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At Easter pope calls Christians to be channels of mercy, justice, peace

BY CINDY WOODEN

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — With Jesus' Resurrection "love has triumphed, mercy has been victorious," Pope Francis said in his first Easter message "urbi et orbi" (to the city and the world).

"Let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation and make justice and peace flourish," the pope said after celebrating Easter morning Mass March 31.

Pope Francis offered special prayers for peace in Syria and the rest of the Middle East, for an end to violence in Africa — especially in Mali, Nigeria, Congo and the Central African Republic — and in Asia, particularly on the Korean peninsula.

He prayed for "peace in the whole world, still divided by greed looking for easy gain, wounded by selfishness which threatens human life and the family, selfishness that continues in human trafficking, the most extensive form of slavery in this 21st century."

Pope Francis said he would like to bring the good news of Christ's Resurrection to each person on earth, "to every house and every family, especially where suffering is greatest: in hospitals, in prisons."

Easter, he said, "means that the love of God is stronger than evil and death itself; it means that the love of God can transform our lives and let those desert places in our hearts bloom."

Easter dawned with blue skies and sunshine in Rome, but as the crowds gathered in St. Peter's Square, dark clouds began gathering overhead. Still, some 250,000 people gathered for the Mass, and thousands more arrived for the pope's "urbi et orbi" blessing.

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Pope Francis greets the crowd after delivering his Easter blessing "urbi et orbi" (to the city and the world) from the central loggia of St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican March 31.

Bishop Rhoades celebrates Easter, Triduum

BY TIM JOHNSON

The theme of "light" pervades the Easter Vigil. From blessing the Easter fire on the plaza of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, to blessing the Easter candles and singing three times "Christ our Light," with the response, "thanks be to God," to the singing of the "Exsultet" to the Scriptural readings of the night, the theme of light is evident.

"My brothers and sisters, our column of fire, our sacred cloud, is the Risen Christ, symbolized by the lighted Paschal candle," said Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades in his homily at the Easter Vigil Mass. "He is our light. The history of salvation, recounted in our readings tonight, culminates in the One who is the Light of the World. The Easter Vigil is fundamentally the celebration of the new creation in Christ."

Bishop Rhoades said, "The Resurrection is like a great explosion of God's light in history, an explosion of love: God's victory over the powers of darkness, over sin and death. And we can share in this victory, this new life. We can become new creatures. Is this not what happens in the sacraments of Christian initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist? These sacraments are the anticipation of the new world, its presence anticipated in our lives. We rejoice that our catechumens and our candidates will receive these sacraments tonight."

But all Catholics are called to renew their Baptismal promises, their commitment to follow Christ, "to build our life on Him and for Him, and to live His Gospel," Bishop Rhoades said.

"The light which breaks forth from His resurrection reveals the definitive victory of love, joy and life over evil, suffering and death," Bishop Rhoades concluded in his homily.

"May that light fill the souls of those who will now receive the sacraments of initiation!"

The Easter Vigil, the greatest night of the Church, was one of several Triduum and Easter liturgies Bishop Rhoades celebrated.

With just a little snow remaining on the north side of the cathedral grounds, hundreds gathered in downtown Fort Wayne for the celebration of the Easter Vigil with Bishop Rhoades.

The "mother of all Vigils" began at 8:35 p.m. on Saturday evening, a half-hour after sunset, as all gathered outside on the cathedral plaza.

Upon re-entering a darkened cathedral with the Easter candle, the candle light symbolizing the light of Christ quickly spread among the congregation holding individual votive candles.

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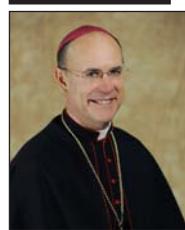
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Doubt and faith



IN TRUTH AND CHARITY

BY BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

This coming Sunday concludes the Octave of Easter. Blessed John Paul II entitled this Second Sunday of Easter "Divine Mercy Sunday" when he canonized Saint Faustina in the Jubilee Year 2000.

Each year on this Sunday we hear the Gospel passage from Saint John (20:19-31) about Jesus' appearance to the Apostles in the upper room on the first Easter night. The apostle Thomas was not present that night. Later, when the other apostles told him that they had seen the Lord, he did not believe them. He doubted their testimony to the Resurrection, saying: *Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.*

A week later, the Risen Jesus appeared to the Apostles again. This time Thomas was with them. Our Lord invited Thomas to put his finger into the nailmarks and into his side and said to him: *do not be unbelieving, but believe.* At that moment, Thomas pronounced probably the greatest profession of faith in the whole New Testament. He said to Jesus: *My Lord and my God.* Our Lord then proclaimed a Beatitude: *Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.*

This Beatitude is important and fundamental for all of us on our journey of faith. Another Thomas, Saint Thomas Aquinas, wrote: *Those who believe without seeing are more meritorious than those who, seeing, believe.*

Many perhaps can relate to the experience of the "doubting Thomas." We can experience, at different times in our lives, doubts about the truth of the faith. Sometimes these doubts can pertain to very fundamental articles of our faith: the existence of God; the doctrine of the Trinity; the divinity of Christ; the Resurrection; the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist; etc. Or they can pertain to particular moral teachings of the Church, on matters such as abortion, contraception, sexuality, etc. An increasing number of people are doubting the Church's teaching on marriage, not only its indissolubility, but even about its very nature as the permanent union of one man and one woman.

Doubt can trouble the conscience. Sometimes, doubt arises because of intellectual pride. Or it can arise because of particular trials and difficulties in life. The Catechism distinguishes between voluntary and involuntary doubt. *Voluntary doubt about the faith disregards or refuses to hold as true what God has revealed and the Church proposes for belief. Involuntary doubt refers to hesitation in believing, difficulty in overcoming objections connected with the faith, or also anxiety aroused by its obscurity. If deliberately cultivated, doubt can lead to spiritual blindness (CCC 2088).*

Voluntary doubt is truly dangerous. It is a violation of the first commandment which "requires us to nourish and protect our faith with prudence and vigilance, and to reject everything that is opposed to it" (CCC 2088). It is a sin against faith. Involuntary doubt, on the other hand, can be unwanted. This trial of



The Second Sunday of Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday. St. John's Gospel tells the story of Jesus' appearance to the Apostles in the Upper Room on the first Easter night. Thomas, who was not present that first Easter night, was invited the next week to put his finger in Jesus' nailmarks and His side. Thomas pronounced the profession of faith by saying, "My Lord and my God."

faith needs to be faced calmly and resolutely. But how?

One should examine the source of the doubt. Is it coming from something happening in one's life that really has nothing to do with the truth about God and our faith? Does it arise from resentment towards one's parents or other Catholics? Is it due to arrogance? Is it due to some perceived conflict or incompatibility between faith and science or reason? Thomas' doubt arose because he needed physical evidence to believe. The testimony of his brother apostles was not enough for him to believe.

Blessed John Paul II wrote a wonderful encyclical entitled *Faith and Reason*. It begins: *Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth.* The Church has always promoted what Pope Benedict once called "the natural friendship between faith and reason" and spoke of how faith is open to the effort of understanding by reason and "impels her towards vaster and loftier horizons." Rationalism, on the other hand, dismisses faith and closes reason to the fullness of truth, the mystery of God.

Some people's doubts arise from immature faith or erroneous understandings of the faith. I once met a man who had serious doubts about God and his love when he was facing a serious illness. He questioned whether God existed, and if he did, how could he allow him to suffer? Obviously, this man's faith had been lacking something essential: the reality and mystery of the cross! Some have their own ideas about God, false or narrow ideas, and their faith is shattered when God doesn't fit into their preconceived ideas.

Those who sincerely want to believe, but face struggles in believing, must look to the source of the doubt and work on it. If it is an

intellectual doubt about a doctrine of faith or morals, one must delve more deeply into that teaching of the faith through the rich writings of the Doctors (teachers) of the Church, great apologists, popes, etc. Often doubts can be overcome by serious study since we have such a rich and bountiful theological and philosophical patrimony.

At the same time, one must always be humble in the pursuit of truth. Faith is ultimately a gift from the Lord, so we must pray for that gift. We can pray simply: "Lord, increase my faith" or, "Lord, help me to overcome my doubt." I am convinced that the light of faith will always break through when we sincerely ask for that light. The important thing is to never give up. We all go through moments of darkness in our life of faith.

There may be many dark nights in our life of faith. Even Mother Teresa experienced such dark nights. But we must not lose confidence that God is always in the midst of our life, even if we do not feel his presence sometimes. This is true and mature faith, believing when not seeing nor feeling. We must not succumb to the temptation to lose faith, to lose trust in God's closeness. To be steadfast in faith, especially during dark times of trial, is a way to holiness. We must fight the temptation of the Evil One to lose faith. This is his ultimate attack on believers. In these situations, we must keep on praying and cry out to God, convinced that He is close, even if he seems silent.

May this Year of Faith help all of us to grow in our faith, allowing God's grace to illumine our minds and strengthen our hearts. And let us pray for those who lack faith, asking Saint Thomas the Apostle's intercession for them.

Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed!

Holy Week is time to follow Jesus in search of lost sheep, pope says

BY CINDY WOODEN

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Holy Week is a time to follow Jesus out of one's parish or group and out of one's comfort zone to go with Him in search of the lost sheep, Pope Francis said.

"There is such a great need to bring (people) the living presence of Jesus, who is merciful and rich in love," the pope said March 27 at his weekly general audience in St. Peter's Square.

The pope began very simply, saying in Italian: "Good morning. I'm happy to welcome you to my first general audience."

After Easter, he said, he will return to the audience series Pope Benedict XVI began on the creed for the Year of Faith, but he wanted to continue the tradition of speaking about the Holy Week liturgies on the Wednesday before Easter.

Unlike his predecessors, Pope Francis did not read greetings in a variety of languages. Reportedly not comfortable speaking English, he chose to stick to Italian and allow aides to translate his remarks. The Argentine pope did not even speak Spanish during the audience.

Introducing the Triduum liturgies that commemorate the Last Supper, Jesus' passion, death and resurrection, Pope Francis said Holy Week "is not primarily about pain and death, but about love and the gift of self that gives life."

Holy Week is a call to follow Jesus more closely, he said, which means going with Jesus "to the margins of existence, making the first move toward our brothers and sisters, especially those who are farthest away, those who are forgotten, those who have the greatest need for understanding, consolation and help."

Christians are called to be merciful as God is merciful, the pope said, reminding the crowd of the father in the story of the Prodigal Son: "Every day he goes out to see if his son has returned."

The pope said those who want to follow Christ "cannot remain in the sheepfold with the 99 sheep; we must go out, seek the lost sheep with Him."

"Someone might say, 'But Father, I don't have time.' 'I have too many things to do.' 'It's difficult,'" the pope said. "Often we settle for a little prayer, a distracted Sunday Mass or some gesture of charity, but we do not have the courage to go out to bring Christ to others."

Pope Francis said he is pained when he sees "so many closed parishes," churches locked except for Mass, and communities without a strong outreach to others.

However, he was very clear that following Jesus means bringing His merciful love to others, letting them know God is always



CNS PHOTOS/PAUL HARING

Pope Francis kisses a baby as he arrives to lead his general audience in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican March 27.



Pope Francis gives a thumbs up as he greets the crowd during his arrival for his general audience in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican March 27.

ready to forgive and that Jesus died for them, too.

Jesus, he said, did not ask people if they were a Jew or a Gentile, if they were rich or poor. He simply asked them what they needed, he said.

Jesus "healed, consoled, understood, gave hope, brought everyone the presence of God who is interested in every man and every woman, like a good father and a good mother toward each of their children," Pope Francis said.

The pope told the estimated 15,000 people gathered in St. Peter's Square: "Always go out. And do so with the love and tenderness of God, with respect and patience, knowing that we use our hands, our feet, our hearts, but it is God who guides them and makes our actions bear fruit."

The crowd included some 4,300 university students participating in an annual Holy Week pilgrimage sponsored by Opus Dei. At the end of the audience, he walked over to the section where many of them stood; his

hands were grabbed and kissed and he was pulled into big hugs.

A short red-headed woman, pressed by the crowd against a barrier, fainted as the pope was about to reach her. Security agents lifted her over the barrier and carried her to a first aid station.

Before the audience, groups of young people chanted in Spanish, "We are the pope's youth." Like at Pope Francis' first Angelus address, his inauguration Mass and his Palm Sunday Mass, many people held up homemade signs. One, written on a large pink heart, said, "Viva il papa" (Long live the pope). The woman handed it to the pope and he took it.

He rode through the crowd in the open popemobile, waving and giving groups a thumbs-up. He kissed several babies, although he only caressed the face of a little boy whose screams and kicks made it clear he wanted nothing to do with a security guard taking him from his mother to pass him to the man in white.



PUBLIC SCHEDULE OF BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

- Saturday, April 6 to Friday, April 12 — Co-Chair of Meeting of International Catholic-Reformed Theological Dialogue, Inn at Saint Mary's, Notre Dame
- Saturday, April 13, 10 a.m. — Confirmation Mass, Saint Mary of the Annunciation Church, Bristol

Call to Prayer for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty Holy Hour across the diocese

- Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 125 N. Harrison St., Warsaw, has a Holy Hour for the Bishop's Call to Prayer for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty on Sunday, April 21, at 9:30 a.m.
- St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 4916 Trier Rd, Fort Wayne, has holy hours all Fridays from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the chapel.
- Queen of Peace Parish in Mishawaka has an hour and a half (3:30 -5 p.m.) every Saturday of Adoration and Exposition prior to the Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m. They dedicate this time in honor of private prayer for the Call to Prayer for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty.
- St. Patrick, Walkerton, will host Adoration from 8:45 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on April 4, for the Call to Prayer for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty.
- St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Decatur, hosts Eucharistic Exposition on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 4:30-6 p.m. and on Thursday from 9-10 a.m. and 4:30-8 p.m. The parish asks participants to pray for the protection of marriage, religious freedom and unborn children.

Pope recognizes martyrs from communist, fascist regimes

BY FRANCIS X. ROCCA

Recognizes miracle of Sister Maria Teresa Bonzel, founder of Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — An Italian priest who died in a Nazi concentration camp and two victims of Soviet-bloc regimes during the Cold War were among those recognized as martyrs by Pope Francis March 27.

According to a statement released by the Vatican March 28, the pope authorized decrees stating that Franciscan Father Giuseppe Girotti, an opponent of Italy's fascist government who died at Dachau in 1945, was killed "in hatred of the faith."

Pope Francis likewise recognized the martyrdom of Romanian Father Vladimir Ghika and Hungarian Salesian Brother Stephen Sandor, who were killed by their country's communist regimes, in 1954 and 1953, respectively.

The decrees prepare the way for the martyrs' beatification, probably later this year.

Pope Francis authorized the Congregation of Saints' Causes to promulgate equivalent decrees

for Rolando Rivi, an Italian seminarian killed by communist partisans in 1945, during the last days of World War II; and for 58 persons, including the bishop of Jaen, killed between 1936 and 1938 during the Spanish Civil War.

The Church normally requires a miracle to be attributed to the intercession of a deceased Catholic before he or she may be beatified, but that requirement does not apply to recognized martyrs. A miracle is required before any blessed may be canonized.

Also on March 27, Pope Francis recognized a miracle attributed to German Sister Maria Teresa Bonzel, founder of the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration, who died in 1905.

Among the seven whom the pope recognized for their "heroic virtues" were Mexican Father Moses Lira Serafin, founder of the Missionaries of Charity of Mary Immaculate, who died in 1950; and Oblate Brother Anthony Kowalczyk, who was born in Poland but died in Edmonton, Alberta, in 1947. Brother Kowalczyk spent the last three-and-a-half decades of his life working as a blacksmith and gardener at a frontier school in western Canada.

Now recognized as "venerable," each is eligible for beatification if a miracle can be attributed to his intercession.

Three to be ordained to the Priesthood in Congregation of Holy Cross

NOTRE DAME — Three deacons of the Congregation of Holy Cross, United States Province of Priests and Brothers, will be ordained to the priesthood at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 6, at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on the campus of the University of Notre Dame.

Provincial Superior Holy Cross Father Thomas J. O'Hara will present Holy Cross Deacons Brian C. Ching, Mark F. DeMott, and Jarrod M. Waugh, for ordination. Bishop Daniel R. Jenky, Bishop of Peoria, Ill., will confer the sacrament of Holy Orders.

By professing perpetual vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, Deacons Ching, DeMott and Waugh have already committed themselves to the common life and the apostolic work of the congregation. As Holy Cross priests, they will minister the sacraments of the Church, making God known, loved and served throughout the world.

"All of us in the province are enormously proud of these three young Holy Cross men. Our prayers and support are with them as they prepare for this most sacred day," said Father O'Hara. "Each will be a blessing to God's people whom they will serve as priests of the Congregation of Holy Cross."

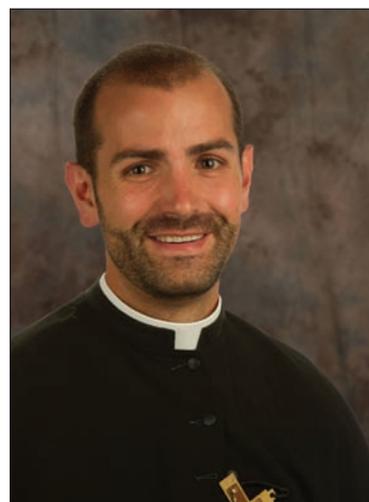
Brian Ching is the eldest of Debbie and Fred Ching's two children. Born in New York City, he grew up in Flushing, N.Y., first

encountering the Congregation of Holy Cross at Holy Cross High School, where he graduated from in 2003. He continued his education with Holy Cross earning a bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame in 2007 and a master of divinity degree from Notre Dame as well, in 2012.

Deacon Ching entered the Old College Undergraduate Seminary program at Notre Dame during his sophomore year in 2004 and spent a semester studying at the American College, a seminary administered by the American bishops in Louvain, Belgium. During his time at the Holy Cross Novitiate (2007-2008) in Cascade, Colo., Deacon Ching served as a volunteer chaplain with Penrose Hospital in Colorado Springs. He has also served as a religious education teacher at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Granger. Deacon Ching spent a year (2010-2011) as a seminarian intern at Holy Cross' St. John Vianney Parish in Goodyear, Ariz. During that year he worked with the RCIA program, prepared couples for Marriage and Baptism and preached regularly in a bilingual parish community. Deacon Ching professed first vows on Aug. 2, 2008, and final vows on Aug. 25, 2012. He is currently serving as a deacon at St. Joseph Parish, South Bend.



BRIAN CHING



MARK DEMOTT



JARROD WAUGH

"My hope for my future in Holy Cross is actually pretty simple: To serve the Lord and His people and to serve them well. What that service might look like, whether in a parish or on a college campus or in direct service to the poor, may well change, but so long as I get to serve the people of God, I will be happy as a Holy Cross priest," Deacon Ching said.

Father Ching's first Masses will be:

- St. Joseph Parish — 10 a.m., Sunday, April 7
- St. Kevin's Parish, Flushing, N.Y. — 10 a.m., Sunday, April 14
- Holy Cross High School, Flushing, N.Y. — 9 a.m., Monday, April 15

During his diaconate year, Mark DeMott has been serving as a residence hall director and campus minister at the University of Portland in Oregon, a Holy Cross university.

The eldest of five children of Dr. and Mrs. John and Jodi DeMott, Deacon DeMott was born in Kansas City, Mo., and grew up in Holland, Mich., where he graduated from Holland High School in 1998. He attended the University of Notre Dame, earning a bachelor's degree in 2002 and the master of divinity degree in 2007.

Since entering formation with Holy Cross, Deacon DeMott has served at a number of Holy Cross apostolates. His first assignment was as director of Christian formation at St. Joseph Parish, South Bend (2007-2008). He went on to serve at Parroquia Nuestra Madre

Santísima de la Luz in Guadalupe, Nuevo León, México (summer 2008); Penrose Main Hospital and Sacred Heart Parish in Colorado Springs (during his novitiate year in 2008-2009); Holy Cross and St. Stanislaus Parish, South Bend (2009-2010), where he served as director of liturgy and music; Saint Joseph High School, South Bend (2010-2011); and Holy Cross Lake View Senior Secondary School, Jinja, Uganda, where he was choir director and also taught chemistry and biology (2011-2012). Deacon DeMott professed his first vows on Aug. 1, 2009, and final vows on Aug. 25, 2012.

"I hope that life in Holy Cross will place me in real relationship with many kinds of people. I hope that it will challenge me to embrace the Gospel. I hope that it will draw me more closely into God's presence. And, I hope that sharing my journey with others will offer them the same," said Deacon DeMott.

Father DeMott's first Masses will be:

- Basilica of the Sacred Heart, University of Notre Dame — 11:45 a.m., Sunday, April 7
- Chapel of Christ the Teacher, University of Portland — 9 p.m., Sunday, April 21
- St. Francis de Sales Parish, Holland, Mich. — 10:30 a.m., Sunday, May 26
- Our Lady of the Lake Parish, Holland, Mich. — 9 a.m., Sunday, June 2

Jarrod Waugh grew up in rural southeast Kansas, graduating from

Labette County High School in Altamont in 2004.

The eldest of three children of Jerry and Carolyn Waugh, he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame in 2008 and a master of divinity in 2012. He lived in Keough Hall for two years and was active in campus ministry and the campus council of the Knights of Columbus before entering Old College as a junior in 2006. Deacon Waugh professed first vows on Aug. 1, 2009 and final vows on Aug. 25, 2012.

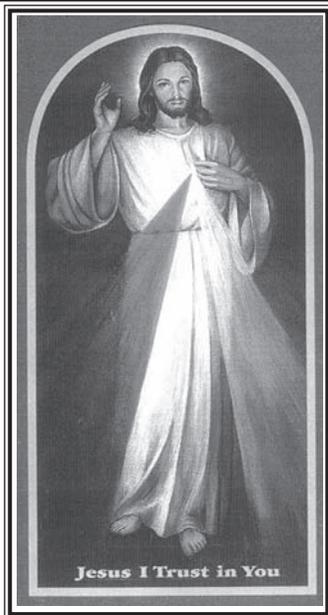
During his years as a Holy Cross seminarian, Deacon Waugh served as an adult Bible study catechist at Holy Cross Parish in South Bend (2007-2008); worked with the homeless at St. André Bessette Catholic Church, Portland (summer 2008); served as chaplain at Penrose Hospital during his novitiate year (2008-2009); Holy Redeemer Parish and School, Portland (January, 2009); at Holy Cross Family Ministries, North Easton, Mass. (summer, 2011); and served as assistant director of the Old College Undergraduate Seminary Program at the University of Notre Dame (2011-2012). Over the past year, Deacon Waugh has been at Christ the King Parish, South Bend, leading the RCIA team, serving as chaplain to third through fifth graders at the school, working on Baptismal and marriage preparation programs, chairing the Vocations Promotion Committee and assisting with visits to the sick and homebound.

"I get really excited when I think about what my future might hold in parish work or someday in another area of ministry. One of the reasons I joined Holy Cross is because of the diversity of personalities and talents of the Holy Cross religious that I have met over the years. We are definitely not all alike or cookie-cutter copies. I look forward to working with this talented and varied brotherhood in so many of the places where we minister," Deacon Waugh said.

Father Waugh's first Masses will be:

- Christ the King Parish, South Bend — 12:15 p.m., Sunday, April 7
- St. Patrick Parish, Parsons, Kan. — 11 a.m., Saturday, April 20.

21st Divine Mercy Celebration Sunday, April 7, 2013



Man
will not
be at peace
until
he comes to
My Mercy



Saint Faustina,
you have been given great graces
of mercy. Please pray for our
Catholic church, our country,
our families and the whole world.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

2:00 -2:45 PM Confessions... many priests available.

3:00 PM Mass

Prayer, Songs, and Divine Mercy Chaplet
Luncheon provided afterward by the parish.

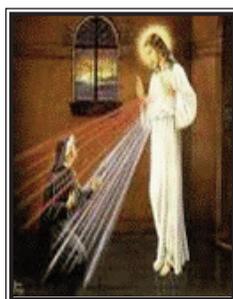
Videos on Divine Mercy will be shown during luncheon.

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Father Derrick Sneyd, Pastor
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Divine Mercy Sunday

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish
414 Madison Street • Decatur, Indiana



April 7, 2013
Come join us!

Sunday, April 7, 2013
1:00 p.m.

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Reconciliation • Rosary
- 2:00 Sunday Mass
- Divine Mercy Chaplet

"The soul that will go to Confession
and receive Holy Communion shall
obtain complete forgiveness of sins
and punishment" -Jesus to Faustina

Indiana Supreme Court upholds Indiana school voucher law

INDIANAPOLIS — School choice advocates experienced a major victory under the state capitol dome the final week of March as the Indiana Supreme Court rendered a March 26, landmark, unanimous decision upholding the 2011 choice scholarship law as constitutional. A day later March 27, state lawmakers in the Senate approve House Bill 1003 a proposal to expand the current statewide voucher program.

While HB 1003 has not made final passage, the Indiana Supreme Court removed a potentially major obstacle, the question of constitutionality of the original voucher plan, making expansion this year, and in years to come more possible.

"The court's decision is great news for families who are currently receiving vouchers and also for families and children who hope to get a voucher in the future," said Glenn Tebbe, Indiana Catholic Conference executive director. "Once and for all, this decision will put to rest the argument frequently raised by school choice opponents that the school scholarship law is unconstitutional."

Tebbe said, "We were confident going in, but the strength of the vote, as well as the written decision, just confirms everything

we have been saying about the voucher program."

Every point challenged by the plaintiffs was ruled constitutional, and "you don't always get that in a case of this magnitude."

The opinion stated, "We hold that the Indiana school voucher program, the choice scholarship program, is within the legislature's power ... and does not violate ... the Indiana Constitution." The justices also held that the law did not violate religious freedom and the states constitution's ban on tax funding religious institutions.

"The choice scholarship program is an attempt to even the playing field for low to moderate income families and offers parents' real choice," said Tebbe. "It is good public policy and I'm extremely happy with the Supreme Court's ruling."

A day after the decision, the Senate Education Committee passes a trimmed back version of the voucher expansion. A member of the panel, State Sen. Luke Kenley, R-Noblesville, who also chairs the Senate Appropriations committee, offered an amendment to HB 1003 removing portions of the voucher expansion, including the immediate kindergarten access provision. He told the panel members that after look-

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ing at the fiscal note prepared by Legislative Services Agency, he became concerned that the kindergarten eligibility provision alone would double the cost each year.

Kenley's amendment, which passed the panel 12-0, removes kindergarten eligibility requiring income eligible children to first attend a public school for two years. The amendment removes the preschool tax credit scholarship program; removes eligibility for children of military families and foster children.

The school choice expansion now includes access to a voucher for children with special needs and allows siblings of current voucher students to also be eligible to receive a scholarship. Students who are income eligible can receive a voucher as early as kindergarten if their home school had received an F on its state report card. The bill increases the

scholarship cap from \$4,500 to \$4,600 in fiscal year 2013-2014; and from \$4,600 to \$4,700 in fiscal year 2014-2015.

Gov. Mike Pence in his State of the State address reiterated his commitment and high priority to early childhood education. Early childhood education also was part of his roadmap to Indiana campaign. State Rep. Robert Behning, R-Indianapolis, author of HB 1003, told lawmakers earlier this year that the preschool scholarship tax credit program, and the voucher expansion to help military families, special needs and foster children were provisions initiated by the governor. With the exception of special needs children, the other priorities of the governor were removed from HB 1003 by the Senate.

"Even though the Senate made significant changes to the expansion," said Tebbe, "the bill could potentially be changed again," noting the session wasn't over yet.

Tebbe explained that the House will have an opportunity to "concur" or "dissent" on the Senate changes. If the House dissents on the Senate changes, HB 1003 will go to a conference committee. This four-member committee will iron-out the differences between the House and

Senate versions of the bill. Tebbe said if the bill goes to a conference committee, he is hopeful some of the provisions which were taken out in the Senate, could be added back to the bill before the end of the session.

The School Scholarship Act, the largest school voucher program in the country, passed in 2011, allows income eligible families to receive a partial scholarship to use to pay tuition at a nonpublic school of the families' choice. At last count by the Indiana Department of Education, that number doubled from last year from roughly 3,900 to over 9,000 for the 2012-2013 school year.

According to the national organization which tracks school choice, Alliance for School Choice, this school year, approximately 150,000 children nationwide are benefiting from 16 school choice programs in nine states and the District of Columbia.

Web Resources

For more information on pending legislation the Church is following go to the Indiana Catholic Conference (ICC) Web page at www.indianacc.org.

School, Church officials praise Indiana court for upholding vouchers

BY JOHN SHAUGHNESSY

INDIANAPOLIS (CNS) — Indianapolis archdiocesan officials praised the Indiana Supreme Court's unanimous decision March 26 that said the state's school voucher program is constitutional.

"It's great for our students and our schools, and it's great for the state of Indiana," said Harry Plummer, executive director of the archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education. "It's a major step toward an educational system that truly reinforces that parents are the primary educators of their children."

The court's 5-0 decision to uphold the nation's broadest school voucher program also drew praise from Glenn Tebbe, executive director of the Indiana Catholic Conference, the public policy arm of the state's bishops.

"I'm just really happy that Indiana's constitution provides for and allows for parental choice," Tebbe said. "It complies with the Church's understanding that parents are the first teachers, and have the right and responsibility to educate their children consistent with their values and their child's educational needs."

The combination of the Indiana school voucher program and generous donors in the archdiocese helped make it possible for 3,201 students

from families in need to attend archdiocesan Catholic schools during the 2012-13 academic year.

Statewide, more than 9,300 students received school vouchers during this school year, more than double the 3,919 students who received vouchers in 2011-12, the first year of the voucher system in Indiana.

The voucher program has had a major impact on Catholic schools that serve low-income families, according to G. Joseph Peters, associate executive director of the archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education. It has also benefited middle-class families with multiple children and it has strengthened diversity in Catholic schools.

"This has allowed a large number of families, many of them Catholic, to be able to choose Catholic education for their children for the first time," Peters said. "It has also allowed a number of our Hispanic families to choose Catholic education."

The Indiana Supreme Court ruled on a 2011 lawsuit filed by a group that included the Indiana State Teachers Association. The lawsuit argued that vouchers are unconstitutional.

Indiana Gov. Mike Pence also praised the court's decision.

"I have long believed that parents should be able to choose where their children go to school, regardless

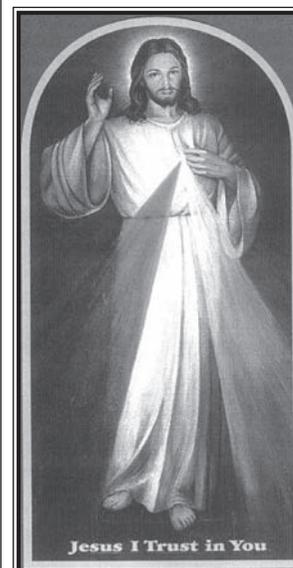
of their income," Pence noted in a statement. "Now that the Indiana Supreme Court has unanimously upheld this important program, we must continue to find ways to expand educational opportunities for all Indiana families."

Efforts to expand the state's school voucher program are already in motion in this year's session of the Indiana General Assembly.

While the law currently requires children to attend a public school for two semesters before receiving a school voucher, H.B. 1003 would remove that provision. According to the bill, current nonpublic school families and students entering kindergarten could receive a voucher to attend a nonpublic school if their family meets income-related guidelines.

The bill has already been approved by the Indiana House, and was scheduled to be debated in the state Senate March 27.

State-funded vouchers cover the tuition and fees at accredited private schools in Indiana up to a maximum of \$4,500 a year in elementary school and even more during high school. The amount of the vouchers could increase if H.B. 1003 becomes law.



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High court: Definition of marriage less a focus than who's defining it

BY PATRICIA ZAPOR

WASHINGTON (CNS) — In its second day of oral arguments about aspects of laws related to same-sex marriage March 27, the Supreme Court spent little time discussing the actual definition of marriage, focusing instead on issues of jurisdiction, state's rights, motives behind the federal Defense of Marriage Act and timing.

The highly anticipated cases — *United States v. Windsor* March 27 and *Hollingsworth v. Perry* March 26 — have stirred effusive national interest over whether the court will definitively rule on the legality of same-sex marriage. But the direction of both days of oral arguments focused little on what the definition is and more on who has the authority to define it.

As it did the day before, questioning from the justices reflected skepticism about the law being reviewed. Justice Anthony Kennedy, who often holds the deciding vote in close cases, joined Justices Stephen Breyer, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan in suggesting the Defense of Marriage Act, or DOMA, creates two classes of marriage in the country, those recognized by the federal government and those that are not. Ginsburg described the difference as that between regular milk and a “skim-milk marriage.”

DOMA was passed by Congress and signed into law in 1996. It said no state or political jurisdiction is required to recognize a same-sex marriage from another jurisdiction. Its Section 3 defines marriage as

between one man and one woman for the federal government's purposes, such as for Social Security benefits, federal programs, and federal estate and income taxes.

In 2011, when a handful of states had legalized same-sex marriage and about 30 had banned it, the Obama administration announced that the attorney general had determined that Section 3 is unconstitutional as applied to legally married same-sex spouses. The administration said federal agencies should continue to enforce the law, but that the government would no longer defend it in court.

The court spent nearly a full hour considering the unusual situation of DOMA being defended before the court by members of Congress, not the federal government, which typically would defend a federal law. The court could decline to rule on the merits of the case, by finding that the members of Congress lack jurisdiction over how a law they pass is enforced.

Because the administration is not defending DOMA, its defenders in this proceeding are a group of members of Congress, known as the Bipartisan Legal Advisory Group of the U.S. House of Representatives, known as BLAG.

Vicki Jackson, a Massachusetts attorney appointed by the court to argue against the case for considering the case on the merits of DOMA, told the court that “while it is natural to want to reach the merits of such a significant issue ... this natural urge must be put aside because, however important the constitutional question, Article III prevents its decision here and requires this court to await another

case, another day, to decide the question.”

She noted that the U.S. government got the ruling that it wanted in lower court. Between the two parties involved in the original lawsuit, the U.S. government and Edith Windsor, “there is there is no adversity, they're in agreement, and neither of them is asking this court to reverse or modify the judgment below.”

The court also heard from deputy solicitor general Sri Srinivasan, on behalf of the Obama administration's position that the court has jurisdiction to decide the case and Paul Clement, who represented the members of Congress who want the law upheld. Those discussions focused largely on who has jurisdiction to defend a federal law that the administration has decided is unconstitutional, but that has not been overturned.

The court then moved onto the merits of the claim by a New York woman who says she should not have had to pay a higher rate in inheritance taxes because she inherited the estate from her spouse.

While on one level the case is a dispute between a taxpayer and the federal government, on another, the top federal trial lawyer, the solicitor general, is arguing that DOMA is unconstitutional.

The law is being challenged by a New York woman, Edith Windsor, who inherited the estate of her spouse, Thea Spyer, upon her death. The two were partners for more than 40 years and married in Canada in 2007. When Spyer died, Windsor had to pay \$363,000 in federal estate taxes. Had her spouse been male, she would have been

exempted from that tax.

Much of the discussion in the court went back and forth about whether DOMA's approach of not granting any benefits of heterosexual marriage to those in same-sex marriages is an infringement on states' rights to define marriage.

Paul Clement, attorney for the Bipartisan Legal Advisory Group, said DOMA protects the government from situations that might arise if, for example, a couple in the military was facing a transfer from a state where their same-sex marriage is recognized to a state where it is not.

By keeping federal benefits uniform, the government avoids problems that might arise if such a couple was to resist a transfer to a state without same-sex marriage benefits, Clement said.

Kagan returned several times to questions about the original intent of Congress in passing the law, suggesting the motives were based on bias against same-sex marriage.

She read an excerpt from a House of Representatives report about the law, which said “Congress decided to reflect an honor of collective moral judgment and to express moral disapproval of homosexuality.”

Clement acknowledged the remark in the House report, and said “if that's enough to invalidate the statute, then you should invalidate the statute. But that has never been your approach” especially under the legal tests set by the court.

A previous case he cited holds a different example, Clement said, of “Look, we are not going to strike down a statute just because a couple

of legislators may have had an improper motive.”

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops was among about 30 organizations that filed friend of the court briefs in support of DOMA. Another 45 filed briefs arguing that DOMA should be overturned.

The USCCB said there is “no fundamental right to marry a person of the same sex. ... Specifically, civil recognition of same-sex relationships is not deeply rooted in the nation's history and tradition — quite the opposite is true.”

A day earlier, the court heard oral arguments in another case over same-sex marriage. *Hollingsworth v. Perry* addresses issues specific to California, where voters in 2008 approved a constitutional amendment barring same-sex marriage a few months after the state Supreme Court said it was unconstitutional to limit marriage to pairs of a man and a woman.

Questioning by the justices raised the possibility that they might toss out that case on the issue of standing, namely whether the people who put the ballot measure together have a legitimate right to stand up for the amendment in court.

Another possibility raised by the justices is that it's too soon for the court to decide whether same-sex marriage is constitutional. Justice Samuel Alito noted that the country had been debating the issue for less time than people have been using cellphones or the Internet.

Rulings in both cases are expected to be issued before the court adjourns for the term in late July.

Supporters of traditional marriage march to U.S. Supreme Court

BY CAROL ZIMMERMANN

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Thousands of people who gathered at one end of the National Mall March 26 in support of traditional marriage took their message to the U.S. Supreme Court as they walked and held aloft placards with signs saying: “Kids do best with a mom and dad.”

The court began hearing oral arguments that morning on the constitutionality of California's Proposition 8, the law banning same-sex marriage, the day before hearing oral arguments in a challenge to the federal Defense of Marriage Act.

Hours before and up to the minute the hearings began, the street in front of the court was filled with protesters on both sides of the same-sex marriage issue. Those in support of traditional marriage came to Washington with church or parish groups from nearby or had traveled alone or with one or two others from states across the country, including Massachusetts, New York, Minnesota and Florida.

When the groups dispersed,

those supporting traditional marriage continued their march back to the rally point on the mall where numerous speakers echoed the message that marriage should not be redefined.

Under sunny blue skies but chilly temperatures, those taking part in the March for Marriage cheered and applauded speakers who addressed the crowd from a platform under the banner: “Every Child Deserves a Mom and Dad.” The crowd, primarily adults, stood on muddy grass on the mall between the U.S. Capitol and the Washington Monument. Tour groups, including some on Segways, passed the group, and asked those on the periphery what the rally was about. A member of one family visiting Washington found out what was going on by looking it up on her smartphone.

Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone of San Francisco, chairman of the U.S. bishops' Subcommittee for the Promotion and Defense of Marriage and the event's first speaker, noted that all eyes were upon the country at this time.

“I want begin with a word to

those who disagree with us on this issue and may be watching us right now: We love you, we are your neighbors, and we want to be your friends, and we want you to be happy.”

He continued: “Please understand that we don't hate you, and that we are not motivated by animus or bigotry; it is not our intention to offend anyone, and if we have, I apologize; please try to listen to us fairly, and calmly, and try to understand us and our position, as we will try to do the same for you.”

He said the message of the day boils down to the concept that traditional marriage “matters to kids.”

“Only men can be fathers and only women can be mothers,” he added, noting: “I find it hard to believe I have to stand here and say that.”

He urged the Supreme Court justices for the “sake of the children” to “preserve the meaning of marriage in the law, a meaning common to every human society since the beginning of the human race.”

Other speakers similarly stressed the importance of preserv-

ing marriage as a union of one man and one woman.

Gia Coluccio, a recent graduate from George Washington University in Washington, stressed that contrary to what is often portrayed in the media, not all young people are in favor of same-sex marriage.

She stressed that young people need to realize that they can either “defend marriage or watch it be redefined.”

“It's OK to be countercultural,” she added.

Other speakers noted that this was an issue they intended to keep defending, no matter how the Supreme Court ruled.

As one speaker put it: “We are here to be the conscience of America.”

Archbishop Vincenzo Paglia, president of the Pontifical Council for the Family, sent a message praising Catholics' support for and participation in the march as a “witness to the beauty and value of Catholic belief and practice, which sees in marriage and the family a unique resource for the good of all humanity.”

The archbishop also said the

ecumenical character of the march was important because it demonstrated the importance many Americans see in the marriage, particularly on the day when the U.S. Supreme Court will begin hearing arguments in two cases involving the definition of marriage.

“I think it is important as well that the march is being held during Holy Week, because that time in the life of the church not only makes us more aware of the great sacrifice that Jesus made in giving his life for us, it also reveals how he did so in the context of relationship that are mirrored in the life of every family,” the archbishop wrote.

Archbishop Paglia's letter was addressed to Archbishop Cordileone and to Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Ind., chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth.

Contributing to this story was Cindy Wooden in Rome.

Angola St. Vincent de Paul receives grant money

ANGOLA — The St. Francis of Assisi Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Angola has received a \$500 grant from the Fort Wayne District Office of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. The grant assists in providing financial assistance to those in desperate or emergency need. It was announced on March 24, which is also the five-month anniversary of the Angola Conference.

"The timing of this grant was a real blessing," said conference president, Eric A. Reynolds. "Not only because it came on our anniversary, but because we are now starting to see just how widespread poverty is in Steuben County. We're now starting to see our first homeless clients who have fallen through the cracks and need money for hotel rooms while we find them a long-term place to stay, and that gets very expensive."

Also, the society delivered Easter lilies to Northern Lakes and Lakeland Nursing Homes on Williams Street to bring some Easter cheer to the residents. Upon hearing about this, the store director of Menards in Angola offered a donation of over 20 Easter lilies to the effort. The lilies were delivered by several society volunteers on March 26, along with prayers, personal visitations with the residents and a Mass celebrated by Father Bernie Zajdel of St. Anthony of Padua Church in Angola.

"I want to thank Menards in Angola for their generous donation of lilies," said Michelle Sanders, treasurer of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Angola. "They saved us over \$100, which can now be used for other needs, and provided a great service to the community."

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Angola can be reached at (574) 624-3577, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Digital Confession encourages international Catholics

SOUTH BEND — Little i Apps, LLC has announced the updated release of "Confession: A Roman Catholic App," the international best seller for iPhone, iPad, iPod touch and Android devices. Developed for those who frequent the sacrament and those who wish to return, this popular Confession helper now features push notification reminders, additional vocation choices, sin counts and updated examinations. In honor of the election of Pope Francis and the global renewal of the New Evangelization, the app is also now available natively in Spanish, Italian and Portuguese.

Little i Apps developer and cofounder, Patrick Leinen said, "This release is part of a long-term goal of our creative team to provide quality Catholic applications for the faithful. The user response to the original version of Confession was overwhelmingly positive. From assisting those who had fallen away for 20 years or more, to aiding our

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NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC BEE SEMIFINALIST



PROVIDED BY DARCEY VILAMAA

Dawson Vilamaa, a sixth grader at Sacred Heart School in Warsaw has been named the Indiana National Geographic Bee semifinalist by the National Geographic Society. The winner of the school-wide bee, Vilamaa's qualifying test score placed him in the top 100 scores to compete at the state level. The 2013 Indiana National Geographic Bee will be held at IUPUI in Indianapolis on Friday, April 5. The Bee is sponsored by Google and Plum Creek.

newest members of the Catholic community in taking part in the sacrament, to supporting regular attendees, the app became part of the faith journey of Catholics at every stage. This new version offers users additional features that will aid them in preparing for the sacrament of Reconciliation as well as offering many more Catholics around the world the opportunity to use the app in their native languages."

Dance Marathon raises a record \$100,000 for Riley Hospital for Children

NOTRE DAME — Saint Mary's College students have announced that a record \$104,374.83 was raised for Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis thanks to Dance Marathon. That is more than any single year in the eight years of marathons at the college. Mini Dance Marathons held at Marian High School, Bremen High School and Northridge Middle School contributed to the total. The figure was announced at the end of the 12-hour marathon, which wrapped up at 12 a.m. Sunday, March 24, in the Angela Athletic Facility.

"Seeing that number revealed at the end of the night was absolutely amazing," said Amy Tiberi, Dance Marathon president. "I can't even

put words to how proud I am of this year's Dance Marathon executive board, committees and dancers. Seeing the passion and dedication from college students for a cause bigger than this campus and even the South Bend community is such a humbling experience. Like I told them Saturday night, 'A lot more miracles will be made at Riley because of that number.'"

Dance Marathon supports the General Benefit Fund, which funds areas of Riley Hospital that have the greatest need, including clinical programs and medical research. Since Saint Mary's students brought Dance Marathon to the school in 2006, they have raised more than \$610,000 for Riley. The hospital treats children from all over the state, including the South Bend area.

Participants of Dance Marathon raise most of the funds through sponsors by pledging to stay on their feet for 12 hours and through the support of local businesses. Saint Mary's students, as well as University of Notre Dame and Holy Cross College students, take part. Throughout the event, local Riley families stopped by, often sharing their stories.

The marathon is the big finish after a year of fundraisers. This year Saint Mary's students organized a concert, a 5K run/walk, coupon book and apparel sales, and Give Back Nights at local restaurants where a

percentage of sales benefit Riley. The totals from all of these fundraisers and the mini Dance Marathons at the other schools are rolled into the Dance Marathon total.

St. John the Baptist holds prom

FORT WAYNE — St. John the Baptist will hold a technology fundraiser '80s prom titled "Almost Paradise" on May 11 in the St. John PAC from 7-11 p.m. Advance tickets are \$25 per person (must be 21), which includes heavy appetizers, prom picture by Vorderman Photography and dancing with deejay Dr. Feelgood. Recommended attire includes '80s themed formal attire and prom dresses. There will be casino games, Affine food truck and beer and wine available. Order tickets before April 24 and be entered to win a limo ride to the prom. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$30 the night of the prom. All proceeds support technology upgrades for St. John the Baptist School. For more information call (260) 456-3321. Make checks payable to St. John the Baptist School, Attn: '80s Prom and mail to 4500 Fairfield Ave., Fort Wayne, IN 46807.

EURO-CHALLENGE TEAM WINS REGIONAL COMPETITION



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The Saint Joseph High School Euro-Challenge Team won the regional competition in Chicago March 23-24. The team moves on to compete at the nationals in New York on April 11-12. The Euro-Challenge provides high school students with the opportunity to learn about the European Union and the euro. Saint Joseph's team of seven students made presentations answering specific questions about Italy. The following students are members of the team: Sofia Carozza, Nora McGreevy, Nora Kelly, Molly Clark, Vivan Crumlish, Greenan Sullivan and Nolan Liu. Julia Chismar and Phil DePauw serve as their coaches.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM



JOE ROMIE

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades washes the feet of seminarians, including J.D. Kimes, at the Holy Thursday Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne.



JOE ROMIE

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades processes with the Eucharist from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to the St. Mother Theodore Guérin Chapel for quiet prayer by the faithful on Holy Thursday.



KEVIN HAGGENJOS

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades venerates the cross at the Good Friday liturgy at St. Matthew Cathedral in South Bend.



JOE ROMIE

After blessing the fire on the plaza of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at the Easter Vigil, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades and the faithful begin a procession into the church.



JOE ROMIE

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades baptizes the infant daughter of Christopher Karami, who was one of three adults who were baptized, confirmed and received their first Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.



JOE ROMIE

The faithful hold candles at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception during the singing of the "Exsultet" at the Easter Vigil.

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The steps leading to St. Peter's Basilica and to the altar were decorated with thousands of flowers, trees and bushes. The Dutch flower growers' association provided 20,000 tulips, 10,000 daffodils and 3,000 white roses in addition to small birch, maple and mulberry trees.

Like his predecessors, Pope Francis did not give a homily during the morning Mass, but spoke during his "urbi et orbi" address about the significance of the Resurrection for individuals and for the world.

But unlike his predecessors, Pope Francis did not read quick Easter greetings in dozens of languages, although the brief phrases had been prepared for him.

Rather, in his message, he told people, "Jesus is risen, there is hope for you; you are no longer in the power of sin, evil."

Easter, the pope said, "is the exodus, the passage of human beings from slavery to sin and evil to the freedom of love and goodness."

However, he said, that passage must be renewed in every age and in every human heart.

"How many deserts, even today, do humans beings need to cross — above all, the desert within, when we have no love for God or neighbor, when we fail to realize that we are guardians of all that the Creator has given us and continues to give us," Pope Francis said.

"God's mercy can make even the driest land become a garden, can restore life to dry bones," he said.

Pope Francis urged people to join him in praying to be transformed by the power of God's love and mercy and to help "change hatred into love, vengeance into forgiveness, war into peace."

The morning Mass began less than 12 hours after Pope Francis had finished presiding over the nighttime Easter Vigil, lighting the Easter candle and processing into a St. Peter's Basilica lit mainly by the flashes of the cameras that people had been asked not to use.

During the Mass, he welcomed into the Catholic Church four men

between the ages of 17 and 30. The men from Albania, Italy, Russia and the United States were baptized, confirmed and received their first Communion at the Mass. The 17-year-old from the United States was identified as Anthony Dinh Tran.

In his homily for the vigil, Pope Francis spoke about how the women had gone to Jesus' tomb with sorrow and love to anoint His body.

But, he said, "something completely new and unexpected happens."

They find the tomb empty, and they are confused and afraid, the pope said.

"Doesn't the same thing also happen to us when something completely new occurs in our everyday life? We stop short, we don't understand, we don't know what to do," he said. "Newness often makes us fearful, including the newness which God brings us, the newness which God asks of us."

Like the women at the tomb, he said, often "we are afraid of God's surprises," yet, "he always surprises us."

"Dear brothers and sisters," he said, "let us not be closed to the newness that God wants to bring into our lives. Are we often weary, disheartened and sad? Do we feel weighed down by our sins? Do we think that we won't be able to cope? Let us not close our hearts, let us not lose confidence, let us never give up."

The risen Jesus is risen for all time, he said, meaning that His is forever victorious "over everything that crushes life and makes it seem less human."

Pope Francis said he knows there are many times in life when it is difficult to believe in the power of God to bring forth new life. It's easier, he said, to be like the women in the Gospel and "look for the living among the dead."

The women in the Gospel are told to remember their life with Jesus and the things He had said and done. Only then do they conquer their fear and share the news of the Resurrection with the other disciples.

"To remember what God has done and continues to do for me, for us, to remember the road we have traveled; this is what opens our hearts to hope for the future," he said. "May we learn to remember everything that God has done in our lives."

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Deacon Chris Lapp, who is scheduled to be ordained a priest this June, served several key roles in the liturgy: carrying the Easter candle, singing solo the "Exsultet," reading the Gospel, and remaining close at Bishop Rhoades' right side throughout the liturgy. Three adults were baptized, confirmed and received their first Holy Communion: Cristin Gimbel, Christopher Karami and Sarah Wright. Christopher Karami's infant daughter Olive was baptized in the same font as her father.

On Easter Sunday, Bishop Rhoades celebrated two Masses for the prisoners at the Allen County Jail in Fort Wayne.

Triduum celebrations

The triduum celebrations began Holy Thursday with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Rhoades at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

"It was no mere coincidence that Jesus gathered the Twelve Apostles on the feast of Passover to celebrate His Last Supper with them," Bishop Rhoades noted in his homily.

"For the Apostles and all the Jewish people, this was the feast of feasts," Bishop Rhoades said. "After God instructed Moses and Aaron how to prepare and eat the first Passover before the Exodus, He told them that that day would be a memorial feast for them and that all generations would celebrate it as a perpetual institution."

"Jesus chose this very important Jewish feast for the Last Supper," Bishop Rhoades continued. "It is significant that our Lord chose this feast that recalled the night when God freed Israel from slavery in Egypt for His Last Supper with the Apostles."

Bishop Rhoades said it is very striking that when reading the accounts of the Last Supper in the New Testament, the Passover lamb is nowhere mentioned.

"Instead of the Passover lamb, Jesus takes the unleavened bread and a cup of wine and makes them the principal part of the meal," Bishop Rhoades said. "Instead of the lamb, Jesus took the bread and called it His own Body. 'Take, eat; this is my Body,' Jesus said. Instead of the lamb's sacrificial blood, Jesus took a cup of wine and spoke of His own blood being poured out in sacrifice. He was re-enacting what would happen the next day, Good Friday. He broke the bread — His own Body would be broken on the cross. The cup of blood was poured out — His own blood — would be poured out on Calvary. Jesus was identifying Himself with the Passover lamb."

Bishop Rhoades noted, "The Holy Eucharist is the center of our life — it is the new Passover of the new covenant. Every time



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Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades celebrated Easter Masses at the Allen County Jail in Fort Wayne. He celebrated two Masses at the jail. The Mass with the male inmates is shown above.

we gather for Mass, Christ's Passover is made present: the sacrifice Christ offered once for all on the cross remains ever present in His Church, the new Israel."

After the homily, Bishop Rhoades demonstrated again Jesus' example of humble service at the Last Supper by washing, drying and kissing the feet of 12 diocesan seminarians seated near the front steps of the sanctuary.

The cathedral's tabernacle was empty with its doors wide open throughout Mass. After Communion, Bishop Rhoades, servers, choir and the congregation processed solemnly out the main doors with the Holy Eucharist, over to the St. Mother Theodore Guérin Chapel. The Holy Eucharist was venerated and then reposed in the chapel for Adoration. More than 50 Mass participants remained with the Holy Eucharist to pray, recalling Jesus' night of anguish in the Garden of Gethsemane before His crucifixion.

Good Friday was celebrated by Bishop Rhoades at St. Matthew Cathedral in South Bend.

Bishop Rhoades spoke of the death of Jesus on the cross.

"With the passion and death of Jesus, God's love for us, for humanity, is manifested in all its depth and intensity," he said. "The cross is the decisive proof of God's love. As St. Paul wrote: 'God showed His love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.'"

"God showed His solidarity with humanity, not only by becoming man, but by humbling Himself, as St. Paul wrote, even unto death, death on a cross," Bishop Rhoades added. "Jesus willingly carried the cross and embraced both physical and moral suffering, all for love of us, to liberate us from sin and death."

Bishop Rhoades recalled the presences of St. John at the foot of the cross: "He saw Jesus, the

Son of God, embracing in His human heart the Father's love for us, loving us to the end. He heard Jesus' prayer of pure love: 'Father, into Your hands I commend My spirit.' He saw Jesus bow His head and hand over the spirit, the Holy Spirit, the Spirit breathed forth to dwell in our hearts, also symbolized by the water that flowed from the pierced side of Jesus."

"On Golgotha, at the crucifixion, John saw God's inner life opened to us," Bishop Rhoades continued. "And he saw the world being reconciled to God. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit accomplish the single act of our redemption."

After Jesus' death, St. John saw the soldier thrust his lance into Jesus' side. He saw the blood and water immediately flow out from the pierced side of Christ.

"The Fathers of the Church saw this double outpouring of blood and water as an image of the sacraments of the Eucharist and Baptism, flowing forth from the heart of Jesus," Bishop Rhoades said.

"The most profound mystery of the Church is that of being the sacrament of Trinitarian love," Bishop Rhoades said. "We are a community of disciples rooted in the love with which Christ loved us. The Church was born from the pierced side of Christ, from His Sacred Heart. We, the members of His Body, the Church, are called to love Him and in Him, one another. This is the new outpouring that creates the Church and renews mankind."

He concluded the homily by noting, "On the third day, St. John would enter the tomb and find it empty. He who witnessed the climax of the revelation of God's love on Good Friday would also witness the triumph of that love on Easter Sunday."

Joe Romie contributed to this story.



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Pope Francis baptizes a young man during the Easter Vigil in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican March 30.

The joyful mysteries of married life

I was driving my daughters to ballet class last Monday. At a red light we spotted an older couple coming out of a diner. The man and woman were elderly, appearing to be in their 80s. He was dressed in khakis and a dark jacket. She was wearing a feminine coat and what my grandmother would have called sensible slacks. They were holding hands.

As we waited for the light to turn green, my girls and I watched the couple slowly hobble down the sidewalk. The gentleman was livelier in his step and every few moments he would pause, arm extended, and patiently wait for his companion (presumably his wife), who seemed to have trouble with one leg. It was sweet to see this juxtaposition of slow steadiness and dedication against the busy highway, full of cars whizzing by, and young people on the sidewalk, zipping past the older couple.

I smiled.

As I watched this pair momentarily, I couldn't help but think about the joyful mysteries of mar-

ried life — what makes a marriage last, how couples survive the tumultuous waves and assaults against them in modern society, how married love helps individuals become their best selves, with opportunities to grow in unselfishness, devotion and an increase in faith over the years.

The joyful mysteries of married life, I pondered, even seem to correspond with the joyful mysteries of the rosary. Many of the lessons are the same:

The first joyful mystery is the Annunciation. The Angel Gabriel comes to Mary and asks her to be the Mother of God. Mary's "fiat," her "yes" to God in faith, not knowing the specific details of the plan, is a great example to married couples. Through her "yes," Mary cooperated with God to bring Jesus into the world. Married couples can learn a lot from Mary in this first joyful mystery.

In faith, on their wedding day, a couple takes a solemn vow to honor, love and be faithful until death. The purposes of their marital union are



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unitive (joining them in friendship and pulling them toward heaven) and pro-creative (open to life, begetting and educating children). In faith, the man and woman promise to be true to their vows, not knowing the specifics of what the future holds. Their initial "yes" to one another, and daily "yeses" thereafter bring about their fulfillment and the fulfillment of a family. A married couple's stability is the fertile soil for the healthy development of their children. Their love ensures their children's security, and in demonstrating love for one another they

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Euthanasia avoided

In the State of Michigan, where I have practiced medicine for 30 years, euthanasia (is) illegal. However, my clinical experience with patients who ask for physician-assisted suicide has been frequent. My last case of a patient's request for assisted euthanasia has some elements that illustrate why euthanasia should remain illegal.

Desire for Euthanasia Patient X had many of the common problems often cited as reasons to justify euthanasia: He had terminal cancer; in fact, his other physicians were correct when they told him he had less than a month left to live. He had significant pain; it took intravenous medication to control his pain. He had difficulty breathing; his cancer would fill his chest with fluid, compressing his lungs. He expressed that he felt as if he was drowning with each breath he took. Drainage of this fluid was painful and invasive and became necessary on a near daily basis. Thus, some might say that the patient's request for enough pills to be left on his bedside to ensure that he never wake up again might seem reasonable.

He had accumulation of large amounts of edema in all of his extremities. This edema not only caused pain but restricted movement and added to his negative self-image. His blood pressure was difficult to control. He required assistance with all functions of daily living. He believed that the money to care for him could be better spent on someone else.

From the beginning, the patient said that he would never consent to being kept alive in the condition to which he had now degenerated. He was an outstanding advocate for a right of self-determination, including a "right to euthanasia." And his attorney, who was present for many of our discussions, agreed with him.

After I explained that it was illegal to assist him in euthanasia, the patient allowed the nursing staff and me to begin pain management for him. He had feared that pain control would come with mental dullness, and it had been complicated to convince him that this was not true. Trust improved when pain control improved, and it involved several days of trials of medications, some with doses too low to be fully effective.

My unstated strategy during these days was simply to stall, keeping him in the hospital until he would accept the aid and comfort he deserved. He did have a legal right to ignore my medical advice and leave the hospital. For the first 10 days, he made it clear that he would use his gun as soon as he could get home. Thus, my stalling was expressed to him by me as a need to get him stable enough to allow him to go home.

My stalling strategy allowed

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the use of our greatest weapon against evil: prayer. An urgent request to multiple prayer groups was answered by a slow change of his heart. As more of his medical issues were managed and his comfort improved, his request to leave for home to his hand gun began to change; they were now accompanied by a sly grin and a clear twinkle in his eye.

He soon agreed to stay in the hospice center until he would die a natural death. The next day he reached out to his son, with whom he had not spoken for 30 years. They were able to reconcile, and patient X died a day or two after this reconciliation.

A dignified Death

The refusal of euthanasia to patient X allowed for many goods to be accomplished. After his death, I learned that for many years his greatest fear was rejection. By showing him respect, even though he voiced ideas that he knew were unacceptable to me, he grew to understand that I would never abandon him, and we developed a beautiful relationship. His reconciliation with his son, even though it was at the last hours before his death, was a great joy for him. It was also a source of joy for his son, and surely it will be for the rest of his son's life. The nursing staff felt good that, finally, their skills were accepted by the patient and that they had made a difference in his life. A lifetime of pushing people away before they might reject him had finally been undermined.

Our discovering this man's fears and needs, while trying to address them, gave this man peace at the time of his death. Hopefully by reading about him, more people may see through the lie that euthanasia is a "right to be protected." Killing any innocent life is always a great evil, even when the life one wants to take is one's own.

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The risen Christ is with us still



THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

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2nd Sunday of Easter Jn 20:19-31

The Acts of the Apostles supplies this weekend's first reading. The first several chapters of Acts are fascinating since they so well depict the life of the early Christian community in Jerusalem. This depiction begins with the story of the Lord's Ascension itself and proceeds forward.

Vitally important in the life of the community in Jerusalem was the leadership of the Apostles, with Peter as their head. The people held them in great esteem. Such status of the Apostles was not surprising. After all, Jesus had called the Apostles individually, commissioning them to continue the work of salvation after the Ascension.

In this reading, the Apostles work many miracles. When Peter moved among the sick, merely to lie beneath his shadow was enough to be cured of sickness or infirmity. It is a very powerful description of Peter's place in Christianity.

The implication is clear. Jesus did not leave the Christian body without guidance nor without access to God's grace. The Acts says that the Apostles, again with Peter as the leader, came together with the community for the "breaking of the bread," for prayer, for providing aid to the needy and for healing the sick.

For its second reading, the Church provides a passage from the Book of Revelation. In the reading, John, the author of Revelation, assumed by tradition to have been the Apostle John, tells of being in exile on the island of Patmos in the Aegean Sea. He said that on the Lord's Day, or Sunday, the day of the Resurrection, he had a vision of Jesus. Jesus ordered John to write about what John saw.

St. John's Gospel provides the last reading. It begins with an appearance of Jesus before the Apostles. The Lord brings them peace. He then empowers the Apostles to forgive sins. Jesus says that if they forgive, sins are forgiven.

Next comes the familiar story of the doubtful Thomas. Other Apostles had seen the Risen Lord, but Thomas had not seen Jesus. Thomas insisted that he would not believe until he personally could touch the wounds of Christ.

When Jesus appeared before the Apostles, Thomas saw the wounds. He proclaimed Jesus as "my Lord and my God."

The reading ends by stating that Jesus performed many other miracles. The crucified Lord lived.

Reflection

Only a week ago, in celebrating the feast of Easter, the Church joyfully and excitedly proclaimed to us its belief that Jesus was risen. He lives! To emphasize the meaning of this pronouncement, the Church gave us the liturgy of the Easter Vigil, the very summit of the Church's entire year of formal worship.

This weekend, just a week after Easter, the Church hurries to tell us that the Risen Christ is with us still, visibly, tangibly and dynamically.

Christ still is present with us through the Apostles. The Church does not just say that the Apostles came after the Lord. They represented the Lord.

In the second reading, from the Book of Revelation, we are told of John's extraordinary encounter with the Risen Lord.

John's Gospel, in the third reading, continues this process of reporting the Lord's granting to the Apostles the very power of God itself, by giving them the ability to forgive sins. As sins affront God, only God can forgive sins. Yet Jesus conveyed this power to the Apostles.

Thomas is important to the story. He doubted, not an unusual human reaction to the amazing assertion that Christ had risen from the dead. Then Thomas saw Jesus and uncompromisingly believed.

The Church is saying that we today encounter Christ through the Apostles. Through the Apostles the Lord heals and redeems us. It is a clear and direct self-testimony of the Church's own sense of its identity.

READINGS

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Ps 40:7-11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-9 Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20 Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34:42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21

Cross-centered Catholic renewal

In a Sistine Chapel homily, given to the cardinals who had elected him pope the evening before, the new bishop of Rome, reflecting on the dialogue between Jesus and Peter at Caesarea Philippi (Matt 16:13-25), challenged those who had just laid a great cross on his shoulders to deepen their own commitment to Christ crucified:

“... The same Peter who has confessed Jesus Christ says to Him, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. I will follow You, but let us not speak of the cross. This has nothing to do with it. I will follow You with other possibilities, without the cross.’

“When we walk without the cross, when we build without the cross and when we confess Christ without the cross, we are not disciples of the Lord: we are worldly, we are bishops, priests, cardinals, popes, but not disciples of the Lord.

“I would like that everyone ... should have the courage, truly the courage, to walk in the presence of the Lord, with the cross of the Lord; to build up the Church upon the blood of the Lord that was shed upon the cross; and to confess the only glory — Christ crucified. And in this way the Church will move forward.”

That challenge to the cardinal-electors applies to every Catholic, as Preface I of the Passion of the Lord reminds us:

“For through the saving Passion of Your Son, the whole world has received a heart to confess the infinite power of Your majesty, since by the wondrous power of the cross Your judgment on the world is now revealed and the authority of Christ crucified.”

Easter is the axial point of history: the moment when God demonstrates that His creative purposes have been vindicated — redeemed — such that the entire cosmic drama of creation, redemption and sanctification will be brought to its proper conclusion in the New Jerusalem, at the Wedding Feast of the Lamb. No Easter, no Easter faith; no Easter, no Church; at Easter, history and the cosmos are re-ordered to the trajectory intended for them “in the beginning” (Gen 1:1). Still, the Church remembers throughout Lent that there is no Easter without Good Friday. Good Friday is not an accidental prelude to Easter; Good Friday is the essential, divinely-ordered gateway to Easter.

This has always been hard to accept, as we see from the dialogue at Caesarea Philippi to which Pope Francis referred in his post-election homily. We would have arranged things differently; we would have chosen another kind of Messiah — that theme runs like a bright thread throughout Lent, in the readings from the Old and New Testaments that the Church assigns to the liturgy during the 40 days, so that the Church can ponder again the full panorama of salvation history. And as the Holy Father suggested in the Sistine Chapel, the temptation to deny the cross is perennial; moreover, it is at the root of the Church’s failure to be the credible witness it must be, if the world is to be offered friendship with Jesus Christ.

There is much that needs reforming in the Church; and true reform, as I describe it in “Evangelical Catholicism” (Basic Books) is always Christ-centered and mission-oriented. True reform



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gives fresh expression to the truth of Christ crucified; true reform equips the Church for the more effective proclamation of Christ crucified. That expression and proclamation ought to be done with joy, for we are living on the far side of Easter. But Easter can never be emptied of the Passion and Death of the Lord; Easter faith must be faith built on an embrace of the cross.

So in venerating the cross on Good Friday, in the first Holy Week of a pontificate of reform and renewal, let the entire Church remember the truths expressed in what we may imagine as the first papal encyclical: “Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in His steps. ... He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed (1 Pt 2: 21, 24).

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law. This mystery demonstrates the Holy Family’s humble obedience to God, even in their privileged position. Married couples can learn from this mystery the importance of following God’s commands in their married and family life.

The fifth joyful mystery is the Finding in the Temple. Married couples can learn that misunderstanding is a part of life and trust and faith are the answers. In a broader sense they can understand how important it is to “search” for Jesus in their own families.

A moment at a spotlight on Monday, offered me a chance to ponder the mysteries of married life, and how they are not unlike the joyful mysteries of the rosary. A married couple that follows the examples of the rosary’s joyful mysteries in their daily lives can find depth and meaning, and a growth in faith, resulting in deeper joy in their marriage.

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model Christ’s own love for His Church, and the Church’s reception of that love. Like Mary, the couple says “yes” in faith, and trusts God to do His work in them.

The second joyful mystery is the Visitation. Mary goes to visit her cousin Elizabeth, who is pregnant with John the Baptist. Mary is not self-absorbed with her own pregnancy, but chooses to serve rather than be served. She demonstrates hospitality even in her own need.

Married couples can learn from Mary that their relationship must be one of service toward each other. Service can be demonstrated in big ways, such as in heroic sacrifices, but in small ways as well, such as a husband making coffee for his wife in the morning or a wife rubbing her husband’s feet after a long day at work. A couple follows the joyful mystery by putting his or her spouse’s needs above his or her own, steadily, day after day, looking first to see what can be done to serve the other.

The third joyful mystery is the

birth of Christ. From the birth of Christ is demonstrated the manifestation of God’s love for mankind. God sent His Son to earth for man’s salvation. A human baby is not divine, of course, but he is a gift nonetheless, to the married couple, to society at large, and to the child himself.

Through the mutual self-giving of man and woman in married love, God creates a new human being. God could have individually created each new human person without the collaboration of man and woman, but He chose to involve earthly parents in the process.

Married couples can learn from the third mystery of the awesome nature of their vocation, the deep love God has for them and for families, and of the respect and reverence due to one another. Married couples also learn the preciousness of each and every child. As Jesus was born in a humble stable and God provided to the Holy Family all its needs, married couples can learn to trust God for what they need and depend upon His generous provision, even in seemingly impossible times.

The fourth joyful mystery is the Presentation. This is when Joseph and Mary take baby Jesus to the Temple, as prescribed by Jewish

SCRIPTURE SEARCH

Gospel for April 7, 2013

John 20:19-31

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday), Cycle C. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

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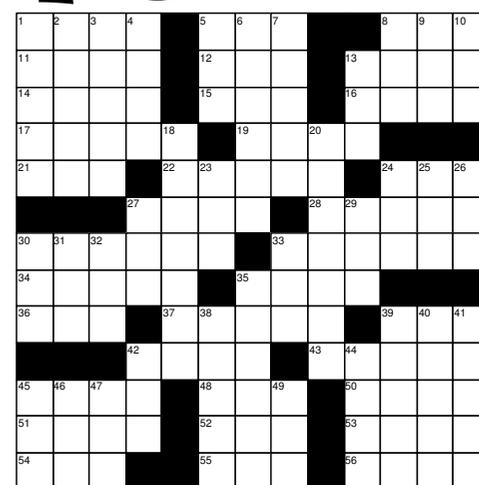
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The Cross Word

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Based on these readings: Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; John 20: 19-31 AND Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rev 5: 11-14; John 21:1-19

ACROSS

- 1 Wet
- 5 Clock time
- 8 Those who make the food laws (abbr.)
- 11 Tub spread
- 12 Imitate
- 13 Impact
- 14 First Gospel
- 15 Yang’s partner
- 16 Haul in net
- 17 Master of ceremonies
- 19 Wander
- 21 Chinese sauce
- 22 Jesus rose on ___ day
- 24 Female (abr.)

DOWN

- 27 “___ Child is This?”
- 28 Abp. Romero
- 30 Terrified
- 33 Handles
- 34 Rodeo animal
- 35 Jesus’ 1st miracle site
- 36 Seed bread
- 37 Before
- 39 Clever
- 42 Evils
- 43 German engraver Albrecht
- 45 “___ not”
- 48 Shriill bark
- 50 Lug
- 51 Jesus did from dead
- 52 East northeast
- 53 4 living creatures said
- 54 Pen stuff
- 55 Representative
- 56 Trying
- 1 Cathedral roofs
- 2 “Remember the ___”
- 3 Sunday after Easter
- 4 Stab
- 5 Defray
- 6 “Receive the Holy ___”
- 7 General meaning
- 8 ___ shot (2 wds.)
- 9 Labor dept.
- 10 Punching tool
- 13 Metronome marking
- 18 Moral
- 20 Graced
- 23 Held
- 24 Farm credit adm. (abbr.)
- 25 Have breakfast
- 26 Married woman
- 27 Pallid
- 29 Tiberias water
- 30 Abridged (abbr.)
- 31 Cook with oil
- 32 ___ v. Wade
- 33 Sticky black substance
- 35 Trigonometric function
- 38 Aviator
- 39 Incense scent
- 40 He jumped out of the boat
- 41 Fad
- 42 Anger
- 44 Mormon State
- 45 Friday (abbr.)
- 46 Billion years
- 47 “___ and ye shall receive.”
- 49 High-school club

Answer Key can be found on page 15

All Diocese Team

Today's Catholic joins the Serra Club in sponsoring the All-Diocese Team, highlighting athletes from Catholic high schools in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. These student-athletes are recognized in character, sportsmanship, leadership, athletics and Catholic values. The athletes are selected by their coaches.

Marian High School

Boys' basketball



Devin Cannady, sophomore, guard



Demetrius Jackson, senior, guard, St. Joseph, Mishawaka

Girls' basketball



Erin Guzicki, junior, guard, St. Matthew



Kaitlin Barnard, senior, guard/post, St. Pius X

Wrestling



Austin Fitzpatrick, junior, 160 lbs., Christ the King



Brandon Hyndman, senior, 170 lbs., St. Vincent de Paul, Elkhart



Joseph Walter, senior, 182 lbs., St. Joseph, Mishawaka

Girls' swim



Margaret Pendergast, senior, 100 fly/200 IM, St. Matthew



Josephine Cressy, senior, 50 free/100 breast stroke, Sacred Heart, Notre Dame



Shannon Hendricks, sophomore, 100 breast stroke/100 butterfly, Christ the King

Boys' swim



Stephen Rice, senior, diver, St. Matthew



John DeVreese, junior, 100 breast stroke/400 free relay, St. Monica



Matthew Schoen, junior, 100 fly/200 IM, St. Matthew

Saint Joseph High School

Boys' basketball



Ryan Brown, senior, guard



Connor Edmonds, senior, guard, Christ the King

Girls' basketball



Nicole Przybyslawski, senior, guard, St. John the Baptist, South Bend



Nicole Francoeur, junior, forward, Corpus Christi

Wrestling



Nolan Cassoday, senior, 145 lbs., Holy Family



Jake Kazmierzak, senior, 195 lbs., Holy Family



Mark Rymcza, senior, 126 lbs., Christ the King

Boys' swim



Chris Bals, junior, 100 breaststroke, Corpus Christi



Trevor Carroll, senior, 200 freestyle



Justin Knobloch, junior, 500 freestyle

Girls' swim



Kaitlyn DelleDonne, senior, 200 free relay



Courtney Jenkins, sophomore, 200 free relay, St. Anthony de Padua



Meghan Cohoon, junior, 200 free relay, Christ the King



Meg Lloyd, sophomore, 200 free relay, St. Joseph, South Bend

Bishop Dwenger High School

Gymnastics



Kaitlyn Coffee, senior, St. Charles Borromeo



Therese Pointsatte, senior, Our Lady of Good Hope

Wrestling



Ben Evans, senior, 182 lbs., St. Patrick, Arcola



Logan Parrish, senior, 138 lbs., St. Vincent de Paul



CJ Bostwick, senior, 170 lbs.



Shawn Ryan, senior, 285 lbs., Queen of Angels

Girls' swim



Erica Evans, sophomore, 50 and 100 freestyle, St. Patrick, Arcola



Marissa McDonald, senior, 200 IM and 100 backstroke, St. Vincent de Paul



Sarah Coffee, senior, 100 butterfly, St. Vincent de Paul

Boys' swim



Dillon Oswald, senior, 100 butterfly 100 breast-stroke, St. Vincent de Paul



Kevin Wuest, sophomore, 50 and 100 freestyle, St. Charles Borromeo



Dana Baldus, 201 medley relay, freshman, St. John the Baptist, Fort Wayne

Girls' basketball



Addie Reibold, junior, forward, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



Allison Butler, junior, guard, St. Vincent de Paul

Boys' basketball



James Blackmon, junior, guard



Matt Harris, senior, guard, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Wrestling



Noah Johnson, freshman, 152 lbs., St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



Everett Green, senior, 195 lbs.



John Knapke, sophomore, 220 lbs., St. Joseph-Hessen Cassel



Adam Murphy, sophomore, 200 IM and 100 backstroke, St. Vincent de Paul



Julia Hayes, 202 medley relay, senior, St. Mary, Fort Wayne

Boys' basketball



Grady Eifert, junior, forward, St. Vincent de Paul



Casey Baldus, senior, 203 medley relay, St. John the Baptist, Fort Wayne

Boys' swim



John Fink, senior, 400 freestyle relay, St. John the Baptist, Fort Wayne



Alex Maldeney, freshman, 401 freestyle relay, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



Joey Mullins, freshman, 402 freestyle relay, St. Joseph, Fort Wayne



Andres Sundberg, freshman, 403 freestyle relay, St. John the Baptist, New Haven

Gymnastics



Faith Miser, senior, all around, Most Precious Blood



Kyle Hartman, sophomore, guard, St. Jude



Ryan Christman, sophomore, guard, St. Jude



Ally Christman, senior, guard, St. Jude



Alyssa Gibson, senior, forward, St. Charles Borromeo

Bishop Luers High School

Girls' swim



Carly Grabner, freshman, 200 medley relay, St. John the Baptist, Fort Wayne

Young authors from Catholic schools share their writing



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Pictured from left are Alexis Kintzele, Natalie Moore, Louise Borden (author), Jade O'Brien and Kate Bellia.

SOUTH BEND — Saint Joseph High School in South Bend hosted the 29th Annual Young Authors' Conference for elementary students in grades kindergarten through 6 on March 23. The conference began at 9 a.m. with a gathering in the auxiliary gym.

Suzanne Wiwi, principal of St. Joseph Grade School, opened the conference with a prayer and an introduction of guest author, Louise Borden, entertainer, Frances Luke Accord, and parent-presenters, Melissa Green and Pam Regnery, teachers at the school. The conference offered students an opportunity to share a piece of their own writing work with their peers.

The morning had three 40-minute sessions: meeting author Louise Borden, hearing about her journey as an author and what inspires her to write children's books, enjoying sights

and sounds from the folk-pop duo Brian Powers and Nicholas Gunty (Frances Luke Accord), and sharing the children's work in a small group setting facilitated by adult group leaders.

While students discussed their writing, parents attended a presentation titled, "Memoirs: Writing Memories with Kids," led by Melissa Green and Pam Regnery.

The event was \$5 per student. Additional funding for the conference is made possible by way of proceeds made at the event's on-site book sale.

This year, families chose from a wide range of Louise Borden's books that included, "Caps, Hats, Socks, and Mittens," "A Book about the Four Seasons," "The John Hancock Club, Sea Clocks," and more. Borden participated in a book signing and stayed until the last book was signed.

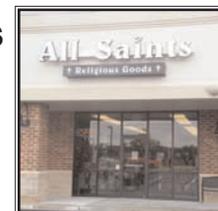
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Image on Turin shroud is reminder of God's love, pope says

BY CINDY WOODEN

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Gazing upon the image of a crucified man on the Shroud of Turin, Catholics contemplate Jesus and are called on to remember His great love for them and for all who suffer, Pope Francis said.

The face on the shroud "has eyes that are closed; it is the face of one who is dead, and yet mysteriously He is watching us, and in silence He speaks to us," the pope said in a video message broadcast March 30 on Italian state television.

The pope's message was part of a special Holy Saturday exhibition of the shroud as part of the Year of Faith.

According to tradition, the

14-foot-by-4-foot Shroud of Turin is the linen burial shroud of Jesus. The shroud has a full-length photonegative image of a man, front and back, bearing signs of wounds that correspond to the Gospel accounts of the torture Jesus endured in His passion and death.

Housed at Turin's cathedral, the shroud usually is kept from public view in a specially designed, high-tech case to prevent its disintegration and other damage. Put briefly on public display on Holy Saturday, the shroud was the centerpiece of a prayer service where the sick were the special guests, read the prayer petitions and were the first to venerate the holy image.

The entire service was broadcast live on the main channel of

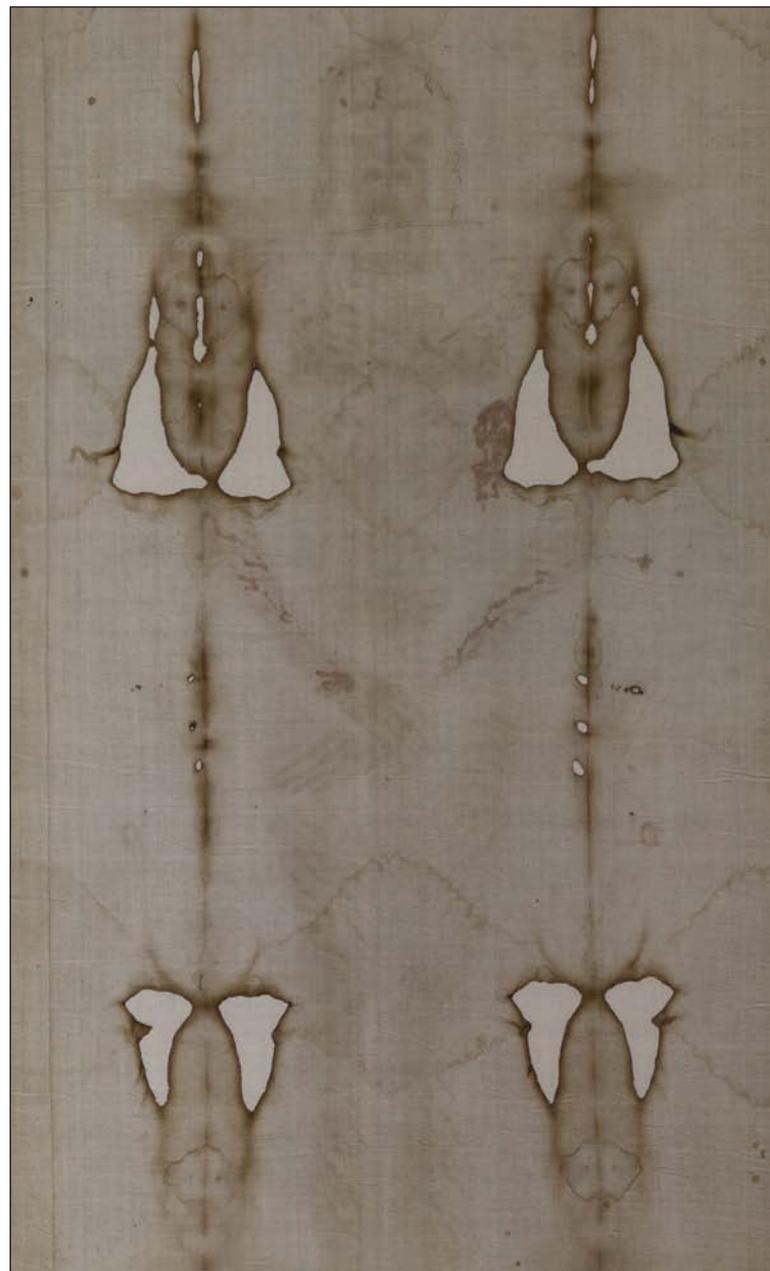
Italian state television.

"This image, impressed upon the cloth, speaks to our heart and moves us to climb the hill of Calvary, to look upon the wood of the cross, and to immerse ourselves in the eloquent silence of love," Pope Francis said in his message.

"This disfigured face resembles all those faces of men and women marred by a life which does not respect their dignity, by war and violence which afflict the weakest," the pope said. "And yet, at the same time, the face in the shroud conveys a great peace; this tortured body expresses a sovereign majesty."

Pope Francis said the "restrained but powerful energy" of the image calls people to have faith and never lose hope because "the power of the love of God, the power of the Risen One overcomes all things."

The pope ended his message reciting a prayer that St. Francis of Assisi was said to have recited before the crucifix: "Most High, glorious God, enlighten the shadows of my heart, and grant me a right faith, a certain hope and perfect charity, sense and understanding, Lord, so that I may accomplish your holy and true command. Amen."



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The Shroud of Turin is seen on display in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Turin, Italy, in this 2010 file photo.

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Dinner for Father Solanus Food Basket
Fort Wayne — The Sacred Heart and St. Henry's St. Vincent de Paul Society's annual dinner for the Father Solanus Food Basket will be Saturday, April 27, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 601 Reed Rd. Deacon John Hilger will be the featured speaker and his wife, Mary, will create artwork while John speaks, which will be auctioned off later in the evening. A silent auction, 50/50 raffle and door prizes will be offered. Tickets are \$30 per person with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m.

NFP classes offered
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Mass and dinner for friends
South Bend — Friends of St. Adalbert School will have a Mass and potluck dinner Saturday, April 20, at 5 p.m. at St. Adalbert Church and Heritage Hall. The bilingual Mass will feature school children and alumni. Bring a dish to share for the potluck dinner. For information contact Linda Cornett at (260) 637-6329 or

SaintAdalbertAlumni@gmail.com. RSVP is helpful but not required.

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Pope Francis to live in Vatican guesthouse, not papal apartments

BY CINDY WOODEN

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Francis has decided not to move into the papal apartments in the Apostolic Palace, but to live in a suite in the Vatican guesthouse where he has been since the beginning of the conclave that elected him, said Jesuit Father Federico Lombardi, Vatican spokesman.

“He is experimenting with this type of living arrangement, which is simple,” but allows him “to live in community with others,” both the permanent residents — priests and bishops who work at the Vatican — as well as guests coming to the Vatican for meetings and conferences, Father Lombardi said March 26.

The spokesman said Pope Francis has moved out of the room he drew by lot before the conclave and into Suite 201, a room that has slightly more elegant furnishings and a larger living room where he can receive guests.

The Domus Sanctae Marthae, the official name of the guesthouse, was built in 1996 specifically to house cardinals during a conclave.

Celebrating Mass March 26 with the residents and guests, Pope Francis told them he intended to stay, Father Lombardi said. The permanent residents, who had to move out during the conclave, had just returned to their old rooms.

Pope Francis has been there since his election March 13, taking his meals in the common dining room downstairs and celebrating a 7 a.m. Mass with Vatican employees in the main chapel of the residence.

He will be the first pope in 110 years not to live in the papal apartments on the third floor of the Apostolic Palace.

In 1903, St. Pius X became the first pope to live in the apartments overlooking St. Peter's Square. The apartments were completely remodeled by Pope Paul VI in 1964 and have undergone smaller modifications by each pope since, according to “Mondo Vaticano,” a Vatican-published mini-encyclopedia about Vatican buildings, offices and tradition.



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This photograph, taken March 9, shows the view through a doorway of the living room in the residence where Pope Francis has stayed since his election at the Vatican. The pope has decided not to move into the papal apartments in the Apostolic Palace, but to live in a suite in the Domus Sanctae Marthae, the guesthouse built in 1996 to house cardinals during a conclave.

The large living room or salon of the apartment is located directly above the papal library where official audiences with visiting bishops and heads of state are held.

Pope Francis will continue to use the library for official audiences and to recite the Angelus prayer on Sundays and holy days from the apartment window overlooking St. Peter's Square, Father Lombardi said.

The apartments contain a chapel, an office for the pope and a separate office for his secretaries, the pope's bedroom, a dining room, kitchen and rooms for two secretaries and for the household staff.

When Pope Francis returned to the guesthouse after his election,

Father Lombardi had said the move was intended to be short-term while a few small work projects were completed in the papal apartments. He said March 26 that all the work had been completed, but at least for the foreseeable future, Pope Francis would not move in.

The Domus Sanctae Marthae, named after St. Martha, is a five-story building on the edge of Vatican City.

While offering relative comfort, the residence is not a luxury hotel. The building has 105 two-room suites and 26 singles; about half of the rooms are occupied by the permanent residents. Each suite has a sitting room with a desk, three chairs, a cabinet and large closet; a bedroom with dresser, night table and clothes stand; and a private bathroom with a shower.

The rooms all have telephones and access to an international satellite television system.

The building also has a large meeting room and a variety of small sitting rooms. In addition to the dining room and the main chapel, it also has four private chapels, located at the end of hallways on the third and fifth floors of each of the building's two wings.

Student's crucifix art project wins award



PROVIDED BY GWEN O'BRIEN

St. Pius X, Granger, fourth-grader Jade O'Brien stands with her sacred artwork of a crucifix.

GRANGER — St. Pius X fourth-grader Jade O'Brien is a very busy girl and always involved in some project at home that includes art, crafts or Lego.

O'Brien surprised her mother Gwen in late November of 2012 when she asked to purchase some tools. Gwen was reluctant to buy the then nine-year-old a saw, hammer and nails, but she gave in. Along with tools, she bought a small bag of balsa wood and also offered some two by fours left over from a home renovation.

O'Brien spent close to three hours in the basement working on her project after which she called her family to see her creation.

The family members, including middle sister Grace, dad Terry and Gwen were amazed at what they encountered. O'Brien had created a four-foot high crucifix with a corpus made of balsa wood. Google images of the crucifix were used by the young artist to guide her in her work.

The family shared photos of O'Brien's work with her art teacher, Anne Bostwick, who suggested she paint it and display it at March to the Arts at the school on March 20. As O'Brien put the final touches on the crucifix, the family learned of Bishop John M. D'Arcy's death. She asked to create a plaque dedicating her project to his memory.

All of this — the project and the dedication — came from Jade's

heart and her strong faith. At March to the Arts, O'Brien was surprised to receive the (Leonardo) da Vinci Award for her project.

At the event, many teachers and parents approached O'Brien and her family with encouraging words.

Sister Marie Heppler, second-grade teacher at St. Pius X remarked, “Looking at the crucifix invited me to look deeper into the heart of Jade and see the pure and simple desire and willingness to share what is important to her. The piece itself leads one to reflection.”

“When a task is approached openly, our ears and heart are open to listen to the Holy Spirit. I believe Jade has that gift,” Bostwick, her art teacher, added.

St. Pius Principal Elaine Holmes said, “When I first looked at Jade's project I was taken back by the beauty of it. I was amazed that one of our students created this beautiful demonstration of our faith. Of course, I thought for sure that a middle school student designed it and then when I realized it was Jade I was just in awe that as we approached the most holy week of the year in our faith, a fourth-grade student could create such a beautiful symbol of it.”

The crucifix will be hung prominently in the O'Brien's home, serving as a reminder that faith is the center of the family and that it can be demonstrated in the most unexpected ways.



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