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

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

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

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

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

The pope’s decision to make an exception for Cardinal Newman demonstrates his personal admiration for the saint, the Vatican said.

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

IN TRUTH AND CHARITY

BY BISHOP KEVIN C. RHODES

Msr. James Wolf

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

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

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

Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka

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

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

Dr. Daniel Dwyer, the senior vice president of Trinity Health System, of which Saint Joseph’s is a part, accompanied Mr. Reitinger and me on the tour. Trinity Health was created by the consolidation of the Holy Cross Health System and Mercy Health Services in the year 2000. The Holy Cross Health System had been formed when the health care organizations sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross were united back in 1979.

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

Holy Cross Chapel at Notre Dame’s School of Engineering

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

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

If you are visiting Notre Dame, I recommend that you stop and see the Stinson-Reimick Hall of Engineering, the newest engineering structure on the campus. It houses the Center for Nano-Science and Technology, the Notre Dame Energy Center, and several laboratories and classrooms. This impressive building was dedicated the day after the chapel blessing.
Katherine Milby from Abbotsford House looks at two vestments while posing for photographers during a media viewing in Abbotsford, Scotland, Sept. 7. The two vestments, once owned by Cardinal John Henry Newman, will become holy relics after Cardinal Newman’s beatification by Pope Benedict XVI Sept. 19.

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tion for the British churchman, an admiration he once said went back to his first semester of seminary to the early 1940s.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

As he continued his search for the truth, he was received into the Catholic Church in 1845, was ordained a Catholic priest in 1848 and was named a cardinal in 1870.

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

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

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

All Catholics called to share Christ with others, archbishop says

BISHOP KEVIN C. RHODES

WASHINGTON (CNS) — All Catholics have an important role to play in sharing their faith with others and when they do that, they can help transform the world.


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

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

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

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

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

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

BY KAY COZAD AND TIM JOHNSON

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

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

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

Bishop D’Arcy added, “In these last years, you have learned the beauty of a good, holy, humble priest. And in these recent weeks, you have understood more clearly in this great loss, how important the priest is for you. You have seen the Catholic priest in all his beauty and have suffered when he was taken from you. “Now, you must join your bishop and priests and ask God to send us more men of good quality to replace monsignor and for your children and their children,” he said.

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

As her mother says, “He was special. When he came to Warsaw to visit all the folks there, they loved him. He was loved by everyone he met.”

Msgr. Wolf was instrumental in bringing the sacraments to his family in his home town and rector of St. Mary’s Seminary in Cincinnati when I was in the college Seminary of St. Gregory across town. I always looked up to him and then enjoyed becoming a priest after my ordination. He was gentle, thoughtful and extremely kind. “We went on many skiing trips together and loved to tease each other. I was more ‘adventuresome’ than he was in choosing certain more difficult runs. He quickly learned not to trust my advice about choosing the appropriate slope,” Msgr. Schooler said. “Msgr. Wolf enjoyed a wealth of family activities and the practical joking that went on between family members. Mary, Barbara, Msgr. Wolf’s youngest sister chuckled as she recounted during his jubilee, while he ministered at the cathedral, how he used to decorate the cathedral altar with flowers, candles, and other objects. "He adored being a priest. He was our baby," said Grogg. Mgr. Wolf was a generous, extremely pastoral and very kind. He was gentle, kind, fun and very pastoral. He was very dedicated and loved being a priest. When he was assigned pastor of Sacred Heart, Warsaw, we had a great friendship that continued through the years that I will cherish always.”

Father Paul Beuter, retired priest of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend was broth er priest and friend to Msgr. Wolf. Both St. Jude Elementary School alumni, the two priests grew closer through the years that I will cherish always.”

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

Correction

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

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

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Fort Wayne to that of Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. And in 1960, St. Matthew’s Church was promoted to the rank of the dio- cese’s co-cathedral,” Bishop Rhoades recalled.

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

Many of the couples who were married in 1960 smiled as Bishop Rhoades spoke of the cul- tural experiences of the time. “On the lighter side, 50 years ago in 1960, the first Teflon, non-stick- ing cookware went on sale at Macy’s in New York. ‘Ben-Hur’ won the academy award for Best Picture. ‘Mack the Knife’ by Bobby Darin was the Grammy Record of the Year. ‘Gunsmoke’ was the number one TV show. It was a joyful year for Bishop D’Arcy since the Boston Celtics won the NBA championship,” said Bishop Rhoades.

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

Bishop Rhoades again affec- tionately referred to his predeces- sor. “Sadly, for Bishop D’Arcy, the Boston Celtics lost in the NBA championship against the Los Angeles Lakers. ‘Back to the Future’ was the top movie of the year and the ‘Cosby Show’ was the most popular TV show.”

When referring to the anniver- sary Mass Gospel reading, Bishop Rhoades emphasized the true meaning of love within mar- riage: “The readings of today’s Mass are very appropriate for our celebration. In the Gospel, Jesus gives the great command of love to his disciples. He says to them: ‘love one another as I love you.’ Our Lord teaches that ‘no one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.’ This is the love that Jesus not only taught, but which He lived. He indeed laid down his life for us. This is the love that the vocation of marriage is to reveal, one that seeks the good of the other, a love that is ever ready and willing to sacrifice, a self-giving love.”

St. Thomas the Apostle parish- ioners Tami and Nick DeLucenay, who renewed their silver anniversary vows, reflected on the sacrament of Marriage and how their faith has influenced their life together. “When we did our Engaged Encounter weekend 25 years ago in a blizzard in South Bend, it was the first time that I really understood that the sacrament of Marriage is not just a day, but a lifetime. With renewing of our vows, it makes the commitment to the sacrament of Marriage that much stronger,” said Nick.

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

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

The weather was beautiful as we gathered for the dedication ceremony. It was interesting to learn about the history of the mansion and the Basil family of whose several descendants were present. The university choir provided inspiring music for the event. Sister Elise Kriss, presi- dent of the university, spoke and the Trinity Hall chapel was the benefac- tors of the restoration. If you visit the University of Saint Francis, I recommend that you stop by and visit this beautiful and historic landmark of Fort Wayne.

**Football**

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

**Looking for Leaders**

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

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Greatest are those who serve. In fact, one of the titles of the pope that began with Gregory the Great is “servant of the ser- vants of God.”

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

**Installation of pastor at Holy Family Parish, South Bend**

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

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

to halt execution

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

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

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — The problem of abuse by clergy is solved more by a spirit of penitence and conversion by its members than by a radical change of Church structures, Pope Benedict XVI said. He made his comments Sept. 8 during his weekly general audience at the Vatican’s Paul VI hall. The pope briefly left the papal summer residence at Castel Gandolfo to give his audience talk to about 7,000 pilgrims from all over the world. He continued his talk the next week on the life of St. Hildegard of Bingen, a 12th-century German mystic. He called her a “great nun” who used her gifts “to work for the renewal of the Church,” which was experiencing troubles similar to those of today. In St. Hildegard’s time, theologian Karl Rahner called for a radical reform of the Church to fight the problem of abuses made by the clergy, the pope said. However, she “bitterly reproached those demanding the renewal of the very nature of the Church” and reminded people that “a true renewal of the ecclesial community ... must be viewed not as change in the structures as much as with a sincere spirit of penitence” and conversion, the pope said. He said she urged the faithful, especially the clergy and monastic communities, to live holy and virtuous lives.

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

ACCRA, Ghana (CNS) — A U.S. bishop on his first visit to the continent of his ancestors said he found Africa to be full of life and great potential. “There is youthfulness, energy and a zest for life here,” said Washington Auxiliary Bishop Martin D. Holley, during a recent visit to Ghana and Nigeria. “No one seems to sit still.” Bishop Holley traveled with a U.S. Catholic delegation led by Bishop John H. Ricard of Pensacola-Tallahassee, Fla. Both serve on the U.S. bishops’ Subcommittee on the Church in Africa; Bishop Ricard is chairman. The delegation met with Church leaders in Ghana and Nigeria, discussing ways in which the U.S. and African churches can be better partners and share resources. Bishop Holley celebrated a three-hour Mass Aug. 29 at St. Kizito Church in Nima, a suburb of Accra. It was a typical Ghanaian service rich in traditional hymns, ethnic music, dancing and drumming. Every pew, chair and bench on the church floor and in its balcony was full. People stood outside, listening. Many women, men and children were dressed in fabrics imprinted with religious images and the names of the parish patron, St. Kizito. Bishop Holley said he was awestruck by the community, its joy and its sense of unity. “We received welcoming, lively and bright smiles,” he said. The faith of the Catholic parishioners is “strong and full of joy.”

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

WASHINGTON (CNS) — More than 3,000 people packed the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Sept. 5 to mark the 13th anniversary of the death of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, attend a memorial Mass and witness the unveiling of a commemorative stamp in honor of the nun. Archbishop Pietro Sambi, apostolic nuncio to the United States, was the principal celebrant of the memorial Mass in the upper church that preceded the U.S. Postal Service’s unveiling of its commemorative stamp in honor of the centennial of Mother Teresa’s birth. In his homily, Archbishop Sambi recalled the nun’s “infec-
tious and untiring work for her spiritual children,” and said, “Mother Teresa loved God more than herself. Mother Teresa loved the Church more than herself. Mother Teresa loved the poorest of the poor more than herself.” He also praised her for “her passion in defense of life. She said the great-
est disease is not being wanted and the greatest destroyer of peace is abortion.” Two dozen priests — including Washington Auxiliary Bishop Barry C. Knestout and Msgr. Walter Rossi, the national shrine’s rector — concelebrated the Mass. Also in attendance was Cardinal William H. Keeler, retired archbishop of Baltimore.

No natural gas drilling at Pittsburgh Catholic cemetery, director says

PITTSBURGH (CNS) — The recent comments of a Pittsburgh city councilman “unnecessarily frightened a number of people associated with a Catholic cemetery by giving the false impression that natural gas drilling might occur there, according to the head of the local Catholic Cemeteries Association. “There has been no interest whatsoever expressed by the gas company to drill for gas at Calvary Cemetery,” said Annabelle McGannon, executive director. “Even if there were expressed interest, the Catholic Cemeteries Association has reserved the right to designate and approve the location of such drilling.” She was responding to comments made Aug. 17 by City Council President Doug Shields, who raised the issue of lease agreements between a gas drilling company and the Catholic Cemeteries Association. Shields opposed the plan by Marcellus shale drilling activity within the city of Pittsburgh. Marcellus shale is found behind the earth’s surface, primarily in Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and New York, and can be a source of natural gas. McGannon confirmed that a five-
 
year mineral drilling lease agree-

ment was signed in September 2008 with Huntley & Huntley Inc., an oil and natural gas development firm. But she added, “The board of trustees and the manage-
ament of the Catholic Cemeteries Association are committed to maintaining the sacredness of our Catholic cemeteries and would never permit any activity at the cemetery that is incompatible with our mission.” There is currently no Marcellus shale drilling activity of any kind occurring at any diocesan cemetery, and there are no discussions about any activity taking place, McGannon said.

FLORIDA PRIEST SPEAKS OUT AGAINST THREAT

Convicted of murder, the Rev. Barry Burnette, 54, was the target of a knife-wielding assassin in his prayer service Sept. 8 in Lake City, Fla. The rosary service was held at the Roman Catholic Church of the Nativity, a decade-old church on U.S. Highway 19/98. A Florida Police Department officer was shot Sept. 8 evening in a northeast Florida town. Officers were responding to a report of a possible robbery at a bank in the city of Palatka. Florida Highway Patrol Trooper David Mobley, 38, was killed in the shooting. The suspect was shot to death by police. Burnette was convicted in 1994 of murdering a fellow priest, Msgr. John J. Mullaney, a Philadelphia native who had been staying at a church in Lake City. Father Burnette was not present at the church on the day of the slaying but was a frequent visitor. The suspect in the slaying, Steven J. Hunsaker, a Florida man, was shot and killed by officers.

DIACONATE AND VACATION PROGRAMS

The Diocese of Saginaw, Mich., is offering diocesan programs for the diaconate and vacation programs for young people. For information, contact the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 2555 Saginaw Road, Saginaw, Mich. 48603, 989-652-1111. A Minority Scholarship Program is being offered by the Diocese of Corpus Christi, Tex. The scholarship is available for students who wish to enter the priesthood or to work in Catholic social services. For information, contact the Office of the Vicar for Religious Life, Diocese of Corpus Christi, 7400 S. Staples St., Corpus Christi, Tex. 78403, 361-774-4447.

NEWSSPECIALS

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FLORIDA PRIEST SPEAKS OUT AGAINST THREAT

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

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

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

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

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

Saint Mary’s is one of just 20 est locations to South Bend that have a reproduction of The Saint John’s Bible are Marquette University in Milwaukee and John Carroll University in Cleveland. Currently Saint Mary’s has four volumes of the seven-volume set of the Bible. The remaining three volumes will arrive at a later date.

For library hours, go to www3.saintmarys.edu/pr-the-saint-johns-bible-2010.

USF celebrates International Day of Peace with a candlelight vigil

FORT WAYNE — Just Peace, a social justice organization of the University of Saint Francis (USF), will host an inter-faith candlelight vigil commemorating the International Day of Peace, on Tuesday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. This event will take place on the plaza area in front of Brookside, formerly called the Bass Mansion, on the campus of the University of Saint Francis, 2701 Spring St. The public is invited and encouraged to participate in this worldwide commemoration. Donations of non-perishable food items for USF’s Feed the Fort will be accepted.

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

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

Knights award scholarships

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

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

Christopher Meyer, a graduate of Holy Family School, has been awarded a $1,000 scholarship and is attending Marian High School. Meyer is the son of Cheryl and Knight Mark Meyer.
Two Saint Joseph’s High School seniors take top spots in art contest

SOUTH BEND — The South Bend Museum of Art sponsored a contest last spring, which was open to the entire community. Drawings were submitted for consideration in the Festival of Banners. Winners recreated their drawings on fabric and those banners are currently on display throughout the downtown South Bend area. They not only added a colorful element to the popular Art Beat Event but will remain on display until Oct. 8 for all to see.

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

In addition to having their artwork on display, each was given a cash award, a one-year membership to the museum, and one free art work on display, each was given their banners.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Knights honored at exemplification

BY DIANE FREEBY

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Bishop Rhoades implored his fellow Knights to resist the temptation to boast.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Knights of Columbus process into St. Patrick, South Bend for the Fourth Degree Exemplification ceremony and Mass.
SOUTH BEND — As Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades entered the eighth-grade classroom of St. Catherine of Sienna Parish at St. Jude School, he was greeted by students studying science. After a student named Justin showed Bishop Rhoades how to measure the density and mass of an object using a scale, the bishop asked him what his favorite subject was in school.

“Science,” Justin replied and then with a pause said “no, religion!” which caused an outburst of laughter from classmates and the bishop. “You are going to be a good politician or a priest,” Bishop Rhoades chuckled.

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

During his homily at Mass, Bishop Rhoades reflected on the theme of service.

“...‘I am among you as the one who serves.’ Those were important words of Jesus in the Gospel today. Jesus is teaching us about how to be great because the disciples, friends of Jesus, asked Him who will be the greatest in the kingdom of God. And they were thinking like we might think that being great might mean you have a lot of power, or a lot of money, or a lot of skills.

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

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

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

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

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

Steve Donnelly, the principal of St. Jude School for the past five years, emphasized that “lifelong learning” is a key component of the school’s mission. “We have elective programs which give students exposure to band, choir, art studio, dance, drama and technology. Each quarter students may choose to participate in one or more of those opportunities.”

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

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

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

Sixth graders, who are studying the Old Testament in their religion class, asked Bishop Rhoades about the tall hat he wore during Mass. “It represents ‘the tongues of fire’ at Pentecost. It is the symbol of the office of the bishop,” he explained.

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

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

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

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

“Bishop Rhoades poses with seventh graders as they gather at the Marian gazebo. Cantors lead the student body in song at the all-school Mass at St. Jude School.”

BY KAREN CLIFFORD

BISHOP RHoades VIsits ST. JUDE SCHOOL

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

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

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

St. Catherine of Siena Parish at St. Jude School

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

**BY KAY COZAD**

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

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

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

With the underclassmen Joyce assists with evaluating interests and aptitudes and high school course selection, as well as extracurricular activities to enhance their academic resume. High School juniors and seniors receive advice on narrowing the list of choice colleges, creating an action calendar for applications, tests and financial aid and scholarship forms, brainstorming essay topics and short answer responses, and filling out applications in a personal and professional manner.

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

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

“I love working with the students,” she says.

Her interest in teaching got the best of her and in the final year of her employment in the admissions office, Joyce began a course of study at Bethel College that culminated in a elementary education certificate and a license to teach. In 2008 as she inaugurated her consulting business, Joyce hit the floor running as she contacted specific families in need and area high school guidance counselors. She has consulted with local students as well as students as far away as Arizona, and generally works on an hourly basis to maintain reasonable rates. However, she offers an unlimited package program for those who request additional support throughout their application process.

Joyce reports that client time requirements vary. “I meet some for an hour and that’s all they need. Others require a weekly meeting,” she says. Her client base of a dozen students allows her the flexibility to attend to each student’s needs.

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

Not only does Joyce assist with listing colleges, but also preparation for essay writing and discovering special attributes that the student can list on applications. The value of her service, she says, is offering the families information from a third party. “The students hear it, and think ‘She knows what she’s talking about.’ I’m affirming what they have already heard from their parents,” she says. The tips she provides, she has found from her experience, are not common knowledge though. “It’s the little things that make the difference,” she says.

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

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

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Restored Brookside Mansion dedicated and blessed by Bishop Rhoades

**BY KAY COZAD**

FORT WAYNE — The dedication and blessing ceremony for the newly restored University of Saint Francis (USF) Brookside Mansion, formerly the Bass Mansion, took place on Sept. 8 with over 250 Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration members, trustees, benefactors and university supporters, university trustees, Father John Stecher, and a luncheon in the North Campus building, the supporters gathered on the newly constructed plaza outside the mansion, where Sister M. Elise Kriss, president of the university, addressed the crowd.

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

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

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

The University Singers, directed by Robert Nance, adjunct professor of music, performed for those in attendance as Bishop Rhoades toured the mansion, blessing each elegantly restored room with holy water. Returning to the plaza Bishop Rhoades offered a closing benediction on all those who will work and study in the historic edifice. The Brookside Mansion now houses administration, development and alumni offices, and is open during business hours for tours and special events.

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

At left, the bishop blesses the entrance to the renovated Brookside Mansion.
Post graduation employment requires network building

BY JUDY BRADFORD

NOTRE DAME — Start earlier and network often.

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

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

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

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

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

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

“I always ask students how much networking they’ve built into their job search,” says Stacie Jeffirs, director of the college’s Career Crossings. “And I make sure they understand that it’s a relationship they’re building for the long term. This is a relationship that might lead to opportunities.”

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

“It can begin while still in college with volunteer work in the community or an internship (a requirement for graduation), two activities considered part of the career path discernment process and not just a precursor to a job,” Ball said. “You can tap into your church or family to do this, and we also build relationships with temp services and agencies. We also invite speakers to campus so students can begin to network that way.”

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

Lee Svete, of Notre Dame’s career counseling center, added that grades are also more important in a recession. “You’ll need over a 3.3 grade point average because in this market, employers are becoming more selective.”
Personal prayer, public prayer, and the presence of Christ

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

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

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

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

As anyone who, over the course of their life, has had the opportunity to become a “daily communicator,” and each will no doubt tell you that the opportunity to celebrate Mass daily has made a profound difference in their life. At every celebration of the Eucharist, Christ is present in four distinct ways: In his Word proclaimed, in the person of the priest or bishop (who acts in persona Christi), in the assembled people of God, and most especially (maxime is the word used in the Documents of the Church, literally, “most of all”) in the consecrated elements, the bread and wine upon which the Holy Spirit is invoked (the technical term for this is epiclesis) and which are substantially changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. It is this last, substantial presence of Christ which in fact constitutes the Church and which makes Christ present among his people. It’s not that because we have gathered as the Church the Christ reveals Christ’s presence; rather, it’s because Christ reveals himself in the breaking of the bread (as he did to Cleopas and his otherwise unknown companion on the road to Emmaus), that we acknowledge Him present in the assembled people of God.

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

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

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

There are of course many other modes of prayer and devotional life which distinguish the lives of Catholics: The rosary, Lectio divina, novenas and litanies, and a host of other ways of prayer which adorn the Church. But this panoply of styles and approaches must all be seen as lives of Catholics: The rosary, Lectio divina, novenas and litanies, and a host of other ways of prayer which adorn the Church. But this panoply of styles and approaches must all be seen as — and for me. That at any one moment, somewhere in the Catholic world, this prayer is being prayed for you for the well-being of the Church and the salvation of the world. It’s a great consolation to realize that there is hope can be found in decades of suffering, of lives shortened by pain and suffering, of children whose lives were cut short, and whose hope was snuffed out by the will to live. But there is hope, and the hope can be found in decades of suffering, of lives shortened by pain and suffering, of children whose lives were cut short, and whose hope was snuffed out by the will to live. But there is hope, and the hope can be found in decades of suffering, of lives shortened by pain and suffering, of children whose lives were cut short, and whose hope was snuffed out by the will to live. But there is hope, and the hope can be found in decades of suffering, of lives shortened by pain and suffering, of children whose lives were cut short, and whose hope was snuffed out by the will to live. But there is hope, and the hope can be found in decades of suffering, of lives shortened by pain and suffering, of children whose lives were cut short, and whose hope was snuffed out by the will to live. But there is hope, and the hope can be found in decades of suffering, of lives shortened by pain and suffering, of children whose lives were cut short, and whose hope was snuffed out by the will to live. But there is hope, and the hope can be found in decades of suffering, of lives shortened by pain and suffering, of children whose lives were cut short, and whose hope was snuffed out by the will to live. But there is hope, and...
Only time

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

Don’t get me wrong. I do not subscribe to the old adage, “time heals all wounds.” No, that one is to be desired, and it is available. Time does play a significant role in our healing process following the death of a loved one. Without time we won’t have the opportunity to readjust our world view and life perspective. We won’t be able to create the space in which to mourn, rest or move forward. And we won’t find the way back to our “new normal” way of life and our new self identity in which our loved one’s memory finds its rightful place.

Time, after a death, gifts us with the passing of life — litten with painful questions, the roller coaster of emotions, and the stuttering chaos — all of which we must learn to navigate in a manageable manner.

Immediately following the death, we may feel time has become distorted — a natural response to loss. We may even feel suspended in time, with life swirling continuously around us.

And how do we deal with that?

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

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

Two epistles to Thessalonians from Paul

Where is Thessalonica where St. Paul caused a riot?

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

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

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

Reflection

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

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

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The lesson of Lough Derg

Our Catholicism Project film crew arrived at the shores of large lake in far north-west Ireland, in the county of Donegal. We stepped over a ferry and were taken to an island in the middle of the lake. On the island was a collection of buildings, which in both architecture and color reminded me vividly of Alcatraz prison. The weather that day was horrid: Temperature around 50, heavy winds and a steady cold rainfall. Our hosts offered us tea and scones and then we made our way onto the island to begin our work. Out of the mist and the rain emerges the figures that we had come to film. They were swathed in raincoats, hoods, and jackets, but their feet were bare. Most of them carried rosaries in their hands, and some of them were praying aloud. A few were making their way, on their knees, around rude “beds” of stone, and one woman was standing against a wall in the attitude of Patrick, to do penance and to pray. When the pilgrims have journeyed there, in days and 40 nights. And from the imitation of Patrick, to do purgative suffering than Lough Derg exists.

I wanted to find a place which would be a fitting visual accompaniment to the section of our Catholicism series dealing with Purgatory—and I wasn’t disappointed. I don’t know any other place on earth that better exemplifies the idea and practice of purgative suffering than Lough Derg. Tradition has it that St. Patrick himself came to this island in the fifth century in order to spend a penitential retreat of 40 days and 40 nights. And from the Middle Ages to the present day, pilgrims have journeyed there, in imitation of Patrick, to do penance and to pray. When the Retreatants arrive, they are instructed immediately to take off their shoes and socks and they endure the three-day process barefoot, regardless of the weather. That first day, they fast (eating nothing but dry bread and a soup composed of hot water and pepper), and they move through a series of prayers and spiritual exercises. The first day, they are compelled to stay awake, fasting from sleep. If someone dozes off, his fellow pilgrims are expected to wake him up. The following day, they continue with their fast and their exercises, but they are allowed to sleep that night. The third day involves still more prayer and culminates with Confession and Mass. After the liturgy, the pilgrims put their shoes back on and are ferried across to the mainland. Though we didn’t want to disturb the prayer of the Retreatants, a group of the pilgrims approached us. One, a man in his mid-70s, told us that he has made the Lough Derg retreat every year since 1946 and another, a woman in her 60s, told us that the feeling of freedom and inner peace that she has upon leaving the retreat is incomparable.

Now I’m sure that many people, especially in our largely secularized culture, would raise a number of questions about a place like Lough Derg, Why would anyone willingly endure such suffering? Why would a gracious God expect this of any of his children? Isn’t all of this a sign of neurosis, the fruit of low self-esteem and the product of a sick culture? Well, I know lots of people who quite willingly go through an hour or more of intense physical exercise every day—running on tread mills, climbing on stair masters, lifting heavy weights—in order to assure the health of their bodies. And the Chicago Bears and other professional football teams have grueling two-a-day workouts in the late summer in order to prepare for the rigors of the NFL season. And young people all across the country regularly move through hours and hours of practice in order to master the guitar, the flute or the violin. No one accuses these people of neurosis or low self-esteem or construes their exercises as the fruits of a dysfunctional culture. The point is this: Whenever we take something to be of great importance, we are willing to suffer in order to achieve it or participate in it. Those who come to Lough Derg take their spiritual lives with utter seriousness, and that is precisely why they are willing to endure hardship—even imposing it on themselves—to deepen their communion with God. They know that there are certain tendencies within their bodies and souls that prevent the achievement of full friendship with God and therefore they seek, quite sensibly, to discipline themselves. John Henry Newman commented that the ascetical principle is basic to a healthy Christianity. He meant that Christians, at their best, understand that our sinful nature has to be chastised, disciplined and rightly ordered. When the ascetical instinct disappears (as it has in much of Western Christianity), the spiritual life rapidly becomes superficial and attenuated, devolving into an easy “I’m okay and you’re okay” attitude.

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

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ICCL football opens for the season

By Chuck Freeby

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

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

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

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

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

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

Holy Cross/Christ the King put the game away with one electric play midway through the third. Rymisz burst through a hole up the middle, cut to his right, and raced 59 yards to paydirt. Connelly’s second converted kick made it, 22-0. For the day, Rymisz carried 10 times for 156 yards and two scores.

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

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

With their huge victory over two-time defending champs, Holy Cross and another win over St. John, New Haven, the St. Charles Cardinals moved into second place with a 3-1 record. In the 22-8 victory over the Raiders, Andrew Gabet scored three times and rushed for over 100 yards for the fourth straight week. Also instrumental, by keeping three drives going and converting on third downs, were quarterback George Talarico and fullback William Blume. Coach Mike Herald feels his offensive line of Will Federspiel, Marty Pentenburg, Dustin Messman, Scott Beamon, Nolan Sipe and Will Ridenour deserve most of the credit for their weekly improvement, while the defense may be the best the Cardinals have rounded up in years.

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

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

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

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

Coaches are Bill Mountford and Dan Rogers.

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CYO football standings as of Sept. 12 games

St. John, Fort Wayne 4-0
St. Charles 3-1
Holy Cross 3-1
St. Vincent 2-2
Sts. Joseph/Aloysius/Therese 2-2
St. Jude 2-2
St. John, New Haven 0-4
Precious Blood/Queen of Angels 0-4
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Luers Knights ladies luncheon
Fort Wayne — A ladies luncheon will be Sunday, Sept. 26, with speaker Sister Janet Gildea, MD, Bishop Luers Class of 1974, at 12:30 p.m. at the Fort Wayne Country Club, 5221 Covington Rd. RSVP by Sept. 22, to (260) 456-1261.

Spaghetti dinner-Tailgate-Vegas Night
South Bend — Knights of Columbus, Council 553, 553 E. Washington St., will have a spaghetti dinner Saturday, Sept. 18, from 6-11 p.m. Tickets are $8 for adults, $4 for children 6-13 and free for children 5 and under.

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

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

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

Living life at Harbour at Fort Wayne
Meet Robert and Lois Byer
We moved to Harbour Assisted Living because I had open heart surgery and was unable to return home. We did not want to burden any of our five children by moving in with them.

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— Lois Byer

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Bernard D. Bejma, 78, St. Joseph

John J. Istenes, 80, St. Anthony de Padua

Mary N. Grummell, 87, Holy Cross

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

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

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

Spaghetti dinner-Tailgate-Vegas Night
South Bend — Knights of Columbus, Council 553, 553 E. Washington St., will have a spaghetti dinner Saturday, Sept. 18, from 6-11 p.m. Tickets are $8 for adults, $4 for children 6-13 and free for children 5 and under.

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

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

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

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