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Bishop Rhoades celebrates 90th anniversary of Victory Noll Sisters

BY TIM JOHNSON



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Two Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters bring forth the offertory gifts during a Mass held in honor of the order's 90-year anniversary. Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades visited the grounds and toured the motherhouse located in Huntington.

HUNTINGTON — Marking the 90th anniversary of the founding of Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters, with joy and thanksgiving Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades celebrated with the sisters on July 30 with Mass and a tour of the campus.

Archbishop John F. Noll, who died 56 years ago on July 31, was remembered throughout the day. Archbishop Noll, who offered financial support to the sisters, built the motherhouse in Huntington. And sisters from all across the country and globe gathered at the motherhouse last week for the festivities.

"A testament of Archbishop Noll's true fatherly love for the sisters was his decision to be buried here at your motherhouse instead of in the cathedral," Bishop Rhoades said in his homily. "I understand that Archbishop Noll told one of the sisters before he died that he would get more prayers here with the sisters than he would if he were buried in the cathedral crypt. That is probably very true."

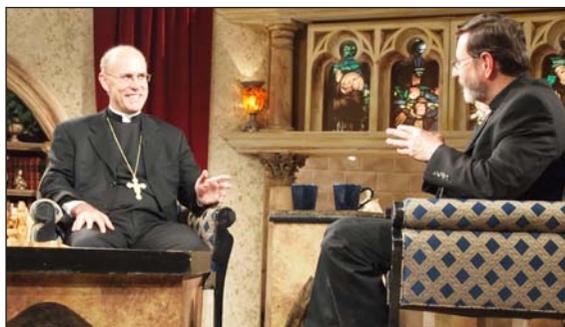
"We remember him in our prayers today, as we also remember on this anniversary your founder, Father John Sigstein, and all the Victory Noll Sisters who have gone home to be with the Lord. May they all rest in God's peace."

To mark the anniversary the sisters prepared a room full of archives that included a film showing the sisters in mission work in New Mexico and clips of a family reunion with the Noll family at Victory Noll. The archbishop was shown passing out Cracker Jack boxes to his nephews and nieces.

Bishop Rhoades' homily also spoke of the Lord's

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BISHOP RHOADES MAKES EWTN LIVE APPEARANCE



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Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, who serves as the chair of the USCCB Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth, made an appearance on "EWTN Live," with Father Mitch Pacwa last week. The program aired on Aug. 1 and 5.

Burmese find spiritual support in Fort Wayne

BY KAY COZAD

FORT WAYNE — The United States is one of several countries that accepts Burmese refugees, with tens of thousands of these displaced individuals flooding into American cities that offer low-cost living and jobs for non-English speakers. Fort Wayne boasts the largest Burmese population in the country with an estimated 3,800 refugees, according to the U.S. census of 2010, though local officials believe a more accurate number reaches 6,000 to 7,000. Catholics remain the minority in this population comprised mainly of Buddhists, Muslims and Christians.

According to Julie Winn, community liaison for Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ sponsored Catherine Kasper Place, there are

currently 74 Catholic Burmese in Fort Wayne. These families have found assistance with job development, housing and utilities, resource location and other needs at the center and other area charitable organizations.

But their spiritual needs are another matter. And that's where Father Peter Dee De comes in.

Born in Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, in 1980, Father Dee De holds a bachelor's degree in sacred theology and was ordained into the priesthood in 2008. Recently while serving a jungle parish in Myanmar, teaching 120 children, he was invited to come to the U.S. by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades to minister to the Burmese refugee population in Fort Wayne and surrounding area.

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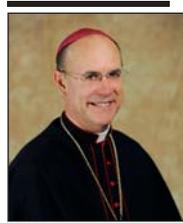
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Happy birthday, Bishop D'Arcy!



IN TRUTH
AND
CHARITY

BY BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

On behalf of all the faithful of our diocese, I extend to Bishop D'Arcy a very happy and blessed 80th birthday!

Bishop D'Arcy will be celebrating his 80th birthday on August 18th. How grateful we are to God that Bishop D'Arcy is in good health and continues to be very active in his priestly and episcopal ministry. Personally, I am deeply grateful to Bishop D'Arcy for his holy example and for his continuing zeal for the Lord and His Church.

Though retired from the governance of the diocese, Bishop D'Arcy continues to be generous in his ministry among us in so many ways. He travels throughout our diocese and beyond celebrating the Eucharist, Confirmation, and other sacraments. He continues to teach and preach the Gospel, to lead spiritual retreats and missions, and to serve whenever and wherever needed. One of the blessings I count as Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend is having such an active and dedicated predecessor. Bishop D'Arcy is always so open and generous in helping me and our priests in our ministries.

In Bishop D'Arcy's nearly 25 years as our diocesan bishop, he gave of himself tirelessly in building up the Body of Christ in this portion of the Lord's vineyard. He continues to give of himself selflessly in serving the Lord. He is an example to me and our priests of what it means to be a shepherd after the heart of Christ. We rejoice with Bishop D'Arcy on the celebration of his 80th birthday. We thank the Lord for the gift of his eighty years and we pray that God will continue to bless him with strength and grace in the years to come.

Solemnity of the Assumption

I wish to remind everyone of the beautiful feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary this coming Wednesday, August 15th, a holyday of obligation. We celebrate with joy that Mary, because of her sinlessness, was taken up body and soul to heaven at the end of her earthly life. Her body was kept free from corruption. She participated uniquely in her Son's Resurrection and was raised to heavenly glory with Him.

My home parish in Lebanon, Pennsylvania, is named in honor of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is popularly referred to as "Saint Mary's." I will be going home to celebrate Mass there on August 15th as the parish concludes a two-year celebration of its bicentennial. It's



CNS PHOTO/CROSTERS

The reception of Mary into heaven is depicted in the center section of a rose window at Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Providence, R.I. The feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Aug. 15, celebrates the belief that Mary was taken body and soul into heaven at the end of her life.

been over three years since I was there.

In the 1740's, there was a mission station for the Catholics in Lebanon County, most of whom were German and Irish immigrants, like so many of the parishes in our diocese. Jesuit missionary priests came to Lebanon to celebrate Mass and the other sacraments. In 1810, the cornerstone for a church in Lebanon was laid. The church was consecrated in 1812. Saint Mary's School, where I attended, was opened in 1859. That first Saint Mary's Church stood until 1876.

The cornerstone of the second church, built on the same site, was laid on August 15, 1876. It was a beautiful Gothic church. I received my first Holy Communion and

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Confirmation in that church. Sadly, it had to be torn down in 1971 since it had become unsafe due to deterioration. The third Saint Mary's Church was then built, again on the same site. It was in this new church that I was ordained a priest in 1983 by Bishop William Keeler who later became the Cardinal Archbishop of Baltimore. He was also a native son of Saint Mary's Parish in Lebanon. I also celebrated my mother's funeral Mass in this church back in 1994. It holds many special memories for me. My Mom had a beautiful

devotion to our Blessed Mother.

I am looking forward to celebrating Holy Mass at my home parish on its patronal feast day, 200 years since the first church was consecrated in honor of our Blessed Mother.

I will remember you in my prayers on this beautiful holy day. We think about how close Mary is to God. She is also very close to us as our spiritual mother. She listens to our prayers, knows our needs, and watches over us with her love. She is with us in the joys and sorrows of our life.

Pope Benedict XVI said the following: "After being taken up into heaven, Mary did not distance herself from us but continues to be even closer to us and her light shines on our lives and on the history of all humanity. Attracted by the heavenly brightness of the Mother of the Redeemer, let us turn with trust to the One who looks upon us and protects us from on high. We all need her help and comfort to face the trials and challenges of daily life; we need to feel that she is our mother and sister in the concrete situations of our lives. And so that we too may one day be able to share in her same destiny, let us imitate her now in her meek following of Christ and her generous service to the brethren. This is the only way to have a foretaste, already on our earthly pilgrimage, of the joy and peace which those who reach the immortal destination of Paradise live to the full."

May Our Lady, who was assumed body and soul into heaven, assist us so that we may follow her into the Kingdom of her Son!

Enforcement of contraceptive mandate blocked for Catholic-run business

DENVER (CNS) — A Colorado firm owned by a Catholic family won a temporary injunction July 27 against enforcement of the Department of Health and Human Services' contraceptive mandate.

Senior Judge John L. Kane Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado said the HHS requirement that employers provide contraceptives, including some abortion-inducing drugs, and sterilizations free of charge to their employees, even if they have objections based on their religious beliefs, has potential for violating the family's religious freedom.

He said the government's arguments in favor of the contraceptive mandate "are countered, and indeed outweighed, by the public interest in the free exercise of religion."

But Kane emphasized that his ruling only applied to the case brought by five members of the Newland family and the company they own, Hercules Industries, a manufacturer of heating and air-conditioning equipment that has 265 full-time employees in Colorado.

"The government's arguments are largely premised upon a fear that granting an exemption to plaintiffs will necessarily require granting similar injunction to all other for-profit, secular corporations voicing religious objections to the preventive care coverage mandate," the judge wrote. "This injunction is, however, premised upon the alleged substantial burden on plaintiffs' free exercise of religion — not to any alleged burden on any other party's free exercise of religion."

"It does not enjoin enforcement of the preventive care cov-

erage mandate against any other party," he added.

The ruling marked the first positive outcome in the nearly two dozen lawsuits brought by Catholic dioceses, religious organizations and employers against the HHS contraceptive mandate, which took effect Aug. 1 for health insurance plans that are not grandfathered.

Federal judges in the District of Columbia and Lincoln, Neb., have dismissed similar suits filed by Belmont Abbey College in North Carolina and the attorneys general of seven states, respectively, saying that the plaintiffs had not proven that they would be harmed by the mandate.

The Obama administration granted a one-year "temporary enforcement safe harbor" to religious organizations that do not qualify for a religious exemption under the administration's four-pronged test. The test requires exempt organizations to serve and hire only members of their own faith, among other things.

"We never imagined the federal government would order our family business to provide insurance for drugs we object to covering," said Andrew Newland, vice president of Hercules Industries, at a news conference shortly before the injunction was granted.

"The whole premise that family businesses are prevented from bringing morals and principles into business is such a dangerous slope to start going down," he added. "The question becomes, what ethical and moral principles do you use to run your business? We'll end up with businesses operating with no ethical or moral principles at all."

Kathleen Sebelius, HHS secre-

tary, said she was "disappointed with the court's decision to preliminarily enjoin application of part of the women's preventive services policy to this particular for-profit company in Colorado."

"We are confident that as this case moves through the courts, the policy that most health insurance plans cover contraception will be upheld," she added in a statement July 31. "Preventive services are critical to women's health and the administration is committed to ensuring women have access to the health care they need regardless of where they work. Health decisions should be between women and their doctors, not their employers."

The Newlands are being represented in the case by the Alliance Defending Freedom, formerly known as the Alliance Defense Fund.

"Every American, including family business owners, should be free to live and do business according to their faith. For the time being, Hercules Industries will be able to do just that," said Matt Bowman, legal counsel for the alliance.

"The cost of freedom for this family could be millions of dollars per year in fines that will cripple their business if the Obama administration ultimately has its way," Bowman added. "This lawsuit seeks to ensure that Washington bureaucrats cannot force families to abandon their faith just to earn a living. Americans don't want politicians and bureaucrats deciding what faith is, who the faithful are, and where and how that faith may be lived out."



PUBLIC SCHEDULE OF BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

- Wednesday, Aug. 15, 7 p.m. — 200th Anniversary Mass, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Lebanon, Pa.
- Friday, Aug. 17, 12 p.m. — Luncheon Meeting with Diocesan Sacred Art and Architecture Committee, Archbishop Noll Center
- Friday, Aug. 17, 5 p.m. — Mass for Knights of Columbus Festival, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne
- Sunday, Aug. 19, 11 a.m. — Mass and Blessing of new Parish Hall at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Decatur
- Tuesday, Aug. 21, 7 p.m. — Mass at St. Paul of the Cross Church, Columbia City
- Thursday, Aug. 23, 7 p.m. — "Forward in Faith" Donor Appreciation Reception, Saint Joseph High School, South Bend
- Saturday, Aug. 25, 9:30 a.m. — Dedication and Blessing of new Saint Joseph High School, South Bend

Lived faith, service, charity keys to evangelization, says synod text

BY CINDY WOODEN

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Catholics who act like their faith has nothing to do with daily life and a Church structure that is more bureaucracy than service are two impediments to the Church's ability to proclaim faith in Jesus, said the working document for the next world Synod of Bishops.

"Every one of the Church's actions has an essential evangelizing character and must never be separated from the duty to help others encounter Christ in faith," said the document that will guide the work of the synod, scheduled for Oct. 7-28 at the Vatican.

Pope Benedict XVI chose as the synod's theme: "The New Evangelization for the Transmission of the Christian Faith."

The working document, released June 19, said the bishops and other synod participants will focus on: faith in Jesus as the heart of evangelization; how changes in the world impact belief and the practice of the faith; how liturgy, catechesis and charitable activity do or should bring people to faith; and a look at particular ways Catholics evangelize and educate people in the faith.

The new evangelization, it said, "will also involve the courage to denounce the infidelities and scandals" within the Church and "to acknowledge faults while continuing to witness to Jesus Christ."

Looking within the Church, the document said, "many lament the excessive bureaucratic character" of Church structures, which are "perceived as being far removed from the average person and his everyday concerns."

The synod's working document is based on responses to a long outline and questionnaire published in March 2011. The responses came from 114 bishops' conference, 26 Vatican offices and the international unions of superior generals of men's and women's religious orders, said Archbishop Nikola Eterovic, secre-

tary-general of the synod.

"Some responses," the document said, "complained of the excessively formal character of liturgical celebrations, an almost routine celebration of rituals and the lack of a deep spiritual experience, which turn people away instead of attracting them."

At a news conference June 19, Archbishop Eterovic said the synod will attempt to respond to "the need for new instruments and new expressions to make the word of God understandable in the lives of contemporary man."

Pope Benedict called the synod to respond to a situation where, "because of a lack of faith, various particular churches are witnessing a decline in sacramental and Christian practice among the faithful to the point that some members can even be called 'nonbelievers,'" the document said.

During the synod, the Church also will mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council and the launch of the Year of Faith called by Pope Benedict to energize Catholics and Catholic communities and promote a deeper knowledge of the essential tenets of faith.

"The Year of Faith will remind us of the foundation of the new evangelization: faith in Jesus Christ," Archbishop Eterovic said.

In evaluating signs that call for a renewed evangelization of the baptized, the working document cited: "a weakening of faith in Christian communities, a diminished regard for the authority of the magisterium, an individualistic approach to belonging to the Church, a decline in religious practice and a disengagement in transmitting the faith to new generations."

The document said cultural changes, especially secularization — accelerated and spread by globalization and greater global access to media — are creating a situation in which many people see faith as unimportant, old fashioned or simply irrelevant to modern life.



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James, Paul, William and Andrew Newland, who run Hercules Industries in Denver, a manufacturer of heating and air-conditioning equipment, are pictured in an undated photo. The Catholic family won a temporary injunction July 27 against enforcement of the Department of Health and Human Services' contraceptive mandate.

Summer youth camp combines catechism, campfires

BY DIANE FREEBY

MILFORD — What do you get when you combine campfires with catechism? For one warm week in July it was Catholic Youth Summer Camp 2012, held at Camp Mack in the woods of Milford.

This is the second year for the Catholic camp, with 38 campers from 15 parishes in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend participating. Adult and young adults volunteered their time as counselors. The Catholic Youth Summer Camp has long been the dream of Dave and Jan Torma, parishioners at St. Jude in South Bend.

"In the past, I have directed week-long camps for children and have seen their value," explains Dave Torma, a former Boy Scout leader. "Along with activities like swimming, canoeing, crafts, an obstacle course, archery, games and campfires, camp is a wonderful environment to nurture their spirituality as young Catholics. I felt that a Catholic camp could draw campers deeper into their Catholic faith through daily Mass, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, prayer and foster their love for our Blessed Mother through the rosary."

The campers made up six groups — fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade girls and fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade boys.

The camp theme was "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch. Luke 5:4."

Rising by 7:30 each morning, the camp met to honor God and country by singing, learning Scripture and raising the American flag.

After breakfast and morning activities, everyone gathered for Mass in the small stone chapel with dirt floors and a large window overlooking Lake Waubee. Campers enjoyed serving and reading at Mass, and their singing filled the chapel and beyond.

Each day a different parish



PHOTOS BY DIANE FREEBY

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades celebrates Holy Mass for campers inside a small chapel at Camp Mack in Milford. During his homily, he taught about the prophets in the Old Testament, and later quizzed the children on the four Major Prophets: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Daniel and Ezekiel.



From left, Claire Cataldo from St. Pius X, Granger; Katelyn O'Boyle, from St. Vincent de Paul, Fort Wayne; Keegan Sullivan, from St. Anthony de Padua, South Bend; Katelin Sexton, from St. Mary of the Lake, Culver; and counselor Morgan Talamantes, a senior at Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, look on as Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades signs their camp flag.

Father Charles Oyo, parochial vicar at St. Jude Parish, South Bend; Holy Cross Father Neil Wack, pastor of Christ the King Parish, South Bend; and Father Bob Lengerich, pastor of St. Dominic Parish in Bremen.

After lunch, the children took a rest before heading into the afternoon activities, gathering again at 5 p.m. to retire the American flag before dinner. Campers and counselors went back to their cabins to get ready for campfire at 7 p.m.

This year, after campfire, one of the male counselors led the boys in prayer and conversation during "Bro Time" before lights out. The girls turned to Our Lady and recited the rosary in their cabins.

On Friday, after Mass and a time of Eucharistic Adoration, there was a picnic followed by all-camp activities and a family campfire to close camp.

"I think it's a wonderful opportunity for children to have a Catholic camp where they're not only having a lot of fun with various outdoor activities but they're also learning the faith, they're praying together, they're learning important messages from the

Gospel, which I was glad to see," said Bishop Rhoades. "They're building bonds with Christ and each other. That's what we're all about!"

A group of sixth-grade boys was so inspired by an encouraging message Bishop Rhoades wrote when he signed their camp flag that they turned his message into a skit, performed later that evening at the campfire.

T.J. Freeby, a fifth-grader from Corpus Christi Parish in South Bend, had met the bishop on other occasions, but said having him visit camp was different.

"This was special because I answered more questions correctly this time," T.J. said. "He ate lunch with us and he was actually a very funny guy, believe it or not."

Other campers shared their thoughts.

"Learning Scripture every day through skits and prayer made me feel closer to God and doing this with friends was great," said Corpus Christi sixth-grader Aubrei Donica, who talked about camp the entire car ride home. "I also got to fish and boat, and I left camp with a stronger faith and friends from all over."

Many of the boys agree that "Bro Time" was a powerful experience.

"It's a time after camp fire when the guys got together and we discussed how to be men of God," explained Alex Fosnaugh, a fifth grader from St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Fort Wayne. "The last night the guy counselors set up a cross and we all meditated and prayed with each other. We cried, even me, and I felt very connected with God."

Pam Fosnaugh said she was touched by her son's words.

"I knew the camp had offered him the gift of God's spirit and had given him the knowledge to see it and feel it," reported Fosnaugh. "I'm thankful my son, through the camp and God's spirit, has given him this insight of Our Lord's love. Through faith and sharing with other faithful people you see God and His gifts to and in you."

For information on next year's camp or to volunteer, call (574) 291-3381.

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Helen Alvaré to be featured speaker at OSV centennial celebration

BY ANN CAREY

FORT WAYNE — Helen Alvaré, the eloquent pro-life leader and defender of religious liberty, will be a featured speaker at the "Continuing the Legacy Symposium" that is part of Our Sunday Visitor's centennial celebration. Invitations have been sent for the symposium which will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. Sept. 28 in Fort Wayne's Grand Wayne Convention Center.

Alvaré is an associate professor at George Mason University School of Law, where she teaches family law, property law and law and religion. She also is an advisor to the law school's Christian Legal Society.

Most Catholics, however, probably know Alvaré best from her 1990-2000 service with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), as director of planning and information of the Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities. She had also served as an attorney in the office of the USCCB general counsel from 1987 to 1990.

An attractive, articulate and lively person, Alvaré made appearances all over the country and interacted with the media for the USCCB, always delivering the pro-life message from the perspective of a mother and woman who appreciates and defends the teachings of the Catholic Church on life and human sexuality.

Alvaré remains a consultant for the bishops' Pro-Life Committee and is a consultant for Pope Benedict XVI's Pontifical Council for the Laity.

Recently, Alvaré has taken a leadership role in defending religious liberty in the wake of the 2012 federal Health and Human Services mandate requiring all employers to provide health insurance that covers abortifacient drugs, sterilizations and contraceptives. Along with attorney Kim Daniels, she started the Women Speak for Themselves project (<http://womenspeakforthemselves.com>) to counter some false claims that all women welcomed the mandate.

The project has gathered more than 30,000 women's signatures on an open letter to President Barack Obama, HHS Secretary Nancy Sebelius and members of Congress that says: "No one speaks for all women on these issues. Those who purport to do so are simply attempting to deflect attention from the serious religious liberty issues currently at stake. Each of us, Catholic or not, is proud to stand with the Catholic Church and its rich, life-affirming teachings on sex, marriage and family life. We call on President Obama and our



HELEN ALVARÉ

Representatives in Congress to allow religious institutions and individuals to continue to witness to their faiths in all their fullness."

Inspired by the interest in the open letter, Alvaré has gathered essays from nine Catholic women for a new book published by Our Sunday Visitor and available next month: "Breaking Through: Catholic Women Speak for Themselves." She explained in an e-mail to the Women Speak for Themselves list that: "It arose out of the same impulse as did the open letter on the HHS Mandate: a desire to show the world that faithful women are intelligently grappling with the complex issues facing women today — everything from money to marriage, and from sex and children to same-sex attraction and the clerical abuse crisis in the Catholic Church. It is a collection of essays both by me and by other women that will, we hope, respond both to those who are curious and those who are struggling with questions about harmonizing modern dilemmas with a several-thousand-year-old faith."

In addition to all of these activities, Alvaré is president of the Chiaroscuro Institute, a think tank on dating and marriage issues. She also is a senior Fellow with the Witherspoon Institute's The Simon Center Task Force on Conscience Protection; and is a consultant to ABC News on the subjects of women in the Catholic Church, the papacy and religion in the public square.

She is a much-in-demand speaker and the recipient of numerous awards, including the 2012 Evangelium Vitae Award for lifetime achievement for pro-life work from the University of Notre Dame. She and her husband are the parents of three children.

Knights' Faith Family Fatherhood Festival scheduled Aug. 17-19

FORT WAYNE — The Knights of Columbus will host a three-day festival celebrating faith, family and fatherhood at Headwaters Park in Fort Wayne, Aug. 17-19. The Faith, Family, Fatherhood Festival is being planned by 15 Fort Wayne area Knights of Columbus Councils and will include Mass, a parade, 5K run, food and entertainment for the whole family. This is the first festival of its kind in what is hoped to become an annual event.

Updates are available at www.kofcfestival.com, but event highlights include the following.

Friday, Aug. 17:

- 5 p.m. — Mass at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades;
- 6:15 p.m. — March or parade from the cathedral to Headwaters Park;
- 7:30 p.m. — Live evening entertainment by Popple.

Popple calls their music acoustic, humor and rock. They put on fun concerts, lead prayer and praise and worship, give great talks and can provide liturgical music for Mass. More information on Popple is available at www.myspace.com/poppleband.

Saturday, Aug. 18:

- 8 a.m. — Pancake and sausage breakfast and 5K Run (Headwaters Park Pavillion);
- Pre-registration is suggested for the 5K Run and can be done by visiting the website www.kofcfestival.com or by contacting Chad Ware at (260) 744-0290. Registration on Aug. 17 is at 7 a.m. and the fee is \$20, \$15 for those preregistered.
- 11 a.m. — Family rosary and guest speaker Father Larry Richards will talk about the family.

Father Richards, who has a radio program on Redeemer Radio — Catholic Radio 1450 AM, is a gifted and captivating speaker, preacher, retreat master and author. He speaks from experience as a pastor of an inner city parish, a high school chaplain, a counselor and evangelist. Father Richards has directed hundreds of retreats, parish missions and conferences for young and old alike. His inspirational talks, presentations and books always authentic and enthusiastic, have changed the hearts, minds and lives of millions of listeners and readers worldwide." For more information about Father Richards, visit www.thereasonforourhope.org/index.php.

• 12-4 p.m. — The Knights of Columbus, with information and spiritual literature will offer displays. Other nonprofit representatives with displays will include pro-life organizations, Lighthouse Catholic Media, Redeemer Radio, Our Sunday Visitor, Bishop Dwenger High School, Bishop Luers High School,

University of Saint Francis, CatholicTextMessaging.com, The Silence of Mary Home, National Society of Foresters, Catholic Business Network, Rekindle the Fire, Knights of Columbus Insurance, Office of Catholic Schools, Vocation Office of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Catholic Charities, *Today's Catholic*, American Heritage Girls and Indiana Right to Life.

• 12-7 p.m. — Music, games, rides, food, vendors, archery tag sponsored by CrazyPinz, local high school performances and more.

The events will include a moonwalk, biblical story time, pop ring toss, crafts and giveaways provided by Bishop Luers High School, helicopter rides, traveling magician for kids, raffle (no other gambling), rosary making with Bishop Dwenger High School students and photos with "Tuffy," corn hole, slushies, temporary tattoos, give-aways and autographs from Bishop Dwenger athletes. The Bishop Dwenger Marching Band will also perform. The CrazyPinz archery tag arena will be available for ages seven and up.

• 2-3 p.m. — Bishop Luers High School Show Choir will perform;

• 3-4 p.m. — Bishop Dwenger High School Show Choir will perform;

• 7 to 11 p.m. — Square dancing with Bill Werling and his five-piece band.

Sunday, Aug. 19:

• 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. — Breakfast brunch with bingo and games;

• 1-3 p.m. — Table displays from the nonprofits, father and children events and a pie bake-off, which will be judged by the Franciscan Brothers Minor;

• 2-3:30 p.m. — Fort Wayne Area Community Band will provide music from two summer concerts, "An Evening with John Phillip Sousa" and "Those Were the Days."

The Fort Wayne Area Community Band is a member of Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne and is in residence in the Department of Music in Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne School of Visual and Performing Arts. Approximately 80 musicians, students, music teachers and professionals from

all walks of life have participated in the band for nearly 33 years. The band is dedicated to bringing the highest level of performance to the Fort Wayne area community with a variety of music for concert band, including marches, show tunes, light classics, popular arrangements, Big Band and jazz. The band has both a winter and summer concert schedule with appearances throughout the area.

Ben Christy, dean of the IPFW School of Visual and Performing Arts, said, "The Community Band and IPFW enjoy a rich collaboration. The school is honored that this excellent ensemble is a company-in-residence. It has not only been an organization for adult musicians from the community, but for students who are unable to work the IPFW Wind Ensemble into their class schedule."

• 2-3:30 p.m. — Exhibition ballroom dancers;

• 3:30-4 p.m. — Guest speaker Franciscan Father David Mary Engo;

Father David Mary Engo is a Queens native, raised on Long Island. He has been a friar since the age of 19 and a priest for the past 14 years. He has led a diverse life as a priest. One of his most difficult missions involved blessing bodies pulled from the rubble at Ground Zero during the first four days after the World Trade Center terrorist attack on Sept. 11, 2001.

Father David Mary eventually heard the call to lead and became the founder and superior of the Franciscan Brothers Minor, formed in 2009 under the authority of Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, then in Harrisburg, Pa. Father David Mary followed the bishop to the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend in 2010.

Father David Mary speaks of love and charity, but always in truth. He is charismatic and sure to keep your attention. Learn more about Father David Mary and the Franciscan Brothers Minor religious order at www.FranciscanBrothersMinor.com.

• There will be a special blessing for all fathers and closing ceremony with the David and Theresa Smith Family providing music and Gregorian chant;

• 5 p.m. — Festival concludes.

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Cardinal urges Congress to act on HHS mandate before year's end

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Since the courts will not act quickly enough to protect the religious liberty concerns prompted by the Obama administration's contraceptive mandate, Congress must "address this urgent and fundamental issue before it completes its business this year," Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo told members of the House and Senate. "Timely and uniform protection of these rights cannot be expected from the current lengthy judicial process," said the cardinal in an Aug. 3 letter to members of Congress. He is archbishop of Galveston-Houston and chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities. Cardinal DiNardo described the contraceptive mandate as an "unprecedented and misguided federal policy. The Catholic bishops of the United States continue to advocate for life-affirming health care for all, especially for poor and vulnerable people," he wrote. "We do not see this policy as a step in that direction." Cardinal DiNardo said that despite "widespread opposition to this coercive policy by religious organizations, lawmakers and the general public, Congress has still taken no action to counter it. The time for such action is, to say the least, overdue," he added. "The fundamental importance of the religious freedom issue at stake demands a timely congressional response." The cardinal said the requirement to provide contraceptives to their employees free of charge will likely affect for-profit business owners first. He noted that four of the lawsuits against the mandate have been filed by Catholic business owners.

Aug. 1 comes and goes with little effect on most Americans' health plans

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Although Aug. 1 was a key date in implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, it simply marked the first possible date when health plans could be required to cover eight new preventive services for women — including all Food and Drug Administration-approved contraceptives. But most Americans saw no change in their health insurance that day, because their plans renew on another date or are covered by a one-year "temporary enforcement safe harbor" or a "grandfathering" provision that delays changes. The requirement to provide contraceptives free of charge has prompted an outcry by Catholic leaders and others who object to the mandate on moral grounds and see it as a violation of their religious freedom. Catholic leaders do not oppose the other mandated preventive services for women, which include well-woman visits, breast-feeding support and counseling, and domestic violence screening and counseling. Those services "pose little or no medical risk themselves, and they help prevent or ameliorate identifiable conditions that would pose known risks to life and health in the

NEWS BRIEFS

POPE BENEDICT ATTENDS BAVARIAN FOLK FESTIVAL AT SUMMER RESIDENCE



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Pope Benedict XVI watches Bavarian dancers from the Archdiocese of Munich-Freising, Germany, perform during a folk festival at the papal summer residence in Castel Gandolfo, Italy, Aug. 3.

future," Deirdre McQuade, assistant director for policy and communications at the bishops' Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities, pointed out in 2011 to an Institute of Medicine panel charged with making recommendations to HHS. But the use of prescription contraceptives "actually increases a woman's risk of developing some of the very conditions that the 'preventive services' ... are designed to prevent, such as stroke, heart attacks and blood clots," she added. The contraceptive mandate does not apply, however, to plans that are "grandfathered" — those that have remained substantially unchanged since March 23, 2010, in terms of benefits, co-pays, deductibles and employer contributions — or those covered by what the U.S. bishops and others have said is a narrowly drawn religious exemption.

State Department report shows dangers to religious freedom on the rise

WASHINGTON (CNS) — A bomb attack in July that targeted Israeli tourists in Bulgaria and killed six is part of a trend, according to the 2011 International Religious Freedom Report. Ambassador Suzan Johnson Cook released the findings at a press briefing July 30 at the U.S. State Department in Washington. The annual report covers the status of religious freedom in 199 countries

and territories. It allows the Office of International Religious Freedom to monitor religious persecution and discrimination worldwide, and recommend policies that encourage religious freedom. Johnson Cook, ambassador at large for international religious freedom, pointed to eight countries that exhibited widespread religious persecution. They include a major U.S. Middle East ally, Saudi Arabia, and a major U.S. trading partner, China, as well as North Korea, Iran, Sudan, Eritrea, Myanmar and Uzbekistan. Authoritarian regimes in many countries were using religious persecution for political ends, said Johnson Cook, noting Russia and Uzbekistan have invoked national security as a pretext for restricting the rights of peaceful religious groups. Johnson Cook noted that religious freedom, especially in Arab Spring countries, was in flux and needed to be closely monitored. The report pointed to successes in Libya, where the interim constitution has for the first time included protections of free worship. However, in Egypt, there was a notable rise in anti-Semitism and sectarian violence against Coptic Christians. The report said the rise of technology has had an impact on religious relations around the globe. Social networks and mass communication have allowed protests of human rights violations to be more easily organized, but they also give governments the tools to more effectively persecute individuals.

Student killed during pro-life cross-country walk 'missed deeply'

INDIANAPOLIS (CNS) — Andrew Moore felt called to walk across America this summer with pro-life college students to help save the lives of unborn babies. "I had already been involved in the pro-life movement for several years," Moore wrote in a reflection before he joined a group of Crossroads volunteers walking from San Francisco to Washington to pray for an end to legalized abortion. "When I am at home, I pray in front of the local abortion mill almost every day and try to speak to the people going in. Crossroads sounded like a good way to serve God and help His children," he added. "I have been considering a vocation to the priesthood for some time, and Crossroads is a great way to work on my discernment — prayer, sacrifice and separation from the distractions of the world." Tragically the 20-year-old Concord, Calif., college student lost his own life early July 20 when he was hit by a car and killed instantly as he walked along a highway in west-central Indiana with another Crossroads participant. It was about 5 a.m. and the collegians had only been walking along U.S. 40 near Stilesville for about 15 minutes when they decided to cross the highway to walk on the other side so they could see oncoming traffic while they prayed the rosary. They were

wearing reflective safety vests, and the Crossroads van with other walkers was just ahead of them along the central walk route to the nation's capital. With just 600 miles to go, the collegians were on schedule to participate in a pro-life rally Aug. 11 at the U.S. Capitol. Although some talks at Indianapolis parishes were canceled after Moore's death, the 18th annual Canada, northern, central, south/central and southern walks continued in his honor because the walkers said "that is what he would have wanted them to do."

Serra's USA Council plans to form new organization to promote vocations

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (CNS) — Facing the likelihood of an unfavorable court ruling in its legal battle against Serra International, the leaders of the organization's USA Council plan to form a new, independent organization to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the United States. "We are preparing a business plan which we will soon share with all the clubs for their suggestions, comments and support," wrote USA Council president Greg Lynch in an email to Serra Club presidents. An informal poll of local Serra Clubs across the U.S. indicated that most will choose to join the new entity, added Dave O'Keeffe, acting president of the Serra Club in the Diocese of Colorado Springs. Serra International is a lay organization whose objective is to foster vocations to the priesthood and religious life. In December 2010, its board of trustees passed a resolution to dissolve its USA Council, citing overlapping functions and excessive costs associated with maintaining two separate offices in Chicago, where both entities have their headquarters. In a March 2011 interview with *The Colorado Catholic Herald*, Colorado Springs diocesan newspaper, John Woodward, Serra International's executive director, said the organization needed to adjust its operations to reflect the fact that membership in the United States has declined but is growing in other countries. The restructuring was necessary, he said, for the organization to stay financially sound and more closely adhere to its original objectives.

San Francisco archbishop retires; Bishop Cordileone to succeed him

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Pope Benedict XVI has accepted the resignation of Archbishop George H. Niederauer of San Francisco and named Bishop Salvatore J. Cordileone of Oakland, Calif., to succeed him. The appointment and resignation were announced in Washington July 27 by Archbishop Carlo Maria Vigano, apostolic nuncio to the United States. Archbishop Niederauer, 76, had headed the San Francisco Archdiocese since 2005. Bishop Cordileone will be installed as the ninth archbishop of San Francisco during a Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption Oct. 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron of the archdiocese.

Area Catholic Churches join forces to build Habitat home

FORT WAYNE — Fort Wayne Habitat for Humanity and area Catholic churches are partnering to build a home for a hardworking family in the community.

St. Vincent Catholic Church is leading the charge to kick off a Catholic Apostle Build, bringing together all Catholic churches in Allen County to help make the dream of homeownership a reality for a family in need.

The build was blessed by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, and will be the second Catholic Apostle Build with local parishes partnering to build a Habitat home in the Fort Wayne area.

Local Catholic churches already committed to the Catholic Apostle Build with Fort Wayne Habitat are Queen of Angels, Our Lady of Good Hope, St. Joseph, St. Jude and St. Vincent, as well as Bishop Dwenger and Bishop Luers high schools.

The partnership will not only make the fundraising goal of \$60,000 needed to complete a Habitat home reachable, but will also allow every member of the church body to work together as the hands and feet of Christ in the community.

Final financial commitments from churches are needed by Aug. 20 in order for this build to begin in 2012. If the goal is not met by the Aug. 20 date, the churches will work toward raising funds to complete the build in Spring 2013.

Fort Wayne Habitat for Humanity is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry using volunteer labor to build simple, affordable homes through partnerships with low-income Allen County families. Completed homes are sold to Habitat Homeowners with a \$500 down payment and an interest-free mortgage. Because of volunteer involvement, the cost of a standard three-bedroom home is kept affordable at approximately \$60,000, with monthly mortgage payments ranging from \$375 to \$400 including taxes and insurance. The revolving fund created by mortgage payments received allows Habitat to commit 100 percent of individual donations to additional housing opportunities in the community.

Contact the office at (260) 422-4828 or visit www.fortwaynehabitat.org for more information.

Our Sunday Visitor to distribute L'Osservatore Romano's English edition

HUNTINGTON (CNS) — The Vatican has chosen Our Sunday Visitor to be the exclusive distributor of the North American English edition of *L'Osservatore Romano*, the official Vatican newspaper.

Our Sunday Visitor will begin distributing *L'Osservatore Romano* in August and also will provide order fulfillment, customer service and marketing support for the newspaper. The focus will be promotion to individual Catholics, parishes, dioceses and other Catholic organizations.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

ANDREW DINNER DRAWS NEARLY 100 TO SYRACUSE



TIM JOHNSON

Seminarian Zachary Barry shares his journey to the seminary, a journey that was sparked when he was a sixth-grade student at St. Charles Borromeo School in Fort Wayne and continued through high school at Bishop Dwenger. Barry spoke to about 100 young men who attended the Andrew Dinner held July 30 at St. Martin De Porres Church in Syracuse. The dinner gets its name from when the Apostle Andrew invited his brother Peter to meet Jesus. Barry joined Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, Msgr. Bernard Galic, Spiritan Father Lawrence Tetch and other priests in answering questions from the young men who attended from multiple parishes across the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. Bishop Rhoades encouraged the young men to read the Gospels and concentrate on the words. He added, "If I had to do it all over again, I'd do it again because I feel so much joy and peace in being a priest."

"This is a partnership that works well for both entities," said a July 16 statement from Greg Erlandson, president and publisher of Our Sunday Visitor. "Our Sunday Visitor is able to expand on our mission to serve the Church in a very direct way and assist the Vatican in its mission at the same time."

L'Osservatore Romano (Italian for "The Roman Observer"), founded in 1861, publishes papal discourses, texts and documents, reports on the events of the Church and the pope, and provides news of cultural debates and international life from the perspective of the Catholic Church.

Celebrating its 100th anniversary this year, Our Sunday Visitor publishes several periodicals, including the largest national Catholic newspaper, *OSV Newsweekly*, plus *The Catholic Answer*, *The Priest*, *My Daily Visitor*, *Grace in Action* and *Take Out: Family Faith on the Go*.

"What we are about these days is the same as what Archbishop Noll was about," Erlandson said. "We are about responding to people's needs. We are about helping them to bring their Catholic faith to life. We are about helping them to see what is real

and important in this life, and how it will connect them to the next."

Christ Child Society of South Bend to host dinner, auction

SOUTH BEND — Members, friends and supporters of the Christ Child Society of South Bend will gather Thursday, Sept. 13, at the Gillespie Center, Hilton Garden Inn at Saint Mary's College for the "Let Love Shine Dinner and Auction." The evening begins with cocktails and a silent auction at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner and live auction at 7 p.m. Auction items will include a basketball autographed by Muffett McGraw and a gift certificate for a variety of homemade Christmas cookies.

Christ Child Society, a nonprofit organization composed completely of volunteers and dedicated to serving children in need, has long been respected for the work it does "challenging poverty one child at a time."

Christ Child Society is perhaps best known for its west side Clothing Center. Each August through January, Christ Child opens its doors

weekly, offering new winter clothing to children whose families meet the qualification guidelines.

Other services include layettes distributed to babies born to needy mothers, Angel Layettes for families of babies still-born or who die shortly after birth, and Layettes of Hope to newly pregnant clients of Women's Care Center.

Recently Christ Child Society inaugurated a Book Project as part of its education and literacy outreach. This past year the organization awarded its first college scholarship to a young mother who came to Christ Child Society for clothing for her children. Thanks to the scholarship, she will be able to provide a better life for her children.

Christ Child Society receives no government aid or United Way funding. The yearly clothing budget must be raised through grants, fundraising events and the ongoing generosity of friends and donors.

For more information on Christ Child Society or the "Let Love Shine Dinner and Auction" visit www.christchildsb.org or the event website www.letloveshine.info. For tickets, call (574) 256-5633.

Area citizens to Stand for Religious Freedom Aug. 11

FORT WAYNE — Members of the Fort Wayne community are encouraged to join together to support greater protection of religious liberty in the United States on Saturday, Aug. 11. This peaceful and prayerful rally will celebrate liberty, and educate the public regarding what can be done to stop the infringements on Constitutionally protected rights.

The rally will be held at the Allen County Courthouse green on the corner of Clinton and Main streets in downtown Fort Wayne from 10 to 11:15 a.m.

"It is time for all Americans to stand together to protest the recent infringements on those rights protected by the First Amendment — infringements by the government that was created to safeguard those same rights," say rally organizers.

Father Jason Freiburger will provide the invocation. Sean McBride, director of communications for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, will offer the welcome.

Guest speakers will include Congressman Marlin Stutzman, who will give a briefing on efforts to repeal the Care Act and the encroachment of government on religious liberty; Dr. Tom McGovern, who will share the impact of the Affordable Care Act on patients and doctors; and Pat Miller, who will present an outline for winning at the ballot box in November.

Marian dean of students retires

MISHAWAKA — Janet Hatfield, dean of students and teacher at Marian High School in Mishawaka for 39 years, retired in June. She has attended 39 out of 45 Marian commencement ceremonies, and she has spent thousands of hours attending meetings, watching Marian sports teams, coaching softball, chaperoning Marian dances and after-prom, supervising field days, Spirit Week, homecoming, student council elections and more.

Hatfield taught foods and nutrition and fashion and textiles and then supervised the teachers in Marian's Family and Consumer Science Department.

Most recently, she has served as the dean of students. She knows every rule and every procedure that is designed to make better students and better teachers, as well as better citizens of this world and the next.

Hatfield's faith-filled love and devotion to Catholic education has been an inspiration to many alumni who keep in touch and to many who bring their own children to Marian.



JANET HATFIELD

Forum spotlights business sustainability

FORT WAYNE — Mike Robinson, vice president for Sustainability and Global Regulatory Affairs for General Motors, will be the keynote speaker for the 19th annual CEO Forum at the University of Saint Francis North Campus on Thursday, Oct. 18, from 8:15-11:45 a.m.

The forum, "The Future of Sustainability: Impact on Efficiency, Innovation and Profit," is hosted by the Keith Busse School of Business and Entrepreneurial Leadership, and will focus on practices that many analysts consider the driver of long-term business success. It is associated with the university's over-arching "The Future of" lecture series.

Robinson served as an Air Force officer from 1977-81, earning his J.D. from Villanova Law School in 1984 and joining GM that same year. Prior to accepting his present role in September 2009, he was the company's vice president and general counsel for North America. He will discuss how sustainability can impact cash flow, generate more profit, increase efficiency and stimulate innovation.

Supporting Robinson's inside view on ways in which America's successful automotive giant uses sustainable business measures will be a panel of noted leaders, including Paul Chodak III, president and chief operating officer for Indiana Michigan Power (IMP), Tom Horter, president and CEO for Bluffton-based Alexin LLC, a recycler of scrap, Tom Huntington, CEO for WaterFurnace International, Inc., Dave Mathis, senior vice president for sales and marketing for Kansas-based Golden Heritage Foods LLC, a honey producer, and Dave Steiner, an environmental attorney. Dr. Joe Steensma, a USF biology graduate and professor

in the school of business, will moderate. The forum can aid a range of professionals, from the small business owner to the executive manager of a large company, to discover how sustainability can give organizations a competitive advantage and position them strategically for the years ahead.

Tickets are \$45 each, and can be purchased online at <http://usf-ceo-forum.eventbrite.com/>. Doors will open at the North Campus at 7:30 a.m. Tower Bank is the corporate sponsor. For more information, call (260) 399-7700, ext. 8300 or ext. 8301.

Institute for Church Life to host Seed of the Church conference

NOTRE DAME — The Institute for Church Life at the University of Notre Dame will host the upcoming Seed of the Church conference from Nov. 4-6. The event, to be held at McKenna Hall, is open to the public. Registration is now under way and is required for all participants. Conference registration is free.

Keynote speakers include Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò, apostolic nuncio to the United States; and John L. Allen Jr., senior correspondent at the *National Catholic Reporter* and senior Vatican analyst at CNN. The conference will bring together bishops and lay experts from around the world — including Egypt, China, India and Pakistan — testifying to the landscape of Christian persecution in their respective contexts.

The gathering intends to raise consciousness inside and outside the Church regarding the widespread persecution of Christians around the world and to explore how the Church has responded and might respond vigorously and faithfully in the future.

A central objective of this conference is to rectify the lack of acknowledgment of this persecution by the secular media and Western academia and to communicate to the world the extent and character of the persecution. Yet the purpose of the conference goes beyond raising awareness. It is also to explore how the Church can respond to the persecution of Christian believers prayerfully and liturgically, out of the depths of the Church's spiritual theology. In the most profound sense, what does it mean to be in solidarity with brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer violence for their faith? The conference will explore several dimensions of this question, including:

- Where exactly are the persecuted Christians? How many are there?
- What are the circumstances surrounding persecution in specific countries and regions, including China, Pakistan, Nigeria, the Middle East and the countries involved in the Arab Spring?
- What kind of responses to persecutions ought Christians to urge upon governments?
- How can partnerships form with those of other faiths to secure religious freedom for all faiths?
- What are the most effective and faithful responses on the part of the Church?

The conference will also explore a theology of martyrdom for the world today, framed in terms of Eucharistic remembering and of the "ecumenism of the martyrs" urged on the Church by Blessed Pope John Paul II.

The event is being organized by John C. Cavadini, McGrath-Cavadini Director of the Institute for Church Life, and Daniel Philpott, associate professor of political science and peace studies.

A complete list of speakers as well as registration information is available at <http://icl.nd.edu>.

Hispanic Ministry offers activities in the diocese

Marriage retreat

St. Adalbert "Grupo Familiar" held a Married Couples Retreat at Sacred Heart Parish, Notre Dame, on Friday, July 20.

The initial keynote address was offered by Enid Roman De Jesús and the theme given was "El Amor de Dios," (God's Love).

Approximately 20 couples attended the retreat and additional presentations were offered throughout the weekend. Luis Botello and his wife Alejandra Botello and other team couples organized the retreat.

St. Casimir's González couple celebrates 25th wedding anniversary

María de la Luz and Jorge González celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on July 21. The renewal of vows took place at St. Casimir Parish, South Bend, and Holy Cross Father Pete Paccini celebrated the Mass. A reception followed with gourmet Mexican food while Mariachi's serenaded the couple and the guests attendees. The couple also celebrated their youngest daughter Evelyn's high school graduation.

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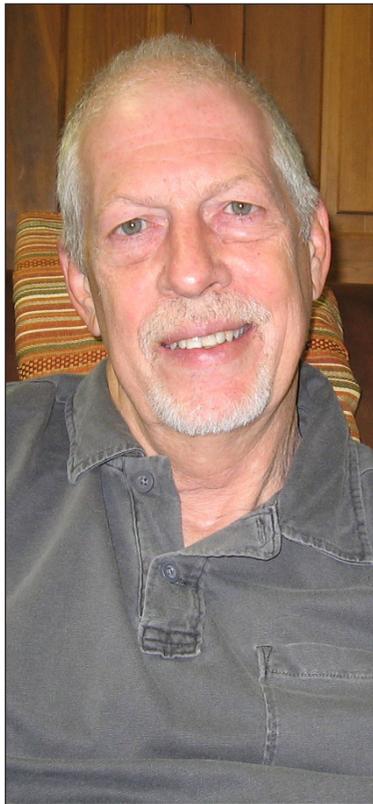
On the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul, when Society of the Divine Word Father Sam Cunningham, parochial vicar at St. Patrick Parish, Fort Wayne, spoke about St. Peter and St. John meeting an invalid beggar near Jerusalem's Beautiful Gate, he described in detail the exchange that takes place between the one who gives and the one who gets; the donor, acting out of fear, guilt or charity, avoids eye contact with the beggar, gives, and moves on in a hurry.

Father Sam spoke from experience. He had begged on the streets of Chicago, competing with the usual deadbeats; drunks, druggies, ex-cons and other human castoffs who quietly spin into oblivion.

As a 23-year-old seminarian, he was once given a \$5 bill and told to get by on it from Friday 'til Monday in a gritty end of the Windy City. With mission meals and flophouse beds, he did get by (one person actually gave him a \$5 bill), but all who gave, did so without looking at his face.

Father Sam contrasted his experience with that of St. Peter and the crippled beggar. In the biblical account, as Peter and John approach the beautiful gate, the beggar holds up his cup expecting money. Peter however, says to the beggar, "Look at us," and then tells him that he, Peter, has no silver or gold but in the name of Jesus Christ, gives healing power to the lame beggar. Instantly, the healed man jumps, shouts and dances as he rejoices.

Comparing his Chicago begging experience with that of the biblical beggar, Father Sam keys in on the phrase, "Look at us," saying that if the donor looks at the beggar — looks him right straight in the eye, and says a few kind words, such as "How are you?" — the



MARK WEBER

Father Sam Cunningham has been a missionary with the Society of the Divine Word for 31 years. He has served in Mexico and Paraguay and currently is parochial vicar of St. Patrick Parish Fort Wayne. As a certified psychologist, he also counsels sex offenders, married couples and works with the Center for Nonviolence.

giver is treating the supplicant as a person instead of a non-person, and the gift, be it a dime or a dollar, is enhanced for both parties involved because, as at the beautiful gate, even a small measure of healing power is now included.

On his office wall, Father Sam Cunningham has diplomas for three master's degrees and one Ph.D. In his heart, he has a lesson of life earned on the streets of Chicago.

St. Thomas student noted for lemonade business, generosity

ELKHART — Harrison Harte, who will be entering the fourth grade at St. Thomas the Apostle School in Elkhart, and is a former Riley Kid, recently received a lesson in entrepreneurship and offered a donation to the children's hospital that helped him when he was young. Harrison is the son of Gary and Stephanie Harte, parishioners of St. Thomas.

On May 5, Harrison participated in Lemonade Day, a national experimental learning program started in 2007 that teaches youth how to start, own and operate their own business — a lemonade stand.

"Harrison decided that he wanted to have his lemonade stand at our house, that he wanted to do a garage sale with it, and that his grandpa would dress as a lemon to bring in business. And he wanted to donate 50 percent of his profits to Riley Hospital for Children," reported Harrison's mom, Stephanie Harte.

Harrison sold 108 glasses of lemonade that day and earned \$81 from lemonade, \$174 in tips and \$435 from the garage sale. He gave \$123 to Riley from this event and purchased an Xbox 360 with his remaining money.

On June 20 the Harte family learned that Harrison won the Best Business award from Lemonade Day out of 500 kids. His reward was to have his lemonade stand at the Elkhart Jazz Festival on June 22-24.

Stephanie sent the following update to the Lemonade Day Committee following the Jazz



PHOTO PROVIDED BY THE HARTE FAMILY

Harrison Harte has learned a lesson in business with his lemonade stand.

Festival event: "A quick update on Harrison's lemonade stand results: \$831.09 total at the lemonade stand, 40 bags of lemons, 30 gallons lemonade, 475 glasses (175 small and 300 large), \$293 to Riley and \$293 to Harrison's saving account, 10 hot dogs consumed from Dollars for Dogs stand, 22 hours at festival, crazy grandpa as 'lemonman' mascot."

Harrison came close to his goal of raising \$500 for Riley Hospital. He was able to raise \$497 for Riley Hospital from the two events.

"He was very disappointed that he did not make his \$500 goal," reported his mom. "He wanted to give all his proceeds, but I told

him he worked hard and needed to put some of his money in savings. But the community has been amazing here. I have already received \$130 additional contributions from work colleagues, friends and family. ... He wants to set up a lemonade stand every weekend."

"He is a former Riley's Kid himself," Stephanie said. "He had surgery when he was three months old on his spine in May 2003. He had a tethered cord so he holds Riley dear to his heart."

On July 20, the family learned that Harrison was also the grand champion at the Elkhart County 4-H Fair with his Notre Dame napkin holder.

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sending 72 disciples on mission.

"On this anniversary day, who among us can hear that Gospel and not think of that original pair of sisters, the first Missionary Catechists of Our Lady of Victory, who after many months and years of planning, quietly departed from Chicago after pronouncing their simple vows," Bishop Rhoades said.

"Sister Julia Doyle and Sister Marie Benes," the first missionary catechists, "prepared and formed by Father Sigstein and Mother Aquinata and the School Sisters of Notre Dame, left Chicago for Santa Fe," he continued as he reflected upon the sisters' history. "Before they left, besides making simple vows, they renewed their Act of Consecration to Jesus through Mary according to the practice of the True Devotion of St. Louis Marie de Montfort."

At a little mission church in the town of Watrous, the catechists began the missionary work that would characterize the apostolate of the many sisters who would follow in their footsteps — the catechesis of poor children and their families and visits to the homes of the poor and the sick in what was truly missionary territory.

Bishop Rhoades noted that the first missionary catechists and the many sisters who would follow



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Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades greets Sister Carlota Baca, who at 103 is the oldest sister. Bishop Rhoades visited with the sisters who reside in skilled care at the motherhouse. They all recited a Hail Mary and bishop requested their prayers. The visit on July 30 was part of the 90th anniversary celebration of the founding of the sisters.

them were women of prayer and were filled with a true missionary zeal. They had a deep love for the poor. The early missionary catechists endured many hardships for the sake of the Gospel.

"He has called consecrated women like you, the Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Victory, through your special gifts and charism, to share in the Church's evangelizing mission," Bishop Rhoades said.

"Evangelization and catechesis, so vital to the mission of your community and to the mission of the Church, aims at unity in Christ,

unity in faith and unity in love: Christ-like maturity that is characterized by an adherence to the truth of the Gospel of Christ and living that truth in charity," Bishop Rhoades said.

The new evangelization called for by Blessed John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI requires new ardor in the proclamation of the Gospel in the increasingly secularized culture with its strong currents of relativism, materialism and hedonism.

"It requires vision and creativity, like that of Father Sigstein, Archbishop Noll, Sister Julia Doyle



Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades prays at the tombs of Archbishop John F. Noll, who supported the sisters and located the motherhouse to Huntington, and Father John Joseph Sigstein, the founder of the order.

and Sister Marie Benes," Bishop Rhoades said. "It requires fidelity to the truth of the Gospel as proclaimed and taught by the Catholic Church through the ages, the truth that so many Victory Noll Sisters dedicated their lives to teach and share. It requires the witness of lives of self-giving love, of the practical and generous service exemplified by so many members of this community these past 90 years. It requires prayer since none of our works or ministry can bear good fruit apart from Christ."

Bishop Rhoades thanked the sisters for their ministry of prayer, which is a powerful service to the Church and her mission.

After Mass, Bishop Rhoades greeted the sisters, including Sister

Joan Arnold who mentioned to the bishop that she is a native of Lebanon, Pa., where Bishop Rhoades was raised. Sister Joan has been a sister for 63 years.

At 103 years old, Sister Carlota Baca is the oldest sister and celebrating 80 years of religious life. Sister Carlota offered a cheerful greeting to Bishop Rhoades as he visited with sisters in the special extended care unit where she resides.

Sister Virginia Schmitt, who joined the sisters in 1945 and was a registered nurse, shared with Bishop Rhoades that she provided nursing care for Archbishop Noll for the last three years of his life. "I felt that was a great privilege," she told Bishop Rhoades.

The sisters also shared that they would go to Archbishop Noll's lake house on Sylvan Lake near Rome City and clean it for the bishop's summer visits.

Continuing his visit within the care unit, Bishop Rhoades spoke with Sister Martha, who writes and sends out 300 letters a month to prisoners. She enjoys receiving correspondence from prisoners relating how much they appreciate her letters.

Throughout the day, Sister Beatrice Haines, president of Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters, offered the bishop a tour of the grounds and accompanied Bishop Rhoades to the gravesite of Archbishop Noll, Father John Joseph Sigstein and the first two missionary catechists — Sister Julia Doyle and Sister Marie Benes. There Bishop Rhoades offered a prayer.

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Bishop D'Arcy thriving with 'priestly work' in retirement

BY VINCE LABARBERA

FORT WAYNE — When a layperson retires it's said every day is like a Saturday. But a bishop is not retired in the usual sense of the word.

"In other words, a bishop always remains a bishop and is not like an official who ceases from his employment at a certain age. With regard to the particular Church for which he was bishop, the bishop emeritus continues his service in prayer and the other tasks provided by law." — "The Bishop Emeritus," United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Aug. 2009.

For Bishop John M. D'Arcy, bishop emeritus, who retired nearly two-and-one-half years ago on Jan. 13, 2010, retirement has been, in a sense, like a Sunday filled with teaching, sanctifying and governing spiritually — the threefold office of responsibility and sacred power he received when ordained to episcopal ministry in Boston on Feb. 11, 1975.

Retirement has been "a significant adjustment," he said. "For me, what helped me most, the beautiful part of it, is the continuing priestly work," he said.

Bishop D'Arcy says Mass daily in his Fort Wayne home, unless traveling, and often during the week at nearby St. John the Baptist Church; celebrates the noontime Mass every Friday at the cathedral's St. Mother Theodore Guérin Chapel downtown, hearing confessions after Mass and again at 4:30 p.m.

"As often as I can I say Mass with people," he added. He also celebrates Mass occasionally at the Archbishop Noll Catholic Center, where he maintains an office. He misses the South Bend area, he emphasized, which he used to visit often in the past.

Also, he's offered several retreats for priests and bishops, beginning in northern Michigan before his retirement was effective, discovering to his delight "there's life after retirement," he said. He's since given retreats in Arlington, Va., Lincoln, Neb., Denver, Colo., two in Boston, and one this month for the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration in Mishawaka. He's also presented a three-day parish mission at St. Mary's Church in Beverly, Mass., and, while in the area, gave a "Day of Reflection" at the Blessed John Paul II Seminary, Washington, D.C., giving about 17 talks in 10 days, he recalled.

"The best part of it and what has kept me strong is doing priestly work, whether retreats, celebrating Mass, hearing confessions — it's like a rebirth of your priesthood," he emphasized, citing a quote from "The Bishop Emeritus": "The new lifestyle requires that a bishop emeritus redefine himself and his particular role ... this can gradually

compensate for the 'emptiness' through the exercise of pastoral charity expressed on many fronts, still fulfilling a paternity and episcopal charism that never go into retirement."

In addition to preparing many talks for retreats and parish missions, Bishop D'Arcy has been doing some writing, recently for *The Priest* magazine, designed by Our Sunday Visitor to help priests in their vocation, in an article titled, "What Kind of Bishop Is Needed in the Church Today?" published in the Jan. 1, 2012, issue.

Bishop D'Arcy was asked by the Exton, Pennsylvania-based program called "Good Leaders, Good Shepherds" — who do workshops for priests and new bishops to become better pastors — to present a keynote address, citing him in their brochure listing senior bishops as a "wisdom figure," he quipped. That talk then became the basis for the recent article. He wrote: "What kind of bishop for these times? Someone who believes that the call of Jesus Christ to him is personal and someone who enters through the gate, which is Jesus Christ on the Cross, and does not try to make himself important and does not seek his own self-importance."

Bishop D'Arcy said he had three goals in mind when he retired: initially, to pray and read more, saying he would probably give himself a "B" in that area; secondly, trying to get a little affluence on the Internet, using an i-Pad for email and reading the front page of *The New York Times* every morning — a "B or B minus" perhaps; and thirdly, to learn Spanish — an "incomplete" currently. "I haven't given up on it," he said, adding that he's always been able to say Mass in Spanish.

Admittedly, he's been busier than perhaps he should be, especially with the sacraments, Mass, preaching, prayer, reading, writing, presiding at about six weddings, and volunteering, with Bishop Kevin Rhoades' approval, as a part-time chaplain at Bishop Luers High School and getting involved in preaching at more parish missions. He also teaches a class on occasion at both Bishop Luers and Bishop Dwenger high schools in Fort Wayne. And, last Lent, he preached and heard confessions at three of the four high schools in the diocese. Lastly, he gives spiritual direction to several diocesan and religious-order priests as well as some lay people; all which, he agreed, has nourished both his mind and spirit.

As for his bodily health: "I'm good," he said. "Right after retiring I took off 26 pounds and I've gained maybe four or five back."

He had 39 days of radiation treatment for cancer and with "good doctors" got through it okay, with just a few side effects, but "not bad," he continued. And he tries to walk regularly, "almost

every day," in his neighborhood.

For enjoyment, he keeps "an eye on the Red Sox," of course, reading the baseball box scores daily and watching some home and away games on television. Last month Bishop D'Arcy spent about three weeks in Boston visiting family and friends, relaxing and enjoying a Red Sox game at Fenway Park, which is observing its 100th anniversary this year. He also enjoys attending sporting events at Luers and Dwenger as well as at the University of Saint Francis in the football stadium named in his honor. And, he's enjoyed attending a couple of TinCaps minor-league baseball games in Fort Wayne.

There are a few days when there is nothing on the calendar, he said. On those rare occasions he extends his walk, takes in a movie with fellow priests or just enjoys praying and reading, especially on the screened-in porch in his backyard overlooking a statue of the Blessed Mother below a blooming Rose of Sharon bush.

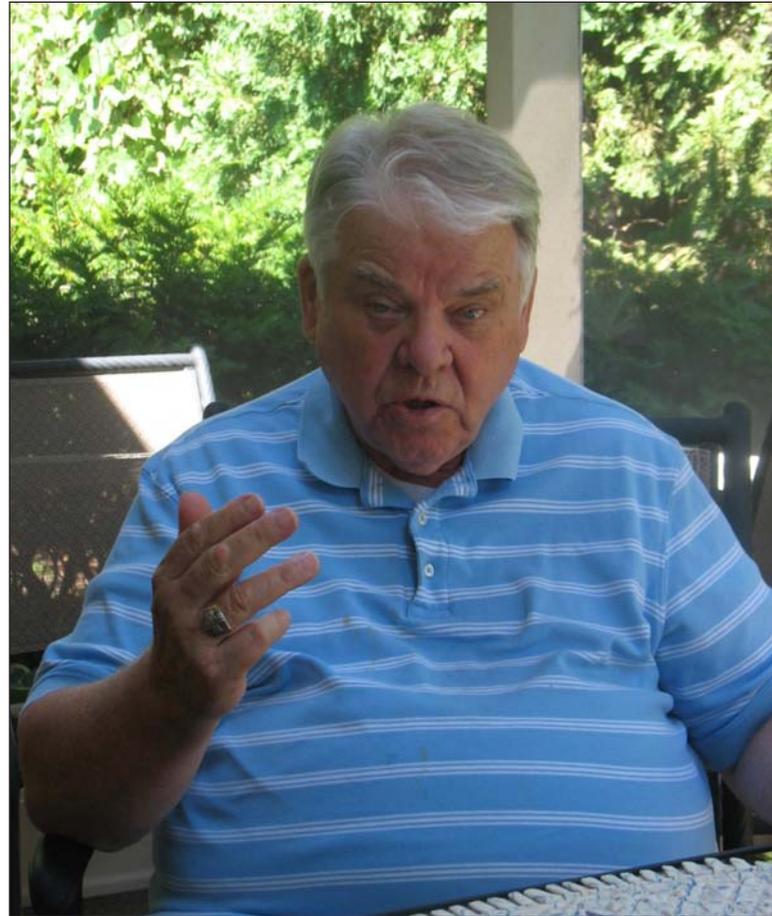
"When I was the bishop of the diocese I tried to take a day off every week and I urged the priests to do it," he said. "The priest lives above the store, and his home becomes his office," he emphasized. Some priests manage to separate their living conditions so there's a home where they live, take their meals, relax and pray, and an office where they meet with people. "That's very healthy," he added.

Another consolation for Bishop D'Arcy is "being around the priests. We have a great presbyterate!" he emphasized. He also enjoys meeting with the seminarians, preaching and celebrating Mass with them. "We have this great communion between the priests and seminarians," he stressed.

Later this month, Bishop D'Arcy will fly to Cape Cod to celebrate his 80th birthday with his remaining two sisters, their husbands and children. He will offer a private Mass with them on his birthday, Aug. 18, at St. Patrick Church in Falmouth, Mass., and celebrate the Sunday liturgy with the congregation the next day.

"I give thanks to God that I have been a bishop for 36 years and, under God's grace, was the shepherd of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend for 25 years, minus a few months, and now serve as bishop emeritus. I never felt worthy of any of it, but I look back on it with joy and gratitude," Bishop D'Arcy wrote in *The Priest*.

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Bishop John M. D'Arcy, bishop emeritus, shown here on the back porch of his Fort Wayne home, will celebrate his 80th birthday Saturday, Aug. 18.



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At 90, Marcy Sorg not ready for slow lane

BY VINCE LABARBERA

FORT WAYNE — “I’m not going to set on a chair and get stiff,” said Marcy Sorg, shortly after observing her 90th birthday on May 26. “There’s always something going on,” she added.

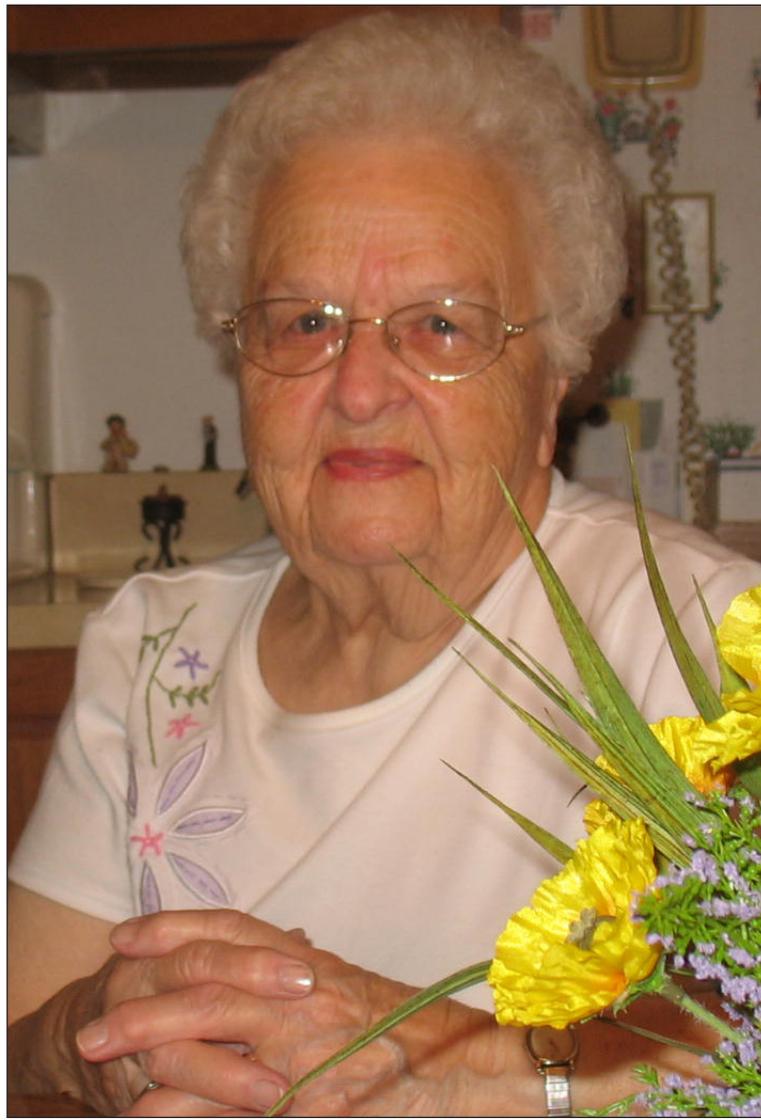
There may be “no grass growing under her feet,” but there are flowers, because raising them is one of her favorite past-times — a carryover perhaps from having lived on a farm nearly all of her life surrounded by growing things.

Born in Allen County near Fort Wayne to Joseph and Chloe Giant, Mary “Marcy” Marcella grew up with one sister and four brothers. Her brothers all are deceased, she related, but her sister, Maybelle, who is four years older, is still living and residing in Sarasota, Fla.

The family attended St. Louis Besancon Parish in New Haven. Her schooling was a mixture between St. Louis Academy and School House No. 9, she said.

“There were no school buses back then,” Sorg explained. When the family had transportation, she was able to attend the academy that year. When they didn’t, she walked to the one-room school-house.

Her high-school education was at St. Augustine Academy in downtown Fort Wayne until Central Catholic High School was built where she completed her junior and senior years. Two weeks after graduation, she got



At 90, Marcy Sorg is active in her parish of St. Aloysius, Yoder, where she is an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist. She enjoys tending to her gardens, craftwork, baking, reading, doing crossword and jigsaw puzzles, playing cards and a good game of Scrabble.

a job at the public library in Fort Wayne. Next she worked as a secretary for a year at the Allen County Infirmary, where her father was the superintendent, and then during the World War II years she took a factory job with her sister at General Electric.

Not long after that, she met her future husband, Thomas Sorg, at a CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) function. He belonged to St. Aloysius Church, Yoder. They were married there in 1944 and raised 11 children — six girls and five boys.

“Remarkably, all of our children live in the Fort Wayne area except one son who is in Indianapolis,” Sorg said. All but two of their children also were married at St. Aloysius and, in addition, five of their families are parishioners. There are 45 grandchildren — one is deceased — 50 great grandchildren and one great, great grandchild. And Sorg knows all of their names, although admittedly, remembering that many names gives her some difficulty.

Her husband farmed and worked as a plumber for Fort Wayne Community Schools until his retirement in 1985 when they left the farm and relocated to a small house in Waynedale, a suburb of Fort Wayne, incorporated into the city. Thomas died five years ago. “We were married 63 and-a-half-years,” she said proudly.

One of many projects both

did in retirement was to build wooden toys. “He built them, I did the painting and decorating,” she quipped. Since he could build them faster than she could paint them, there are still some toys left to be worked on, she explained. Creating the toys got them into craftwork, a hobby she still pursues. “It’s almost a full-time job,” she added.

At St. Aloysius, Sorg has served as an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist at the altar for some 14 years. If it’s an emergency, however, she will take Communion to someone who is ill, she said. But she tries to just confine her driving to and from the parish, and in the Waynedale area. She’s a past president of the Rosary Sodality and served on the parish school board.

In addition to tending to several flower beds and her craftwork, Sorg enjoys baking, reading, doing crossword and jigsaw puzzles, playing cards and a good game of Scrabble. She’s not much for watching television except EWTN where she views the Mass nearly every day. And with such a large family there are many activities involving her children and grandchildren.

Last of all, Sorg enjoys sports — Notre Dame football in particular, basketball and high-school sports, especially involving Bishop Luers and Bishop Dwenger high schools when her children and grandchildren are involved in some capacity.

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An unlikely pair

BY MAY LEE JOHNSON

SOUTH BEND — To those who don't know them, they appear to be an unlikely pair.

A religious sister, Holy Cross Sister Susan Kintzele, known as Sister Sue, and the 15-year-old St. Joseph High School sophomore, Annie Johnson, have a bond like no other.

They are godmother and god-daughter, sometimes good friends and other times not so friendly, but they have a fierce love for each other. Sister Sue helped raise Annie from her infancy.

Recently Sister Sue celebrated a special milestone — her 50th jubilee at Our Lady of Loretto Church, where she was surrounded by her sister Sally, her family and, as always, her goddaughter Annie. The two special friends again renewed their friendship.

Sister Sue is a Michigan City native, and hadn't planned on a vocation in religious life. It was her sister, Sally Ankony, who sent away for the information on vocations. Sally is now a retired magistrate in LaPorte County.

After her first year at Saint Mary's College, Sister Sue answered the call to religious life. She became a member of the Sisters of Holy Cross in 1962. And for over 35 years she has ministered to inmates at the area jail as a bail bond person.

Sister Sue, who lives on the Saint Mary's College campus, helps inmates with financial means to post bond that gives them the opportunity to leave the St. Joseph



MAY LEE JOHNSON

At left Annie Johnson, 15, poses with her godmother Holy Cross Sister Susan Kintzele, a 71-year-old Sister of the Holy Cross who recently celebrated her 50th jubilee at the Church of Our Lady of Loretto at Saint Mary's, Notre Dame. Sister Sue and Annie have been together since Annie was one month old.

County Jail until their trial dates. She doesn't have to advertise because her number is written on the wall at the county jail.

"I can't be of much help to anyone who has been arrested for a serious crime anyway," she says, "partly because their bonds are too high for me to be of much assistance."

She interviews each prospective recipient. "I go to the jail two or three times a week and talk to three to five people each visit," she says. "I usually am only able to help a few people over a week's time."

She can also be seen dropping the young men off at their family's homes once they have been released.

"Sister Sue is one of a kind," said Minnie Wells, of South Bend. "She is honest and forward and those boys know her by name and face. They respect her when they won't respect anybody else. And trust me, that is something special."

Today she continues as bail bonds person and also teaches math

at Indiana University-South Bend.

While her bail bond ministry is important, back in 1996 an unexpected little person, Annie, came into her life and they have bonded for life. Annie can bring a smile to Sister Sue's sometimes stern face.

"Sister is like my mother and she bosses me around," said Annie. "I'm glad she is in my life. ... Now at age 15 I love her but sometimes I don't like her ways," Annie said laughing.

Sister Sue remembers the day she first set eyes on Annie.

"She was so cute and her head was bald," said Sister Sue. "I don't remember what attracted me to her, but I knew I wanted to help her be the best she could. What is special about her is that she means so much to so many. I call her 'the village child,' because so many have had a hand in rearing her. All I ever wanted to do was show her different places and things, and I have been able to do that for her. She is growing up to be a wonderful young woman."

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Sisters of Providence celebrate jubilees

SAINT MARY-OF-THE-WOODS — Twelve Sisters of Providence are celebrating various jubilees this year including Sisters Frances Joan Baker — 80 years; Sisters Joan Bodine, Beatrice Hoberg and Catherine Livers — 75 years; Sisters Mary Patricia Cummings, Francis Edwards, Eleanor Pierce and Marie Kevin Tighe — 70 years; Sisters Marilyn Baker, Jane Marie Osterholt, Martha Joseph Wessel and Therese Whitsett — 50 years.

The Sisters of Providence, a congregation of more than 350 women religious, have their motherhouse at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, located northwest of Terre Haute. St. Mother Theodore Guérin founded the Sisters of Providence at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods in 1840. Today the Sisters of Providence minister in 21 states, the District of Columbia, Taiwan, Singapore and China.

Seven jubilarians who served in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend are:

80th jubilee

Sister Frances

Joan Baker is a native of Washington, Ind., and entered the congregation on Jan. 27, 1932, from St. Simon Parish in Washington. She professed perpetual vows Aug. 15, 1939. She graduated from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College with a bachelor's degree in education and received a master's degree in education from Indiana State University.

Sister Baker served as teacher at St. John the Baptist School in Fort Wayne from 1974-1977. She taught in several other cities in Indiana as well as in Massachusetts, Illinois and North Carolina, and other capacities at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. She currently ministers in prayer at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



SISTER FRANCES JOAN BAKER

75th jubilee

Sister Jane

Bodine is a native of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods Village and entered the congregation Jan. 9, 1937, from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods Village Parish. She professed perpetual vows Aug. 15, 1945. She graduated from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College with a bachelor's degree in physics and received a master's degree in chemistry from the University of Notre Dame.

Sister Bodine served as teacher at Central Catholic High School from 1962-1964 and assistant principal in 1970. She served in several other cities in Indiana, as well as in Illinois and Missouri and currently ministers in prayer at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



SISTER JANE BODINE

70th jubilee

Sister Mary

Patricia Cummings is a native of New Albany and entered the congregation Jan. 7, 1942, from Holy Trinity Parish in New Albany. She professed perpetual vows Aug. 15, 1949. Sister graduated from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College with a bachelor's degree in education and received a master's degree in education from Indiana State University and a master's degree in religious studies from Spalding University.

Among the many ministries in cities across Indiana, sister served in Fort Wayne as teacher at St. Jude from 1948-1949. She currently ministers in prayer at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



SISTER MARY PATRICIA CUMMINGS

50th jubilee

Sister Jane

Marie Osterholt is a native of Celina, Ohio, and entered the congregation Sept. 17, 1962, from St. Hyacinth Parish in Fort Wayne. She professed perpetual vows Sept. 16, 1973. She graduated from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College with a bachelor's degree in elementary education and received a master's degree in religious studies from Marygrove College. She received a doctorate in ministry theology from Saint Mary of the Lake University. Sister ministered in Indiana as well as Michigan and Illinois. She currently is on sabbatical after having served as a general officer on the congregation's leadership the past five years.



SISTER JANE MARIE OSTERHOLT

Sister Catherine

Livers is a native of Loogootee and entered the congregation June 29, 1937, from St. John Parish in Loogootee. She professed perpetual vows Jan. 23, 1946. She graduated from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College with a bachelor's degree in education and received a master's degree in education from Indiana State University and a master's degree in ministries from Seattle University. Diocesan ministries include teaching at St. Augustine School from 1942-1945. Sister Catherine also ministered elsewhere in Indiana and in Illinois, Washington, D.C., North Carolina, New York and Kentucky. She currently serves in outreach ministry at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



SISTER CATHERINE LIVERS

Sister Eleanor

Pierce is a native of Chelsea, Mass., and entered the congregation July 20, 1942, from St. Rose Parish in Chelsea, Mass. She professed perpetual vows Aug. 15, 1950. She graduated from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College with a bachelor's degree in education and received a master's degree in education administration from Rivier College. Indiana ministries include teaching at St. Patrick, Fort Wayne, from 1951-1954. Sister also ministered in Illinois, Oklahoma, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire and Washington, D.C. She currently ministers in prayer at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



SISTER ELEANOR PIERCE

Sister Therese

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Trying and trusting and being so good ...

She came home in tears, my little ballerina. She wanted the part of Clara in the dance theater production of "The Nutcracker." So did about 37 other girls. Only one got the part of course, and that year it was not my daughter.

I don't normally throw celebrity quotes at my children. Because, well, normally I don't see most celebrities as particularly wise. However, there is one quote that seemed very appropriate for the moment, and which popped in my brain right then. It had been spoken by comedian and actor Steve Martin, of all people. I had happened upon an interview of him and heard the reporter ask what was his formula for success. He had replied with the quote that came to my mind that evening:

"Be so good they can't ignore you."

I repeated it to my daughter that night she came home in tears.

"There, there," I soothed, hugging her and running my fingers through her hair, "you are a beautiful dancer and you keep practicing hard."

Then I said it.

"You'll just have to *be so good that they can't ignore you.*"

Her eyes searched mine.

I explained, "You must be so good that they feel compelled to cast you as Clara. Do you understand? You must try so hard and improve so much that they feel they absolutely must put you in the role. You must excel not just at the audition but every day in class. They must see you willing to work hard. They must see you with a smile on your face and a determined attitude. You must execute the combinations with precision and grace. You must decide to have and maintain a happy spirit. You can't compare yourself with others and should focus solely on trying your best."

"It won't be quick and it won't be easy," I continued, "and



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it will take perseverance and of course there are no guarantees, but the only option here is to work so hard and do so well that they feel they simply must cast you. You must be so good that they are drawn to that."

She nodded slowly, seeming to take it all in. Then I hugged her.

Little Grace did work hard. Every time she became discouraged, I reminded her with a wink, "Be so good they can't ignore you." It got to the point that I would just begin

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Mom's first pedicure: The theology of thrift

In 1963 my mom was a second grader at St. Joe's in West St. Paul, Minn., when Sister Marie Pauline asked her to stay after school. The petite, habited teacher held a lined sheet of paper bearing the mandated header JMJ in No. 2 pencil. It was Mom's penmanship exercise. Then she turned the sheet over and pointed to the bottom third, which was blank.

"I think you should pray about not being wasteful," Sister Marie Pauline said.

So began Mom's education in waste-not-want-not theology, a Great Depression mentality stitched together by the Baltimore Catechism in an era of big families and small houses and cloaked nuns living out a vow of poverty with bare faces and flat shoes.

My mom never forgot the after-school reprimand. She went on to use cloth diapers on her babies, training us to get four blows out of one tissue and to ration squares of toilet paper. She reuses tea bags and breaks sticks of gum in half. She mines free bins at garage sales and combs drive-thrus for stray nickels. She is the queen of Walgreen's rebates.

Somewhere along the way Mom's cost cutting started to look like pleasure cutting, threatening to discount her own worth: a first-rate mother consigned to the second hand.

Throughout the course of my 20s, the gap between her lifestyle and mine has widened. I've kneeled at the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem; she's been to the Corn Palace in Mitchell, S.D. Mom didn't wear a lick of make-up on her wedding day; I hired a make-up artist to be a glamorous bride. The difference isn't an increment, but a leap. Is she depriving herself? Am I spoiled?

So this morning I took Mom to receive, at age 56, her first pedicure. Her freckled, size-8 feet have looked tired, her pinky toes, deeply creased.

Mom selected a copper polish — OPI's "It's my Prague-ative" — and I opted for a neon orange. "Do you have a coupon?" she whispered.

We slid onto our chairs, and the buffing began. "This is probably



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TWENTY SOMETHING

good for my circulation," Mom said.

A slim brunette arrived and was seated on my other side. She was stunned by Mom's late-in-life first: At 60, she said, she'd had hundreds of pedicures.

Once we moved to the nail dryers, Mom cited the Scripture that has fueled her frugality: St. Paul's exhortation to the Philippians to be content "in every circumstance" — wherever you are, whatever you have. To Mom, that meant being satisfied with the status quo: modest rambler, old furniture, artificial Christmas tree.

But at some point in her 50s she could see she may have taken it too far, becoming "austere," even. It was time for more fun, she said, to rejoice in a broader swath of God's creation. I've seen Mom pursue this: taking dance lessons, teaching herself harmonica and rock climbing in Alaska.

Our nails were dry by then, and I examined her smooth, soft feet. The toes of a teen on a middle-aged body!

Back home I Googled Philippians 4. Tinkering with my scrimp-splurge ratio feels like one of the more significant calculations of adulthood. I treat myself to a facial on every birthday, yet much of my wardrobe was gently used.

Turns out the sentence right before the "every circumstance" line tempers it all: "I know indeed how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance." A permission slip from St. Paul for an occasional pedicure.

Mom's email came at 9:06 p.m.: "I'd do it again!"

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In hardship, Jesus refreshes our souls



THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

MSGR. OWEN F. CAMPION

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Jn 6:41-51

The First Book of Kings provides this weekend's Liturgy of the Word with its first biblical reading.

Unified Israel's kings are the central figures in these books, however the prophets, such as Elijah, receive more prominent mention. This weekend's reading mentions Elijah. He wrote during the first half of the ninth century B.C.

In the reading, Elijah spoke in the first person. He is weary and discouraged. He even asks God to take his life. Then, he fell asleep. When he awoke, a hearth cake and a jug of water were at his side. He ate and drank. An angel came, indicating that this restoring sustenance was from God. The angel ordered Elijah to continue his journey. Elijah obeyed.

The second reading this weekend is from the Epistle to the Ephesians. This context surrounds all the epistles. Living the Gospel of Jesus was not easy in the first century. As the old theologians would have described it, the first Christians were beset by temptations from "the world, the flesh and the devil" at every side.

Christians in Ephesus faced a special challenge. They lived in a thriving seaport and commercial

center amid many vices and distraction. Ephesus also was a major pagan shrine. Pilgrims to its great temple to Diana, the Roman goddess, filled the city.

This reading is very practical. It calls upon the Christian Ephesians to rid themselves of all bitterness and anger, and to rise above gossip and malice. Then, rid of sin, it calls upon them to be compassionate and forgiving, noting that God had forgiven them.

St. John's Gospel is the source of the last reading. Jesus declares, "I am the bread that comes down from heaven." The audience does not accept this phrase well. They spurn Jesus. After all, they know Jesus as a neighbor and as a relative. It was difficult to see the Redeemer in someone so familiar.

The Lord then enters upon a discourse, one of the most magnificent passages in the New Testament. He is the only channel to God for humans. He will rise to new life "on the third day." It is important to note, when these words were spoken, the crucifixion was in the future.

Jesus continues. He speaks, and therefore God speaks. He says, "I am the bread of life ... I, myself, am the living bread." Anyone who consumes this bread attains everlasting life.

Reflection

Everyone can identify with Elijah, the prophet featured in the reading from First Kings. Whatever the circumstance, life for any of us can be wearying and distressing. Any of us can be reduced to desperation, as was Elijah.

In this realization, in the face of the quite human and very universal reality, the Church

speaks this weekend with great consolation and reassurance.

First, it recalls for us, through the first reading, that God sustains us and strengthens us. He sustained and strengthened Elijah, who was no dearer to God than are we.

Secondly, God has given us Jesus, the Son of God. Jesus is in our midst. He shares human nature with us. Born of Mary, a human, Jesus is as human as we.

Jesus is the "bread of life." Aptly this reading is associated with the Eucharist. The food mercifully given by God is more than material food, although it appears as bread and wine. It is the Body and Blood of the Lord. It refreshes our souls.

The last element in this weekend's lesson comes again from Elijah. Life continues — often with hardships. As disciples, seeking eternal life, we must continue our long walk to the mountain of God. More often than not, it will be walking uphill. God will give us strength. He awaits us with everlasting life and peace.

READINGS

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8 Ps 34:2-9 Eph 4:30 — 5:2 Jn 6:41-51

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c Ps 148:1-2, 11-14 Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Ps 45:10bc, 11-12ab, 16 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59, 61-62 Mt 18:21 — 19:1

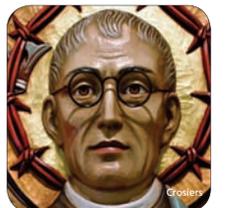
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63 (Ps) Is 12:2-6 Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19 Mt 19:13-15

Saint of the Week

Maximilian Kolbe

1894-1941
August 14



Raimund Kolbe, born in Russian Poland, was ordained a Franciscan, Maximilian Mary, in Rome. In the 1920s, he reopened a ruined Polish friary, started a Marian press and was diagnosed with tuberculosis. Despite his illness, he had successful Marian missions to Japan and India before returning to Poland in 1936. After the 1939 invasion of Poland, the Franciscans' criticism of the occupiers prompted the arrest of Maximilian and four others, who ended up in the Nazi death camp Auschwitz. Maximilian volunteered for martyrdom, taking the place of a married man being executed by starvation. This man was present at the saint's 1982 canonization. Maximilian is the patron of prisoners, journalists and others.

Fulton Sheen, apostle of television

A few weeks ago the Congregation for Saints' Causes recognized the life of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen as one of heroic virtue and granted him the title "venerable." It is a step toward beatification. He now needs a miracle attributed to his intercession to proceed.

Archbishop Sheen graduated from The Catholic University of America in 1920. He received his doctorate in philosophy from the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium, in 1923, and won the Cardinal Mercier Prize for International Philosophy, given once each decade. He then taught at The Catholic University of America from 1926 to 1950.

He was a force of nature. By 1940, in addition to his classes, he was meeting 150 speaking engagements per year. He also did the "Catholic Hour" radio show to which he first owed his celebrity. It was heard by millions from 1930 to 1950. Evangelist Billy Graham called him "one of the greatest preachers of this century." Catholic Church historian Msgr. John Tracy Ellis said Archbishop Sheen was the 20th-century's most famous Catholic preacher.

In 1951, Archbishop Sheen began his television career. His half-hour ABC show, "Life Is Worth Living," was a media sensation. The archbishop would talk straight through the show with no notes, no props — except his blackboard.

My earliest memory of television is sitting at my great-grandparents' home on Sunday evening, watching that program in black and white with my great-uncles and -aunts. Archbishop Sheen won an Emmy for Most Outstanding Television

Personality, besting Edward R. Murrow, Lucille Ball and Arthur Godfrey.

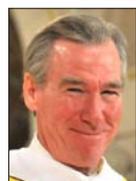
It's hard to imagine someone like Archbishop Sheen even appearing on television today, let alone winning an Emmy. Some might say he couldn't measure up to modern shows in entertainment value. I doubt this. I think it has more to do with the changed expectations of television audiences or producers. The archbishop's show demanded more of the viewer than today's programs, which viewers watch to be entertained or titillated (notice the passive voice).

The Sunday night lineup, where Archbishop Sheen once appeared, now runs such lazy fare as "Big Brother" and "Extreme Makeover: Weight Loss Edition." Until recently, it included "Desperate Housewives."

Compare this to a program Archbishop Sheen did in 1956 about gloom as a neurosis. He discussed the theme of despair in modern literature. He reminded viewers how French existentialist writer Jean-Paul Sartre's "No Exit" ends with the observation that "hell is other people," and observed that the intense egotism of such works leads to a curious kind of self-pity.

"Life is Worth Living" also came with a distinctive point of view. Archbishop Sheen argued for objective moral standards in society and maintained a certainty about religion. He condemned Josef Stalin and communism, famously presaging the Soviet leader's death one week before it happened. He denounced racism and the excesses of capitalism.

In today's television scene, the only permissible philosophical premise is that each person



JOHN GARVEY

INTELLECT AND VIRTUE

has his own truth. What's right or good for me may not be right or good for you, and that's OK. In a world governed by this assumption, the only necessary virtue is tolerance; and the only vice is hypocrisy.

A prophet like Archbishop Sheen would be out of place in such a world. Preachers like him appeal to people who think their lives have a meaning, that life's questions have true and false answers. Someone who is actively searching for those answers, not passively waiting to be entertained, will find real value in a half-hour of conversation with a thoughtful guide. And Archbishop Sheen earned his popularity, I think, by paying his viewers the compliment of supposing that that's what they were looking for.

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to hear her start complaining out of frustration and I'd say, "Grace ..." and she'd finish the sentence, "I know ... be so good they can't ignore you." In the beginning she would roll her eyes at that comment. Months later, she would smile. Pretty soon she stopped complaining altogether and simply pressed on.

Grace prayed every night that she would be good enough to be cast the part of Clara (if it was God's will of course) and every day she would practice as hard as her young body could. Weeks passed. Months. I watched Grace improve, not just physically in the execution of the particular ballet combinations, but in her attitude and outlook. She was genuinely happier with a more positive spirit. Her attitude towards schoolwork even improved. I kept thinking that

no matter what happened a lot of good was coming out of this challenge.

Secretly, I struggled a bit, though. I knew it was good to encourage Grace to do her best, but should she really be *praying* for this less than hugely significant intention? Surely God willed *every* little girl to have the happiness of being center stage. Why should I think mine was more deserving than others?

Ultimately I concluded that the experience was training Grace to work hard and simply trust God to determine the outcome. It was fine for her to pray for this intention, which was so dear to her little heart. Opening her heart to God on the matter would help her learn to trust God with all of her concerns. Whether she earned the part or not was not important. If she won I would help her accept with gratitude and humility. If she lost, I would help her with good sportsmanship, acceptance and resignation.

Fast forward to the happy outcome. Grace *was* cast in the part of Clara the following year. She squealed at the announcement. We gave each

other high fives. She was nothing short of ecstatic. "Thank you, God," I prayed that night, "for this little blessing for my girl."

Not everything will unfold to be her desired outcome, but in this case it did, and for that I'm grateful. I'm happy too to discover that even little girls are not too small to learn certain important truths about trying hard and trusting.

Pray as though everything depended on God. Work as though everything depended on you. — St. Augustine

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SCRIPTURE SEARCH

Gospel for August 12, 2012

John 6:41-51

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B: Jesus' hometown does not believe in him. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

THE JEWS	THE BREAD	DOWN
HEAVEN	JESUS	OF JOSEPH
FATHER	MURMURING	NO ONE
COME TO ME	DRAWS HIM	RAISE
LAST DAY	TAUGHT BY GOD	SEEN
FROM GOD	ETERNAL	THEY DIED
NOT DIE	FOREVER	FLESH

JOSEPH'S SON

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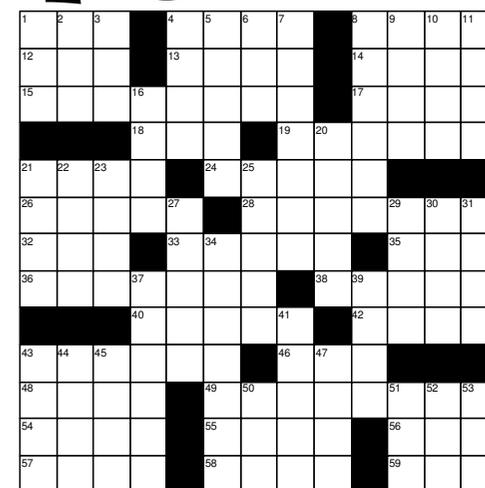
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Based on these Scripture Readings: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Jn 6: 24-35 and 1Kgs 19:4-8; Jn 6:41-51

ACROSS

- 1 Plead
- 4 Test
- 8 Froth
- 12 Holds ashes
- 13 Computer memory unit
- 14 ___ mater
- 15 Murmured
- 17 Be introduced
- 18 Compass point
- 19 Labor organizations
- 21 Capital of Western Samoa
- 24 Hebrew liberator
- 26 Panorama
- 28 Rakish

- 32 Sick
- 33 Manna looked like
- 35 Dog
- 36 More decrepit
- 38 Priest's confession garb
- 40 Take off
- 42 God's ___ Son
- 43 Type of gasoline
- 46 Enact
- 48 Jesus did on colt
- 49 Ate
- 54 Water pitcher
- 55 Joseph's bros did
- 56 To be
- 57 Hope
- 58 Elijah's broom

- 1 Insect
- 2 Sin
- 3 African antelope
- 4 Flows outward
- 5 Plant part
- 6 Did to the loaves
- 7 Snake haired women
- 8 Hunger
- 9 Fake butter
- 10 "Truly"
- 11 Welcome rugs
- 16 fleshpot food
- 20 Fox have dens; birds have ___
- 21 Name means "bird"
- 22 Heap
- 23 Island
- 25 Aromas
- 27 ___ with the Holy Spirit
- 29 Eastern saint image
- 30 Invalid
- 31 Not black
- 34 Practical person
- 37 Moses led them into
- 39 Children
- 41 Evangelist John's symbol
- 43 Sketched
- 44 American state
- 45 Eve's garden
- 47 Surrender
- 50 Neither's partner
- 51 Sticky black substance
- 52 Time period
- 53 Manna covered the ground like

Answer Key can be found on page 19

Sports

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Swimmer says having 'world's best' friends, family keeps her grounded

BY JULIE FILBY

DENVER (CNS) — For swimmer Missy Franklin, a rising senior at Regis Jesuit High School in Aurora, “there is nothing like wearing a cap with my country’s flag on it.”

“I always remember, though, that I’m not just representing the U.S. but also my family, friends, team, school and Colorado!”

She made those comments early this year in a Q-and-A interview with the *Denver Catholic Register*, newspaper of the Denver Archdiocese.

That was before she earned a spot on the U.S. women’s Olympic swimming team, before she was a gold medalist.

Ranked first in the world in the 200 freestyle and 200 backstroke, first in the country in the 100 freestyle, and second in the 100 backstroke, she was at that point still some months away from the Olympic swim trials in Omaha, Neb. She had just set a record-breaking performance at the girls’ 5A Colorado championship swim meet in Fort Collins.

It would be an understatement to say a lot has happened to her since then. The youngest member of the women’s swimming team, the 6-foot-1 Franklin won the gold medal in the

women’s 100 backstroke final July 30.

After her spectacular win, *Washington Post* reporter Janice D’Arcy called her “one of America’s new sweethearts” and said the teen “is rewriting the Olympic script” with the way she and her family have approached her training. Unlike so many athletes, Franklin has stayed with the same coach she has had since childhood and has remained part of her same swim club all these years.

When it comes to her high school teammates at Regis, Franklin told the *Register*: “I love swimming with my Regis Jesuit sisters. I’m so proud of each and every one of them. Nick Frasersmith, my high school coach; and Todd Schmitz, my club coach, worked together so I could fit high school swimming into my training.”

Franklin started swimming competitively when she was five years old. Asked how she has stayed grounded with all her success and the attention it has brought, Franklin said: “I have the best friends and family in the whole world.”

“I love being with them and having fun. My friends and I do all the usual high school activities including going to dances, out to see movies, and shopping,” she said.

At home, she and her parents, Richard and D.A. Franklin, “don’t



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Missy Franklin of the U.S. poses with her gold medal after winning the women’s 100 backstroke final at the London 2012 Olympic Games at the Aquatics Center July 30. Franklin is a senior at Regis Jesuit High School in Aurora, Colo., in the Denver Archdiocese.

talk about swimming, but enjoy just being together,” she said. The Franklin household includes Ruger, an eight-year-old Alaskan Malamute.

“We support each other and enjoy great family moments such as cuddling on the couch, in front of the fire, watching ‘The Sound of Music,’” she told the *Register*. “I have the best support system in the world.”

Franklin is not a Catholic, but she said life as a student at a Jesuit-run high school has her considering joining the Church.

“My experiences at Regis Jesuit have absolutely impacted my spiri-

tual life, in so many ways. I am considering converting to Catholicism; I’m currently Protestant,” she said.

“Going into Regis Jesuit, my faith was not a very big aspect of my life. Taking my first theology classes, going to my first Masses, going on my first retreats, I began to realize how important God is in my life and how much I love Him and need Him,” she continued.

Franklin said her relationship with God grew so much in her first three years at the school. “I am very happy with where I am with Him right now, although there is a lot of more work to do,” she added.

Her junior year really affected her. “I have had two of the best experiences of my life,” she said, referring to the annual Kairos retreat for juniors she attended and her participation in a two-week service project.

“Both of these changed my life,” Franklin said. “I am so thankful for Regis Jesuit, for they have brought God and so much meaning into my life.”

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SJRMHC, Peyton Manning Children's Hospital join together for foundation

MISHAWAKA — Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center (SJRMHC) and Peyton Manning Children's Hospital at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis announced today that they have established a formal affiliation to bring world-class pediatric healthcare services to northern Indiana and southwest Michigan. Beginning Sept. 1. Select pediatric specialists from Peyton Manning Children's Hospital at St. Vincent will provide specialty care at many of the SJRMHC Pediatric Specialty Clinics. This affiliation brings to the northern Indiana and southwest Michigan communities a world-class pediatric program that provides a unique and extraordinary experience of physical, emotional and spiritual care for infants, children and young adults working with Peyton Manning Children's

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"We are excited to bring together the strengths of SJRMHC and Peyton Manning Children's Hospital at St. Vincent to improve and expand access to the highest quality of healthcare services for every family in the region," said Albert Gutierrez, president and chief executive officer of Saint

Joseph Regional Medical Center. "Born from unwavering faith-based organizations, this affiliation will lay the foundation for a pediatric program that provides a unique and extraordinary experience of physical, emotional and spiritual care." "It is our priority to serve pediatric patients and families across Indiana, and we are honored to partner with Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center," said Kyle DeFur, president of St. Vincent Indianapolis Hospital. "Our pediatric specialists share the same mission and values of delivering exemplary family-centered care, and will continue this approach as we address the unique pediatric healthcare needs of communities within northern Indiana and southwest Michigan."



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Spaghetti dinner planned

South Bend — The Knights of Columbus Council 5570, 5202 Linden Ave., will have a spaghetti dinner Thursday, Aug. 9, from 4-6 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$2.50 for children 5-12.

Lincoln Highway Buy-Way sale announced

New Haven — A yard sale will be lined across Indiana, Ohio and several other Lincoln Highway states during the Lincoln Highway BUY-WAY yard sale Aug. 9-11. St. Louis Besancon Church, 15535 Lincoln Highway East, will participate in this event. Food and beverages will be available by the ladies of the parish. For more information call Beth Kline at (260) 623-6718.

Rummage sale

New Haven — The Fort Wayne-South Bend World Apostolate of Fatima will have a rummage sale Aug. 16-18 at 15412 Dawkins Rd. All proceeds will go towards the mission of spreading Our Lady of Fatima's message. Thursday, Aug. 16, and Friday, Aug. 17, sale hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturday, Aug. 18, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. For donation drop-off and pick-up questions, call Betty at (260) 749-9396.

Knights plan weekend festival

Fort Wayne — Knights of Columbus will have a Faith Family Fatherhood Festival Aug. 17-19, at Headwaters Park Pavilion. Go to www.kofcfestival.com for more information or call (260) 622-4042.

International Adoptions plans picnic

Kendallville — Parents inter-

ested in starting the international adoption process are invited to Hand In Hand's potluck picnic on Saturday, Aug. 11, from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Pownall Pavilion in Bixler Lake Park. Meet families who have already chosen this way of building their families. The park entrance fee is \$2. Call (260) 636-3566, or visit www.KidsWait.org to learn more.

Parish Picnic planned

Fort Wayne — St. Joseph Parish, Brooklyn Ave., will have a picnic Sunday, Aug. 26, from 2-5 p.m. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be served and there will be games for the children.

Corpus Christi plans picnic

South Bend — Corpus Christi Parish, 2800 Corpus Christi Dr., will have a picnic and raffle Saturday, Aug. 25, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Children's games, food, bingo and beer tent with music by "Soundstations" are planned. Call (574) 272-9982 for information.

St. Casimir plans picnic

South Bend — The St. Casimir Parish corn and sausage roast will be held on Sunday, Aug. 19, from noon to 5 p.m. A Kids' Corner and other "special" raffles will be featured. The Tim Deka Trio will provide music from 2-5 p.m. Tickets are \$1 each and available at the gate. Contact the parish office (574) 287-9551 for information.

Rummage sale planned

Pierceton — St. Francis Xavier Parish, 408 W. Catholic St., will have a rummage sale Friday, Aug. 24, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 25, from 8 a.m. to noon.

St. Hedwig Holy Name Society raffles ND season tickets

South Bend — The Holy Name Society of St. Hedwig Parish will raffle two Notre Dame Football season tickets Sunday, Aug. 24. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

Help wanted

South Bend — A part-time cashier is needed at St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store's Greenwood location. Visit myreach360jobs.applicants.com.

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BURMESE

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Father Dee De has resided at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne for the past three months where he not only ministers to the Burmese with a special Mass each Sunday in their native language, but offers the sacrament of Reconciliation and catechesis for young and old alike. "Before Mass I encourage them to come to Confession. That's really important," says Father Dee De, who explains that the Burmese parishioners gather for social time following Sunday Mass.

Father Dee De visits the homes of his flock as well and says they are "quite united" and "well taken care of" here in Fort Wayne.

The families from Burma take turns in each others' homes to join a family rosary recitation each weekend and Father Dee De feels that preaching and teaching is imperative for this group to grow spiritually.

"There is a need for spiritual guidance. ... They have a child-like faith. They really believe, but they don't understand their faith," says Father Dee De, who preaches



FATHER PETER DE DEE

to the Burmese about the lives of saints and devotional practices of the Church during his home visits.

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend has been identified in the ongoing influx of refugees as a place where the Catholic Church is open and welcoming. But Father Dee De's already widespread ministry extends beyond the borders of Fort Wayne to include 250 other Burmese refugees who live in the Indianapolis area and a smaller population in Ohio and Kentucky.

"I am in charge of the Midwest," Father Dee De says, adding that he has traveled to Minnesota and Iowa to assist with translation at Burmese weddings as well. Currently he has been traveling to Indianapolis to teach catechism to 13 young Burmese who will be baptized in August.

There are so many challenges the refugees face, but language is the most formidable barrier says Father Dee De, explaining the tribal system of his native land. "There are several tribes in Burma," in which a different dialect is spoken. Most of the Burmese in Fort Wayne, though from West Burma where the spoken language is Chin, can speak the national Burmese language. This allows them to not only communicate with Father Dee De, who also speaks Burmese, but among themselves as well, a feat that the Karen tribes living in Indianapolis have yet to master.

Many Burmese come from Malaysia where they have been

educated and know how to work. But two thirds of the Burmese come from refugee camps along the Thailand border, where their world was strictly limited.

"Their understanding is different from those outside," says Father Dee De. "In times of faith it is difficult to teach them."

Learning English would be most beneficial, especially for employment opportunities says, Father Dee De, who teaches his flock English when he can. "They need to speak English and get employment," he says, noting that half the refugees are unemployed due to the language barrier.

Many make a long commute to Logansport daily to work at Tyson Foods where English is not required. "Those employed go far away and would like jobs close by," says Father Dee De.

A portion of the Catholic Burmese children attend public schools due to transportation issues, but, notes Father Dee De, those who attend Catholic schools speak better English.

The most difficult challenge for the Burmese priest? "Even after three months here, there still is no time table," says Father Dee De. With so many refugees to minister to in such a widespread area, scheduling for Father Dee De is still chaotic. But he feels this ministry that he has been called to is divinely led and holds hope for the spiritual growth of his people saying, "I feel the faith formation is good here."

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