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# TODAY'S CATHOLIC

## Pilgrimage of faith, prayer and hope

It was a spiritual pilgrimage of faith for 150 pilgrims from the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend who spent Sept. 8-11 visiting shrines dedicated to the Blessed Mother and the first American-born saint, Elizabeth Ann Seton.

The destination was the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on Friday, and then the Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, both in Emmitsburg, Md.

Diocesan seminarians, who attend Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, joined the pilgrims.

At the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, pilgrims toured the shrine.

At a Mass at the basilica celebrated by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades in the Crypt Church, he spoke of how the Holy Family made pilgrimages to Jerusalem.

Bishop Rhoades told the pilgrims, "We, the new people of God, the Church in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, have come rejoicing to this house of the Lord, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. We have come as pilgrims to give thanks in the name of the Lord, to pray for peace on this weekend when we observe the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, and to pray for our families and friends. Many of us come here with special prayer intentions. We come with our own personal intentions to this house of the Lord and the house of His Mother Mary."

Bishop Rhoades said, "I invite you to contemplate the Blessed Virgin Mary who shines among the saints like the sun among the stars. She is like a bright star who shows us, pilgrims on earth, the way



KEVIN HAGGENJOS

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades celebrates Saturday Mass at the Chapel at the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, Md.

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### REMEMBERING SEPT. 11



JOE ROMIE

Franciscan Father David Mary Engo of the Franciscan Brothers Minor speaks at the 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb at Parkview Field in downtown Fort Wayne on Sunday, Sept. 11. Father Engo spoke of his personal experiences assisting the New York City public safety workers near ground zero in the immediate aftermath of the terrorist attacks in 2001.

## Women & Spirit showcases religious sisters American impact

### Exhibit opens in South Bend

BY ANN CAREY

SOUTH BEND — The traveling exhibit "Women & Spirit: Catholic Sisters in America" had its official opening at the Center for History in a Sept. 8 invitation-only gala attended by 250 people.

Nine-foot-tall curved birch walls of photos, narratives and quotations fill the 4,500-square-foot main gallery and describe the rich history of the dedicated women who founded most of the Catholic educational and healthcare institutions in this country. Historical artifacts, oral history listening stations and videos help illustrate the gripping stories of sisters who began their ministry in America nearly 300 years ago.

In the adjacent Carroll Gallery is a display about the four communities of women religious in the South Bend area: Sisters of the

Holy Cross, Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters, Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ and Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration.

People attending the opening expressed enthusiasm about the exhibit as the gallery hummed with activity.

"I think the exhibit is outstanding," said Christine Voorde, who was a member of the exhibit committee for the Center for History when the decision was made to host the exhibit. Voorde, who was educated by Holy Cross Sisters from grade school through college and nursing school, said the exhibit was even better than she had imagined, "really inspiring, and makes me feel humble and grateful."

Many sisters were at the opening, too, celebrating the stories of their various orders and learning others' stories. Franciscan Sister Madonna Rougeau, who works in health care in Chicago, said the exhibit captured a great deal of the common history of the various

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# Missal changes amount to dozens of short, new phrases for congregation

BY PATRICIA ZAPOR

WASHINGTON (CNS) — When the first Sunday of Advent rolls around Nov. 27 and English-language Masses in the United States are all supposed to follow the updated language in the third edition of the Roman Missal, people's tongues will undoubtedly trip over some of the changes.

What adds up to only a few dozen different words for the congregation begins with the response to the priest's greeting and continues through the text of the whole Mass.

The changes in what the priest says during Mass are more significant, with numerous bits of new wording throughout the standard parts of the Mass and in each of the four Eucharistic Prayers.

For the congregation, the first change is that the response to the priest's "The Lord be with you," repeated at various times during the Mass, now becomes "And with your spirit."

During the penitential rite, whether in Form A, the traditional Confiteor, or in Form B, the congregation's text changes in a few places.

In Form A, the phrase that currently reads "that I have sinned through my own fault" now will be "that I have greatly sinned." After the line: "in what I have failed to do," these words are added: "through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault."

In Form B, both the priest's parts and the congregation's responses change. The prayer now will begin with the priest saying: "Have mercy on us, O Lord." The people respond: "For we have sinned against you." Priest: "Show us, O Lord, your mercy." People: "And grant us your salvation."

The text of the Gloria changes throughout. It now reads:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise You, we bless You, we adore You, we glorify You, we give You thanks for Your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
Only begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,

You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father, Amen."

Both the Nicene Creed and the Apostles' Creed change by a few short phrases. In the Nicene Creed, "we believe" changes in four places to "I believe," and "all that is seen and unseen" from the old becomes "all things visible and invisible" in the new. The old phrase "the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father" becomes "the only begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages."

One of the most difficult words for many people to get used to may be "consubstantial" in the Nicene Creed. It replaces the phrase "one in being with the Father," becoming "consubstantial with the Father." Also unfamiliar to the tongue may be this phrasing: "and by the Holy

## Mass Prayers and Responses

(Text in bold represents the wording that has changed in the Roman Missal.)

### Greeting

Priest: *The Lord be with you.*  
People: **And with your spirit.**

### Penitential Act, Form A (Confiteor)

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have **greatly sinned** in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,  
**through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;**  
**therefore** I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

### Penitential Act, Form B

Priest: **Have mercy on us, O Lord.**  
People: **For we have sinned against you.**  
Priest: **Show us, O Lord, your mercy.**  
People: And grant us your salvation.

### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and **on earth peace to people of good will.**

**We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,**  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
**O God, almighty Father.**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
**Only Begotten Son,**  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
**Son of the Father,**  
you take away the **sins** of the world, have mercy on us;  
**you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;**  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
**have mercy on us.**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary." That replaces: "by the power of the Holy Spirit he was born of the Virgin Mary."

Also in the Nicene Creed, "He is worshipped and glorified" becomes "is adored and glorified," and the congregation will now "confess" rather than "acknowledge" one baptism and "look forward to" rather than "look for" the resurrection of the dead.

The Apostles' Creed will have fewer changes. Most are the elimination of words, such as the second use of "I believe in" in the space of a few lines. Instead of saying "He descended to the dead," the line will now be "He descended into hell." And the wording about the Final Judgment will now be: "and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead."

Another point where the new wording might catch people is in the Sanctus, where the first line will now be: "Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts," instead of "Lord, God of power and might."

Two memorial acclamations familiar to

Catholics will no longer be used in the new missal — "Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again" and "Dying You destroyed our death, rising You restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory." One completely new acclamation has been added — "We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until You come again" — and two others were adapted from the previously used acclamations. They now read:

— "When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until You come again."

— "Save us, Savior of the world, for by Your cross and resurrection You have set us free."

The last substantial change for the congregation is in the Agnus Dei. The priest's part now says: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb."

To which the people respond: "Lord I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed."

# Church will get through 'difficult moment,' Archbishop Chaput says

BY CAROL ZIMMERMAN

PHILADELPHIA (CNS) — Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, installed Sept. 8 as the new archbishop of Philadelphia, encouraged Catholics to know they will get through the “difficult moment” the local Church is experiencing.

Although rain prevented an outdoor procession at the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, it did not dampen the spirits of about 1,700 people, including 400 priests and 100 bishops, who attended the installation Mass.

The Mass took place after days of rain and local flooding, and many in the congregation faced long detours just to arrive at the cathedral in the heart of the City of Brotherly Love.

Outside the cathedral, the struggles the archdiocese has faced in recent months were very apparent. A block away, Catholic high school teachers were picketing during the second day of their strike; in front of the cathedral, while members of the Neocatechumenal Way sang and played guitars and drums, a group of people protesting clergy abuse marched silently, holding aloft signs as a stinging reminder of the recent grand jury report that accused archdiocese officials of failing to prevent abuse of children.

Inside the majestic cathedral though, members of the congregation greeted one another as if at a reunion, and they gave their new archbishop — who headed the Denver Archdiocese for the past 14 years and before that, the Diocese of Rapid City, S.D., for nine years — a warm welcome and long, sustained applause.

The archbishop in turn expressed his admiration for those in the Philadelphia Archdiocese, thanking them for embracing him with “such extraordinary kindness.” He also repeatedly acknowledged the difficulties they currently face and must continue to cope with, without going into any details.

“The Church in Philadelphia faces very serious challenges these days,” he said during his homily.

“There’s no quick fix to problems that are so difficult and none of us here today, except the Lord Himself, is a miracle worker,” he said. “But the Church is not defined by her failures. And you and I are not defined by critics or those who dislike us.”

He told the congregation that what the Church does in coming months and years to respond to challenges “will define who we really are.”

He also promised them that “no bishop will try harder to help persons who have been hurt by the sins of the past. And no bishop will work harder to strengthen and encourage my brother priests and to restore the hearts of our faith-



CNS PHOTO/NANCY WIECHEC

**Archbishop Charles J. Chaput greets a member of the Knights of Columbus in the vestibule of the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul following his installation Mass in Philadelphia Sept. 8. Archbishop Chaput was welcomed to the Philadelphia Archdiocese by auxiliary bishops, fellow clergy, women religious, laity, civic leaders and representatives of other religions. He succeeds Cardinal Justin Rigali, who has retired at age 76.**

ful.”

He urged Philadelphia Catholics to keep in mind the image of Jesus as a Good Shepherd — symbolized in the bishop’s crosier.

“All of us should keep that image in our hearts in the months ahead because the Good Shepherd really will bring the Church in Philadelphia through this difficult moment in our history to security and joy and a better future,” he said.

Archbishop Chaput, who turns 67 Sept. 26, was ordained as a Capuchin Franciscan priest in 1970 and became bishop of Rapid City at the age of 43. A member of the Prairie Band Potawatami tribe, he is the second Native American to be ordained a bishop in the United States and the first Native American archbishop.

A few times during his homily the archbishop likened his appointment to the Philadelphia Archdiocese as “an arranged marriage,” which drew some laughs from the congregation, especially when he said the “Holy Father is the matchmaker.”

He added that the pope “knows in his wisdom that we will make a good family together.”

“For any marriage to work,” he added, “two things need to happen. People need to fall in love and together they need to be fruitful. That’s what we need to dedicate ourselves to today — to love one another and be fruitful together in the new evangelization.”

Archbishop Chaput made special note of the day of his installation, the feast of Mary’s birthday. He said Mary has been “a constant source of hope and protection” in his vocation and hoped that she would also comfort members of the archdiocese “in the midst of the turmoil of the Church in our time, specifically in Philadelphia.”

After the Mass, the congre-

gation lingered in the cathedral talking with one another, taking pictures and waiting in line for two hours to personally greet their new archbishop. At exits of the church and even onto the street, crowds of Neocatechumenal Way continued their exuberant singing and dancing, and only one protester stood on the sidewalk.

Jorge Chavez, a member of Incarnation Church in Philadelphia and one of the afternoon’s bongo drum players, said he was there, along with local members of the Way and dozens from New York and Washington, simply to show support for the new archbishop.

Several people told Catholic News Service that they were very impressed by the archbishop’s words.

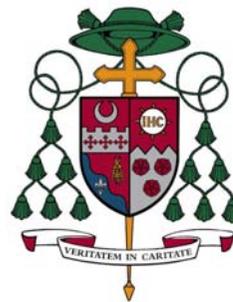
Sister Marie Edward, a member of the Little Sisters of the Poor and superior of the order’s Holy Family Home in Philadelphia, said the archbishop certainly “energized” the archdiocese to go forward.

Theresa Romanowski, a member of St. Adalbert Parish in Philadelphia, was impressed not only by the archbishop’s humility and sincerity but by his commitment to do whatever it takes to restore the faithful.

“I feel like our marriage is going to work,” she said, referring to how he described his relationship with the archdiocese.

That sentiment was not only from local Catholics either. Msgr. Michael Woster, pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Winner, S.D., said: “Philadelphia’s getting a wonderful man and an excellent bishop.”

The priest, who attended the installation Mass with a group from the Diocese of Rapid City, said the archbishop’s pastoral manner, humility and sincerity would “bring the local Church to new life and new beginnings.”



## PUBLIC SCHEDULE OF BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

- Sunday, Sept. 18, 10:30 a.m. — Television Mass, South Bend
- Sunday, Sept. 18, 1 p.m. — Blessing of ultrasound machine, Women’s Care Center, Ironwood Circle, South Bend
- Monday, Sept. 19, 10 a.m. — Meeting of Bishop’s Cabinet, Archbishop Noll Center
- Tuesday, Sept. 20, 8:30 a.m. — Mass and pastoral visit to Queen of Angels School, Fort Wayne
- Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1 p.m. — Meeting of Diocesan Finance Council, Holiday Inn, Warsaw
- Wednesday, Sept. 21, 5:30 p.m. — Meeting with Diocesan Review Board, Ramada Plaza, Warsaw
- Thursday, Sept. 22, noon — Mass and Meeting with Catholic Community Foundation Board, Archbishop Noll Center
- Friday, Sept. 23, 10 a.m. — Inauguration Mass of Brother John Paige, CSC, as President of Holy Cross College
- Saturday, Sept. 24, 9:30 a.m. — Mass at Diocesan Women’s “Arise” Conference, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne

# Bishops mobilize Catholics to guard consciences on contraception

BY NANCY FRAZIER O'BRIEN

WASHINGTON (CNS) — The U.S. bishops are working to mobilize Catholics across the country to tell the Obama administration that contraception and sterilization do not constitute preventive care for women and must not be mandated as part of health reform.

Through a new website at [www.usccb.org/conscience](http://www.usccb.org/conscience), the bishops hope to generate thousands of

comments to the Department of Health and Human Services about its Aug. 1 proposal that would require nearly all employers to provide sterilization and all FDA-approved contraceptives, including some that can cause an abortion, at no cost to women covered by their health insurance plans.

But time is of the essence, because the 60-day comment period on the HHS proposal closes Sept. 30.

The site also includes a second “action alert” asking Catholics to tell their members of Congress to co-sponsor and pass the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act, which would guarantee the protection of conscience rights in all aspects of implementation of the Patient

Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Proposed in the House of Representatives this spring, the legislation was introduced in the Senate Aug. 2 by three Republican senators — Roy Blunt of Missouri, Marco Rubio of Florida and Kelly Ayotte of New Hampshire.

“Respect for rights of conscience in health care has been a matter of strong bipartisan consensus for almost four decades,” said Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo

of Galveston-Houston, chairman of the U.S. bishops’ Committee on Pro-Life Activities, in a Sept. 7 letter to Congress.

The Respect for Rights of Conscience Act “would change no current state or federal mandate for health coverage, but simply prevent any new mandates under (the health reform law) — such

as HHS’ new set of ‘preventive services for women’ — from being used to disregard the freedom of conscience that Americans now enjoy,” he added. “This would seem to be an absolutely essential element of any promise that if Americans like the health plan they now have, they may retain it.”

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CARDINAL DANIEL DINARDO

## First woman elected to head United States Society of St. Vincent de Paul

ST. LOUIS (CNS) — Sheila Gilbert, a national officer for the U.S. Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the past six years, became the first woman to head the organization Sept. 3.

Gilbert said she was humbled and grateful for this new responsibility.

"Having been involved in the organization for some 30 years, I am privileged to serve in the company of exceptionally talented and compassionate men and women who have dedicated their lives to serving those who are most in need," she said.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society, with U.S. headquarters in St. Louis, is a Catholic lay organization committed to helping the poor around the world.

Gilbert said she not only hopes to help members of the society, known as Vincentians, grow personally and spiritually, but she also wants to help the organization more effectively bring people out of poverty.

She is a strong advocate of systemic change and says the organization needs to collaborate with other groups on effective ways to reduce or eliminate poverty and it should also advocate for long-term change at the local, state and national levels.

"These goals are attainable," said Gilbert. "We just need to find the will to carry them out."

Gilbert has a bachelor's degree in sociology and master's degree in public and environmental affairs, both from Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind. She also has a certificate in public management from Indiana



CNS PHOTO/COURTESY SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**Sheila K. Gilbert was elected Sept. 3 as president of the U.S. Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization that works extensively with those in need and living in poverty. She is the first woman to hold this post.**

University and a master's degree in pastoral theology from St. Mary of the Woods College in Indiana.

St. Vincent de Paul's programs include home visits, housing assistance, disaster relief, job training and placement, food pantries, dining halls, clothing, transportation and utility costs, care for the elderly and medicine. Each year, the organization provides more than \$595 million in tangible and in-kind services, serving more than 14 million people in need.

individual Catholics, will be forced to pay for it in their premiums too, so payments coerced from those who object will make birth-control coverage a bit cheaper for those who want it."

The site also offers information about the HHS mandate and what the bishops call the "incredibly narrow" religious exemption to it, the abortion-causing effect of at least one drug that would be included under the mandate and what should constitute preventive services under the health reform law.

### Action alert

Please send an email message to the Department of Health and Human Services by visiting [www.usccb.org/conscience](http://www.usccb.org/conscience). Once you send your comments to HHS, you will be automatically invited to send a message to your elected representatives in Congress, urging them to support the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act (H.R. 1179/S. 1467) to ensure that such federal mandates do not violate Americans' moral and religious convictions.

## Prayers, silence mark 9/11 anniversary

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Churchgoers around the United States Sept. 11 shared in moments of silence, special prayers, homilies and other ways of observing the 10th anniversary of the 2001 terrorist attacks.

Official ceremonies at the sites in New York, Virginia and Pennsylvania where four hijacked planes were crashed were restricted to family members and invited dignitaries. But smaller events around the country and normal Sunday Masses and church services were devoted to prayers for the victims and for the healing of the United States.

In New York, Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan told the congregation at St. Patrick's Cathedral for morning Mass that 10 years ago it might have seemed that "the side of darkness had conquered, as innocent people perished, as valiant rescuers rushed to their aid, as families were fractured, and as a nation seemed on the ground."

But, he went on to say that "as a matter of fact the side of light actually triumphed, as temptations to despair, fearful panic, revenge and dread gave way to such things as rescue, recovery, rebuilding, outreach and resilience. The side of the angels, not of the demons, conquered. Good Friday became Easter Sunday. And once again God has the last word."

Archbishop Dolan cited the example of the aspirations of many children to follow in the footsteps of their parents: firefighters and rescue workers who were killed as they worked at the World Trade Center.

Earlier that morning at the official ceremony at the World Trade Center site, President Barack Obama read Psalm 46:

It reads, in part, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear ..., Come behold the works of the Lord who has made desolations in the earth. He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bough and cuts the spear in two. He burns the chariot in fire. Be still and know that I am God."

In Washington, retired Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick reread his homily from an impromptu Mass celebrated on Sept. 11, 2001, and told a contemporary congregation of more than 2,500 people at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception that they must continue to look forward, relying upon "our values as Americans and our faith and trust in God. If we stop believing, if we stop forgiving, we stop living."

In Shanksville, Pa., *The Catholic Register*, newspaper of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, reported on a dedication ceremony Sept. 10 for a memorial at the site where United Airlines Flight 93 was forced to the ground by passengers who took control of the plane from terrorists who intended to crash it in Washington.

Former Presidents George W. Bush and Bill Clinton, and Vice President Joe Biden spoke.

"You are an inspiration for these people (more than 10,000) gathered here today and to those watching on television," Biden said to the families of the passengers and crew who sat

before him. "By watching you they know that there is hope."

Biden said that "their example defines America. None of them asked for what happened. They knew it was the opening shot in a new war. They stood up and they stood their ground."

"I never failed to be astonished by the courage they exhibited," he added. "That heroism is who we are and that courage beats deep in the heart of the nation."

Bush said the passengers and crew, who were from all walks of life, demonstrated democracy at its best.

"When they realized what was going on they took the news calmly. They came together as one, took a vote and developed a plan of action in one final act of democracy."

"What happened above this field ranks among the greatest acts in American history," Bush said. "They laid a legacy of bravery and unselfishness that will never be forgotten."

In Grand Rapids, Mich., a huge American flag hung between two fire trucks on Cathedral Square marking the site of an interfaith prayer service.

Muslim, Jewish, Hindu and Christian participants were joined by Native American performers. Paulist Father John Geaney, rector of St. Andrew Cathedral, joined in prayers and readings in English, Hebrew, Spanish and Arabic. About 400 people attended.

Contributing to this roundup was Bruce Tomaselli in Shanksville.

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In addition to the two action alerts, the bishops' website features backgrounders on conscience-related topics, news releases and documents on the HHS mandate and similar issues, and a commentary by Richard M. Doerflinger, associate director of the bishops' Secretariat on Pro-Life Activities, about "the high costs of 'free' birth control."

Doerflinger said it is "nonsense" to see the proposed requirement that health plans offer contraceptives without co-pays or deductibles as "free birth control."

"Currently women who want birth-control coverage pay for it through their premiums, and sometimes also have a co-pay or out-of-pocket expense," he wrote. "Under the new mandate they will still pay for it, but the cost will be buried in the overall premium — and everyone else, including churches and other religious employers as well as

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# Catholic Charities Director Claire Coleman: Adoptee brings the caring full circle

BY JODI MAGALLANES

SOUTH BEND — Thirty-some years ago, Claire Coleman's parents introduced her to the first in a series of unwed mothers whom the family would sponsor through Catholic Charities. In January, Coleman became the head of Catholic Charities' West Region and is leading the agency that she's known for most of her life.

Coleman was raised in South Bend with an unmistakable mandate to give service and care to those who needed assistance. The family actively supported Catholic Charities while also participating in and volunteering at St. Augustine Parish.

By the time she was ready for college, Coleman felt called to a career of service. She obtained a bachelor's degree in social studies at the University of Saint Francis, followed by an MPA in human services from Indiana University, South Bend.

"I knew I was interested in working in the nonprofit sector," Coleman said. "At first I just wasn't sure which path I wanted to take. I think it's because we were raised to think you should use your talents to give back."

Before joining the administrative team of Catholic Charities, Coleman was using her talents in the alumni relations and development office of Saint Joseph's High School. But she thought that Catholic Charities could offer her the chance to contribute directly to the community, take on new challenges and meet the needs of new people.

"Plus, my mom was a mentor on this board," Coleman said. "We knew the young unwed mothers and were a foster family for the infants prior to placement. In fact, one of the women I still admire very much was (former Catholic Charities social worker) Peggy Donovan. She made a big impact on me."

Coleman revealed that she has one other tie to the agency she now helps to lead: she is an adop-



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Claire Coleman discusses the new ECHO program with Kwajalein Reed.

tee who was placed by Catholic Charities.

She's glad to be reunited with the organization and able to support its mission. Staff members have oriented her and made her inaugural months welcoming, she said, even though the period has been pressured due to the RSVP program moving back into the Catholic Charities office and the Christmas programs gearing up.

It was also obvious to Coleman that additional volunteers were needed — a situation that requires ongoing attention. She has restructured the hours of the office's food pantry and spends her down time there listening to the clients' stories.

Community groups and teenagers — including her own

— come to assist at the food pantry, which brings full circle for Coleman a cycle of needing assistance, learning to assist and then teaching others to value the gift of giving of themselves.

"I think we've given the kids an awareness of what was going on in the community, and of who our neighbors are who are in need," she said.

Catholic Charities is always anxious to hear from potential volunteers or anyone offering financial support for the agency's work. For information call the west region office, 1817 Miami St., at (574) 234-3111. The Fort Wayne office, located at 315 E. Washington Blvd., can be reached by calling (260) 422-5625 or (800) 686-7459.

## Agency will distribute 'Hardest Hit' funds

SOUTH BEND — Among the relief efforts that Catholic Charities oversees for the benefit of the needy within the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend is the Hardest Hit program.

The 2010 federal initiative targets families in areas of the nation that are suffering the most due to the recession. The fund helps residents struck by unemployment and falling house values to avoid foreclosure and stay in their homes.

In Indiana, one of the programs created within the Hardest Hit Fund permits homeowners with low or moderate incomes to keep their homes by submitting to job training, volunteering or returning to school. In March, Catholic Charities was selected to administer funds associated with the Volunteer Service portion of the program, which falls under the umbrella of the Hardest Hit Fund's Building the Bridge to Recovery Program.

The agency has received two three-year grants to administer the program locally.

Claire Coleman, director of Catholic Charities' West office, is in the process of lining up organizations like the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and Senior Aids that will accept Hardest Hit volunteer service participants.

Qualified program applicants who live in Elkhart, Fulton, Kosciusko, Marshall and St. Joseph counties will work with Catholic Charities' South Bend office to be placed, while applicants residing in other counties within the Diocese Fort Wayne-South Bend will work with the Fort Wayne office.

One west region volunteer has already been accepted, navigated the required paperwork and been placed in St. Joseph County.

According to Coleman, the first step toward accessing the Hardest Hit program is to contact the Indiana Foreclosure Prevention Network at (877) GET-HOPE or by visiting [www.877gethope.org](http://www.877gethope.org). Applicants will be required to agree to participate in either ongoing education, training or volunteering. Residents from the north central Indiana region who select volunteering will then be directed to Catholic Charities.

# Reject hatred, resist terrorism, says US bishops' head in 9/11 message

WASHINGTON (CNS) — As the 10th anniversary of the terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, neared, the president of the U.S. bishops pledged "today and always to reject hatred and resist terrorism" in a statement reflecting on 9/11.

"A decade later we remain resolved to reject extreme ideologies that perversely misuse religion to justify indefensible attacks on innocent civilians, to embrace persons of all religions, including our Muslim neighbors, and to welcome refugees seeking safety," said Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan of

New York in his message, "A Time for Remembrance, Resolve and Renewal: Statement on the Tenth Anniversary of 9/11."

"We steadfastly refrain from blaming the many for the actions of a few and insist that security needs can be reconciled with our immigrant heritage without compromising either one," Archbishop Dolan said in the message, which was released Sept. 8 in Washington.

"Gratefully mindful of the continuing sacrifices of the men and women in our armed forces, and their families, we also resolve to

bring a responsible end to the conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq," he added.

"In remembering the fateful events of Sept. 11, 2001, may we resolve to put aside our differences and join together in the task of renewing our nation and world," Archbishop Dolan said.

The archbishop said, "This 10th anniversary of 9/11 can be a time of renewal. Ten years ago, we came together across religious, political, social and ethnic lines to stand as one people to heal wounds and defend against terrorism.



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## Military archdiocese sees increase in Catholic military chaplains

WASHINGTON (CNS) — The U.S. Archdiocese for the Military Services is reporting an increase in the number of seminarians who want to become military chaplains. For the 2011-2012 academic year, there are 31 co-sponsored and military-affiliated seminarians. Last year there were 23; in 2009-2010 there were 12 and the previous year only three. Co-sponsorship means that a diocesan bishop agrees to accept the seminarian who will participate in the chaplain candidacy program of one of the branches of the U.S. armed forces. The bishop agrees to release him for service as a military chaplain after three years of pastoral experience as a priest in his diocese. When the priest leaves military service, he returns to the diocese. Conventual Franciscan Father Kerry Abbott, director of vocations for the military archdiocese, called the increase one of the “untold stories” of spiritual blessings. He said Catholic seminaries in the U.S. and the Pontifical North American College in Rome are straining to accommodate the influx of seminarians and many seminaries have converted guest rooms to seminarian quarters. The outlook for future vocations is just as bright, he said. The archdiocese is currently processing hundreds of inquiries from prospective military chaplains. Father Abbott expects anywhere from five to 10 more to enter seminaries next year, with still more to come in years to follow. The timing could not be better. The U.S. armed forces have seen a steady decline in Catholic military chaplains over the past 10 years as priests reach the military retirement age of 62. Their numbers are down from more than 400 active in 2001 to 274 this year.

## Faith, sacrifice lead to church for Chaldean, Assyrian Catholics in US

ORANGEVALE, Calif. (CNS) — Tom Simon genuflects and kneels in prayer before the tabernacle. “It takes love, faith and sacrifice to build a house of the Lord,” he says. Now, after long years of planning, hard work and some divine intervention, the Chaldean and the Assyrian Catholics of the Sacramento area have their own house of the Lord — Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chaldean and Assyrian Catholic Church in Orangevale. “It’s for the Lord,” Neil Simon Nofaley says softly as he looks around the bright and beautiful church. Nofaley, Simon’s father, has been a subdeacon and leader of the small Chaldean community for 27 years. He speaks proudly about not only their new church building but of the history of the Chaldeans, a Christian church now centered in Iraq, a history that began long before Christianity. “Abraham came from Ur of the Chaldeans, 160 kilometers from Baghdad,” Nofaley says. “And when he wanted a wife for his son Isaac he found her among the Chaldeans.” Centuries later Chaldeans were

## GIRL LOOKS OUT OVER ENCROACHING FLOODWATERS FROM SUSQUEHANNA RIVER IN HARRISBURG



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A child looks out over encroaching floodwaters from the Susquehanna River in Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 8. Relentless rain caused catastrophic flooding in the east and forced the evacuation of more than 130,000 people in three states.

among the first gentiles to embrace Christianity. St. Thomas the Apostle and two disciples brought the Gospel to the small kingdom of Chaldea in what is now northern Iraq. For nearly 2,000 years, the Chaldeans and the Assyrians have kept the faith even though they were a politically powerless minority in a region ruled at first by pagans and then by Islam. Over the centuries, it has earned the title “the church of the martyrs.” The persecution continues even now. “Sixty-eight of our churches in Iraq were attacked, bombed and some destroyed,” Simon says. “Twenty-eight of our priests, including the archbishop, were kidnapped, tortured and some beheaded. One nun was beheaded. Children have been kidnapped and held for ransom — often far more than families could afford. One 6-year-old was killed because his family could not pay.”

## Rhode Island city’s bankruptcy affects its one Catholic school

CENTRAL FALLS, R.I. (CNS) — Central Falls’ ongoing fiscal crisis has impacted the city’s one Catholic school and the delivery of services. State-appointed Receiver Robert G. Flanders Jr. announced in August that he had filed for Chapter 9 bankruptcy on behalf of Central Falls under the federal Bankruptcy Code. “Everything was done to avoid this day,” Flanders said at a news conference. “Services have been cut to

the bone,” he continued. “Taxes have been raised to the maximum level allowable. We negotiated with Council 94 and the police and fire unions, without success, attempting to reach voluntary concessions, and we tried in vain to persuade our retirees to accept voluntary reductions in their benefits.” Flanders, a former justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court and past chairman of the state board of regents for elementary and secondary education, said that “from the ashes of bankruptcy, Central Falls will rise again: a slimmer, sleeker city to stand on its own two legs as an independent municipality or to merge, marry or consolidate services with one or more of its neighbors.” Active employees and retirees were affected by changes in their healthcare plans, including a higher deductible, changes in co-payments and a 20 percent co-share of premiums. According to Maria Rocheleau, principal of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Academy, the closure of the city’s Adams Memorial Library will affect the school’s book club, which relied on the facility to supply multiple copies of selected books and provided many other resources for students who used the facility for research and enrichment.

## Mary honored in ‘grand procession’ marking Los Angeles’ 230th birthday

LOS ANGELES (CNS) — The Grand Marian Procession started inside La Placita Church during the early

afternoon of Sept. 3, a day before the 230th anniversary of the founding and dedication of Los Angeles to Our Lady of the Angels. “Here is where Los Angeles was born. Here is where our great city came to be,” said Claretian Father Roland Lozano, pastor of Los Angeles’ first church near what is now Cesar Chavez Avenue and Main Street. Then the 300 modern-day pilgrims — representing the 44 people of Spanish, Indian and African-American ancestry who started their trip in Sonora, Mexico, and then, accompanied by four soldiers, trekked from the San Gabriel Mission to colonize the new settlement of “El Pueblo de Nuestra Senora la Reina de los Angeles” (the Village of Our Lady Queen of the Angels) on Sept. 4, 1781 — processed down Main and Temple Streets to the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. On an ornate wood carriage, six members of Hermandad del Senor de Los Milagros (Brotherhood of the Lord of Miracles), dressed in flowing colored robes, carried an almost life-sized statue of the Blessed Mother cradling a toddler Jesus. Aztec dancers performed to the pounding beat of a single drum. Bagpipers from the LAPD’s Emerald Society of Pipes and Drums played. And the slowly moving assembly sang “Ave Maria” and other hymns to the mother of God. “I think it’s important that we recognize the history of Los Angeles and how our Catholic faith played a big part in that history,” said walker and L.A. City Council member Tom LaBonge. “And at the cathedral

many times when we have marched it’s very sad, because we marched for a police officer’s or firefighter’s funeral. But today is a celebration.”

## Raleigh Diocese plans new 2,000-seat cathedral on 39-acre campus

RALEIGH, N.C. (CNS) — A new 2,000-seat cathedral is the centerpiece of a 39-acre campus being planned by officials of the Diocese of Raleigh. Bishop Michael F. Burbidge said Sept. 7 that the project, estimated to cost between \$75 million and \$90 million, will include a two-story gathering hall and a three-story parking facility that will be built partially underground on land owned by the diocese, three miles west of downtown Raleigh. The new church will be called Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral and will be built on land owned by the diocese for more than a century. Diocesan offices already are located on the eastern edge of the property. “We are not just building a beautiful, glorious, magnificent church, which it will be. We are building a vibrant campus,” Bishop Burbidge said in announcing the project, which he called “monumental and historic” in the life of the diocese. The diocese hopes to begin construction in mid-2013, Bishop Burbidge said.

## Parish serves as shelter for victims displaced by Texas wildfires

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Ascension Parish in Bastrop, Texas, has been serving as a shelter and a nerve center for relief efforts related to the ongoing Texas wildfires that have struck the state. As of Sept. 7, wildfires had been recorded for 296 straight days in drought-stricken Texas. But in the recent surge of such blazes in early September, more than 1,000 homes in the state had been destroyed and four deaths were attributed to the fires. “We’re not turning anybody away,” said Steve Venzon, one of four Ascension parishioners who are taking daily six-hour shifts in directing aid efforts at the church. The town of Bastrop and Bastrop County are in the heart of the fire zone in the 25-county Diocese of Austin, Texas. Ascension started housing its first evacuees Sept. 4 but quickly filled up its parish hall. Evacuees moved to the parish’s religious education building, where 50 people were staying, Venzon told Catholic News Service in a Sept. 7 telephone interview. Venzon added that the religious education building had cots laid out for 200, and was expecting an upsurge in evacuees with the closure of a Red Cross emergency shelter. He said the parish, the Red Cross and the Federal Emergency Management Agency were coordinating efforts; with a Sept. 7 federal declaration of disaster status for wildfire-stricken areas, FEMA is able to marshal more resources to help those affected by the fires. If the religious education building fills up with evacuees, Venzon said, they would return to the parish hall to add bed space. “After that, God help us,” he added.

## Holtzes become 'research ambassadors' for ND

NOTRE DAME — Former University of Notre Dame head football coach Lou Holtz is once again taking a leadership role at the university — this time in an arena outside of athletics. He and his wife, Beth, will serve as Notre Dame's first "ambassadors for research" by taking a prominent role in increasing awareness of the university's mission to pursue research that aims to heal, unify and enlighten a world deeply in need.

"Beth and I have always believed that Notre Dame is different," Lou Holtz said. "Not only by educating young people who go out and do remarkable things in the world, but also through its commitment to research with potential to alleviate pain and suffering, the university is taking on global challenges and bringing about real change."

Research to help people with cancer is a deeply personal cause for the Holtz family. Beth Holtz was diagnosed in 1997 with a rare form of cancer and was given a 5 percent chance of survival. Today she credits her recovery to her strong faith and the support of her family and others around her during her illness.

"Lou and Beth Holtz are a testament to the human spirit and we are so thankful and proud to have them as part of the Notre Dame family," said Holy Cross Father John I. Jenkins, Notre Dame's president. "Through their generous financial contributions to the university — and the precious gift of their time as ambassadors for research — they are adding to the many blessings they and their family already have bestowed upon us. We are deeply appreciative."

The Holtzes also have given \$1 million to the university to support research. The gift was a component of the recently completed "Spirit of Notre Dame" campaign, which raised \$2.014 billion during a seven-year span that ended June 30. In addition to their most recent gift, the Holtzes also established a scholarship endowment at the university during Lou Holtz' coaching tenure.

During his 10 years as head football coach, Lou Holtz amassed a record of 100-30-2 and led the Fighting Irish to a national championship during its undefeated 1988 season. The couple has four children — Luanne; Louis Jr., a 1987 Notre Dame graduate; Kevin, a 1989 Notre Dame graduate; and Elizabeth, a 1991 Notre Dame graduate.

## South Bend activities announced for 40 Days for Life campaign

SOUTH BEND — Organizers of the 40 Days for Life campaign in South Bend have announced activities for their sixth campaign.

The 40 Days for Life program consists of prayer, fasting and educational outreach. The fall campaign in South Bend, which is run by local pro-life Catholics, begins its 40 day prayer vigil on Sept. 28 and finishes up on Nov. 6. The prayer vigil occurs daily during this time frame from 7

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## EIGHT DIOCESAN SEMINARIANS STUDY AT JOSEPHINUM



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Opening its 124th year of priestly formational study, the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio, had more than 40 new seminarians join bringing its enrollment to 186.

Father James Wehner, rector and president, attributes the rise in enrollment — 53 percent in two years — and the addition of six new dioceses to the excellence of the seminary's programs, its highly-qualified and dedicated faculty, and to its pontifical status. Above, from left, are John David Kimes, Samuel Sliger, Thomas Saul, Jacob Meyer, Father James Wehner, rector, Spenser St. Louis, Christopher Lapp, William Harmon and Benjamin Muhlenkamp, who are among the 25 seminarians currently studying from the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. Others from the diocese are studying in Winona, Minn., Emmitsburg, Md., Rome and Mexico.

a.m. to 7 p.m.

The site of the vigil is the "prayer peninsula," a concreted area with banners and benches immediately adjacent to the abortion clinic in South Bend, the Women's Pavilion, 2010 Ironwood Circle, off Ironwood Road.

Mass is celebrated every Saturday morning at 8 a.m. at the same vigil site, include the following dates and celebrants: Oct. 1 to be announced; Holy Cross Father Ed O'Connor, on Oct. 8; Holy Cross Father Jose Martelli, on Oct. 15; Father Dan Scheidt from Queen of Peace Church, Mishawaka, on Oct. 22; Father Terry Coonan, associate pastor of St. Pius X, Granger, on Oct. 28; and Coventual Franciscan Father Giles Zakowicz on Nov. 5.

The 40 Days for Life campaign includes a midway event, scheduled for Oct. 14, with author and philosopher Peter Kreeft. He will speak at St. Pius X Parish in Granger. His talk, titled "How Do You change Peoples' Minds about Abortion," is scheduled at 7 p.m., and doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

Shawn Sullivan, who is the 40 Days for Life coordinator in South Bend, said, "We witness to the abortion staffers, the women seek-

ing abortion, and the general public at the prayer peninsula — marked by our signs, a large banner about abortion, a flag of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and a concrete patch with the words 'Life Begins at Conception' written into the concrete."

"Thirteen babies per week are killed at this facility but we have had a number of saves over the years," he said.

Sullivan said, "We need more prayer warriors, and leaders to help organize, as well as groups and parishes to plan a trip to the vigil site, or better yet, to adopt a particular hour every day or week. We hope that all the Catholic faithful will come out and show solidarity with the Church's teachings on life, while, at the same time, being a visible sign of Christ's love amidst the culture of death."

Those interested can sign up to pray at the vigil by going to the 40 Days website at [www.40daysforlife.com/southbend](http://www.40daysforlife.com/southbend) or they can email Shawn Sullivan at [sullyatlaw@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sullyatlaw@sbcglobal.net) or Fran Holmes at [holmesjif@sbcglobal.net](mailto:holmesjif@sbcglobal.net).

## Saint Mary's College installs three endowed chairs

NOTRE DAME — Saint Mary's College announced the installation this fall of three endowed chairs, one of which is a newly established chair. The installations, which will take place at three separate events, include the inauguration of the Marjorie A. Neuhoff Chair in Nursing and the installations of the Edna and George McMahon Aquinas Chair in Philosophy and the Bruno P. Schlesinger Chair in Humanistic Studies.

The college will celebrate each installation with a lecture. With the inauguration of the Marjorie A. Neuhoff Chair in Nursing, the total number of named chairs held by faculty at the college will be six. Other chairs include the Denise DeBartolo York Chair in Science, held by Dorothy M. Feigl, professor of chemistry; the Joyce McMahon Hank Aquinas Chair in Catholic Theology, held by Joseph M. Incandela, associate dean and professor of religious studies; and the Mary Lou and Judd Leighton Chair in Music, held by Nancy L. Menk, professor of music.

## Beginning Experience to hold final retreat

DONALDSON — The board of directors of Beginning Experience of South Bend has announced that the organization will be ending as of the Oct. 21-23 Weekend Retreat at Lindenwood Retreat House in Donaldson.

Beginning Experience is a Christian-based retreat that helps grieving single-again persons to emerge from the darkness of grief, depression, anger and loss in order to move into the future with renewed hope and new beginnings. It has served the widowed, divorced and separated for 32 years.

The Beginning Experience Weekend Retreat will be held from 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23, at Lindenwood Retreat Center, Donaldson. The registration deadline is Oct. 7. For reservations call Teresa at (574) 261-0123 (night) or email her at [greenlight7113@sbcglobal.net](mailto:greenlight7113@sbcglobal.net) or contact Marilyn at (269) 684-0882 (daytime) or email her at [Mercymeme@aol.com](mailto:Mercymeme@aol.com) or call Becky at (260) 768-7350.

Father Edward Ruetz, board member, said, "Although our local organization has ended, the Beginning Experience International Ministry, located here in South Bend, can be contacted, if your church members would like to attend a Beginning Experience Weekend Retreat in a nearby state. Their office can be contacted at [www.beginning-experience.org](http://www.beginning-experience.org)."

## Art classes for children offered at USF

FORT WAYNE — Registration is open for art classes for children in grades 1-8 through the School of Creative Arts at the University of Saint Francis from 9-11 a.m. on Saturdays Sept. 17 through Dec. 3.

The cost is \$75 per child, which includes all materials and instruction fees. Early registration is advised, as enrollment is limited.

For information or a registration form, contact the School of Creative Arts at (260) 399-7700, ext. 8001.

## Notre Dame professor to direct edition of John Duns Scotus' lectures

NOTRE DAME — The National Endowment for the Humanities has awarded Kent Emery, Jr., as principal investigator, a three-year grant of \$300,000 for directing the critical edition of the multiple Reportations of John Duns Scotus' lectures on the Sentences of Peter Lombard at the University of Paris. With the University of Notre Dame's cost-sharing contribution, the total for the project is \$533,774.

## Corrections

The Aug. 28, 2011 issue of *Today's Catholic* should have placed Burgos in Spain, rather than France.

Karen Clifford is the writer of the Dick and Anne McCloskey story featured in the Sept. 11 issue of *Today's Catholic*.

## Nouwen is the focus of Victory Noll Center program

HUNTINGTON — Internationally-known author and teacher Henri Nouwen's journey began in Holland where he was born and educated. It ended with him sharing his life with people with mental disabilities at L'Arche Daybreak Community in Toronto.

Nouwen's journey will be the focus of the program "Henri Nouwen: On the Polarity Between the True and False Self" on Sept. 17 at Victory Noll Center.

Henri Nouwen, who died in 1996, is known for his spiritual legacy passed on through his writings which include: "Genesee Diary," "Out of Solitude," "The Prodigal Son" and many others.

Like everyone, Nouwen struggled between the tensional reality of the true self and the false self. Through it all, he learned to navigate his way through this coexisting polarity in his journey by befriending its inherent tension.

By his example, we too can learn how to creatively hold such polarity in a way that works for us rather than against us and consequently discover in the process its transforming value.

The program at Victory Noll Center will be led by Wil Hernandez, Ph.D., a retreat leader, counselor and spiritual director in private practice. Aside from doing retreats, lectures, seminars and workshops throughout the U.S. and abroad, Hernandez also teaches courses on the spirituality of Henri Nouwen at various Catholic and Protestant seminaries and universities across the country. Hernandez is the author of two books on Nouwen and a third forthcoming.

The program runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$35 and includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Victory Noll Center is located at 1900 W. Park Dr. in Huntington.

To register for the program, or for more information call (260) 356-0628, ext. 174, or visit [www.olvm.org/vncenter](http://www.olvm.org/vncenter)

## Moral philosopher to deliver Aquinas Lecture

NOTRE DAME — Saint Mary's College has announced that renowned moral philosopher Alasdair MacIntyre, the Rev. John A. O'Brien Senior Research Professor of Philosophy Emeritus at the University of Notre Dame, will deliver the annual McMahon Aquinas Lecture.

The title of his talk is "How Truth is Known though Error: Rereading Aquinas's Project at 'Summa Theologiae' Ia-IIae, qq. 1 and 2." The lecture will take place at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 28, in O'Laughlin Auditorium. A reception follows. The public is invited to attend the lecture and reception, which are sponsored by the Edna and George McMahon Aquinas Chair in Philosophy.

MacIntyre has written and lectured widely on the history of philosophy, moral philosophy, political theory, philosophy of the social sciences and the philosophy of religion. He has taught at Oxford, Princeton, Yale, Brandeis, Vanderbilt, Duke and Boston Universities as well as at Wellesley College. He is also the author of more than 30 books.

"Professor MacIntyre is one of the most important living philosophers and students of the Catholic intellectual tradition. Saint Mary's is honored to have him deliver this year's McMahon Aquinas Lecture," said philosophy professor Michael Waddell, Ph.D., who will be formally installed as holder of the Edna and George McMahon Aquinas Chair in Philosophy at 4 p.m. on Sept. 28. The installation is open to the public and will take place in Stapleton Lounge of Le Mans Hall. A reception will follow.

For more information on the McMahon Aquinas Lecture, call Barb Westra, staff assistant in the Department of Philosophy, at (574) 284-4534 or go to [www3.saintmarys.edu/mcmahon-aquinas-lecture](http://www3.saintmarys.edu/mcmahon-aquinas-lecture). A campus map is available at [www3.saintmarys.edu/campus-map](http://www3.saintmarys.edu/campus-map).

## Joyce Faulstich retires after 43 years

BY IDA CHIPMAN

PLYMOUTH — When the school bell rang for the first day of school at St. Michael Catholic School, it was the first time in 43 years that Joyce Faulstich was not at her desk.

She had been a teacher those 43 years, 40 of them at St. Michael.

Did she miss it?

"School life was very important to me. I miss the kids, the smiles and hugs I'd get, but there is a time to pray, to play and to work. I guess my time to rest is now," she said.

Faulstich always wanted to be a teacher. She liked to learn. "I still do," she said.

Born in Winamac, she graduated from Monterey High School with the class of 1965.

She met her husband, Mark, in their junior year. They weren't exactly high school sweethearts she said, adding, it was a "sort of an off and on thing."

Faulstich attended Ball State University, graduating in 1968. She and Mark were married in August of that same year.

Faulstich began her teaching to help support her husband while he finished his degree from Purdue University.

Her next job was as an eighth-grade teacher at St. Peter Catholic School in Winamac.

The Faulstiches moved to Plymouth in 1970, where they lived in a mobile home on Joe Batcho's property. Faulstich substituted at Argos Elementary for several weeks for a first-grade teacher on maternity leave.

In the spring of 1971, she was hired as a remedial reading teacher at St. Michael School in Plymouth, and in 1976, became the first kindergarten teacher at the school.

She taught kindergarten for several years before spending the next 18 years as a fourth-grade teacher and six years as the second-grade teacher.

During those years Faulstich had four sons — James, now 40, Jason, 37, Mark J., 36 and Jeffrey, 33 — while earning her



IDA CHIPMAN

Joyce Faulstich, a recently retired teacher at St. Michael School, Plymouth, polishes her piano playing skills.

master's degree and her life's license from Indiana University at South Bend in 1975. The family hosted three foreign exchange students as well, and they and their sons still keep in touch.

"I look at my retirement as a new chapter in my life," she said. The first day of her retirement she washed windows and listened to Neil Diamond.

"I still wake up at 5:30," she admits, but adds that she is enjoy-

ing cooking more and polishing her piano-playing skills.

Mark and Joyce plan to do some traveling. She said, "I have not seen everything I want to see in the United States, so there are many places to go." And she will substitute and tutor children where she is needed.

As for the new chapter in her life, she said, "There are other things in life, but I will always cherish my good memories."

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# College and Careers

## USF valedictorian's knows God has a plan for her

BY CAROLYN HARLESS

FORT WAYNE — When recent graduate Ashley Norton speaks about her life, it leads one to believe that she hardly has any time available to schedule a breath.

Throughout her academic career at the University of Saint Francis Norton dedicated herself to studies in exercise science and physical therapy, hoping to continue her education at the doctorate level and become a licensed physical therapist. Academics, however, were not the only tasks on her agenda.

Though Norton was a full-time student, she still found ways to break from the monotony of study. She was president of the Physical Therapy Assistant Studies Club; worked part-time as a PTA for Ortho NorthEast; was a seasoned camp counselor for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, which extended the offer to join its executive committee and she accepted; sang in her parish's choir at St. Therese; and if that were not enough, decided to join the campus ministry team and Mass choir during her final year at USF.

"I don't even know what (free time) is," said Norton, jokingly. "It's not too time consuming. I stay busy, but really I'm just cutting out TV time."

Given her activities, it's no wonder Norton never realized she was of valedictorian status.

"It was something that would have never crossed my mind. It wasn't something I was going for," said Norton.

Norton admitted to being a perfectionist, which is why she thought she could never achieve such top honors. For the first three years at USF her GPA was flawless. Then in her fourth year, she received her first A-, which Norton described as being "the end of the world."

Discouragement, however, was not an option for Norton, especially entering her final year.

"It was nice to have my last year where I didn't really have to worry (about grades)," said Norton. "I was living my life and living my life for God, putting Him first and saying, 'If this is what You want me to do with my life, OK, I'll follow You.'"

It has been evident since childhood that God's plan for Norton included a life of service.

"Growing up, when my parents would ask, 'What do you want to be?' I was just like, 'I want to help people.' And that's the only thing I want to do," she

said. "If I'm not helping people, then I don't know what the point is."

Always knowing she wanted a career in the medical field, Norton explored her education options upon graduating from Bishop Luers High School in 2006. Having a twin brother influenced her final decision.

Norton's twin, Roger, originally interested in becoming a PTA, suggested she also take a look at the USF program. Upon first glance, she knew this was the right path for her.

Even with a God-granted knack for academics, Norton still faltered at times, particularly during her fourth year. Norton recalled feeling lonely that year due to friends graduating, her brothers moving out of the house and dad accepting a job in Lafayette. At this time, her faith was challenged.

"It was getting to the point that I was like, 'I don't even know if I want to be Catholic because I



ASHLEY NORTON

don't feel anything anymore," said Norton.

But friends and family offered the support she needed to keep her faith alive. A friend insisted Norton join campus ministry and sing at campus Masses, while her older brother Jonathan, seminarian of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, advised her on the "power of prayer."

"I'd tell her all the time 'on your way home from work or on your way home from school, you pass right by St. Therese, just stop in for five minutes and tell Jesus what's going on,'" said Jonathan.

Other times his advice was as simple as "say a Hail Mary or a Glory Be" to help her refocus on tasks at hand.

"I know that she's experienced (peace) and this year she has really grown a lot too from starting to (pray more)," said Jonathan.

With this newfound peace, Norton began surrounding herself with God, at school as well as in

the work place.

"I remember saying that I was just going to give it my all. People always tell you that when you give God your all, He'll give you everything in return," said Norton.

Even when a patient's condition stumped her, she would turn to God and prayer for guidance with the rehabilitation process.

Norton said she could not imagine a life void of God, family and campus ministry, and knows for certain that she would not be valedictorian without them.

She recalled the day she received the news.

There was a delay in the mailing process, as she could not find a stamp to send off her graduate school application to the University of Findlay, Ohio. While sitting at her desk, she noticed an email flash across her computer screen from her adviser, Katie Weidman.

"Please call me as soon as possible," it read.

Worried she had forgotten an important factor to the application, or that she had missed the deadline completely, Norton made the call.

Once on the phone, Weidman made the anxious student sit down for the news.

Coming directly from a meeting with the board of directors, she wanted to be the first to congratulate Norton on being nominated and selected as the 2011 valedictorian for the School of Arts and Sciences.

"In my head I was going, 'valdictorian, saluatorian — is that the top one?'" said Norton.

The timing could not have been more perfect for Norton, a firm believer of things happening for a reason.

"I remember looking at my Findlay application and thinking, 'Thank God I didn't send that in yet!'" said Norton.

Knowing that God works in mysterious ways and that she could not have done it without His grace, Norton thinks this was His way of subtly telling her, "I told you."

"(Being valedictorian) was definitely the icing on the cake, but my life was already sweet before that. This is just an extra bonus," said Norton.

Norton will begin the rigorous pursuit for a doctorate on Jan. 6, 2012. But until then, she can be found at Ortho NorthEast doing what she has always wanted — helping others.

### Good campus ministry programs can help Catholic students grow

PORTLAND, Ore. (CNS) — After finding and learning about the Catholic campus ministry presence on campus, how can prospective students tell that the Catholic presence on campus is a healthy one that will help them to grow? There are four hallmarks of a good campus ministry, according to Mary Deeley, pastoral associate at the Sheil Center, which serves Northwestern University in Chicago.

"First, look for a variety of vibrant opportunities for worship and liturgy," she said. Many open houses and tours happen on Saturday morning and end by Saturday afternoon, but the student could plan to stay for the Saturday vigil Mass or Sunday morning Mass to get a feel for the faith community. A good campus ministry will have sacraments and liturgies readily available.

In addition to the Mass experience on campus, students should also look at the variety of other opportunities for worship, such as adoration, Taize prayer, recitation of the rosary and availability of the sacrament of Reconciliation. Whatever specific needs an individual student may have, a wide variety of liturgical offerings shows that the community is diverse. A balanced campus ministry center can serve many needs.

Second, evaluate the ministry center for the way it fosters community life among students. "Do Catholic students regularly get together for fellowship? Is there a culture where you can talk about your faith? Is that welcome on campus?" asked Deeley. "Find a place where you can talk with other Catholic students."

Third, ask "is there a culture of service and care for others in the community and outside of it?" according to Deeley. An orientation to serving others and the world is a sign of a healthy faith community.

Lastly, look for "a culture of discernment and scholarship," said Deeley. Scholarship is the reason students attend college, and a good campus ministry will help students integrate their faith with the important questions they tackle in the classroom. Students need to be able to speak about who they are and where they are going, she said, and God should have something to say about that.

# We are Pilgrims on a journey



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Our Lady looks over Mount Saint Mary's University.

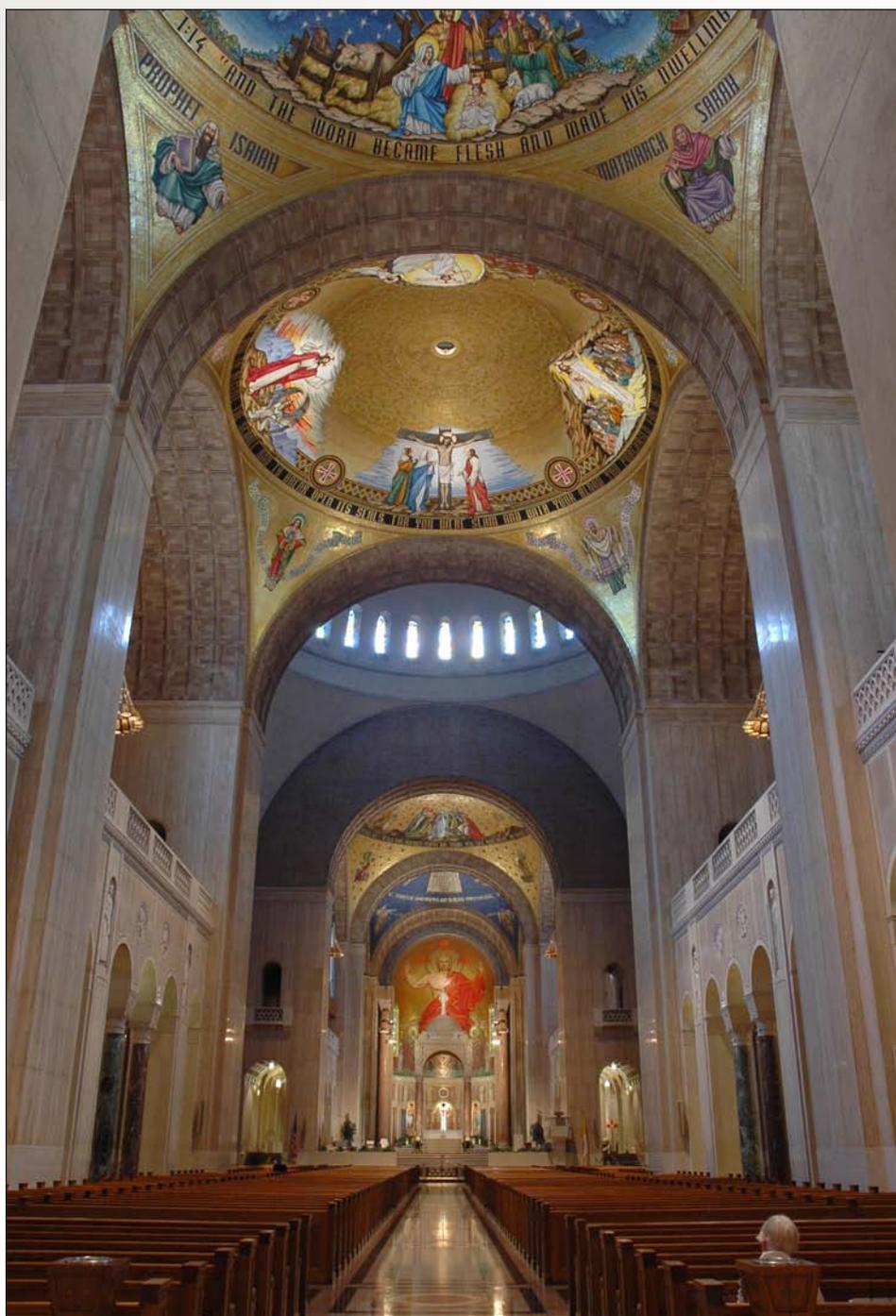


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Clockwise from left: 1) Pilgrims gather for Mass celebrated by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades on Friday at the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. 2) Pilgrims from the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend join in prayerful song in the Crypt Church. 3) Pilgrims visit the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land for vespers on Friday evening. 4) Bishop Rhoades, assisted by diocesan seminarians studying at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Md., celebrates a Holy Hour on Saturday in the St. Bernard's Chapel. 5) Pilgrims pray at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at Mount Saint Mary's University 6) Pilgrims visit a scene of the crucifixion of Our Lord at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary. 7) Pilgrims from the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend pray Evening Vespers at the Glass Chapel at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary on Saturday. 8) Bishop Rhoades speaks to the faithful during the homily on Sunday at the Immaculate Conception Chapel at Mount Saint Mary's.



The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

## PILGRIM

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to heavenly glory. She teaches us to seek the things above with living faith, certain hope and fervent love. And she not only teaches. She also walks with us. We can feel her closeness when we speak to her in prayer, when we pray the holy rosary or the Angelus and other Marian prayers and litanies. I pray that through this pilgrimage, we will all experience Mary's loving presence more deeply in our lives."

There is a connection between the basilica and the fifth bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne, Archbishop John F. Noll, who was a great supporter of the construction of the basilica. A bust of Archbishop Noll is located near the crypt church.

After visiting the basilica, pilgrims visited the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land where they prayed Evening Vespers.

While in Emmitsburg, the next destination on Saturday, pilgrims visited the Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Bishop Rhoades celebrated Mass at the basilica with the diocesan pilgrims.

The shrine is special to Bishop Rhoades who served as rector of nearby Mount Saint Mary's Seminary from 1995-2004. Bishop Rhoades also attended college at Mount Saint Mary's. He was a college freshman, on campus for just two weeks, when on Sept. 14, 1975, Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized a saint. Thousands were at the shrine that day.

"The Church in the U.S. was celebrating the canonization of the first American-born saint whose remains are kept beneath the side altar here in this beautiful basilica," Bishop Rhoades noted in his homily.

Bishop Rhoades said of the first American saint, "We can only marvel when we think about the good fruit that came from the holy and virtuous life of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton — the beginning of the Catholic school system and the first Catholic orphanage in the United States as well as the foundation of the Sisters of Charity in the United States."

Pilgrims, many who belong to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Fort Wayne, found the shrine lovely and the proximity to Mount Saint Mary's Seminary perfect for the seminarians.

"What a beautiful place for our seminarians," noted Kara Slocum of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Fort Wayne.

"It was so nice to see the seminar-

ians in their environment. They seemed happy and full of joy in their decision," added Pat Spoltman, another member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish.

Nine diocesan seminarians attend Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg. The seminarians were excited to see visitors from the diocese and they assisted throughout the pilgrimage. The seminarians at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary follow the legacy of Indiana's pioneer priests and bishops.

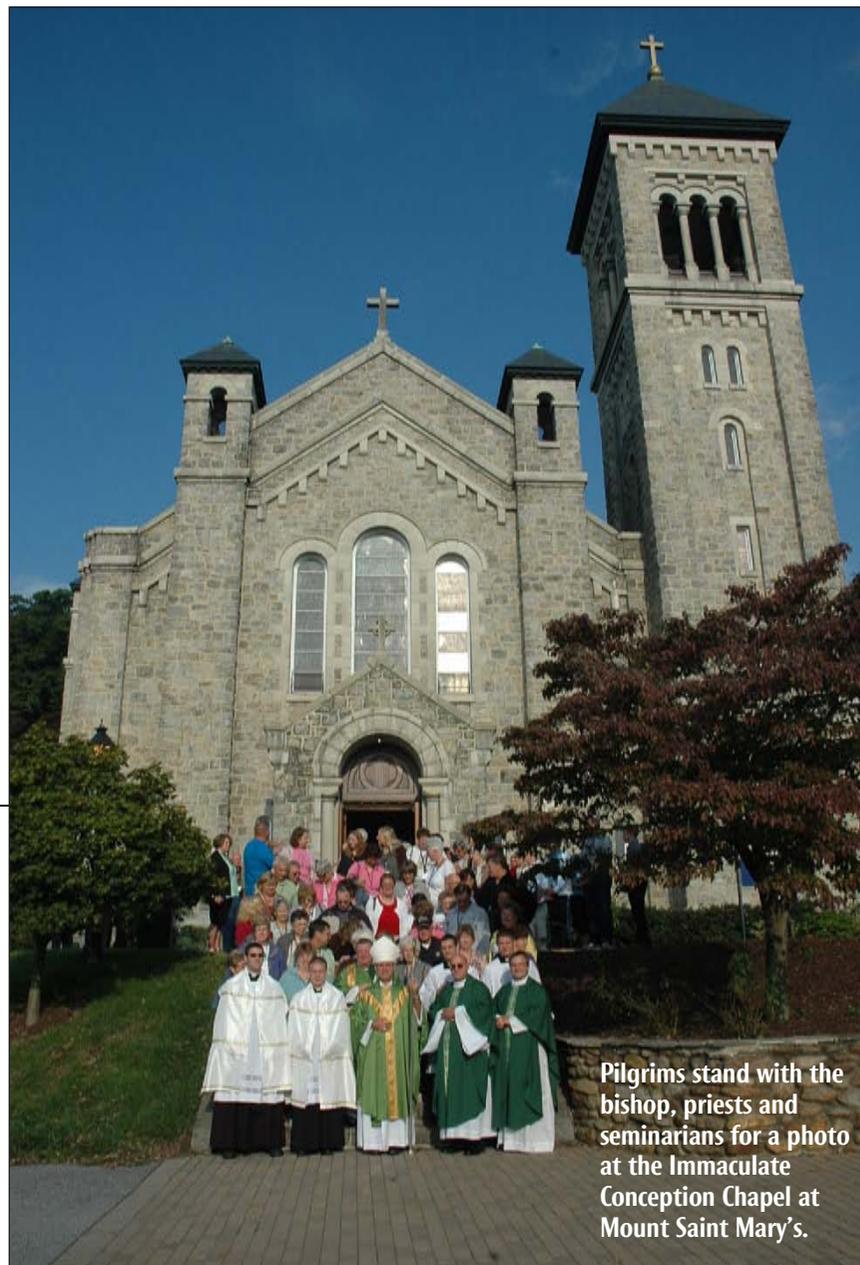
Bishop Simon Bruté, first bishop of the Diocese of Vincennes, which encompassed the whole state of Indiana and parts of Illinois, was the spiritual advisor to Mother Seton. The famed Msgr. Julian Benoit, the great pioneer priest in Fort Wayne and builder of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, was ordained by Bishop Simon Bruté at Mount Saint Mary's.

Pilgrims also visited the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on Saturday.

The days at these shrines were filled with Holy Mass, rosary, con-



Seminarians studying at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary, and priests from the diocese who were on the pilgrimage, include, front row, from left, seminarians Robert Garrow, David Huneck, Craig Borchard, Stephen Jagla, Thomas Scheibelhut and Eric Burgener; and back row, Father Robert VanKempfen, pastor of St. Mary of the Annunciation Parish, Bristol; Father Glenn Kohrman, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Church, Elkhart; seminarian David Violi; Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, seminarians Zachary Barry and Jonathan Norton; and Father Charles Herman, pastor St. John the Baptist, and Holy Family Parish, South Bend.



Pilgrims stand with the bishop, priests and seminarians for a photo at the Immaculate Conception Chapel at Mount Saint Mary's.

fessions and prayer, as well as time to enjoy tours of the holy sites.

"I enjoyed the history and understand the quote 'The Church is always ancient and always new,'" said Rob Slocum of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Fort Wayne.

"I also enjoyed learning more of the history of the early pioneers of our Church and their connection to our diocese," said Father Glenn Kohrman, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Elkhart.

"Experiencing the different forms of liturgy with the bishop, the seminarians and one another opened our eyes to the Catholic faith and deepened our faith," said Chris Grogg of Immaculate Conception, Auburn, and Jennifer Kohrman, of St. Jude, Fort

Wayne.

Kohrman added that a highlight was "making new friends and having our seminarians pray for our intentions."

"I have so much confidence in the future of the Catholic Church after being with our seminarians," Grogg added.

Kit Miller of St. Joseph Parish, Garrett, said, "I've felt immersed in my faith enjoying friends, treasured places of our faith and meeting the young men of our diocese who are studying to be priests." Miller was the pilgrimage give-away winner.

Natalie Kohrman, Mary Glowaski and Tim Johnson contributed to this story.

# WOMEN

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orders of women religious in this country.

Sister Madonna was particularly struck by the display of the St. Joseph infant incubator developed by a Franciscan sister in 1938. Sister Madonna said that display got her thinking about some of "the firsts" her own order had in its hospitals, such as the first human-to-human transfusion and the first hyperbaric chamber.

"Only when you stop and look at the history ... do you recognize some of the really profound things that have happened over the years," Sister Madonna said.

That reaction is exactly what was hoped for by the sponsors and organizers of the Women & Spirit exhibit.

The exhibit was conceived of by the Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR), an association of leaders of Catholic women religious. Sister Helen Garvey, a Sister of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and coordinator of the LCWR History Project committee that is responsible for the exhibit, told *Today's Catholic* that the exhibit grew out of a desire to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the LCWR. Sister Helen's History Project committee was charged with putting an exhibit together that would tell the real story of sisters, unlike the silly caricatures of sisters like "The Flying Nun."

At first none of them understood the complexities of what an exhibit would involve, Sister Helen said, but her committee persevered and received expert advice from people with exhibit experience and consultant Bob Weis. They eventually raised over \$4 million and hired Seruto & Company to design and build the exhibit. Every order of women religious was asked to send photos and descriptions of their five favorite artifacts for possible inclusion.

The LCWR partnered with the Cincinnati Museum Center, chosen as the first venue for the exhibit, which opened there May 16, 2009. Museum curator Jane McKnight traveled to the site of every selected artifact to properly pack each piece that was loaned by a religious order.



PHOTOS BY ANN CAREY

**The Women & Spirit exhibit features nine-foot-high curved birch walls, so a large venue such as the South Bend Center for History is required for the extensive exhibit, which took two weeks to erect.**

Special display cases were then built by Seruto to protect each artifact, and a company that specializes in moving exhibits has transported the exhibit to each venue, where it takes two weeks to assemble.

After Cincinnati, the exhibit traveled to Dallas, Washington, D.C., Cleveland, New York, Dubuque, Iowa and Los Angeles. After the exhibit closes in South Bend Dec. 31, its last stop will be Sacramento, where it will remain until June 3, 2012. Funded for three years, the exhibit will be dismantled after the Sacramento run and the artifacts will be returned to the various orders who loaned them to the exhibit.

Kathleen Sprows Cummings, University of Notre Dame associate professor of American studies and associate director of the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, had seen the exhibit in several of those locations and wanted it to come to South Bend. She approached the Center for History, which partnered with Notre Dame

and Saint Mary's College to host the exhibit here. Several local individuals and organizations joined the effort as sponsors.

Compared to the other sites of the exhibit she had visited, Cummings said "There is no question in my mind that it looks the best here in the Center for History. The gallery looks like it was designed with Women & Spirit in mind."

Cummings said she had visited the exhibit with the members of her senior seminar, and "They couldn't believe how pervasive Catholic sisters have been in American life. They also commented on the contrast between the representation of nuns in popular culture and the real women whose stories are narrated in the exhibit."

Marilyn Thompson, director of marketing and community relations for the Center for History, added that in the few days the exhibit has been open, the reaction of visitors has been very positive.

"People love it," Thompson said. "They are intrigued with it; they are learning. People will say 'I didn't know that; I hadn't thought about that.' I love to hear this, because it means we are providing some context, but also we are touching them deeply with food for thought ... and that is really the mark of an extraordinary exhibit."

A film series related to women religious will be shown during the four months the exhibit is in South Bend. Call the Center for History at (574) 235-9664 or see the schedule on its website at [www.centerforhistory.org/see-and-do/calendar\\_of\\_events](http://www.centerforhistory.org/see-and-do/calendar_of_events).

Notre Dame's Cushwa Center also is hosting several sister-related events. Call the Center at (574) 631-5441 or see the schedule at <http://cushwa.nd.edu/events/>.

Visit [www.womenandspirit.org/team.html](http://www.womenandspirit.org/team.html) for information about the exhibit including photos and videos.

## SISTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS CELEBRATE 80 YEARS OF VOWED LIFE



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From left, Holy Cross Sister M. Francis Rose Ruppert, Holy Cross Sister M. Rose Veronica Mattingly and Holy Cross Sister Aloysia Marie Mulcaire were honored on their anniversary of 80 years of vowed life at the special liturgy celebrated for the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Aug. 15, in the Church of Our Lady of Loretto, Saint Mary's, Notre Dame.

## CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL LAUNCHES LITERARY MAGAZINE



HEATHER COYNE

Christ the King School in South Bend has published the first issue of *Upwords*, a literary magazine featuring writings submitted by students in grades 6-8. Featured writers contributed in three categories: personal narrative, poetry and short fiction. The publication was unveiled at a launch party held on Aug. 18 at Barnes & Noble in Mishawaka. The second volume of *Upwords* will include written pieces from local Holy Cross-affiliated middle schools in South Bend, in addition to Christ the King. Sheila Reidy, faculty adviser for *Upwords*, teaches language arts at Christ the King, and is a teacher consultant for the Hoosier Writing Project. Shown from left, in the front row are Sheila Reidy, Jessica Hall and Maggie Dosch; back row, Alexandra Fontenot, Deirdre Cawley, Clare Harding, Eimhear Canavan-Martin, Samantha Burns and Colleen Dosch.



Sister Annmarie Sanders, IHM, left, director of communications for the Leadership Conference of Women Religious, and Sister Helen Garvey, BVM, right, coordinator of the LCWR History Project, were on hand for the official opening of the Women & Spirit exhibit in South Bend.

# Soup kitchen responds to call of the beatitudes: Feed the hungry

## Fundraiser planned Oct. 15 to support the kitchen

BY BONNIE ELBERSON

FORT WAYNE — St. Mary's Soup Kitchen is feeding the hungry in greater numbers than ever before in its history, having served more than 100,000 meals already this year.

Pastoral associate Tony Henry says the situation is "real serious right now." People are already struggling financially in the current economy and with winter approaching, he fears that things will get "pretty desperate."

Henry notes that a visit to the soup kitchen often provides the only food a needy person receives each day so it is a vital way station for the poor.

The ministry began on a small scale in 1975 when St. Mary's then-pastor, the late Father Tom O'Connor, began serving soup to the poor from the back porch of his rectory. Today it is a huge operation run out of a large commercial kitchen at the parish under the direction of cook Diane Day and dozens of volunteers.

Each morning Day prepares at least two 60-gallon containers of soup for lunch. Lately, however, the numbers of those requesting food have risen dramatically and usually a third 60-gallon container is needed. It is served carry-out style in a 16-ounce styrofoam cup with bread and milk and sometimes sweets like pie, cake or donuts. The kitchen is open every day and people begin lining up early. One thousand to

1,200 lunches are distributed daily.

"They get a good meal," says Henry. The soup kitchen has always served primarily single men, the unemployed and the homeless.

Lately, Henry says, "The face of the poor is changing ... we are seeing more homeless, no question about that," but also families, the mentally ill and the working poor.

However, Henry applauds the pragmatic manner in which the working poor use the soup kitchen to make their money stretch so they can buy gas in order to reach those jobs.

Carolyn Ransom, who works in the kitchen, also reports a dramatic increase in those seeking assistance.

"We're seeing more families than ever before," Ransom says. And the numbers are especially high at the end of the month when people's paychecks and food stamps run out.

She points out that the soup kitchen is supported 100 percent by the community and no government funding is involved.

"I'm always amazed when people donate," Ransom says.

Area farmers and gardeners often bring in their produce — tomatoes, potatoes and onions are plentiful now. Donations of pasta, noodles, rice and barley are always welcome. Generous merchants like Meijer, Kroger and Wal-Mart help keep food costs down with their donations and St. Vincent and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parishes often have food drives to help the kitchen.

Henry says, "We love our soup

kitchen" and to show gratitude for the community's support, St. Mary's is doing its part by planning a fundraiser for Saturday, Oct. 15, from 7-11:30 p.m. in Oechtering Hall at the parish.

Parishioners Dottie Carpenter and Val Vorndran are co-chairmen of the upcoming event, which will feature Spike and the Bulldogs, a popular local band with a huge following. Food will be available, along with a cash bar, a 50-50 drawing and a silent auction. Vorndran says tickets are \$10 a piece and may be purchased at the door, or a table of eight can be guaranteed and reserved in advance for \$120.

The Knights of Columbus will donate and prepare the food, the band is performing free of charge, and 100 percent of the proceeds will go directly to the operation of the soup kitchen.

Carpenter points out that the cost of maintaining the ministry is high and that all donations are welcome. Time, talent and treasure are all needed.

Ransom says volunteers are always welcome in the kitchen and those interested may call her at (260) 750-8373. "It's a fun environment to work in," she says.

Monetary contributions may be mailed to St. Mary's Soup Kitchen, St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1101 Lafayette St., P.O. Box 11383, Fort Wayne, IN 46802.

Christ calls us to feed the hungry, Henry says, and calls the ministry of the soup kitchen "grace-filled."

## BALLOONS LAUNCHED FOR SCIENCE



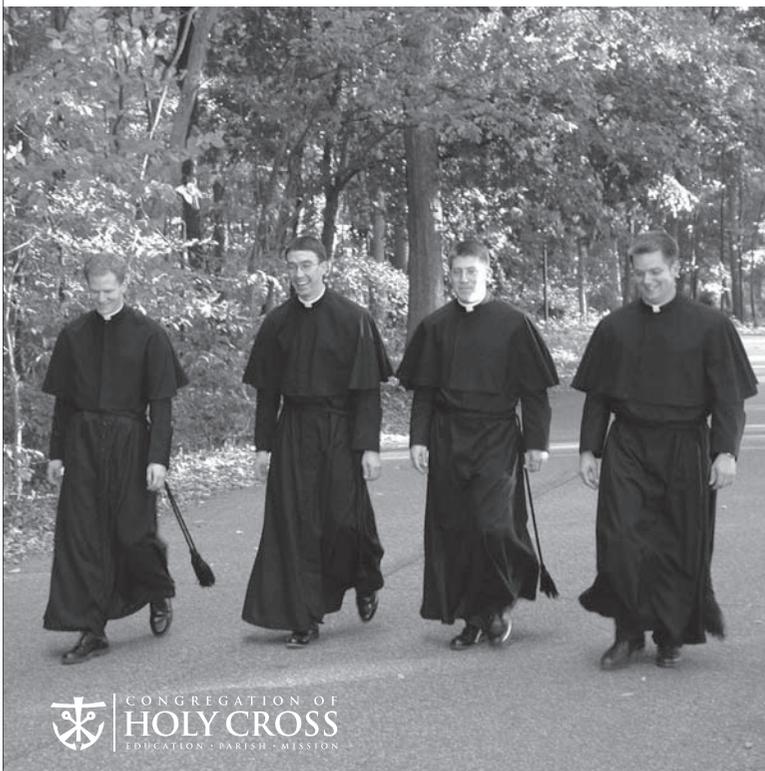
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First-grade students at St. Joseph-St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School in Fort Wayne release pink balloons as they discuss how a balloon travels through the sky, where it might land. Each balloon has a tag attached that asks the person who finds the balloon to return a postcard to the school.

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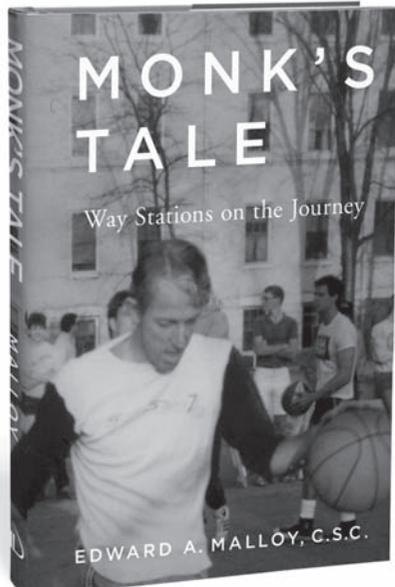
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## Mirror of the heart

Being in relationship with God and others is what life is really all about. Our relationship with God grows daily if we work at staying in communication with Him via prayer, the sacraments and service. But that's for another column.

Our earthly relationships with others help us form our identity and those boundaries within which we move. As children our relationship with our parents gives us the title of daughter or son. We know that mom and dad are there to guide and love us, to keep us safe, and we stay within those boundaries as we grow to independence.

Each relationship we nurture offers its own unique opportunity for identity and growth. Each connection provides a mirror from which to see and evaluate ourselves, a place to experience life to the fullest.

Being a sibling, friend or

coworker means meeting another on level ground where a healthy give- and-take exchange creates the contemporary bond we seek. A spousal relationship can be one of the most intimate bonds as it is a complex relationship of choice, which requires commitment and understanding. A parent-child relationship is based on unconditional love and is like no other.

Of course, there are many relationships we form throughout our lives that paint the landscape of our being. They are the conduits within which we experience joy, heartache, drama, fulfillment, direction, support and our very identity.

What then when we lose a loved one to death?

What happens to our identity and the place in the world we held in relation to that special person?

When a child dies are you still a parent? Are you still a spouse when you lose your marriage



KAY COZAD

### HOPE IN THE MOURNING

partner? A friend when your loved one is no longer there to share life's joys and challenges?

My struggle with identity began 21 years ago when my husband Trent was killed in a car accident. In our early 30s, Trent and I had built a nice life for ourselves with our two young daughters. I was happy and secure in my role as wife and stay-at-home mom. When Trent died, what I knew of the place in life I held so dear was forever altered.

It became immediately clear

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## Lord's vineyard holds fruits of salvation



### THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

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### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mt 20:20-1-16a

The last section of the Book of Isaiah provides this weekend with its first reading.

All things considered, few if any of the prophets wrote when good times prevailed for God's people. In fact, bad times overwhelm the history of God's people. Only the reigns of Kings David and Solomon might be construed to have been good times economically or politically. Peppering the rest of the history are invasion, conquest, subjugation and want.

The author of the third section of Isaiah, from which this reading comes, wrote in a time of special want. Surely, some aspects of life had improved. After four generations of languishing in Babylon, the Hebrews who had been kept there, the capital of the powerful Babylonian Empire, were able to go back to their homeland. It was no sweet return. The land that awaited them was desolate.

Surely the people faced strong temptations to despair, to forsake God, and to wander into sin and paganism.

In this reading, Third Isaiah warns the people not to succumb to hopelessness and lose trust in God. Instead, the prophet tells the

people to call upon God. In God alone is true strength. God alone deserves trust.

For this weekend's second reading, the Church offers us a passage from the Epistle to the Philippians.

Historically attributed to the Apostle Paul, the Epistle is a great testimony to the divinity of Christ, the Savior. In this weekend's reading, the Epistle, through the words of Paul, clearly explains the intense bond between the Lord and true disciples.

Because of this bond, whatever happens of an earthly nature, the disciple will never die, if the disciple is unremitting in faith and love. Thus, keep the union with God always in sight.

As the last reading, the Church chooses the Gospel of Matthew. It is a parable, employing agricultural images that would have been very familiar to the audience that heard the Lord speak these words. The circumstances of hiring laborers also would have been familiar.

Three powerful lessons are in this parable. The first is that God's generosity is enormous, never calculated or doled out reluctantly. Is God unfair, however, in paying workers as much for a short time of labor as is paid others who work much longer?

God is not unfair. This is another lesson. To put it simply, God's ways are not our ways.

Finally, in the parable is the strong overtone of the universality of salvation. The fruits of Redemption in Christ are not given solely to those who seem never to have strayed from the Lord, or for whom the Lord once was unknown. Salvation lavishly is extended to all.

This last point is implied in the Lord's use of the term "vineyard." It immediately brought to mind Old Testament references to Israel

as God's vineyard.

A denarius, by the way, was a typical day's wage for the time. A denarius was a unit of Roman currency.

### Reflection

We have passed the time, thank God, in which people anticipate, or have no hope for, eternal life based on ethnicity. However, still very real for us all is the fact that sin, or indifference to God, or ignorance of God, can keep us apart from God and make us latecomers to the banquet of life.

If we truly convert, if we genuinely commit to reforming ourselves, will God penalize us for the time we stood at a distance or even for the times that we rejected God by sinning?

No, even for those who come late in the day, God not only is merciful, but the loving, merciful Father opens wide the gate to the vineyard.

However, we must be worthy. We must labor. The vineyard is no place to lie down.

### READINGS

**Sunday:** Is 55:6-9 Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Mt 20:1-16a

**Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6 Ps 126:1-6 Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday:** Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20 Ps 122:1-5 Lk 8:19-21

**Wednesday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-13

**Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8 Ps 149:1-6, 9 Lk 9:7-9

**Friday:** Hg 2:1-9 Ps 43:1-4 Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a (Ps) Jer 31:10-13 Lk 9:43b-45

## Gold stars, blue ribbons and Facebook likes

My friend is blogging again after a four-month hiatus. "In the last week, two people have asked me about this little blog of mine, and because my ego is easily stroked," she wrote, "I'm back."

Another friend gave up blogging for Lent and voiced her anxiety the first week of Easter, back at her keyboard: "So I sat down to write a blog post this morning and saw that my Blogspot followers went down overnight. Unable to help myself (and yet, knowing better) I clicked over to Google Reader and saw that over there, too, I was down by two. Was it something I said or something I didn't? Am I too fluffy? Offensive? Boring? Fat?"

That's the trouble with social media. They have created more ways to chase after approval and more ways to fall short of it. We count friends and fans and followers (none of which live up to the real-life definitions). We can see where they live, how they found us and whether they return.

We are still seeking the gold stars dispensed in grade school, now in electronic form: comments and tweets, LinkedIn recommendations, Facebook likes, Flickr views. A click of a mouse and — presto! — a judgment cast globally. Laptop turned voting booth.

We become politicians, campaigning unceasingly and claiming all the credit.

September's back-to-school cycle heightens the pressure to perform, to make more friends and earn better grades. That's what makes this month's Sunday Gospels so challenging and well timed.

St. Matthew understands how we operate, keeping score and holding grudges. Change the setting of his parables from vineyard to boardroom and you see how little has changed. We vent to others before addressing the offender (Sept. 4). We accept forgiveness that we don't extend (Sept. 11). We begrudge coworkers who show up late (Sept. 18). We agree to tasks that we don't perform (Sept. 25).

It happens in the classroom and in Congress. And it happens in



CHRISTINA CAPECCHI

### TWENTY SOMETHING

families. We watch siblings receive credit — forgiven debts, homecoming parties, wedding gifts — and we wonder, "Will I be granted the same benefits when it's my turn? Will the well run dry?"

There's only one baby, for example, that turns parents into grandparents, and the other siblings see all the wet kisses, the gushing superlatives, the free baby-sitting, and the singular adoration.

The siblings who are first to parent also worry, whispering their own silly fears: Will my child enjoy the same affection when a new grandbaby arrives?

We're all operating on a false notion, bending to the smallest, saddest portrait of humanity.

We need to hear the landowner's question in Matthew 20: "Are you envious because I am generous?"

The human heart is not a trophy case with limited shelf space. It's not a bank account that runs out after too many withdrawals. Love exists in infinite supply.

We have elastic hearts: There is always more to give.

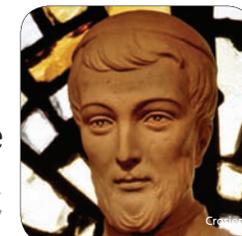
Deep down we know this truth, but sometimes we need reminding. So just think of Grandma:

Each additional grandchild brings her more joy, which warms everyone. Generosity begets generosity. A heart stretched by one act of charity is open wider for the next opportunity.

When we throw away the scorecards, our humanity gives way to holiness. We celebrate the divine love that encircles us.

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## Saint of the Week



### Robert Bellarmine

1542-1621  
September 17

A doctor of the church and key figure of the Catholic Reformation, Robert was born in Montepulciano, Italy, and by 18 had mastered the violin, debating and writing Latin verse. He was ordained a Jesuit in 1570 and taught at Louvain. Subsequently, he advised several popes; mediated theological conflicts, including the Galileo controversy; and became a cardinal, archbishop of Capua and prefect of the Vatican Library. He wrote an acclaimed 3-volume work defending Catholicism against the heresies of the age.

# Helping divorced Catholics deepen their life of faith

BY LISA EVERETT

What can the Church do to help divorced Catholics to deepen their life of faith? Pope Benedict XVI addressed this question in April 2008 during an international Congress sponsored by the John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family in Rome: "The Church's first duty is to approach these people with love and consideration, with caring and motherly attention, to proclaim the merciful closeness of God in Jesus Christ. Indeed, as the Fathers teach, it is He who is the true Good Samaritan, who has made Himself close to us, who pours oil and wine on our wounds and takes us into the inn, the Church, where He has us treated, entrusting us to her ministers and personally paying in advance for our recovery."

This pastoral concern expressed by the Holy Father was also felt deeply by author and speaker Rose Sweet. After undergoing the pain of her own divorce, Rose found some emotional support and spiritual solace through a Protestant program called Divorce Care.

While she appreciated what the program had to offer, Rose knew that the fullness of healing was to be found in her own faith, particularly in the sacraments. She eventually approached award-winning television commercial director Michael Grasso, whose own divorce had drawn him closer to the Church, about producing a DVD series for divorced Catholics.

The result of their collaboration is the recent "Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide," published in 2010 by Faith Lifeline Media and distributed by St. Benedict Press and TAN Books.

In the leader's guide, Rose summarizes their vision of the program: "We agreed that the 'Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide' should cover the tough topics, stay faithful to Church teachings, bring in the experts, and point participants to the sacramental life."

"The order of the sessions is important, too," she says. "The first four focus on helping people find inner peace before trying to tackle any other divorce-related issues. The next four cover the practical issues (kids, custody, court, money) by helping participants understand the power of forgiveness, detachment and generosity of heart. The last four point to the only passion that truly satisfies: the intimate encounters with Christ in the sacraments."

The DVD series is hosted by Rose and features noted experts Dr. Ray Guarendi, Christopher West, Father Donald Calloway and Father Mitch Pacwa.

Besides these nationally renowned speakers, the series also includes several Catholic men and women who have undergone divorce and who share their stories and struggles with the viewing audience with courage and candor.

An integral part of the program is the companion journal which each participant receives, which contains the main points from each DVD presentation as well as questions for personal reflection.

St. Matthew Cathedral parishioner Libby Gray knows from personal experience both the incredible pain that divorce can inflict, as well as the powerful healing that is possible through a deeper encounter with Christ and His Church.

"Soon after my divorce, I joined a support group at a local church in the city where I was living at the time," Gray says. "That group offered a community of empathy and prayer during a time of great upheaval in my life. I could share my struggles very openly in this confidential setting — and hearing others say that they understood exactly what I was feeling gave me a lot of hope."

But, like Rose Sweet, Gray longed for a divorce recovery program in the context of her Catholic faith.

After moving back to the South Bend area Gray approached the diocesan Office of Family Life and offered her assistance in launching

a ministry to divorced Catholics. She helped the office to pilot a small support group this past spring using the "Journey of Hope" program, and then became aware of the newly published "Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide."

After previewing the entire series, Gray recommended its use as a much-needed resource for divorce ministry in the diocese:

"This program does not sugar-coat the suffering of divorce," Gray says. "It offers practical tips for dealing with your ex-spouse, financial issues, anger and depression. But, it does not end there. One of the greatest strengths of this program is that it encourages divorced Catholics to become strong witnesses to the power of God's love and healing. Catholics who have been through divorce are encouraged that they are not only part of the Church, but that they can be true leaders by offering an example of redemptive suffering and grace."

The diocesan Office of Family Life will offer the 12-session "Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide" beginning Sept. 26 at the newly-dedicated Blessed John Paul II Center in Mishawaka, on the campus of Marian High School. The program will be every Monday evening from 7-9 p.m. through Dec. 19, with the exception of Halloween.

The cost for the program is \$20, which includes the personal reflection journal for each participant, which accompanies the program. To register, please contact Helen at (574) 234-0687 or haustgen@diocesefwsb.org.

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## HOPE

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that we live in a couple's world in which I no longer was a part. With no husband to balance my title as wife, my legal identity changed to widow. As my coupled friends slowly withdrew I fought loneliness on a level I had never experienced before. My spousal relationship with Trent had provided a place for me in that world.

As I worked through my grief — through many tears, trials and mishaps, I discovered new ground on which to safely stand, with friends and family who

allowed me space to discover who I was without my spouse.

Many of the widows and widowers I have companioned in grief have felt confused, just as I had, as to who they are to become now that their beloved is no longer beside them. The hole in our lives that our loved one leaves upon death opens not only a frightening abyss of confusion and loss, but also fertile ground in which to plant a new life. The natural response of confusion to the loss of a loved one can only be remedied by acknowledging the loss of identity and working with the grief to form a new place in life.

And I have found that there are many who wish to help.

This new normal requires

time, persistence and a little help from our friends, but is achievable. Our new lives and identities will be based on the love we carry in our hearts for our deceased loved ones. We can create new relationships and nurture old ones that will provide us with the mirror with which to identify ourselves. And though we are changed by our loss and life is different, we can still create a fulfilling life of joy and purpose.

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## SCRIPTURE SEARCH

Gospel for September 18, 2011  
Matthew 20:1-16a

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A: about the expansiveness of God's salvation. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

HEAVEN	LANDOWNER	TO HIRE
LABORERS	VINEYARD	AGREEING
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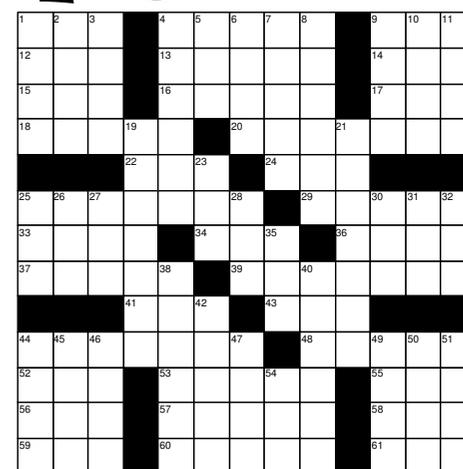
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## The CrossWord

September 18 and 25, 2011



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Based on these Scripture Readings: Is 55: 6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20: 1-16a and Ez 18: 25-28; Phil 2: 1-11; Mt 21: 28-32

### ACROSS

- 1 Viper
- 4 Severe
- 9 Cooking pan
- 12 Heat unit
- 13 Having wings
- 14 Kimono sash
- 15 Obstruct
- 16 Helmet part
- 17 Holy chrism
- 18 "\_\_\_ on a daily wage"
- 20 Isaiah was one
- 22 Long-term memory
- 24 Affirmative
- 25 God (2 wds)
- 29 Servant

- 33 Priestly tribe
- 34 Iniquity
- 36 Wicked
- 37 Thin pancake
- 39 Polite
- 41 South southeast
- 43 Dewy
- 44 Church tower
- 48 Eagle's nest
- 52 Expression of surprise
- 53 Fasten with a metal bolt
- 55 Unusual
- 56 Affirmative
- 57 Perfect
- 58 Lager
- 59 Adjust

- 60 Towel cloth
- 61 Magi, often called "Wise \_\_\_"

### DOWN

- 1 Syrian bishop
- 2 Red deer
- 3 Cat sound
- 4 Must (2 wds.)
- 5 \_\_\_ Baba and the 40 thieves
- 6 Grating sound
- 7 Parable
- 8 Champions
- 9 Winnie the \_\_\_
- 10 Off-Broadway award
- 11 Wobble
- 19 Kind of circular shape
- 21 Paint holder
- 23 Married woman
- 25 Tender loving care
- 26 She
- 27 First woman
- 28 Shovel
- 30 Hail Mary
- 31 Compete
- 32 Annex
- 35 Not Old Testament
- 38 Cleverness of wit
- 40 Tidily
- 42 Suppress a vowel
- 44 States
- 45 Biblical "you"
- 46 "61 Across" came from
- 47 Forever and \_\_\_
- 49 Stray
- 50 Not working
- 51 Adam's garden
- 54 Slave Malchus lost \ one of his

Answer Key can be found on page 19

# Pope travels to Ancona, urges life centered on Eucharistic spirituality

ANCONA, Italy (CNS) — A religious life centered on and nourished by the Eucharist should lead to a life marked by gratitude for Christ's sacrifice, a commitment to self-giving and real unity within the church and the community, Pope Benedict XVI said.

Traveling to Ancona, on Italy's Adriatic coast, Sept. 11, the pope presided over the closing Mass of the Italian National Eucharistic Congress and held meetings with priests and married couples in Ancona's cathedral and with engaged couples in a town square.

In between the appointments, he had lunch at the archdiocesan pastoral center with 20 people representing the unemployed, the poor and those able to find only temporary work.

With the Adriatic glistening behind the altar platform, Pope Benedict's homily at the Mass focused on the marks of a "Eucharistic spirituality."

Eucharistic Communion, he said, "draws us out of our individualism, communicates to us the spirit of Christ, who died and is risen, and conforms us to Him: It unites us intimately to our brothers and sisters in the mystery of communion, which is the Church."

A Eucharistic spirituality is one marked by taking responsibility for one's role in the Church community and society at large, paying special attention to those who are poor, sick or disadvantaged, he said.

"A Eucharistic spirituality, then, is a real antidote to the individualism and selfishness that

often characterizes daily life," he said.

It should lead people to work to overcome divisions within the Church and societies, the pope said.

Meeting with married couples and priests in the afternoon, Pope Benedict said the two categories of Church members must put more energy into recognizing how both have a vocation that flows from the Eucharist, which is a clear sign that God's love for humanity is so great that he allowed His Son to sacrifice his life for the salvation of the world.

Priests and married couples must support each other in living out their vows, he said. Priests must be patient with couples experiencing difficulty, and couples must never stop asking their priests to be "exemplary ministers who speak of God and lead you to him," the pope said.

Addressing about 500 engaged couples in the early evening, Pope Benedict encouraged them to use their engagement and marriage preparation as a time of spiritual growth and maturity.

"In some way, ours isn't an easy time, especially for you young people. The table is set with many delicious things but, like in the Gospel story of the wedding at Cana, it seems like the wine has run out," he said.

The difficulty young people in Italy and much of Europe have in finding a job casts a huge shadow over engagement years of many of them, he said.

And then there is the wider culture that tends not to offer people any firm moral values and,



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A large monstrance and canopy are seen as Pope Benedict XVI arrives to celebrate an outdoor Mass to conclude the Italian Eucharistic Congress in Ancona, Italy, Sept. 11. During his Angelus address, the pope remembered the victims of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and called for people to refuse violence as a solution to problems.

so, leaves the young adrift, he said. Sharing the same "feelings, state of mind and emotions seems more important than sharing a project for their lives."

Pope Benedict told the young couples their engagement is a time "to discover the beauty of existing for and being precious to someone, being able to say to each other, 'You are important to me.'"

He told couples the journey of getting to know each other was

a gradual process that should be lived with intensity and truth.

"Love requires a process of maturation starting from initial attraction and feeling good with the other" to learning to give of oneself, sacrifice for and respect the other, the pope said.

"Every human love is a sign of the eternal love that created us and whose grace sanctifies the choice of a man and a woman to give themselves to each other for life in marriage," he said.

Pope Benedict told the couples to resist the idea that living together before marriage can be "a guarantee for the future."

Rushing into setting up house together can ruin the chances for true and lasting love, which needs time to grow solid, he said. Time and space before marriage must be given to Christ, "who is able to make human love faithful, happy and indissoluble."



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# Sports

**SEPTEMBER 11 ICCL SOCCER SCORES ANNOUNCED** The following results are from seventh- and eighth-grade boys' Inter-City Catholic League soccer action on Sept. 11: St. Matthew won over St. Pius X, Granger, Gold, 3-2; St. Thomas the Apostle, Elkhart, beat Mishawaka Catholic, 4-1; St. Joseph, South Bend, beat St. Anthony, 5-0; and St. Pius X, Granger, Green, defeated Christ the King, 6-0. In girls' varsity soccer action: Christ the King defeated St. Anthony, 7-0; and St. Jude beat Holy Family, 2-0.

## ICCL season scores a Mishawaka Saints win

BY JOE KOZINSKI

MISHAWAKA — The 2011 Inter-City Catholic League kicked off its season in grand fashion as the Mishawaka Catholic Saints squared off against the West Side Catholic Cardinals at Otolski Field at Marian High School.

The Cardinals started the game off by striping Saint returner Jacob Whitfield and recovering the fumble at the 47-yard line, giving them the first break of the young season.

The West Side Catholic squad could do little with the gift as they were three downs and out on their first series.

The Saints' first play from scrimmage spelled trouble as they were flagged and heading in the wrong direction not the way longtime Coach Tony Violi had planned for his purple-and-gold-clad troops.

In a blink of an eye, all the fortunes would change as Whitfield took the handoff from quarterback Joe Ravotto, and, with the help of two great blocks from Bruno Cataldo and Patrick Coulter, scampered 68 yards untouched to pay dirt.

The Cardinals again faltered after four downs and turned the ball back to the Saints at the 48-yard line.

The Saints' big three offensive linemen, Nate Thomas, Christian Dennis and Coulter, opened a huge hole on the first play from scrimmage allowing Cataldo to run untouched for another touchdown making the score, 12-0.

After a big return by West Side Catholic's Courtney Rowell it looked as though the Cardinals would be back in business, but a sack of quarterback Cole Opaczewski on a 4th down and 14 by the Saints' Thomas set the stage for another drive.

After starting at its own 42, the Saints meticulously marched down the field and capped it with another Whitfield touchdown run, this one of 12 yards, and an Alexander Horvath two-point kick making the margin, 20-0.

The West Side squad again looked good on the ensuing kick-off return as Alex Mroz took it to midfield, only to have the stingy Saints' defense clamp down again forcing a turnover on downs.

The Saints, starting at their own 48-yard line, took two plays as Whitfield again broke free for a 44-yard scoring run, Horvath's kick again was true, making the

margin 28-0, with 2:39 left in the half.

Most teams would have shut down but the Cardinals finished their first half with a first down and continued the second half by marching down field and scoring on a 28-yard run by Mroz. The kick was blocked by the Saints' Michael Dennison — 28-6.

It only took the Saints seven seconds to respond, Whitfield took the kick off 80 yards into the end zone and the score was followed by another Horvath kick extending the lead for the Mishawaka Catholic minions.

The West Side Catholic Cardinals would not falter though, as they put together another nice drive that was punctuated by a Lucas Veldman 55-yard touchdown scamper to close the deficit.

The Saints' Gavin Verslype returned the ensuing kickoff to the Cardinals' 21, but the West Side Catholic team held their ground forcing a turnover on downs deep in their own territory.

The biggest play from scrimmage of the day came when Cardinal, Rowell dashed 92 yards weaving in and out of would-be tacklers into the end zone cutting the margin to 36-18 with 4:55 left in the ball game.

A final dash as time expired sealed the game as Elias Gonzalez rushed 27 hard-fought yards into the end zone for the Saints.

"I was very proud of these



JOHN WALTER

Mishawaka Catholic running back Bruno Cataldo runs for a touchdown on Sept. 11.

boys today; our big three linemen (Thomas, Coulter, Dennis), our backfield and especially how Jacob Whitfield responded after fumbling on the opening kickoff," explained Violi. "We still have a lot of work to do but I think we have the potential to become a very good football team."

"It's just the beginning for us, we want to play smart football, mistake free and be a relentless team," said Cardinals' Coach Giles Horban. "This is a great group to be around, we had some success on our kick return team and that will give us a place to start going into our next game."

In other action, the Holy Cross-Christ the King Crusaders

upended the St. Matthew Blazers, 18-6.

The Blazers held the early lead as Davante Newbill scored a touchdown giving the St. Matthew squad a 6-0 lead.

Two TD passes from Mark Madden to Brendan Chappell-Cromarite and a fumble recovery for a score by the later sealed the deal for the Crusaders.

Upcoming action on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 1 p.m. at Saint Joseph's High School pits the Crusaders against the St. Anthony Panthers and at the same time at Otolski Field, the St. Matthew Blazers will take on the Mishawaka Catholic Saints.

## Volleyball starts, CYO Eagles win at Luersfield

BY MICHELLE CASTLEMAN

FORT WAYNE — The St. Mary-St. Joseph team got off to a great start their opening weekend of Catholic Youth League (CYO) volleyball play. They defeated St. Rose-St. Louis in their first outing, 25-18, 25-12.

Leading the way with their serving were Rebecca Rorick and Bailey Hankins in the win. Coach Nancy Ehmke returns and lists a record number of 13 girls on her combined roster.

### CYO Football

On the gridiron, St. John the Baptist, Fort Wayne, defeated the JAT (St. Joseph-St. Aloysius St. Therese) Knights at Luersfield, 33-0.

In the game Q Williams, Seth Wyss and Tony Bottone all scored touchdowns for the Eagles.

The game was dedicated to two special friends of the team — the late Eagle coach Jerry Krouse, who was also a Bishop Luers statistician, and Dave Rohyans.

**Fall coaches:** Email your scores and to [mmcastleman@aol.com](mailto:mmcastleman@aol.com) by Sunday evenings.

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# 'Courageous' movie promotes fatherhood, faith leadership

BY TIM JOHNSON

The creators of the movie, "Fireproof," have created "Courageous: Honor Begins at Home" that will be released in theaters Sept. 30.

The movie is a celebration of fatherhood — rather dads learning the role of fatherhood as the faith leader in their homes.

Four men, one calling: To serve and protect. As law enforcement officers, Adam Mitchell, Nathan Hayes, David Thomson and Shane Fuller are confident and focused. Yet at the end of the day, they face a challenge that none of them are truly prepared to tackle — fatherhood.

While they consistently give their best on the job, good enough seems to be all they can muster as dads. But they're quickly discovering that their standard is missing the mark.

When tragedy hits home, these men are left wrestling with their hopes, their fears, their faith and their fathering. Can a newfound urgency help these dads draw closer to God ... and to their children?

Filled with action-packed police drama, "Courageous" is the fourth film from Sherwood Pictures, the moviemaking min-

istry of Sherwood Baptist Church in Albany, Ga.

Moviegoers will once again find themselves laughing, crying, and cheering as they are challenged and inspired by everyday heroes who long to be the kind of dads that make a lifelong impact on their children.

Protecting the streets is second nature to these men. But raising their children in a God-honoring way? That's courageous.

With the release of the movie is a campaign to change the culture of fathering in America. This is being done with three goals — to reach, connect with dads "where they are," to teach, inspire and equip dads with knowledge and resources, and to unleash and empower dads to reach beyond their own families.

Churches, including those in the South Bend and Fort Wayne areas, are creating dad's and men's ministries to empower men to meet these goals.

In the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, a similar men's ministry has been created called Man Alive in Christ. Created by Dr. Tom McGovern, M.D., the program has been approved by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades and the Office of Catechesis.

Deacon Jim Tighe, the director of the Office of Catechesis,



PHOTO BY TODD STONE

Adam Mitchell, played by Alex Kendrick, left, tries to get through to his son, Dylan, played by Rusty Martin.

encourages men to check out the program, "The 'Man Alive in Christ' program is a good, strong program that is designed for fathers who want to be 'courageous' Catholic fathers. It helps them grow in their faith as adult

men so they can face the challenges that fatherhood ... and life ... will present them."

The Cathedral Bookstore in Fort Wayne is carrying promotional merchandise associated with the movie.

For information on ManAlive, contact Dr. McGovern at [manalive@centurylink.net](mailto:manalive@centurylink.net) or (260) 437-8377.

For additional information about "Courageous," visit [www.courageousthemovie.com](http://www.courageousthemovie.com).

## SJRMCA athletic trainers enjoy being part of Marian-Saint Joe rivalry

BY MIKE STACK

MISHAWAKA — When Marian and Saint Joseph's high school play each other in any sport there are two people on the sidelines who have an interest in addition to winning the game. Gayle Thomas and Anne Micinski of Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center (SJRMCA) are the athletic trainers for Saint Joseph's and Marian, respectively. And they'll be at it once again on Friday, Sept. 23, when the Knights and Indians meet on the gridiron for another chapter in the rivalry between the two Catholic schools.

These licensed/certified athletic trainers are charged with keeping the athletes safe and providing injury care during the game. While no one knows for certain who's going to win when Saint Joseph's and Marian play, one thing is for certain, Thomas and Micinski will be in attendance.

"We'll be there, ready to go," said Micinski, who has been at Marian for 17 years. "This one's special because we're part of the rivalry. And if someone is injured, we're on it."

Thomas, in her eighth year at Saint Joseph's, and Micinski have over 50 years experience between them. They are provided to the schools through SJRMCA. It's part of the hospital's commitment to



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Counter-clockwise, Carl Landis, Gayle Thomas, Dr. Stephen Simons, Ann Micinski and Trish Irvin of SJRMCA/Mishawaka provide certified athletic training services to Saint Joseph's and Marian high schools. Thomas and Micinski will be a part of the Marian/Saint Joseph's football rivalry game on Sept. 23.

the community at large. While 50 percent of the high schools in the United States don't have an athletic trainer, SJRMCA's Outreach Program also provides athletic trainers to Penn and Mishawaka high schools, as well as high schools John Glenn, Culver, Plymouth and Ancilla College through the hospital's Plymouth Campus.

"Whereas most high school sports injuries are minor, adequately-trained personnel should be present on site to ensure that

such injuries are recognized early, treated immediately and allowed to heal properly, thereby reducing the risk of more serious injury or re-injury," said Dr. Stephen Simons, director of SJRMCA's Sports Medicine Institute. "For such care, team physicians and coaches should have the assistance of a certified athletic trainer and we are fortunate to be able to offer some of the best."

Athletic trainers in Indiana are state licensed and nationally certified. They have a college

degree with 70 percent holding a masters' degree. Athletic trainers provide medical care to athletes (and non-athletic students) during practices, games and even physical education classes. They work to prevent injuries through stretching, bracing and taping, provide emergency injury care, make referrals to physicians as necessary and provide rehabilitation to the athletes.

One of the most important things the athletic trainer does is to facilitate the communication between athletes, parents, coaches and physicians.

"We are a liaison between the athlete, coaches, physician and parents," said Thomas. "We also educate them about the injury and how we can safely get the athlete back to the field."

"There is a lot of education about their injuries and rehabilitation as well as life in general and you form a special bond with the kids," said Micinski. "I try to stay involved with the school by going to school Mass and substitute teaching occasionally."

Thomas and Micinski also open their training room to do injury checks on Michiana's Inner City Catholic League (ICCL) athletes if asked and provide coverage for the ICCL football games held at Saint Joseph's and Marian on Sundays.

"One of the best decisions we ever made was to have Anne and

Gayle at our football games," said Tony Violi, president of South Bend's ICCL. "We wish we could have them at all of our ICCL sports."

Thomas and Micinski are no strangers to the Catholic school system. Thomas spent seven years in Catholic schools in Ohio.

"Working in the Catholic school is not only a vocation, but a life mission," she said.

Micinski spent 12 years in Catholic schools first at St. Joseph Grade School in Mishawaka and then Marian High School. She is also a parent of a 2008 Marian High School graduate.

"I believe strongly in the Catholic schools and when Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center had an opening for me to continue providing care to the athletes at Marian, I jumped at the chance" said Micinski, "SJRMCA embodies what I believe in as a Catholic and they strongly support what we do in the schools."

And in the games — like the big one coming up between the Knights and Indians.

"Saint Joseph's-Marian games are fun, and any time we beat Saint Joe it's a good day," said Micinski, who has been at Marian for 17 years. "But more important to the two of us is that all the athletes from Saint Joe and Marian stay healthy and safe during the game."

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## FUNDRAISERS

### Knights plan spaghetti dinner

Fort Wayne — The Knights of Columbus Council 451, 601 Reed Rd., will have a spaghetti dinner on Wednesday, Sept. 21, from 5-6:30 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Gibault School.

### Jonah fish fry supports Lions Club

Mishawaka — The Mishawaka Lions Club is hosting a Jonah fish fry Friday, Sept. 30, at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 114 W. 1st St. Pre-sale tickets are \$8 for adults, or two for \$15 and children's tickets are \$4 each or two for \$7. Tickets at the door are \$8.50 for adults, \$4 for children.

### Fish fry and salad bar offered

South Bend — St. Adalbert Parish will have a fish fry and salad bar Friday, Sept. 23, from 3:30-7 p.m. in the Heritage Center. Tickets for adults and carry-outs are \$9 and \$3.50 for children 5-12. Children under 5 are free.

### St. Patrick, Lagro and the Knights host fundraiser

Wabash — The Friends of St. Patrick and the Knights of Columbus will host a brat/fish fry at the Knight's hall Friday, Sept. 16. Dine in or carry out for \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Proceeds will benefit restoration of the 138-year-old church.

### Christ Child Society dinner and auction

South Bend — The Christ Child Society will have a dinner and auction Thursday, Sept. 29, at the Gillespie Center in the Hilton Garden Inn at Saint Mary's College. Cocktails and silent auction at 5:30 p.m., dinner served at 7 p.m. Go to [www.letloveshine.com](http://www.letloveshine.com) for details.

### Luncheon supports LuersKnight

Fort Wayne — The LuersKnight Ladies Luncheon will be Sunday, Sept. 25, at 12:30 p.m., at the Fort Wayne Country Club, 5221 Covington Rd. RSVP by Sept. 22, to Bishop Luers High School (260) 456-1261.

### Dance to the oldies

Fort Wayne — A St. Mary's Soup Kitchen Fundraiser featur-

ing Spike and the Bulldogs will be held Saturday, Oct. 15, from 7:30-11:30 p.m., in Oechtering Hall at St. Mary's Church. There will be a silent auction, 50/50 raffle and door prizes. Beer, wine and food available. Tickets are \$10 admission, \$120 for reserved table of eight. Contact Dottie at (260) 705-1690 or Val at (260) 450-5170 for more information or reservations.

## MISC. HAPPENINGS

### Retrouvaille weekend announced

Angola — Retrouvaille, a program to rebuild and renew marriages, will have a weekend seminar Oct. 7-9 at the Ramada Inn. The weekend seminar is continued with six follow-up sessions. Sponsored by the Catholic Church, Retrouvaille is open to married couples of all faiths. The program begins at 7 p.m. Friday evening through 5 p.m. Sunday. For information visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org), or contact Denny and Judy Koehlinger at (800) 470-2230 or their direct line at (260) 485-1944.

### Day of Reflection

Mishawaka — A day of reflection will be held at St. Francis Convent (across from Marian High School) Wednesday, Sept. 28, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The theme for the day is "The Beauty of Innocence." Bring a Bible. The cost of the day is \$20 and includes lunch. Register by Sept. 23 to Sister Barbara Anne Hallman at (574) 259-5427.

### Serra Club announces new location

South Bend — The Serra Club of South Bend will now meet at the St. Joseph Hospital in Mishawaka on the first and third Friday of the month. Mass at noon in the chapel will be followed by lunch in the cafeteria and meeting in Room A. All are welcome to join the Serra Club. The next event is a Day of Recollection at St. Stanislaus in New Carlisle on Sept. 20. For information call Esther Cyr at (574) 272-6457.

### Little Flower Holy Hour

Fort Wayne — Msgr. Robert Schulte will celebrate the Little Flower Holy Hour at St. Mother Theodore Guérin Chapel on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 7 p.m. to pray for priests and vocations. The traveling Vocation Monstrance blessed by Pope John Paul II will be present in the chapel.

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Road 114 East, will have a parish mission. Faith, Family and Fellowship will be Thursday, Sept. 15 at 6:30 p.m.; Friday, Sept. 16 at 6:30 p.m.; and Saturday, Sept. 17 at 6 p.m. The guest speaker for each night will be Franciscan Father David Engo.

### Holy Land Pilgrimage announced

Fort Wayne — Father Tim Wrozek and St. Joseph Parish will host a Holy Land Pilgrimage Oct. 17. Contact (863) 648-0383 for information or visit [www.eo.travelwithus.com](http://www.eo.travelwithus.com).

### Central Catholic class of '51 plans reunion

Fort Wayne — The Central

Catholic High School class of 1951 will have a 60th class reunion on Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 601 Reed Rd. Mass at 5 p.m. will be followed by buffet dinner. Cost is \$30 per person. Reservations needed by Oct. 1. For information, call Rosie at (260) 483-6383 or Tony at (260) 484-2233.

### Blood donations needed

The American Red Cross is in need of blood donations. To make an appointment call 1-800-GIVELIFE or 1-800-448-3543.



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# College students urged to plan early for their future careers

BY LISA KOCHANOWSKI

**SOUTH BEND** — After high school, many students across the nation will head off to college with the hope of landing a successful career path that will lead to a prosperous life. And for many, this dream will come true with a lot of hard work, dedication and help from advisors along the way.

Chuck Ball, director of Center for Discernment and Preparation at Holy Cross College, said it is never too early for a college student to start planning for the future. At the freshman year, students are required to take an introduction to liberal arts course to help them get started on their career path. This area helps students determine what/where they would like to concentrate their career search.

Throughout their years of college, students at Holy Cross College are then asked to complete three credit classes that look at service learning through volunteering in the community. This will give them some inside perspectives on ways they want to serve and/or work in the future.

A global perspective is also required where many students spend seven to 10 days in Peru, India, or Ghana, and they are immersed in the area to learn all about life in other countries.

Ball said a big part of a student's education is the discernment experience or internship where a minimum of 120 hours of time is spent within the major or calling of the student. These experiences can be anywhere and in any type of area the student is interested.

Ball had a student this past summer work with an insurance company in Southwest Michigan that not only created a future job opportunity for him, but encouraged the employer to continue to work with college students in the future. This employer suggested that others within his company do the same.

When working with students, Ball advises they start building their career plan by keeping an electronic journal of their search in a spreadsheet. He also suggests researching private and non-private sectors for the type of career position they wish to apply. Also, target career and job fairs to network and practice "cold calling."

"Have a 'battle plan,'" Ball said, "and work the plan to its successful conclusion."

"Keep in mind, one might lose 'a battle,' but don't let that stop you from keeping to the plan," said Ball. "I find it isn't that students fail to plan, they fail to implement the plan/tools that are provided to them."

Colleges offer a great selection of resources for students to use to get started on their job search.

According to the website of the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne, they offer career counseling and testing services in both a computerized and traditional standardized paper and pencil assessment to match a student's preferences.

The aptitude testing explores career ability measured by mechanical reasoning, spatial relations, verbal reasoning, numerical ability, language usage, word knowledge, perceptual speed and accuracy, and manual speed and dexterity.

The interest assessment explores job choices, subjects (what careers sound good to you), future plans (realistic educational planning), values (what you want to get out of

a job and what brings job satisfaction), perception of your abilities (impressions of what you feel your talents are), and interests (extensive inventory of "likes" and "dislikes.")

"Career counseling consists of sharing analyzed results of the above testing and assessments conclusively, realistically applying the students' most pertinent concerns (i.e. potential earnings/current salary ranges), and matching with a major or majors for ultimate degree attainment," the website said. "Counseling is available and recommended for the student as needed throughout his or her tenure at the University of Saint Francis."

"Also is the use of what we call eFolio. eFolio is an electronic resume/portfolio that students use to communicate to recruiters what they bring to the table," Ball added. "I then post all job/career notices received on our 'Career & Internship Page.'"

A requirement at Holy Cross is the Senior Capstone class. Here students provide a 40-minute presentation to a panel of three (one external and two internal) professionals discussing what the Holy

Cross experience has meant to them and how they will apply that to their chosen vocation.

Students who choose a Catholic-focused school not only choose it for the academics, but also for the religious education offered by the institution. For these students, they appreciate the chance to incorporate those values into their resume and job search.

Ball has found that the eFolios offer a great place for the students to share their studied Christian value with places to display the volunteer work and other community projects they were part of during their college experience.

"I'm a firm believer in the K, S, A, C's that a student/applicant brings to the table. 'K' equals knowledge, 'S' equals skills, 'A' equals abilities and 'C' equals characteristics," said Ball. "It is 'C' where I instruct students to discuss what characteristics they bring to an employer that are different than what another applicant might bring."

Finding the right job is the main goal of college graduates and with the right amount of planning for the future this goal can be attained.

# For some students, faith a factor in college decision process

BY JOSH NOEM

**PORTLAND, Ore. (CNS)** — As a high school senior, Zack Imfeld thought he wanted to go to film school. He was involved in his Los Angeles school's television studio, he enjoyed working with film in his free time, and his dad worked for Warner Brothers.

"Plus, it sounded good when I told girls I wanted to make movies," he said.

At the start of his senior year, when Imfeld composed a list of universities he wanted to attend, the University of Southern California and New York University stood at the top because of their programs in film. His list shifted, however, as his senior year wore on.

"My dad told me to find a job that would make me happy," he said. "Film was something I enjoyed and was good at, but I grew so much from my high school youth group and I wanted to continue that growth at the next level. I knew that being involved in campus ministry was going to make me happy and become a better person."

Once he shifted his priorities and began looking for a college that would support his growth as a Catholic, the University of Portland in Oregon climbed from eighth on his list to the top three. It is a Catholic school founded by priests of the Congregation of Holy Cross, the same order that was present at his high school, so he had some confidence that his faith life would be supported on campus. "The more I dug into UP, the more it felt right," he said.

On his campus visit, he got the feeling that "I'd be treated as a

person here, like I'd become part of a family. I knew this place was going to be more than a place I went to school. It would be a place that would form me into the person I want to be."

Four years later, Imfeld is starting his senior year at UP as student body president and as a lead coordinator for the campus ministry's flagship retreat program.

This fall, high school juniors and seniors across the nation will begin to prioritize their own college lists and set out on fall road-trips for campus visits. Catholic campus ministers are encouraging families to let faith play a role in those decisions as it did for Imfeld.

"Parents could talk to students about how their own faith deepened in college and the importance of grounding their academics in a holy lifestyle based on the practice of their faith," according to Father Marty Moran, executive director of the Catholic Campus Ministry Association. "When they make a visit to campus, families should locate the Catholic campus ministry center serving that college or university."

A Catholic institution will likely have a campus ministry office as part of its student service offerings, such as a health center or office for students with disabilities. At a non-Catholic institution, the Catholic community will most likely be gathered at a Newman center.

Newman centers were inspired by Blessed John Henry Newman, who encouraged societies for Catholic students attending secular universities. The first Newman center was founded in 1893 at the University of Pennsylvania, and there are now about 1,500 of the



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**Kellie Iletto, a senior at the University of Rochester, said that after adjusting to college life she found her spiritual home in the Catholic Newman Community at the university in Rochester, N.Y. Students across the country often find their faith is challenged when they arrive on campus.**

diocesan-sponsored campus ministry centers.

"Many people don't know what a Newman center is," said Father Moran. "It isn't the same as a 'Smith Hall' or some other typical campus building. A Newman center is the Church's outreach on that campus."

When visiting a non-Catholic institution, students should be direct about wanting to see the Newman center, perhaps even calling ahead to make an appointment, according to Marcel LeJeune, a campus minister at Texas A&M.

An admissions tour at a state university could easily neglect to mention campus ministry resources. Admissions counselors at public schools cannot inquire about a student's faith background, so students should be proactive about identifying themselves to campus ministers.

"Before getting to campus, come up with a game plan for how to get involved," LeJeune said. "If you want to keep your faith, you have to

put work into it. You have to make good decisions, even before you arrive on campus."

LeJeune said a good campus ministry challenges the prevailing culture on campus instead of accommodating it. "Campus ministry should give students what they need, not just what they want," he said. "A campus ministry should call its students to live for something greater."

Making this call clear to students is a crucial task for campus ministers because students face the task of making their faith their own during their college years, said Mary Deeley, pastoral associate at the Sheil Center, which serves Northwestern University in Chicago.

This faith is "not the faith of their parents nor is it their faith when they were confirmed at (age) 13," she said. "They must be able to respond to the mature, adult call to holiness. Campus ministry should be a bridge to that."

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