Harrisburg’s diocesan newspaper, that Bishop McFadden has “a great deal of love for people. ... He’ll be of complete service to the diocese and to individuals.”
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SOUTH BEND — The Forever Learning Institute will begin fall semester courses on Monday, Sept. 13. Now in its 37th year, the Forever Learning Institute offers courses for senior citizens in the South Bend and surrounding communities. Classes are held at Little Flower Church in South Bend located at 54191 Ironwood Rd. Special classes will be held at Snite Museum in cooperation with the University of Notre Dame and the Indiana University Medical Center in Mishawaka.

Open registration will take place at the Little Flower Parish Center on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Construction at the site means only one entrance on the north end is available.

The institute will offer more than 40 classes and 31 new classes and will be introducing several new teachers.

The institute will introduce for sale their new cookbook for $15. The new cookbook offers 230 recipes, which have been submitted by teachers, students and friends.

Classes include instruction in English literature, writing, history, languages, computers and technology, science and nature, spirituality, health and exercise, cooking, arts and crafts, business and finance, dance, music, skills, psychology and specialty classes.

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Beeler appointed to Holy Cross College board of trustees

NOTRE DAME — Kathleen Beeler, chairman of the Board of Trustees, Elkhart, brings her enthusiasm and experience in education, fundraising, politics, board governance and business leadership to the board of trustees at Holy Cross College in Notre Dame.

Born in Toledo, Ohio, Beeler attended Saint Mary’s Academy in South Bend before matriculating at Saint Mary’s College, where she earned a bachelor’s degree in 1969. She then attended graduate school at the University of Chicago, earning a master’s degree in English in 1971. Beeler went on to teach high school and elementary school at several Catholic and public institutions including three in South Bend: John Adams High School, St. Joseph Grade School and Corpus Christi Grade School.

Beeler is passionate about volunteerism for great organizations in the arts, education, health care and Catholic ministry. She is a strong leader for numerous boards and foundations. As president of the Logan Foundation Board of Directors, she was instrumental in the development of the new Logan Center on East Jefferson Boulevard. On the board of Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, she helped raise funds for the new medical center in Mishawaka. She has served on both the Marian and Saint Joseph’s High School boards, was the first female chair of the Bishop’s Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend and is the immediate past president of the Catholic Community Foundation of Northeast Indiana.

Beeler is the mother of five children and three grandchildren. Widowed in 1998, Beeler married Brian Regan in 2005, the former director of development at the University of Notre Dame, the executive vice president of Goodwill Industries and a trustee emeritus of Holy Cross College. They live in Ganger.

St. Anthony De Padua School plans Trivia Night

SOUTH BEND — St. Anthony de Padua Catholic School will hold a fun trivia night on Aug. 28 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium located at 2310 E. Jefferson Blvd., South Bend. Trivia Night is open to the general public. Tables are $100 for no money. Prizes will be awarded for the table with the best theme. A $50/50 raffle, the heads and tails game and other drawings will occur.

Reserve a table by contacting Sarah Joyce in the parish office (574) 282-2208 or Spyece@stanthonysho.org. All money is payable at the door that evening. Funds raised will be used by members of the St. Anthony Youth Group for travel to Madrid for World Youth Day 2011.

Little Flower, Temple Beth-El to dialogue

SOUTH BEND — Members of Temple Beth-El and Little Flower Parish and others will hold a dialogue sharing vast theological traditions and the human experience of atonement. The dialogue will be held in a seminar-type environment.

Bishop Dwenger to hold SAT prep classes

FORT WAYNE — Bishop Dwenger High School is offering an SAT prep course, which will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-7:30 p.m. Classes will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 21, and end on Thursday, Nov. 4. The 14 sessions will include diagnostic testing, six verbal and six math sessions, and will address all areas of the SAT. The class fee is $175 and includes the text for the course. This prep course is open to any senior student in the Fort Wayne/Allen County area. For more information and registration, please call Bishop Dwenger High School at (260) 496-4790 or click on www.bishopdwenger.com.

Labuzienski, Neuhoff earn Eagle Scout rank

SOUTH BEND — Andrew Labuzienski earned his Eagle Scout award and his service project featured the clearing of a scenic hiking path at the Izaak Walton League in South Bend along the St. Joseph River.

Labuzienski participated in Philmont New Mexico’s ultimate Boy Scout high adventure hike in 2007 and was elected the expedition leader for the wilderness hike in 2009. He also hiked the Manistee wilderness expedition in 2008. Labuzienski has been a member of Troop 505 and Pack 505 sponsored by St. Joseph Parish in South Bend for the past 12 years and was elected into the Boy Scout’s Order of the Arrow in 2007.

Labuzienski graduated from Saint Joseph’s High School in 2010 with honors and will attend Loyola University of New Orleans. He spent the past two summers doing volunteer work for the St. Joseph and Christ the King youth groups helping with Katrina restoration efforts in New Orleans. He is the son of Thomas and Mary Labuzienski of South Bend.

Matt Neuhoff was awarded his Eagle rank in August and graduated from Marian High School in 2009. His Eagle project was at ZB Falcons.

Neuhoff is a National Society of High School Scholars and was on the dean’s list all semesters. He is a 10-year 4-H member with many championships in horse and pony. He was awarded a Gold Key Award for art and was IHSAA Regional high jump champion, setting the record for Marian High School. Neuhoff was a Burger King Outstanding Athlete and Kiwanis Student Athlete.

He is majoring in engineering at Purdue. Neuhoff has been a Scout since third grade and participated in a Philmont trek.
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Tina Voors named principal at St. Aloysius School in Yoder

BY TIM JOHNSON

YODER — The German word, “wunderbar” (“wonderful”), could describe Tina Voors’ excitement about being named principal of St. Aloysius School, Yoder. Voors, who had taught German for 18 years at DeKalb High School and was also a department chair there for six years, accepted the principalship at St. Aloysius on Aug. 9, just two weeks before the first day of school on Aug. 23.

In the last two weeks, the new principal busied herself with diocesan principals’ meetings, going through paperwork and meeting the staff and teachers at St. Aloysius School. Voors will be working with a new pastor, Msgr. Bernard Galic, along with current pastor Father Dominique Carboneau, were involved in the selection process of Voors.

St. Aloysius School, Yoder. The rural character of St. Aloysius is a good fit for Voors, with a German language background, enjoys coordinating tours with groups of about six people, enjoys coordinating tours with groups of about six people.

Tina Voors is the new principal of St. Aloysius School in Yoder.

Alloisius is a familiar scene for her, a parishioner at rural St. Louis Besancon Parish. Her daughter Samantha, almost 12, is a sixth-grade student at St. Louis Academy. And daughter Sarah, 14, a freshman at Woodlan High School, also attended St. Louis Academy. Voors served on the St. Louis Academy school board for four years and understands the challenges of small Catholic schools. She is also a volleyball coach for the St. Louis Academy and St. Joseph Mononville Twins.

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Women of the diocese arise to a day of reflection with Teresa Tomeo

BY KAY COZAD

FORT WAYNE — Women of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend are invited to attend the third annual day of reflection, titled “Celebrating the Strength, Dignity, and Hope of Women,” sponsored by the Office of Spiritual Development and Evangelization in partnership with Redeemer Radio — Catholic Radio 1450 AM. The all-day conference will be held on Oct. 2 at the University of Saint Francis-North Campus in Fort Wayne, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This year’s keynote is veteran broadcast journalist Teresa Tomeo, who will present a morning and afternoon session to inspire the hearts of the women who will gather. Tomeo is a popular syndicated talk show host, motivational speaker, the founder of TT Communications and Company and has authored several books including, “Noise: How Our Media-Saturated Culture Dominates Lives and Dismantles Families.”

Tomeo will offer her witness of how the media influenced her life and provide those in attendance with ways to makeover their “media habits” to change the face of American culture. “I want to help women break out of the image we have been given by the media and culturally,” says Tomeo, adding, “I hope at least one woman will give herself over fully to the Church.”

Her message to the women of the diocese: “Take it upon yourself to learn to embrace your faith. It’s so freeing, so incredible. The Church’s teachings have been proven right over and over.”

The day of reflection will offer lunch and an opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation between sessions, as well as Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction with hymn by Msgr. Robert Schulte, vicar general of the diocese.

Kohrman hopes that the women who attend the day of reflection will be empowered by Tomeo’s presentations as well as the sacraments offered.

She says, “I hope that those who attend this year’s ARISE Women’s Conference come away from it with an understanding of how they are uniquely suited to face the challenges that are mounting in our culture. Teresa Tomeo’s message focuses on the crucial role that women play in society and the Church, and the importance of a nurturing a strong, sacramental faith life in order to meet these challenges.”

Tomeo offers passionately, “Tell the women, ‘you need to be there and bring a friend!’ It will be uplifting, encouraging and we’ll laugh a lot.”

For more information on Teresa Tomeo visit www.teresatomeo.com or listen to her weekdays at 9 a.m. on Redeemer Radio AM 1450.

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The registration fee, which includes lunch, is $20 through Sept. 5, and $25 from Sept. 6-20.

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St. Michael’s youth group members and their siblings break during an afternoon cleanup of the Waterloo Park. The group picked up litter and pulled weeds before enjoying a picnic together. Other recent activities of the youth group include making “baby care kits” consisting of diapers, blankets, clothes and other infant necessities for Haitian mothers and their children.
Bishop Dwenger Saints continue rich winning tradition

BY MICHÉLE CASTLEMAN

FORT WAYNE — Several new faces, including first-year athletic director John Bennett, will make their debut along with longtime coaches at Bishop Dwenger as the 2010 season kicks off. The Saints continue their rich-history of a winning tradition in the Fort Wayne area’s Summit Athletic Conference (SAC), as well as on the Indiana state map, as teams prepare to hit the weekday courts and fields, Friday night lights and Saturday morning courses this fall.

Football

For the past four years straight, the Bishop Dwenger Saints have dominated high school football in the Fort Wayne area. Their conference championship and rolling over their foes. And this year’s group of 30 seniors have been waiting their turn to do the same.

One of those seniors who have been standing by to step into his role will be quarterback Patrick Ryan. Along with a powerhouse supporting cast of Remmond Wright, Tony Springmann, Cameron Smith and Mike Yoder back on the offense and the Saints’ returning defensive core of Springmann, Wright, Smith, Wilson Ganga, Nick McCarthy and Evan Feichter, Coach Chris Svarczkopf is ready to continue the winning tradition at Dwenger.

Entering his ninth season, Svarczkopf lists the experience of his defensive backs, defensive ends and running backs as notable strengths for 2010.

Boys’ cross country

The Bishop Dwenger Saints return seven runners with varsity experience from their past 10 years, Cruz has set the foundation for us to continue the winning tradition at Dwenger,” Coach John Minnick concludes.

Cruz concludes, “With a class of 12 seniors, we are expecting a lot from our upperclassman to pave the way for our younger players that have also shown promise. We will continue to improve every day, the wins will come.”

Despite losing six of the top seven players from 2009, Koehl has strong leaders in seniors Luke Welch and Nathan Fenker. Also returning with varsity experience is last year’s number three singles player, junior Michael Sordelet.

Girls’ golf

In his sixth season, Coach Kurt Jeffers welcomes back seniors Julie Mueller, Morgan Braun and Erica Miller along with five others returning from the 2009 women’s golf squad. They will be joined by incoming freshman, Nellie Lee, who is already hitting a 100-102.

Looking forward to a good season, Jeffers summarized, “We have some vibrant young girls working very hard. They persevere and try to stay in every round.”
Bishop Luers teams expected to live up to tradition

BY MICHELLE CASTLEMAN

FORT WAYNE — Bishop Luers High School athletics are known for their long history of winning and talented athletes and the fall of 2010 is expected to live up to the tradition across the board and across the state.

Luers football

Fueled by a 2009 Indiana Class 2-A state championship, the Bishop Luers Knights’ football team returns an all-star lineup, weighed down with a core group of talented senior leaders and an ever-more-matured signal caller. Starting his 24th season, Coach Matt Lindsay (200-92) predicts, “We are going to be successful if our championship efforts from last November inspire our young men to want the same, especially in July and August. We had to overcome hard lessons along the road to Lucas Oil last year, and my hope is that the experience was well-learned!”

Leading their high-powered offense will be all-state selection Ken Mullens who rushed for 26 touchdowns last season and quarterback James Knapke who had 1,591 yards and 17 scores in 2009. Tender of talented senior leaders and an expected to challenge opponents once again thanks to the grit of Ken Mullens who rushed for 26 touchdowns last year, and receiver James Knapke who had 1,591 yards and 17 scores in 2009.

Coach Kevin Lewis is 25 deep and is expected to make an impact, while Alex Stronczek, Tim Wyss and Damon Workman are the conference notable seniors returning.

Luers golf

Early August saw the Bishop Luers Lady Knights in two different tournaments where Coach Tom O’Brien “saw many positives.” In his fourth season with the women’s golf program, O’Brien lists 14 on his roster for 2010. Laden with talented seniors, the Knights return four — Amanda Vankoski (honorable mention all-conference), Lexy Hamel, Alex Eagleson (all conference last year) and Alexis Baker. Rounding out the top golfers are juniors Libby Devlin, Georgia Gladding, Michaela O’Shaughnessy and newcomer Samantha Rahrig.

O’Brien is also excited about “this underclassman. ‘We have a great group of girls this season who really make it fun,’ he explained. ‘We will be really switching our focus this season and working a lot on our short game — chipping and putting. A lot of the girls have a nice swing, but we are losing strokes around the green and on the green.’

After a third place conference finish in 2009, O’Brien is counting on maturity to carry his team through the upcoming season.

Luers cross country

Coach Mendy Webb and the Bishop Luers Knights are excited to return most of last year’s cross country team to the course this fall. Leading the team in the number one spot for 2010 will be student body president, Billy McManus. Webb is hopeful McManus will break the school record and advance to the state meet in his final season at Luers. Varsity spots are dependent on times and vary from meet to meet. Webb looks for co-captain Sean Driscoll, Dakota Zwick and John Krunanaker to make their way on to the roster throughout the year. Other top seniors returning are Ben Puitz and Dave Nolan with underclassman Sean McManus, Josh Ware, Corey Lefters and Paul Lohmuller rounding out the top spots.

Another for the girls’ squad, Alyssa Knuth and Morgan Carroll will be the senior co-captains. The Lady Knights’ top runner and school record holder, Rachel Crouch, also returns for her junior season with goals of reaching the regional meet in 2010. Other top runners back in action to pace Luers are Bridget Wellman, Robin Schafer, Katie Griebel, Liz Swygart and Emily Schafer.

“Both teams have exceptional leadership this fall and look forward to attending the all-Catholic schools meet to be run in Noblesville in September,” concluded Webb.
BY JOE KOZINSKI

MISHAWAKA — The fall staff at Marian High School has a couple of new faces with the hiring of cross country coach, Andy Grey, and girls’ golf coach and school chaplain, Father Jacob Runyon, but unfortunately has lost a dear friend to the program and the school in the off-season.

“Mike Flynn the girls soccer coach passed away tragically during a vacation,” explained Athletic Director Reggie Glon. “Mike started off as a team parent, moved to conditioning coach, then assistant head coach and ended up as our head coach over a 14-year period.”

“His impact on the Marian community and the girls was tremendous and can’t be replaced,” remarked Glon. “We have dedicated a memorial garden in his name near the fields that he loved, a place for reflection.”

“The Bishop’s Cup has been a nice competition that is usually decided by one or two events,” quipped Glon. “Our kids know that they have a hand in controlling the ownership of the trophy and I think are poised to compete hard for it.”

Football

The Marian Knights’ football team is again looking for another successful campaign under Coach Glon, one that might just hit a plateau that would net the “General,” as affectionately called by his offensive coordinator, Santiago Bosque, his 100th win.

“I’m excited about the returning kids we have back this year,” stated Glon. “They, that’s right ‘They’ have set lofty goals and have been working hard in the off season to achieve them.”

“Our senior captains — Chase Parker and Jonnie Rectenwal have led the team well,” continued Glon. “Our team speed is on the uprise but our depth definitely will be the key.

“Our two leading rushers are back — fullback Matt Thomas and quarterback Thomas Krueger — and we expect good things when healthy from senior wide receiver, Gavin Glon,” remarked Glon.

“The offensive line is also anchored by a group of seniors — Rectenwal, Pat Doyle, Mike Rutledge and Shawn Swanson.

“Our defense also has its share of seniors with Parker returning as linebacker, A.J. Fitzpatrick at safety, Teddy English and Pat Russell holding down the D-line and a trio of DBs — Matt Canter, Nick Catanzarite and Andrew Davidson,” added Glon.

“With that all said, we also are counting on some experienced juniors and sophomores at some of our skill positions to contribute in a big way.”

Volleyball

Marian volleyball has been a beacon when it comes to being a consistent team that performs at the highest level in an area annually jam packed with juggernauts, this season’s squad is no exception.

“We have a combo of experienced players and some newbies that should put us right in the hunt,” explained longtime skipper, Dan Anderson. “Right now we look good on paper but by mid-season and into the tournament we want to have all the right combinations jelling together.”

“We are fortunate to be led by senior captains Molly Pajakowski and Meredith Parkus,” commented Anderson. “They both have state experience and are high quality players.

“We are also looking at two very good freshmen — Jordan Bueter, a six footer, and Allison Ketcham — both athletic and are working hard to learn.” Anderson added. “All of our girls have worked hard in the off season and the mixture of experience, diligence and perseverance should pay dividends.”

Boys’ soccer

Marian Boys Soccer is another highly successful program that has been guided and nurtured by a coach that has become well respected in the area as well as the state.

“I’m really excited about this group of kids,” commented the 13-year Coach Ben Householter. “We lost some important players to graduation but we do have some experience back.

“The key to our success will be the versatility of our players,” remarked Householter. “Our concern is in goal, we really don’t have that battle tested keeper that we are accustomed to, but I think we may have it figured out.

“We have some talented seniors that have started in the past and are doing a good job of leading,” Householter continued. “Troy McGovern will anchor the defense and a trio of forwards; Hank Blum, Jimmy Smogor and Derek Henry will give us the offense we need to be competitive.”

Girls’ soccer

There is a new coach at the helm of the Marian girls soccer team, but he is not new to the traditions and play that have made them a perennial threat.

“I will have some big shoes to fill with the passing of Coach Flynn,” remarked Coach Djamel Charmat. “I coached against, with and together with Coach Flynn over the years and the support he gave to the school and the players will truly be missed.”

“We do have some extremely strong leadership from our senior captains — Alyssa Weidner, Lindsey Gilbert and Abby Suckow. The players really respect them,” added Charmat. “Right now graduation hurt our defense, but I feel the girls will come together and fill the hole.

“We are happy to have Gabby Veldman back and her 18 goals from last season,” continued Charmat. “I have a feeling that all of the games we win this year will for the memory of Coach Flynn.”

Boys’ cross country

There is a new coach at the helm of the cross country program at Marian and the Knights are excited.

“We started off the summer by running a trial and it gave me a good indication of where we were at physically,” explained first-year coach Andrew Gray. “We then tailor made a conditioning program based on that and now we are seeing increases in strength and stamina across the board.

“Junior Tony Spaulding is leading the pack for us,” Gray stated. “The rest of the team is fighting for spots which will make us that much more competitive.”

Girls’ cross country

The Lady Knights are expected to be competitive right out of the gate relying on some successes from last year.

“We expect some big things from the group of runners,” remarked Gray. “They have all worked hard over the summer and have a good base for the upcoming season.

“I believe we are deep, have great leadership and can become pretty good,” continued Gray. “We have a nice one-two punch with sophomores Maggie Pendergast and Gabi Skwarcan, and the rest of the squad is very solid.”

Boys’ tennis

The Knights’ boys tennis team will have to be competitive right out of the NIC crown as they take to the hard courts and make some adjustments and hope for some good pairing in conference play.

“The boys have really played this off season and you can tell that they have gotten better,” explained veteran Coach Sarah Stanchin. “We will build off singles players — Evan Merryma, a senior and Stephen Hicks, a junior — and a senior doubles competitor Markus Creachbaum.

“We have also picked up freshman Jack Julien for some more depth,” commented Stanchin. “With the fall season in full swing, we should be able to compete at the top of our conference.”

Girls’ golf

The girls golf team has acquired not only a new coach but also a spiritual leader with school Chaplain Father Jacob Runyon the newly crowned skipper.
Saint Joseph’s sports on solid footing

BY JOE KOZINSKI

SOUTH BEND — As the Indians prepare for the new school year, the athletic program is again on solid footing and is expecting to compete at the conference level as well as sending a couple of squads down state.

“We have some teams that finished well last season and are returning proven athletes,” explained Eric Gohlke, athletic director. “We have only a few new coaches — Steve Bender in tennis, and Ben Downey will head the football team.”

“Steve has a wealth of high school tennis experience and Ben worked with his brother, exiting Coach Kevin Downey, and that will make for a very smooth transition in football,” commented Gohlke. “Saint Joe won the Bishop’s Cup last season, but we expect things to be a little closer this year.”

Football

The first name in the program may have changed but the championship ways that include Saint Joseph’s grit, determination and hard work are as always a staple in the Indian football playbook.

“The foundation is here and is going to stay, there may be a little tinkering,” said new head Coach Ben Downey. “We didn’t come in to change things just for the sake of change; it has been a very smooth transition.

“In my opinion, the Saint Joe job isn’t just another football position, it is the job,” remarked Downey. “I was fortunate enough to be on the 1995 state championship team here and that bond makes this opportunity special.

“Our strength this season is unity,” voiced Downey. “All classes are interacting well and we are seeing leadership through example by our kids.”

Boys’ soccer

The Indians are expecting good things from a team that mixes experience starters with some very talented underclassmen that should make for another exciting season.

“This team has some very good chemistry the kids have a high skill level coupled with the tactical part of the game,” said veteran coach Alberto Verteramo. “Our defense looks to be our strength with Kyle Wieschhaus tending net, Ian Lewis as a defender and Frank Busch defending from the center of the field.

“Junior Connor Verteramo and sophomore Jimmy Norquist both were starters last season and add to our talented depth,” said Verteramo.

“We round out the squad with a couple of very talented freshmen and versatile players that will be called upon to create that winning combination,” Verteramo remarked. “I’m very anxious to see the season unfold, in a very good way.”

Girls’ soccer

The Saint Joseph’s girls’ soccer team is ready to compete and will have to be as they start the early portion of the season by playing some premier teams in state in their pre-conference schedule.

“Right now we are looking pretty good. It’s early but I’m encouraged,” said Coach Johan Kuitse, who has been at the helm for 24 years. “The girls are very close to each other in skill level, which means we can move them around and not lose any momentum or talent — that means, versatility.

“We play four seniors and 11 juniors so we are pretty experienced,” added Kuitse. “Captains Sarah Hall, Ali Connelly and Ellen Bachmann huff all have been varsity team members for the last three years.

“We are pretty active and physical and we met our preseason fitness targets,” continued Kuitse. “If we can stay focused and away from injuries, we have the potential to be very good.”

Volleyball

The season in front of the Lady Indians is one filled with talent, skill and some wins.

“We have a solid team that has the potential to be very good when we find the right chemistry,” commented head Coach Mary Kay O’Connell. “If we can make adjustments mentally and play as one unit good things will happen.”

“We have some seniors back that solidify our team — Melissa Macellari, setter; Meredith Merits, an outside attacker; and our libero, Nashey Szymczak,” O’Connell remarked. “We are scheduled to play in some nice early season tournaments against very good competition. Hopefully that gives us an opportunity to come together as a team.”

Boys’ cross country

Last season the boys’ cross country team was considered talented but young. This year they are very good and experienced with big things expected out of them.

“Health is important, we have some depth but not enough to feel comfortable with,” explained Coach Jerry Hoffman. “The team isn’t complacent, they still have the fire in their bellies after last season’s successes.”

“We have what I like to call a one-two-three punch filled with juniors,” exclaimed Hoffman. “Joey Zielinski, Connor Method and Josh O’Brien are as talented of a group of runners that I have had.”

Girls’ cross country

The girls’ cross country team is also ready to run away with team accolades as well as some individual awards as the season nears.

“We have back six of our top seven runners from last year and they have all gotten stronger,” Hoffman commented. “We have a good shot to qualify for state. We have the desire, determination and athleticism.

“We are led by returning all-stater Darby Mountford who is setting her sites on standing on the stage at the awards ceremony,” added Hoffman. “Maria Murphy has been running in pain, but she definitely is the heart and soul of the team.”

Girls’ golf

For the girls’ golf team at Saint Joseph’s, the coach has a hard time selecting who has been at the helm for 24 years. “The girls are very close to each other in skill level coupled with the tactical part of the game,” stated Bender. “We have our doubles teams back with Mike Mullaney and Tim Heisler pairing up, and Nick Minaudo and Tim Leonard make up the rest.

“This is a hardworking group with an athletic freshman class,” added Bender. “The other kids are so close to the talent level that I would consider them a varsity (B) team rather than junior varsity players.”

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Saint Joseph’s High School Athletic Association
When the kids find out about the test tubes

When I do presentations on in vitro fertilization, audience members sometimes ask whether test tube babies experience psychological problems as they grow up. Although they clearly face elevated health risks for a number of diseases and physical disorders, the psychological effects on these children have not been thoroughly studied. Nevertheless, children born from other, closely related technologies, like anonymous sperm donation, are starting to be tracked, and researchers are finding that these children face significant difficulties in dealing with their feelings and emotions as they grow older. They oftentimes struggle with their own sense of dignity and identity, with their need for a father, and with a desire to understand their family connection.

A recent online article in Slate Magazine entitled, “The Sperm Donor Kids Are Not Really Alright” describes one such study and includes some disturbing quotes from a British woman named Christine Whipp. She puts it this way: “My existence owed almost nothing to the intimate, natural form of human reproduction, where babies are the natural progression of mutually fulfilling adult relationships, but rather represented a verbal contract, a financial transaction and a cold, clinical harnessing of medical technology.”

A growing number of children born this way instinctively sense how “cold, clinical harnessing of technology” can never quite measure up to the warmth and commitment embodied in the life-giving marital embrace of a mother and a father. The absent father who donates sperm anonymously, the financial exchanges involved, and the disconnected laboratory environment surrounding their origins imply an element of being “used.” It can be difficult for such children to put into words what they are really feeling and experiencing, as a young man named Craig emphasizes in his online comments following the Slate Magazine article:

“The tarring, the up not was your normal run of the mill confusion. I didn’t even begin to understand the inner turmoil I felt until I found out about my beginnings. My suggestion to you would be that before you start giving suggestions to others about how to live in a mixed family, come to know what it is like to be a child who knows something is wrong but you just don’t know why. Know you’re different ... but you just don’t know why. Live with a question mark over your head every day of your life and not be able to put words to that question.”

Another young person in the same situation poignantly comments:

“I am a product of sperm donation and I can tell you that I always hated growing up without a dad. I can’t tell my mom how I feel because I said something to her when I was little and she got very hurt and upset and tried to explain to me that a lot of kids grow up without dads and kinda went into all of this women can do this and women can do that and most women really don’t need a man and blah blah blah. So I now keep all of my feelings to myself. I can tell you that for as much as I love her, inwards I still hate her for doing this to me and thinking that she had a right to decide if I needed a dad or not.”

All children, whether or not they are conceived in vitro, deserve to grow up. We should never intentionally choose to set up situations where a child is denied the right to know who he or she is and where they came from. In the words of one child, who put it in his own words: “I think my parents are a lie. I think it would be better for them to just tell the truth. ”

Father Tadeusz Pacholczyk, Ph.D. earned his doctorate in neuroscience from Yale and did post-doctoral work at Harvard. He is a priest of the Diocese of Fall River, Mass., and serves as the director of education at The National Catholic Bioethics Center in Philadelphia.

The new translation of the Holy Mass: An introduction

O n the first Sunday of Advent next year (Nov. 27, 2011), English-speaking Roman Catholics around the world will begin using a new English translation of the Roman Missal. The Vatican’s Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments gave its “recognition,” or approval, to the new translation in late April. However, the delivery of the announcement of an implementation date were delayed until now, largely in order to incorporate conclusions of the meeting of the plenary assembly of the bishops and the experts and to set an implementation date.

The new translation is the result of extensive work on the part of countless volunteers in multiple places around the world. The document is being published by the International Commission on English in the Liturgy (ICEL), which was the organization charged with preparing our current translation, according to the principles outlined under Pope John Paul II and affirmed under Pope Benedict XVI. In addition, the International Commission on English in the Liturgy (ICEL) has been working on this project since 1997 at the request of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Roman Missal Web site is “New Missal” — including comparisons of some current and forthcoming versions of Mass prayers.

Although this adjustment from a set of prayers with which we have grown familiar over 40 years will not be easy, it will nonetheless present a great opportunity for the English-speaking Church. We wish to show how the new translation makes possible an increased sense of beauty and reverence in the sacred liturgy, which will hopefully contribute to our common vocation to holiness. Let us pray that the effects of this renewal will be far-reaching, and ultimately enable us to experience a more profound encounter with Christ.

Brian MacMichael is the director of the Office of Worship for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend.

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Attalia is a seaport in southern Turkey.

HISTORY

FATHER RICHARD HIRE

sheer cliffs above the blue Mediterranean with a green pasture stretching behind the city to magnificent pine forests. To the west great mountains rise straight out of the sea. A. Edmonds says Attalia was founded in the second century by Attalus II, the king of Pergamum in Asia Minor. He named it for his son. The ancient Roman author Plutarch says pirates held secret rites of fire worship near it. Hierarch worship may be connected with the natural fire that has burned on the hillside for centuries and is still visible at night from the sea.

The Bible doesn’t say St. Paul preached in Attalia, but there are some evidences of Christianity there. The ruins of the 13th-century Selcuk mosque at Attalia was previously a Christian Byzantine basilica from the 7th century. The Great Mosque had also been a Christian basilica and the Kesik Minare Mosque was built in the 5th century Christian Church of the Panagia or Virgin and was decorated with finely carved marble. The archaeological museum at Attalia houses some of the early Christian remains from nearby Perga and a casket of bones reputed to be those of the famous St. Nicholas, the bishop of Myra, further down the Turquoise coast. Other sights in Attalia include the monumental triple arch of the Roman emperor Hadrian in honor of his visit in 130 called the Hadrian gate, a clock tower and a round Roman defensive tower or lighthouse.

Heirs of Christ

THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

MSGR. OWEN E. CAMPION


The first reading for this weekend’s liturgy is from the Book of Sirach. This book is from that class of biblical writings called the Wisdom Literature, in general, a class of writings representing an effort to combine traditional Jewish belief with the highest of human wisdom.

The purpose is not to blend these two elements together so that neither has integrity and identity of its own. It is not to equate one with the other, but instead to see the great value in both, wisdom, but more to the point, that sound human logic has no quarrel for divine Revelation.

The first reading is a statement addressed to a male child (or grandson). Imagining the origins suggested by this style of writing in itself deals how the Wisdom Literature developed in many cases. Primarily, these books were formed outside the Holy Land. Immigrants from the Holy Land to distant, foreign and pagan places wrote many of these books.

These authors wished to convince their own children of the worth of the ancient Hebrew religion, so that the religion would survive into the future through the lives of the young.

In this weekend’s reading, the author of the book, Ben Sir, or son of Sir, tells his son to live his life with humility. Be humble in dealing with others. Humility, not aggressiveness, wins friends and true supporters.

For the second reading, the Church gives us a section of the Epistle to the Hebrews. Heavy with the rich imagery of the Old Testament, Hebrews both subtly and clearly describes Jesus as the Lamb of God and as the Messiah long promised by God, but it calls Christians to realize their unity with Christ in their faith.

Through and with Jesus, true disciples go forward through their own life experiences to meet God on the holy mountain, Zion.

St. Luke’s Gospel is the source of the last reading. It is a parable. Etiquette at the time of Jesus was very important and explaining. Nothing was greater than to be invited to join another in a meal, unless it was to invite another to a meal.

As to conversation in these social settings, bold, assertive, and certain to the point of being unbearable, were absolutely out of place.

An atmosphere of unspoken deceit surrounds this meal. The Pharisees at the dinner watch Jesus intently, not to learn but to discredit the Lord. They are too smug to be humbled. Centered, they strive for places of honor.

Jesus spoke frankly and very bluntly. He rebuked the ambitious Pharisees. It needed to be rebuked. Reward, foreign and pagan places were many of these books.

Our Lord has already given a warning to the Pharisees. He rebuked the ambitious Pharisees. It needed to be rebuked. Reward, foreign and pagan places were many of these books.

Some students have a great need to explore different faith traditions during their college years. However, it is important to include the Catholic Church in that exploration. Sadly enough some people abandon their faith without ever actually knowing that “Catholic Church really teaches and why.”

As many will discover, it is when one is away from his or her support systems that he or she needs the Church even more. And not only does the Church provide a haven during college days, it often provides a chance to discover new friends who get involved in campus ministry or at Newman Centers (Student Parishes) discover the spiritual gifts that they often use throughout their lives.

My advice to college students who are serious about their faith and have a strong relationship with God — or want to be — is to try some of the following suggestions: First of all, find someone to go to Mass with you. Most young adults hesitate to go to a Mass on their own. It is a lot different not being connected to a family or with familiar people at Sunday Mass. Establish a group of “Church friends.” Students have told me that they met some of their dearest friends while they were involved in campus ministry or at the Newman Center of their university, and often their spouses.

Second, sign up for at least one activity that campus ministry or the center provides. Get involved in a liturgical ministry. Join a faith sharing or Scripture group. Sign up for a retreat.

Are you a commuter student who does not live on a campus or goes to a school that does not have its own Catholic Center, find a campus ministry. Schedule the time to join a group of students who share your faith. Start your own sharing or service group.

Find a mentor or a spiritual companion, with whom you can express your doubts, fears, concerns, questions, etc., about the Church. This can be a priest, religious brother or sister or any good Catholic that you trust and admire. It is not good to go it alone when you are searching. A wise, listening ear is often a big help. Pray stories of confidence. A friend, like this can also help you grow in your faith.

Last, but certainly not least, take a little time to pray each day. Give Jesus some of your quality time, even if it only five or 10 minutes a day. Share your joys and concerns with him. At times, you may worry about your relationship with Him and ask Him to help your faith grow. When it comes right down to it, it is your faith, so it is a faith in yourself and in your relationship with Him that will sustain you throughout your college and your entire life. The Church is here to support us in our efforts to be disciples.

Hello college, goodbye Church? We hope not...
Play like a champion

BY JUSTIN BARKUS

This talk means to approach several definitive questions about athletics that Christian coaches must address. Are they? How are they perceived by youth? What ought Catholic coaches to do under these circumstances?

It might be useful to first approach the question of what our Christian faith offers to the world of athletics in the 21st century. Religion seems worlds away from the realm of sports, at least in the minds of youth raised on ESPN. Yet we all know that faith can indeed serve a powerful Christian purpose.

From the earliest days of Christianity, the life of faith has been described in terms referring to athletics; St. Paul speaks of the Christian life as a race that must be run with great endurance, a race to win the prize of salvation. There is a Greek word for the “prize” at the end of the race, from which the word “athletic” is derived.

Ancient hermits of the desert fasted, prayed and kept silence for many years at a time; what word did they use to describe their spiritual training? “Askesis,” or, literally, “athletic training,” the kind of training that Olympians must perform today before they compete. Indeed, sports has everything to teach us about the Christian life.

This is because sports represent the real world in microcosm. Some are gifted, others are not. Hard work and commitment to a collective body greater than oneself are required for success; breaks go your way, breaks go against you through no fault of your own. Failure is easy; success is difficult and often short-lived. Running the race, as Paul says, is meant to be easy and the prize will not be handed over for free.

And just as we must, for better or worse, bring up our children in the cultural and social milieu specific to our times, so are we hurled into the world of sport as it exists in the 21st century.

This world is more or less por-
ted throughout the world of sports men and women who are genuinely commendable as role models. And of course the under-
dog and comeback stories capti-
vate us. They are why we love sports.

Yet I am afraid that even the superstars and feel good stories, which are the stuff of sports, have achieved a significance that bepspeaks a loss of perspective, that perspective being that sports is indeed very unimportant in comparison with what is seen as important in “real life” — family and faith foremost amongst them. Occasionally, surrounding moments of tremendous gravity — think 9/11, or some other similar event — ESPN will pause to remind us that such matters grant us a healthy dose of “perspective” on what is most important — only to be followed by a ruthless 24/7 assault of continuous sports pro-
gramming that is designed to anes-
thetize our very sensitivity to those things which are indeed more important than sports.

By way of example, I might mention that in a single NBA basket-
ball game this past season between the Boston Celtics and Memphis Grizzlies, one would have found on the same court players who are referred to as “The Truth,” “The Answer,” and one who played the role of a base-
ball prodigy named “Jesus” in a major motion picture. While it might be a reach to consider that sports have become a religion in our country, I can’t imagine that our religious sensitivities and val-
ues would have produced such nicknames 50 years ago.

I make this digression to talk about the world of sport and ESPN because such messages and images of athletes in fancy cars or outfits costing four figures are the mes-
ges and images with which youth in the age of ESPN form their conception of athletics. The self-absorbedness and narcissism of the superstar athlete is overt and at times even socially accepted. All too often, sport operates on the principle that authority means for “me,” that the team is nothing without me, that I will not give my self more effort because my voice is not being heard. I will not give myself up for the team unless my conditions are met.

We are living in the age of the cult of the athlete; our youth are found inventing and repeating things that revolve around athletes, and that the success of the team and honor-
ably representing their school are less important than our own self-aggrandizement. I know this because I myself have been tempt-
et at times to take this attitude as a player, and most certainly have encountered it in my short time as a coach.

In light of this serious situation, I have been asked to give a charge to the youth coaches gathered here. What ought we to do?

• Be a credible witness who makes the faith incarnate; be firm in your faith, assertive in your val-
ues, unashamed of your identity as Christian. Do not merely win their respect; win their respect for your faith. Youth may perhaps have encountered many adults who are “religious,” but you can be assured that they have not encountered many whose faith plays a leading role in forming character and disposition. Perhaps the most important thing that any coach can do for his players is merely to be a good and faithful Christian, both in season and out of season; on the practice court and at home. I am assured that the combination of Christian values and athletic suc-
cess is irresistible, and even if your won-loss record is subpar, know that compiling a strong won-loss record is not remotely close to being a youth coach’s primary vocation.

• Develop a relationship of trust with your athletes; grant them responsibility and place them in a position to succeed, according to their talents and cognizant of their liabilities. Challenge them beyond the limits of what they believe they are capable, and when your players find themselves in difficulty, do not challenge, both you and your message will gain credibility. Exceeding talent deserves exceeding responsibility, and exceeding responsibility is a crucible for forming strong character and preven-
ing the inflation of ego. Every player can contribute something to every team, and the loss of any one player’s sense of self-value and ability to contribute is more condemnatory than any win or loss on the scoreboard.

• Frequently praise and gently criticize in order to build virtue. Athletics presents the real world in miniature; the responsi-

bilities, outcomes and dynamics of athletics mimic those of the real world, except with lower stakes.

• Athletics is itself “askesis” for the world, except with lower stakes. The virtues would have produced such nicknames 50 years ago.

Sports word search.
St. Vincent de Paul Society holds regional meeting in Fort Wayne

BY DONNA BROOKE

FORT WAYNE — The Fort Wayne District Council hosted the Mideast Regional Meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society on the weekend of Aug. 6-8. Nearly 150 People from Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and Michigan gathered for a weekend of business, spirituality and Vincentian family friendship. On Friday night, the spiritual director for the Fort Wayne district, Father Thom Lombardi, greeted everyone as they gathered for an informal evening of entertainment and fellowship.

Saturday morning included a welcome by Fort Wayne Mayor Tom Henry, and business meetings with the National President Joe Flannigan; the National Executive Director Roger Playwin; and the Vice President of the Mideast Region Jim Dumont.

Flannigan announced that the cause for the canonization of Blessed Frederic Ozanam, the St. Vincent de Paul founder, was moving forward. The afternoon consisted of three Vincentian-related training and spirituality sessions.

Bishop-eminirus John M. D’Arcy celebrated Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Parish for the Vincentians and parishioners. The day ended with a banquet and entertainment.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is the largest Catholic lay organization in the world with a presence in 145 countries with 700,000 members from all walks of life who help the disadvantaged. The services that are provided by the society range from running homeless shelters, feeding the hungry, visiting the ill and those in prison, helping people with job searches, clothing those in need, helping with living expenses and donating furniture and appliances.

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Annulment seminar
Warsaw — Sacred Heart Church is offering a Marriage Annulment Seminar on Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the church gathering space. The presenter will be Father Mark Gurtner of the Tribunal Office. The session is free and open to the public with no pre-registration required. For information call (574) 267-5842.

Golf outing planned
Fort Wayne — Bishop Luers alumni will have a Golf Outing Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Brookwood Golf Course, 10304 Bluffton Rd. The Florida Scramble shot gun start is at 1 p.m. Proceeds will benefit Bishop Luers needs-based tuition assistance fund. $75 per person includes greens fees, cart, range balls, six drink tickets and food. Registration forms can be found at www.bishopluers.org/alumni or contact the alumni office at (260) 456-1261 ext. 3039.

First Saturday Devotions
First Saturday devotions will be held at the following locations Saturday, Sept. 4: Fort Wayne — St. Joseph, 7:30 a.m.; Charles, 8 a.m.; Sacred Heart, 7:30 a.m.; Our Lady of the Angels Friary (formerly St. Andrew), 9 a.m.; Arcola — St. Patrick, 7:15 a.m.; Garrett — St. Joseph, 9 a.m.; New Haven — St. John, 6:55 a.m.; Monroeville — St. Rose, 8:10 a.m.; Warsaw — Sacred Heart, 8 a.m.; North Manchester — St. Robert, 8 a.m.

Clothing sale
Bristol — The Friend’s of St. Katharine Drexel junior high youth group located at St. Mary of the Annunciation Church, 411 W. Vistula St., will have a Labor Day clothing sale on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 3-4, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Monday, Sept. 6, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday is a bag day.

Garage sale
Fort Wayne — St. Peter Church, 500 E. DeWald St., will have a garage sale Friday and Saturday, Sept. 2 and 3, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bag day Sunday, Sept. 4, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Knights plan fish fry
Fort Wayne — The Knights of Columbus Council 451, 601 Reed Rd., will have a fish fry on Friday, Sept. 3, 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.

Mass for fallen away Catholics
Fort Wayne — The St. Monica Prayer Group of St. Jude will have a Mass for St. Monica and St. Augustine feast days Saturday, Aug. 28 at 8:15 a.m. to pray for Catholics who have fallen away from the faith and for those who have returned. Call Angela (260) 482-3331.

Light Weigh program to begin
Fort Wayne — A Light Weigh orientation and information meeting will be at St. Vincent de Paul Church nursery Monday, Aug. 30, at 6:30 p.m. Meetings will be Monday evenings at the same time for 12 consecutive weeks beginning Sept 13. Contact Nancy Simmonds at njsimmonds@verizon.net for cost and other information.

All family rosary
Fort Wayne — The all family rosary will be recited Sunday, Aug. 29, from 3:30-4:15 p.m. at St. Mother Theodore Guerin Chapel. The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed for all families, especially those facing difficulties.

Bishop Luers kicks off Walk-A-Thon
Fort Wayne — Bishop Luers annual Walk-A-Thon will begin on Sept. 7, when students will be accepting donations towards their fundraising goal. Bishop Luers High School has set $47,000 goal for this year’s Walk-A-Thon. Those who would like to sponsor a student or a checkpoint may call Jenny Andorfer at (260) 456-1261 or e-mail jandorfer@bishopluers.org.

Fatima to be shown
Syracuse — “The 13th Day,” a film about the miracle at Fatima, will be shown on Sunday, Sept. 26, at St. Martin de Porres Parish following the 11:30 a.m. Mass in the library. For information, call Betty at (574) 749-9396.

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Albion
Wayne J. Harpel, Blessed Sacrament

Angola
Daniel F. Lomont, 60, St. Anthony de Padua

Elkhart
Josephine E. Nadolny, 84, St. Vincent de Paul

Fort Wayne
Octavie C. Ervin, 81, Our Lady of Good Hope
Janet L. Lynch, 78, St.Vincent de Paul
Ruthmary Springel, 88, St. Joseph
Gertrude Anna Baumgartner, 91, Most Precious Blood
Vivian J. Welch, 48, St. Charles Borromeo
Teresa L. Malone, 48, St. Charles Borromeo
Mary Catherine Eakin, 89, St. Patrick
Melvin P. Stephens Jr., St. Mother Theodore Guerin Chapel

Garrett
Patricia Schultz-Troeger, 49, St. Joseph

Plymouth
Margaret Mary Sherwood, 68, St. Michael

Jeanne A. Sheehan, 56, St. Michael

South Bend
Paul W. Futa Sr., 80, Holy Family
Mary J. Klimek, 92, Holy Family
William H. Kroger, 87, St. Joseph
Grady B. Ross, 61, St. Augustine
Natalie Simi Ruscio, 89, St. Joseph
Mary Ellen Busche, 77, St. Matthew Cathedral
Margaret E. Thorsen, 91, St. Jude
James N. Staton, 74, St. Anthony de Padua
Joanne M. Stratton, 70, St. Matthew Cathedral
Robert P. Worrell, 73, Little Flower
Richard J. Bandera, 69, St. Adalbert
Joseph H. Paeger, 92, St. Catherine of Siena at St. Jude

Michael H. Besinger, 88, St. Patrick
Mary Catherine Soens, 84, St. Vincent de Paul
Josephine E. Nadolny, 90, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
Mary E. Welch, 48, St. Charles Borromeo
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Whelan, CSC, 130, Our Lady of Loretto

Katharine Drexel junior high youth group located at St. Mary of the Angels Friary (formerly St. Andrew), 9 a.m.; Arcola — St. Patrick, 7:15 a.m.; Garrett — St. Joseph, 9 a.m.; New Haven — St. John, 6:55 a.m.; Monroeville — St. Rose, 8:10 a.m.; Warsaw — Sacred Heart, 8 a.m.; North Manchester — St. Robert, 8 a.m.

Fiction about the miracle at Fatima, will be shown on Sunday, Sept. 26, at St. Martin de Porres Parish following the 11:30 a.m. Mass in the library. For information, call Betty at (574) 749-9396.
MISHAWAKA — The feast day of St. Clare was an appropriate backdrop as Sister Lethia Marie of the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration at St. Francis Convent in Mishawaka celebrated her Rite of Perpetual Profession on Aug. 11. With General Superior Sister Magdalena Krol from Germany accepting her vows of profession and Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades presenting Sister Lethia Marie a ring as the insignia of profession, family, friends and religious from the Franciscan community and the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend watched with pride and reverence as this long awaited ceremony progressed.

During Bishop Rhoades’ homily, he described the similarities between St. Clare’s and Sister Lethia Marie’s devotion to God. “Inspired by Clare’s example of consecrated life, today Sister Lethia Marie, with the help of God’s grace consecrates her life to God, giving her life for the glory of His name. She has been chosen to love, to praise and to serve the Lord as His bride, loving Him with an undivided heart.”

The path to consecrated life for women requires perseverance, reverence and faith. According to Provincial Superior Sister Angela Mellady, a young woman becomes a candidate and requests entrance into a community and becomes a postulant. Following the postulant period there is an investiture and the young woman becomes a novice and receives the habit and the veil.

The novitiate period lasts for two years and afterwards the novice can request to make her first vows. At that time the woman would receive a black veil to replace the white novice veil. Her first vows are for a period of three years, and at the end of the three years she would request permission to renew her vows. The renewal is for two years. A junior sister lives with sisters of all ages in the community and engages in full-time ministry. She may receive education toward a degree or other professional training as needed. After five years of temporary profession, the junior sister would then request to make a profession of perpetual vows.

Sister Lethia Marie described her discernment process as being prayerful, listening, waiting and evaluating in concert with others. “There is nothing new in the pattern. I believe God places in the soul a prayer for each to want to know what we are called to be and do in this world. Sometimes the prayer is easily recognized and other times it is not. Every year high school students are off to colleges to begin the step of their journey for what they hope is an answer to their prayer of what am I called to do. For the majority it was not an overnight decision but one made over time,” she said.

The decision to pursue the consecrated life was also nourished through the help of family, friends and others whose advice Sister Lethia sought. “God uses a variety of ways to bring forth this prayer. This is why every story is different. Once the calling was recognized, I discussed the possibility with those closest to me. It was also during this time I had a spiritual director who was able to direct me to communities as well as help to evaluate the processes.”

Shirley Leveille, Sister Lethia’s mother, recalled her daughter’s journey to the perpetual profession of vows with pride. “I’m very excited for her because it’s been a long journey. She has always been a very religious person and has great love for God.”

Bishop Rhoades described this love when referring to Pope John Paul II’s Apostolic Exhortation, “Vita Consecrata”: “Consecrated persons discover that the more they stand at the foot of the Cross, the more immediately and profoundly they experience the truth of God, who is love.”

He continued, “And that love is also the love that the Lord will share with us in the cross of Jesus Christ. Pope John Paul wrote about the consecrated life reflecting the splendor of this love. How? By fidelity to the mystery of the Cross! By believing and living this love of Jesus through the evangelical counsels, through abandonment to God’s holy will, by dying to self and living for God and others.”

One of the highlight’s of the Rite of Perpetual Profession was the acceptance of Sister Lethia Marie’s vows by General Superior Sister Magdalena Krol. It was the general superior’s first visit to St. Francis Convent.

“This is for me a special gift to celebrate with our sisters. We have not had any novices or sisters taking final vows in Germany so this encourages me in my faith and the whole community. This is my first year as a general superior and the first time I am accepting a sister of perpetual vows,” said Sister Magdalena proudly.

Bishop Rhoades offered a blessing for Sister Lethia Marie by invoking the Blessed Virgin Mary as the most perfect model of consecrated life. “Sister Lethia Marie, like Mary who in the Magnificat proclaimed not herself but the greatness of the Lord, may you always humbly serve the Lord, proclaim His greatness, and rejoice that He is your Savior and your Spouse. May our Blessed Mother be close to you each day and intercede for you always!”

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