

# TODAY'S CATHOLIC

Volume 90 No. 13

50¢

TODAYSCATHOLICNEWS.org



## April is Child Abuse Protection Month

*Introducing a four-part series*

Page 3

## Perpetual light shine upon her

*EWTN remembers*

*Mother Angelica*

Page 5

## Two new priests

*Congregation of Holy Cross*

*ordains two new priests*

Page 6

## All-Diocese Team

*Young Catholic athletes*

*featured for winter sports*

Pages 12-13

## John Bosco Jam

*Priests, seminarians play*

*basketball, raise awareness*

Page 14



Quinn Olinger

Lennon Joseph Moyer is being baptized by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades during the Easter Sunday liturgy at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Fort Wayne. Parents Ryan and Alexis Moyer are with his godfather, Koby Gibson and godmother Mayson Witman. Other babies baptized by bishop at the Mass were Edison Robert Feagler, Elle Mae Feagler and Embri Jean Bradtmiller.

## The ABCs of Divine Mercy

BY FATHER GEORGE GABET

The first Sunday after Easter has traditionally been known as “Low Sunday” since it follows the highest and greatest of all Sundays, to which all Sundays are “low” in comparison. However, on May 5, the Sunday after Easter of the Jubilee Year 2000, Pope John Paul II declared this Sunday as “Divine Mercy Sunday” and established the Feast of Mercy as requested by Our Lord through St. Faustina. It was on the vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 2, 2005 that now saint John Paul II died.

Nothing changes liturgically, yet we are able to take advantage of the plenary indulgence offered by Holy Mother Church on this day under the usual conditions. It is granted to those who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or in the tabernacle, recite one Our Father and one Apostles

Creed adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus — such as “Merciful Jesus, I trust in Thee.”

The “usual conditions” for gaining a plenary indulgence, besides doing the prescribed work, are: participating in the sacrament of confession, receiving Holy Communion, saying a prayer for the Pope as well as a detachment from all sins.

In the diary of St. Faustina, Our Lord revealed to her the following: He said, “I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, especially poor sinners on that day the very depths of my tender mercy are open. . .” (Diary #699). Our Lord also related to her how important it is to take advantage of His Mercy now. He told her, “Souls perish in spite of My bitter Passion. I am giving them the last hope of salvation that is, the Feast of My Mercy. If they will not adore my Mercy they will perish for all eternity. . . tell souls about this great mercy of Mine,

ABC, page 4



## Living the Year of Mercy

*Feed the Hungry*

Page 16

www.myyearofmercy.org

## TODAY'S CATHOLIC

Official newspaper of the  
Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend  
P.O. Box 11169  
Fort Wayne, IN 46856

PUBLISHER: Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades

## Editorial Department

PAGE DESIGNER: Francie Hogan

FREELANCE WRITERS: Ann Carey,  
Michelle Castleman, Bonnie Elbersson,  
Denise Fedorow, Joe Kozinski, Vince  
LaBarbera and Deb Wagner

## Business Department

BUSINESS MANAGER: Stephanie A. Patka

AD GRAPHICS DIRECTOR: Mark Weber

BOOKKEEPING/CIRCULATION: Bethany  
Belleville bbelleville@diocesefwsb.org

## Advertising Sales

Tess Steffen

tsteffen@diocesefwsb.org

(260) 456-2824

Web site: [www.todayscatholicnews.org](http://www.todayscatholicnews.org)

Published weekly except second  
Sunday of January; and every other  
week from the third Sunday in  
June through the second Sunday  
of September; and last Sunday in  
December by the Diocese of Fort  
Wayne-South Bend, 1103 S. Calhoun  
St., P.O. Box 390, Fort Wayne, IN 46801.  
Periodicals postage paid at Fort Wayne,  
IN, and additional mailing office.

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to:  
Today's Catholic, P.O. Box 11169, Fort  
Wayne, IN 46856-1169 or email:  
bbelleville@diocesefwsb.org.

MAIN OFFICE: 915 S. Clinton St., Fort  
Wayne, IN 46802. Telephone (260)  
456-2824. Fax: (260) 744-1473.

BUREAU OFFICE: 1328 Dragoon Trail,  
Mishawaka, IN 46544. Telephone (260)  
456-2824. Fax (260) 744-1473.

News deadline is the Monday morning  
before publication date. Advertising  
deadline is nine days before publica-  
tion date.

Today's Catholic may be reached at:

Today's Catholic,  
P.O. Box 11169, Fort Wayne, IN  
46856-1169; or email:  
[editor@diocesefwsb.org](mailto:editor@diocesefwsb.org)

(ISSN 0891-1533)  
(USPS 403630)



Find us on Facebook

[www.facebook.com/diocesefwsb](http://www.facebook.com/diocesefwsb)

Follow us on Twitter

@diocesefwsb

Follow us on Instagram

@diocesefwsb



# Reconcile with God, resurrect hope in others, pope urges

BY CINDY WOODEN AND  
JUNNO AROCHO ESTEVES

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Easter is a feast of hope, a celebration of God's mercy and a call to pray for and assist all who suffer, Pope Francis said before giving his solemn blessing "urbi et orbi" (to the city and the world).

The risen Jesus "makes us sharers of his immortal life and enables us to see with his eyes of love and compassion those who hunger and thirst, strangers and prisoners, the marginalized and the outcast, the victims of oppression and violence," the pope said March 27 after celebrating Easter morning Mass.

Easter in Rome dawned bright and sunny; in St. Peter's Square, the steps leading up to the basilica were turned into an abundant garden with thousands of tulips, daffodils and flowering bushes. On Easter morning, the pope does not give a homily. Instead, with hands clasped in prayer and head bowed, he led the tens of thousands of people in the square in silent reflection.

After Mass, before giving his solemn blessing, Pope Francis said Easter should give people the courage to "blaze trails of reconciliation with God and with all our brothers and sisters." Speaking about Christ's power over death and sin, the pope prayed that the Lord would touch places in the globe scarred by war, terrorism, poverty and environmental destruction.

"The risen Christ points out paths of hope to beloved Syria, a country torn by a lengthy conflict, with its sad wake of destruction, death, contempt for humanitarian law and the breakdown of civil concord," the pope said. "To the power of the risen Lord we entrust the talks now in course."

He prayed that the power of the Resurrection would "overcome hardened hearts and promote a fruitful encounter of peoples and cultures," particularly in Iraq, Yemen, Libya and the Holy Land.

"May the Lord of life also accompany efforts to attain a definitive solution to the war in Ukraine, inspiring and sustaining initiatives of humanitarian aid, including the liberation of those who are detained," he prayed.

On Easter and throughout the Holy Week liturgies that preceded it, Pope Francis showed special concern for the fate of refugees and migrants fleeing violence and poverty and for Christians facing persecution in the Middle East and other parts of the world.

Celebrating the Easter vigil March 26, Pope Francis said Easter is a celebration of hope, one that must begin within the hearts of each Christian.

"Christ wants to come and take us by the hand to bring us out of our anguish," he said in his homily. "This is the first stone to be moved aside this night: the lack of hope



CNS photo/Paul Haring

**Pope Francis carries a candle in procession as he arrives to celebrate the Easter Vigil in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican March 26.**

which imprisons us within ourselves. May the Lord free us from this trap, from being Christians without hope, who live as if the Lord were not risen, as if our problems were the center of our lives.

"Today is the celebration of our hope, the celebration of this truth: nothing and no one will ever be able to separate us from his love," the pope said.

During the Easter vigil, Pope Francis baptized eight women and four men, including Yong-joon Lee, the South Korean ambassador to Italy, who took the baptismal name, Stephen. The ambassador's wife, taking the name Stella, was also baptized. The other catechumens came from Italy, Albania, Cameroon, India and China.

At the beginning of the vigil, after blessing the Easter fire, Pope Francis entered a darkened basilica, gently illuminated by the light of the Easter candle.

In his homily, reflecting on the Easter account from the Gospel of St. Luke, the pope noted how the disciples doubted the testimony of the women returning from the empty

tomb. Peter, he said, was the first of the men to rise and run to the tomb, choosing not to "succumb to the somber atmosphere of those days, nor was he overwhelmed by his doubts."

"This marked the beginning of Peter's resurrection, the resurrection of his heart. Without giving in to sadness or darkness, he made room for hope; he allowed the light of God to enter into his heart, without smothering it," the pope said.

Like Peter and the women, he added, Christians cannot discover life by being "bereft of hope" and "imprisoned within ourselves" but, instead, must allow Christ to bring life and break open their tombs, sealed by "the stones of our rancor and the boulders of our past."

While problems will always remain, he said, Jesus' resurrection is a sure foundation of Christian hope and not "mere optimism, nor a psychological attitude or desire to be courageous." The Holy Spirit "does not remove evil with a magic wand. But he pours into us the vitality of life, which is not the absence of problems, but the certainty of being loved and always forgiven by Christ, who for us has conquered sin, death and fear," he said.

Christians are called to awaken the same hope in the hearts of others, Pope Francis said. Without such witness the church risks becoming "an international organization full of followers and good rules, yet incapable of offering the hope for which the world longs."

*"This is the first stone to be moved aside this night:*

*the lack of hope which imprisons us within ourselves.*

*May the Lord free us from this trap, from being*

*Christians without hope, who live as if the Lord were*

*not risen, as if our problems were the center of our lives."*

POPE FRANCIS

# Pope asks Pakistan government to ensure safety of Christians

BY CINDY WOODEN

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Francis appealed to the government of Pakistan to take steps to ensure the safety of the country's Christians and other minorities the day after a terrorist bombing killed at least 70 people and injured more than 300 who were spending Easter afternoon in a public park.

In Lahore, Pakistan, the pope said, "Easter was bloodied by a hideous attack, which massacred many innocent people, mostly families belonging to the Christian minority — especially women and children — who were in a public park joyfully celebrating the Easter holiday."

After reciting the "Regina Coeli" prayer with pilgrims gathered in St. Peter's Square March 28, the pope condemned the



CNS photo/Rahat Dar, EPA

**Relatives cry during the March 28 funeral of victims of the Easter bomb attack at a park in Lahore, Pakistan. Pope Francis appealed to the government of Pakistan to take steps to ensure the safety of the country's Christians and other minorities.**



### Public Schedule of Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades

- Sunday, April 3, 10:30 a.m. — Confirmation Mass, Saint Dominic Church, Bremen
- Monday, April 4, 7 p.m. — Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Saint Stanislaus Church, South Bend
- Friday, April 8, 7 p.m. — Confirmation Mass, Saint Mary of the Assumption Church, Decatur
- Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m. — Confirmation Mass, Immaculate Conception Church, Auburn
- Saturday, April 9, 5 p.m. — Evangelium Vitae Mass, Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Notre Dame

Lahore attack as a "cowardly and senseless crime." Jamaat-ul-Ahrar, a splinter group of the Taliban, said it carried out the attack and specifically targeted Christians celebrating Easter.

Pope Francis appealed to "the civil authorities and all community leaders in that nation to do everything possible to ensure the security and serenity of the population, particularly the most vulnerable religious minorities."

"Violence and homicidal hatred lead only to pain and destruction; respect and brother-

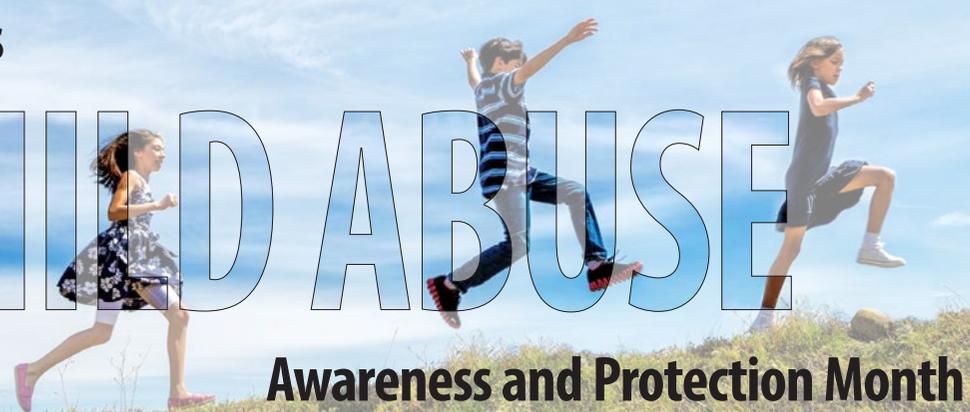
hood are the only paths that lead to peace," he said.

Before leading the crowd in reciting the "Hail Mary" for the victims and their families, Pope Francis asked the people in St. Peter's Square to pray that God "would stop the hand of the violent, who sow terror and death, and that in the world there may reign love, justice and reconciliation."

Before asking people to pray for him, the pope led the crowd in repeating three times, "Christ, my hope, is risen."

## April is

# CHILD ABUSE



### Awareness and Protection Month

"We pledge most solemnly to one another and to you, God's people; that we will work to our utmost for the protection of children and youth. We pledge that we will devote to this goal the resources and personnel necessary to accomplish it."

— Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People: Statement of Episcopal Commitment, USCCB, June 2002

April is recognized as National Child Abuse Awareness and Protection month. Over the next four issues, *Today's Catholic* will be publishing a four part series and taking a closer look at how the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend implements the tenets of child protection in our parishes, schools and Catholic organizations.

In November of 2015, the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend was compliant with the data collection requirements for the 2014/2015 Charter audit period. See *letter of compliance at right*.

Here at the *Today's Catholic*, we recognize that the topic of child abuse is a sensitive one and even printing stories about it might evoke some emotional responses. Some might even prefer for us to remain silent on the issue, simply because it's uncomfortable to talk about abuse that happens to children. However, when it comes to cases of abuse of children, silence is not an option. We believe that these stories need to be handled with respect to the dignity of

each person, but even more, they need to be told.

I personally encourage you to take the time to read through our special feature over the next four issues. Share what you learn with your family and loved ones and help them become empowered to help build an environment of safety within our parishes, schools and organizations. Beyond that, join us in prayer for the victims of abuse and for our Church that we continue to promise to protect our youth.

### The USCCB provides guidance on how you can help

You can help prevent the abuse of children. Know the warning signs of offenders. They prefer to be with children. They go overboard touching, wrestling or tickling children. They may give minors alcohol or drugs, or show them pornography. They allow children to break the rules. Offenders act as if the rules do not apply to them.

If you observe an adult who is not behaving appropriately with children, speak up. Let someone

know what you saw. You are not accusing anyone of anything. You are letting someone know you care, are watching and are concerned that no harm is done to a child.

### Abuse is never the fault of the victim

It is always the responsibility of the offender. The reality is that most victims of abuse know their abuser. One in four females and one in six males report being abused as a minor.

If you or someone you know is a victim of abuse there are things you can do even if the abuse happened years ago. Call the police to report the abuse. If the abuser was in a position of authority in an organization, report the abuse to that organization. Call an abuse crisis hotline.

If it happened in a Catholic church or school, contact Mary Glowaski, Victim Assistance Coordinator for the diocese at 260-399-1458.

— *Stephanie A. Patka, Director of Communications for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend*

## A PRAYER FOR HEALING VICTIMS OF ABUSE

God of endless love,  
ever caring, ever strong,  
always present, always just:  
You gave your only Son  
to save us by his blood on the cross.



Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,  
join to your own suffering  
the pain of all who have been hurt  
in body, mind, and spirit  
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.



Hear the cries of our brothers and sisters  
who have been gravely harmed,  
and the cries of those who love them.  
Soothe their restless hearts with hope,  
steady their shaken spirits with faith.  
Grant them justice for their cause,  
enlightened by your truth.



Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,  
heal your people's wounds  
and transform brokenness into wholeness.  
Grant us the courage and wisdom,  
humility and grace, to act with justice.  
Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors.  
Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice.  
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

November 06, 2015

Most Reverend Kevin C. Rhoades  
Bishop of Fort Wayne - South Bend  
915 S. Clinton St.  
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Dear Bishop Rhoades:

We are writing to inform you that the Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend is in compliance with the data collection requirements for the 2014/2015 Charter audit period. We have reviewed this information and will be forwarding the documents to the Secretariat of Youth and Child Protection for use in the 2015 Audit Report.

Thank you for your cooperation and for participating in the data collection process.

Sincerely,

*StoneBridge Business Partners*

StoneBridge Business Partners  
Rochester, New York

STONEBRIDGE  
BUSINESS PARTNERS  
AN EFP ROTTERDAM COMPANY

# ABC

Continued from Page 1

because the awful day, the day of My Justice is near" (#965).

It is through the diary of St. Faustina, which she wrote out of obedience to her superiors and to Christ Himself, that we find the very rich and mystical reality of the soul's interior relationship with God. In it we find that our Lord wished to communicate to the world the great message of God's mercy and to reveal the pattern of Christian perfection based on trust in God and in having mercy to our neighbor. How especially fitting during this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

## What is the message of Divine Mercy?

This message of mercy is that God loves us, all of us, no matter how great our sins in the past have been. We see His mercy to King David (who committed adultery and murder) Mary Magdalene and the good thief, St. Dismas, to name just a few examples. Our Lord wishes us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins so that we call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. The message of mercy can be broken down into three parts that are as simple to remember as A, B and C.

**A** — Ask for His mercy. We must first realize that God is merciful! He wishes us to ask for His mercy — upon ourselves, our nation and the whole world!



Today's Gospel contains the institution of the sacrament of Penance whereby Jesus gave the power to forgive sins to the apostles on that first Easter Sunday.

**B** — Be merciful to others. He wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us. Remember the beatitude, "Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy." We set the limits of how much we want God to forgive us by how much we forgive others each day when we say the

prayer Jesus Himself taught us: "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." We must, therefore, be merciful to others!

**C** — Confidence and completely trust in God. God wants us to trust in Him; to know and truly believe that He is God. He is in charge and is a loving God who is infinitely merciful. He does care for you! During Holy Week last week, we recalled just how much He cares for you. It is for this reason that on the image of Divine Mercy, Jesus had St. Faustina paint the words "Jesus I

trust in Thee."

So, we enter into that Great Feast of Mercy — Divine Mercy Sunday. We see how appropriate that it is this Sunday — one week after Holy Week with the image of Our Lord's Passion and Death for love of us still fresh in our minds, so that we would contemplate His great mercy — especially in this Year of Mercy!

In the Gospel, we see that Our Lord instituted the means by which we can receive His mercy — the sacrament of confession. This is a very important Scripture for our Protestant friends who ask us, "Why do you have to confess to a priest? Why not confess directly to God?" In John 20:22, Jesus appeared to the apostles, breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit; whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them and whose sins you retain, they are retained." Our Lord gave the power to forgive sins to men — to the apostles who became first Christians, priests and bishops. Why would He give that

power? It is because He wanted us to use it.

The institution of the sacrament of penance shows to us the great mercy of our God who wishes us to be at peace and know our sins are forgiven when confessed with a contrite heart. We also see in the Gospel a story of our Lord's desire that we have faith in Him. As St. Thomas the Apostle puts his fingers in Jesus' wounds, he kneels before Him and says "My Lord and My God!" Jesus responded, "Blessed are you Thomas, for you have seen and believed. Blessed are they who have not seen, but still believe!"

So during this Feast of Mercy in the Jubilee Year of Mercy, let us ask for God's mercy — for ourselves, our parish, our friends and our nation. Secondly, let us be merciful to others by living the beatitudes. Finally, let us have confidence, completely believing and trusting in Our Lord. Let us say always those words He wants to hear, "Jesus I trust in Thee!"

*Save On a*

ferti-lome®

*4 Step Lawn Program*

5,000 sq. ft.	Reg. \$88.80	Now \$72.80	<b>Save \$16.00</b>
10,000 sq. ft.	Reg. \$146.80	Now \$125.80	<b>Save \$21.00</b>
15,000 sq. ft.	Reg. \$235.60	Now \$198.60	<b>Save \$37.00</b>
20,000 sq. ft.	Reg. \$293.60	Now \$251.60	<b>Save \$42.00</b>

*We promote ferti-lome lawn and garden products because we can recommend them with confidence!*

*Premium Bluegrass Ryegrass Blend: \$3.50 lb.*

**STOP-n-GROW**  
(574) 258-1830

4018 Linconway East • Mishawaka  
1 Mile E. of Capital Ave.  
1/4 Mile W. of Bittersweet

**STOP-n-GROW**  
stop-n-grow.com  
FREE fertilizer storage

Hours: Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. • Sat. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. • Sun. 11 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Mike Ciula - Parishioner, St. Joseph Parish, Mishawaka

## ISDA FRATERNAL ASSOCIATION

The Largest Italian-American Fraternal Annuity/IRA/Life Insurance Company in the Country

WE ARE ITALIAN AMERICA

www.orderisda.org

Current Rates on ISDA Tax-Deferred Annuities and IRA Annuities

# 4%\* APY

Saver-8 Annuity or IRA Special Promotion\*

\*New Applications submitted from 12/1/15 through 5/31/16 can take advantage of this Special Rate

Annuity — Minimum Deposit of \$1,000 — Maximum \$350,000

IRA — Minimum Deposit \$1,000 — Maximum \$500,000

\*\*\*\$25/month Auto-Pay

# 3.25%\* APY

5 Year Flexible Premium Deferred Annuity or IRA

Minimum Deposit \$300 — Maximum \$350,000

\*\*\*\$25/month Auto-Pay

# 2%\*\* APY

Saver-2 Annuity or IRA

Minimum \$1,000 Deposit — Maximum \$100,000

Interested in becoming part of our winning sales team?

Contact Cathy Burks

at (614) 580-3646

or 844-WE R ISDA

Additional deposits accepted through the life of the policy. Decreasing surrender charges. \*Interest rate guaranteed for the first year; contract minimum guarantee of 2%. \*\*Interest rate guaranteed for the first year; contract minimum guarantee of 1%. \*\*\*Only available if set up as an automatic monthly payment through your financial institution. 10% annual ISDA penalty-free withdrawal after the first year; plus 5% Fraternal Benefit penalty-free withdrawal. Fraternal Benefit Package waives the declining penalty in case of serious illness or nursing home confinement. Products and rates as of December 1, 2015.

419 Wood Street • Pittsburgh, PA 15222-1825 • Phone: (800) 457-4732 • Fax: (412) 261-9897 • www.orderisda.org

## THANK YOU!

from the  
*Christ Child Society of Fort Wayne.*  
Your generosity raised over  
**\$42,000 for deserving children.**

### PARTICIPATING PARISHES

- Immaculate Conception (Auburn)
- St. Louis Besancon
- Most Precious Blood
- St. Mary Mother of God
- Queen of Angels
- St. Michael Archangel (Waterloo)
- St. Catherine of Alexandria
- St. Patrick (Arcola)
- St. Charles
- St. Patrick (Fort Wayne)
- St. John the Baptist (Fort Wayne)
- St. Peter
- St. John the Baptist (New Haven)
- St. Rose of Lima
- St. Joseph (Fort Wayne)
- St. Therese
- St. Joseph (Roanoke)
- St. Vincent de Paul
- St. Joseph (Hessen Cassel)

*And a Special Thanks to Msgr. Robert Schulte who found us space to process the bottles!*



CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY  
OF FORT WAYNE  
WHERE LOVE LEADS TO ACTION

Visit our website to see  
how you can help!  
[ccsfw.org](http://ccsfw.org)

# Mother Angelica, founder of EWTN, dies after long illness

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (CNS) — Mother Angelica, who founded the Eternal Word Television Network and turned it into one of the world's largest religious media operations, died March 27 at age 92. Feisty and outspoken, she was a major controversial figure in the U.S. church in the closing decades of the 20th century. At the same time, the international scope of EWTN's media operations gave her a ready calling card at the Vatican.

She built the venture into a network that transmits programs 24 hours a day to more than 230 million homes in 144 countries via cable and other technologies. It broadcasts in English and several other languages. Mother Angelica had been ill for years. She was operated on Dec. 24, 2001, in a Birmingham hospital to remove a blood clot in her brain after she suffered her second major stroke. It left her with partial paralysis and a speech impediment.

Last November, she was placed on a feeding tube as she continued to battle lingering effects of the strokes. Mother Angelica died at her order's Our Lady of Angels Monastery in Hanceville, where she "was surrounded by the prayers and love of her spiritual daughters, sons and dear friends," said a statement from the Poor Clares.

A morning funeral Mass is to



CNS photos/courtesy EWTN

**Mother Angelica, founder of Eternal Word Television Network, died at age 92 March 27 at the Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration monastery in Hanceville, Ala. She is pictured in an undated photo.**



be celebrated April 1 in the upper church by bishops and clergy from around the world. Father Joseph Mary Wolfe, a Franciscan Missionary of the Eternal Word, was the homilist. Following her funeral, Mother Angelica's body is to be interred in the shrine's Crypt Chapel.

"This is a sorrow-filled day for the entire EWTN family. Mother has always, and will always, personify EWTN, the network which she founded,"

Michael P. Warsaw, chairman and CEO, said in a statement.

"In the face of sickness and long-suffering trials, Mother's example of joy and prayerful perseverance exemplified the Franciscan spirit she held so dear. We thank God for Mother Angelica and for the gift of her extraordinary life," he said. "Her accomplishments and legacies in evangelization throughout the world are nothing short of miraculous and can only be attributed to divine providence

and her unwavering faithfulness to Our Lord."

In 2009, Pope Benedict XVI awarded the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Cross to Mother Angelica and Deacon Bill Steltemeier, then-chairman of EWTN's board of governors, for distinguished service to the church. The cross, whose name is Latin for "for the church and the pope," is the highest papal honor that can be conferred on laypeople and clergy.

**APRIL 3-5, 2016  
MCKENNA HALL**

## THE END OF HUMAN DIGNITY?

Recovering the intellectual appeal of human dignity for the theological and philosophical imagination

A Conference Featuring:



2016 Human Dignity Lecture  
**Cardinal Onaiyekan**

**Other Speakers Include:**

Ann Astell  
Gustavo Gutiérrez  
Leon Kass  
Cyril O'Regan  
David Walsh

For more information or to register visit:  
<http://bit.ly/dignityconf>

# Two Ordained Holy Cross Priests

**NOTRE DAME** — With abundant joy and thanksgiving, the United States Province of the Congregation of Holy Cross announces the Ordination of two new priests on Saturday, April 2, at 2 p.m. at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. The Most Reverend Kevin C. Rhoades, Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend will confer the Sacrament of Holy Orders on Rev. Mr. Matthew Earle Hovde, CSC, and Rev. Mr. Dennis Anthony Strach II, CSC.

On Aug. 29, 2015, Deacons Hovde and Strach professed perpetual vows of poverty, chastity and obedience and committed themselves to the common life and apostolic work of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

**REV. MR. MATTHEW EARLE HOVDE, CSC**, is the youngest of three children of Robert and Cynthia Hovde of Miami, Fla. He entered formation with the Congregation in 2007 and professed First Vows on July 28, 2012.

Matthew earned his M.Div. from the University of Notre Dame in 2015.

As he prepares for Ordination day, Matthew reflects on the charisma of Holy Cross and how his understanding of it has



**REV. MR. MATTHEW EARLE HOVDE, CSC**

changed, as well as his hopes for life in Holy Cross.

"I see being an 'educator in the faith' as central to Holy Cross. Throughout my time in formation, seeing Holy Cross in university work, parish life, serving the homeless, and many other apostolic works have all formed how I understand our community. They all seem to revolve around this notion of being educators in the faith.

Wherever we serve, and in whatever capacity we work, we are — at heart — evangelists. We are here to spread the message of Christ. But our work is not primarily one of instructing people on the information of the

Gospel; instead, we try to bring it to life within them. We form the entire person into faithful disciples of Jesus, and educate the mind and heart of those we serve so that they can grow in holiness.

I hope to continue to grow in my love of Jesus Christ. Uniting myself to His Cross and being a herald of His Resurrection is the joy of my life. I hope that I can continue to live out the beautiful mystery of our vows with joy and zeal. I hope that I continue to minister alongside my brothers faithfully. I hope that one day when my ministry on this earth has ended, there are more Holy Cross Religious than when



**REV. MR. DENNIS ANTHONY STRACH II, CSC**

I entered, spreading the Gospel and building up God's people in holiness."

Father Matthew's first Mass as a priest will be at 11:45 a.m. on April 3, at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

**REV. MR. DENNIS ANTHONY STRACH II, CSC**, is the only son of Dennis and Carla Strach of Rochester Hills, Mich. Presently serving his diaconate at St. Ignatius Martyr Catholic Church in Austin, Texas, Dennis sums up his Ordination to the priesthood this way:

"The whole thing is pretty surreal, but I'm excited. While

I've been preparing for this moment for the past six years in a very intentional way, I've really been preparing for it in small ways throughout my entire life. There have been so many people along the way — my parents, friends, teachers at my Catholic grade school and high school, professors in college, parishioners back at home — who have inspired me and challenged me to do God's will and to use my gifts to serve others. I'm happy to have found a vocation that makes use all of my talents, that provides me with a deep sense of joy and fulfillment, and a vocation that continually calls me to be better than I am — that is, to live as God has created me.

I am most excited to preside at the Eucharist. It will be such an incredible experience to offer up to God the gifts, prayers, and concerns of my brothers and sisters, and to act in the person of Christ, mediating God's love and mercy to those I encounter through this Sacrament. It's an awesome responsibility and an indescribable grace."

Father Dennis will celebrate his first Mass as a priest at 10 a.m. on April 3, at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

**TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HOLY CROSS**, visit [www.holycrossusa.org](http://www.holycrossusa.org).

## Congratulations



**REV. MATTHEW HOVDE, C.S.C.**



**REV. DENNIS STRACH II, C.S.C.**

**ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD.**

May Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, patroness of the Congregation of Holy Cross, keep you close and help you continue to grow in faith, hope, and love.

Sincerely,

The University of Notre Dame

*Her students, faculty, staff, trustees, and the Holy Cross community at Notre Dame*



## FBLA team state leadership conference announces winners

SOUTH BEND — Eighteen students on the Saint Joseph High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) team took first place in either a team or individual event for the State Leadership Conference. Garrett Loitz finished his term as the Indiana FBLA president and was awarded the Indiana FBLA Scholarship for \$1,000.

First place winners are:

Emily Anderson — business ethics and entrepreneurship, team; Stephen Benchik — computer game and simulation programming and emerging business issues, team; Matthew Brach — business calculations emerging business issues, team, economics marketing, individual and marketing, team; Scott Coyne — help desk, performance, help desk, objective test, and mobile application development; Ashley Decker — global business, individual; Kelly Decker — business plan entrepreneurship, team; Colleen Dosch — marketing, team; Stephen Grisoli — banking and financial, team; Cole Kasnia — business financial plan, team; Brian Lenyo — business financial plan, team; Betty Lin — client service; Garrett Loitz — impromptu speaking, personal finance, and Who's Who in FBLA; Colin Mackey — digital video production, team, management information systems, individual, and management information systems, team; Mitch Murphy — banking and financial, team; banking and financial, individual; Danny O'Neil — digital video production, team and management information systems, team; Love Osunnuga — emerging business issues, team, health care administration, and marketing, team; Taylor Rock — business law, business ethics, team, entrepreneurship, team, entrepreneurship, individual, and sales presentation; Kristian Wieschhaus — digital video production, team.

## Kneipp-Sylvan Springs on the road to landmark status

ROME CITY — Indiana Landmarks has awarded a grant to Our Lady, Mother of Mercy Center and Sylvan Cellars to begin their application to the National Registry of Historic Places for the Kneipp Springs Historic District. This grant is the first step in applying with the state of Indiana and then the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Parks Services.

"Our Lady, Mother of Mercy is very proud to be collaborating with Sylvan Cellars in working towards this important designation," stated executive director of Our Lady, Mother of Mercy Center, Sheri McBride. "It is particularly relevant in light of the bicenten-

# AROUND THE DIOCESE

## Living Stations of the Cross



Provided by Anne Rice

Eighth-grade students from St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Elkhart presented the Living Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 18 at 1:30 p.m. for the school and at 7 p.m. for parents and the parish congregation.

nial of Indiana, 50th anniversary of the founding of Rome City, and our own 100th anniversary of the laying on the cornerstone of our chapel this year."

The architectural significance of the Kneipp Springs Historic district, as well as its association with health and medicine during the first half of the 20th century raises the level of importance for the district above its religious association. The Kneipp Springs Historic District is continuing to apply to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

## SJHS announces retirement of Al Gutierrez

MISHAWAKA — Saint Joseph Health System (SJHS) is announcing the formal retirement of its President and CEO, Al Gutierrez, effective December 31, 2016.

Gutierrez's retirement follows five years of achievement and steadfast commitment to SJHS's mission — leaving the organization strong and well-positioned for the future as a result of his leadership. As the coming months unfold, Trinity Health will work with Gutierrez



AL GUTIERREZ

to determine the system-level projects he can support after he retires, to continue to utilize Gutierrez's many gifts.

"My time at Saint Joseph Health System has been very rewarding, having been able to play a role in fostering the growth and continued successes of this strong, faith-based organization," said Al Gutierrez, President and CEO of Saint Joseph Health System. "We have worked hard to establish an incredible team of committed professionals and top-of-the-line resources and protocols to ensure we are doing everything possible to provide the best care to the communities we serve. I will retire later this year with the excitement and anticipation of watching this organization thrive and excel in the years to come."

Since joining SJHS in 2010, Gutierrez has proven an exemplary leader, innovator and strategist for the organization and the people it serves. In fact, SJHS received national recognition as a top system several times under Gutierrez's tenure. Gutierrez established a strong regional brand in SJHS and built an engaged, high-performance team to serve the community better.

Gutierrez has also served as a pioneer in establishing education sites to build enrollment for health insurance exchanges in Indiana, engineering master affiliation agreements with St. Vincent's in Indianapolis for

maternal/child service enhancements and with Loyola Medical Center for stroke care.

Gutierrez has been in the health care industry for more than 40 years and, during that time, has been a leader on health care diversity. In 2012, Modern Healthcare named Gutierrez as one of the nation's Top 25 Minority Executives. Gutierrez also received the Trinity Health Father Basil Antoine Moreau CEO Diversity and Inclusion Champion Award, and continues to remain active in the Latino community, including serving on the Advisory Board of the Institute for Latino Studies at the University of Notre Dame.

Gutierrez also serves on the finance council for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend.

SJHS plans to ensure a smooth transition during this leadership change. Abe Marcus, chairman of the SJHS board, will lead the search committee to find the best candidates for this role. The executive search is anticipated to be completed by December. It will involve a multi-stakeholder search, including physicians and others. The first candidates considered will be internal colleagues. Gutierrez will support the search, while continuing to lead the regional ministry's pursuit of its People-Centered 2020 strategic plan.

"Locating SJHS' next President and CEO is an undertaking that

the organization will move forward with in a very deliberate manner — to ensure we are able to identify the right candidate who will be able to continue SJHS' mission — and continue to provide the best care possible to those in our community," said Abe Marcus, chairman of the SJHS board. "Al will be a tough act to follow — but this community deserves the best — so we plan to work hard to find the best leader for this organization."

For information, contact Kathy Mutka at 312-218-5654 or kmutka@pathfind.com.

## Lecture to examine ideas of Levinas

FORT WAYNE — The University of Saint Francis Department of Philosophy and Theology presents a special lecture event on Wednesday, April 6, at 7 p.m. in the Brookside Ballroom on the USF campus, 2701 Spring Street. The lecture, titled "Emmanuel Levinas on Ethics as First Philosophy," will be delivered by USF Assistant Professor of Philosophy Dr. Vincent Wargo.

Emmanuel Levinas was one of the most influential Continental philosophers of the last century. A student of Husserl and Heidegger, he questioned the ontological suppositions of their thought. He argued that philosophical thought must begin with the experience of the responsibility for the other.

For information, contact Angie Springer, 260-399-8066.

## Plenary indulgence sought by pilgrimage

SOUTH BEND — Saint Joseph High School faculty, staff, and students participated in a pilgrimage from the high school to the Basilica of the Sacred Heart to obtain a plenary indulgence.

"Ever since the Pope announced the Year of Mercy and the opening of Holy Doors around the world I thought it would be the perfect opportunity to make a pilgrimage," said Tami Goy, Director of Campus Ministry. "I read there would be a plenary indulgence, under the normal conditions, associated with a pilgrimage and knew this would be a great teaching moment for our community."

Members of Saint Joseph High School gathered after school and walked from the high school to prayerfully pass through the Holy Doors of Mercy at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at Notre Dame, had the opportunity for confession, prayed for the pope and his intentions and attended Mass. Afterwards, the group met for a simple meal of soup, salad, and bread together.

"I hope that participants are able to reflect on the great mercy, the great love of God for us all. Having this during Holy Week takes on even more meaning," said Goy.

# Chrism Mass, Triduum and the C



Kevin Haggenjos

Representatives from the greater South Bend area present Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades with the Oils of the Sick, and Oil of the Catechumens during the Chrism Mass at St. Matthew Cathedral in South Bend.



Jennifer Miller

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades washes the feet of seminarians, religious sisters and various members of the laity during the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Matthew Cathedral in South Bend.



James Fangor, parishioner of St. Peter's during the Good Friday liturgy.



Jerry Kessens

After renewing their priestly promises and concelebrating the Chrism Mass, the priests of the greater Fort Wayne area process out of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne.



Tess Steffen

Father Andrew Budzinski washes the foot of a parishioner during Holy Thursday Mass at St. John the Baptist Parish in Fort Wayne.



A parishioner prays in front of the altar during the Good Friday liturgy at St. John the Baptist.

# Glory of Easter



Jerry Kessens  
r Parish, Fort Wayne, venerates the cross



Jerry Kessens

Father Tyrell Alles dips the paschal candle into the font during the blessing of the baptismal water at the Easter Vigil at St. Peter Parish in Fort Wayne.



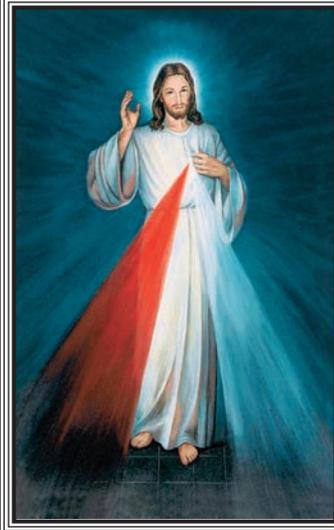
Tess Steffen

empty tabernacle following the Good  
Fort Wayne.



Quinn Olinger

The liturgical procession approaches the baptismal font at the conclusion of Easter Sunday Mass with Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Fort Wayne.

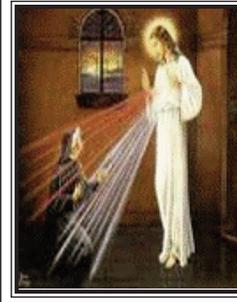


**Join Us!**  
**NOVENA**  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 Good Friday, March 25  
 to Saturday, April 2  
 3 PM  
 in **St. Jude Church**  
**FORT WAYNE**  
 Starts Good Friday, March 25

**16th Worldwide Mercy Sunday**  
**April 3, 2016**  
 Divine Mercy Sunday Devotion  
**3:00 PM**  
 Exposition & Benediction  
 of the Blessed Sacrament 1:00 - 3:00 PM

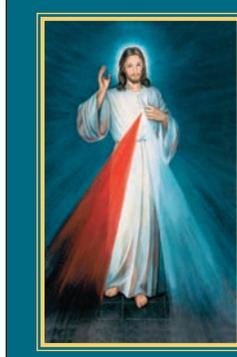
- **Presider: Father Jake Runyon**  
 St. Jude Church,  
 Randallia Drive at East State Blvd., Fort Wayne  
[www.stjudefw.org/adoration](http://www.stjudefw.org/adoration)

**Divine Mercy Sunday**  
 St. Mary of the Assumption Parish  
 414 Madison Street • Decatur, Indiana

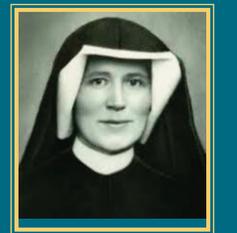


*All are invited!*  
**3-4 pm HOLY HOUR**  
*Eucharistic Exposition*  
 • Confessions  
 • Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 • Rosary - Benediction  
**4:00 p.m. Sunday Mass**

April 3, 2016  
 Come join us!



24th Anniversary  
 of Divine Mercy  
 at our parish  
 Divine Mercy  
 celebration for the  
 whole world.



**Saint Faustina**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2016**  
**2:00 - 2:45 pm**  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet and Reconciliation  
**3:00 pm: Holy Mass**  
*Many Priests to help with your needs*

**Immaculate Conception Church,**  
 500 East Seventh Street, Auburn  
 Father Derrick Sneyd, Pastor and Celebrant  
 Hors d'oeuvres and desserts  
 provided afterward by the parish.  
 Religious items for sale.

## Going back

I registered my eighth child at the high school of my youth today. A familiar smell which brought me back to being 15 years old faintly and suddenly filled my nostrils as I opened the same heavy doors that were opened in the fall of 1977 when I entered as a freshman. I passed the area that was the bookstore, where my mom and I had stood to get my algebra, English and other books so many years ago, and where today I stood with my young daughter. She had the same wide-eyed look on her face that I must have had more than three decades ago.

As I entered the guidance office, I noticed the same cinder brick walls, the same funky colored doors that were there when I was a student. A flood of memories filled my mind—memories of being 15, 16, 17, and barely turning 18 before I graduated. I thought of the people I knew then, the feelings I had. I was nervous, excited, shy, and hopeful. During my four years at this school, I made friends, studied hard and sometimes, admittedly, not so hard. This school was a place where I made mistakes, and learned some lessons about life, God and simply myself. It would be at least a decade after graduating before I felt I really came into my own, but the beginning of my independence, real life learning and personal choice for God began here at this Catholic high school.

While I have visited this school many times over the years as seven other children began and (some by graduating) ended their journey through there, today was different. I was feeling a little nostalgic anyway

and the tangible reminders of being young and naïve and a rush of nameless emotions swept me back to a time when I was the age of my daughter.

What would you say to your younger self if you could go back to high school? I thought about what I might say to my younger self, and it went something like this:

*Try hard, but don't worry. Please don't worry so much. You're not perfect. No one is. You're going to make mistakes. Everyone does. Just do your best. And smile. Try to bring some joy and levity to those around you.*

*Don't be so guarded. Take a chance, a few risks. Open your heart. And love. Love people! Say hello to the girl in the back who stands alone. Ask her if she'd like to join you at the lunch table and don't worry what your friends may think. Don't be afraid to talk to the boy who sits behind you in math or in front of you in study hall. He's probably as nervous as you are. If you fight the shyness you could make a friend, maybe for life.*

*Try something you've never tried before, a club, a sport, something. Force yourself to sign up. I know you're scared. Do it anyway. Challenge yourself in a class, in a subject you don't particularly like. When you learn it you may like it ... or love it. Embrace learning now and take the first step in truly making it your own. Your education is not for your teachers, your GPA or your transcripts alone. It is for yourself. It is for life.*

*Go to the Mass before or after school. Take advantage of Confession when it is offered. Grow in faith with your class-*



TERESA A. THOMAS

## EVERYDAY CATHOLIC

*mates. It is a gift to be surrounded by people with the same beliefs, especially in this world, which can be so cold and so secular.*

*Remember to be kind. Oh, the world needs more people to be kind! There will always be smart people, athletic people, popular people, but what the world really needs is more kind people.*

*Try to project yourself in the future and look back at the present, as past. What might you wish you had done? Do it.*

*Some day you might look back and wish you had done some thing, said some thing, hadn't done some thing or hadn't said some thing. So what? This is normal. This is life. You are the architect of your future. God has a plan for you, and these early years are all part of it. Embrace what is before you. Dive in! Relax.*

At the time of high school, we are so young. We don't know yet who will be touched with tragedy young, a disease, a death or some other sadness. Life happens with its times and trials and great winds that shake us to the core. I think of two things this day, when I walk through the door with my second youngest daughter, about to embark

EVERYDAY, page 11

## Comfort the shipwrecked

### Titanic priest a model of mercy

Father Thomas Byles was 42 when he boarded the Titanic with his second-class ticket and portable altar stone. He had made arrangements with Captain Edward Smith to secure space on the ocean liner to celebrate Mass. Even on vacation a priest is never off duty, he knew, but the Catholic convert would have it no other way.

He saw his faith as “a wonderfully great gift,” he once wrote to his brother, William, “a truly marvelous and altogether supernatural support...”

It was William who had prompted Father Byles' cross-Atlantic trip, asking his oldest brother to come to New York to celebrate his wedding Mass.

The British priest had served a decade of priestly ministry and was well loved by his small rural parish, St. Helen's, where folks helped pay for his Titanic ticket. It cost 13 pounds.

He boarded on Wednesday, April 10, 1912 – three days after Easter Sunday – sized up the ship, then wrote to his parish housekeeper while the Titanic was anchored at Cherbourg, France: “Everything so far has gone very well, except that I have somehow managed to lose my umbrella.” He wondered when he would next be able to celebrate Mass and promised to write again as soon as he arrived in New York.

Clad in his Roman collar, the priest with the gentle, scholarly look – glasses, a strong nose and firm jawline – became a familiar sight throughout the week. Father Byles spent most



CHRISTINA CAPECCI

## TWENTY SOMETHING

of Saturday, travel day four, hearing confessions. On the fifth day he celebrated Mass in the second-class lounge and again in the designated third-class space. It was Divine Mercy Sunday. He preached about the prospect of “spiritual shipwreck,” urging the Catholics to seek a spiritual lifeboat in the form of prayer and the sacraments.

At 11:40 that night Father Byles was on the deck clutching his breviary and praying Night Prayer when the Titanic struck the iceberg.

He packed a lifetime of priestly ministry into the next three hours, performing the most intense mix of corporal and spiritual works of mercy he had ever done – a model for all in this Year of Mercy.

Once he recognized the gravity of the situation, he headed down to the steerage to help third-class women and children onto the deck and into the lifeboats. “Be calm, my good people,” he was heard saying.

Father Byles met the haunting sights, sounds and smells with an otherworldly peace. “A few around us became very excited,”

CAPECCI, page 11

## What does the Resurrection of the Lord mean?



### THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

MSGR. OWEN F. CAMPION

### 2nd Sunday of Easter John 20:19-31

Last week, with great joy and hope, the Church celebrated Easter. This week, the Church begins to tell us what the Resurrection of the Lord means to us here and now. It is about God's loving mercy. We celebrate the Sunday of Divine Mercy in the Year of Mercy.

This weekend's first reading comes from the Acts of the Apostles, as is the case in almost every Mass of this season.

Important to understanding Christianity, and the Church itself, is in realizing that Acts continues St. Luke's Gospel. This fact is not that apparent since

for centuries biblical translators have inserted St. John's Gospel between Luke's Gospel and Acts, blurring the connection between Luke and Acts.

The link shows that the redemption secured by Jesus did not end with the Lord's Ascension, nor did the Lord's miracles, nor preaching. Vitally important is the fact that all these realities associated with Jesus were continued by the Apostles in the context of the infant Church.

This weekend's reading describes a time not very long after the Lord's Ascension. It is very clear. His Apostles, obviously led by Peter, continued the Lord's mission of redemption.

His mercy ensured through them. God's mercy lived through them. This weekend's reading tells of the sick and the weak being brought to Peter, who healed them, just as Jesus had healed the lame and the mute.

The Book of Revelation provides the second reading. By its very nature, it shows us the continuing place of divine mercy

in life. First, God inspired John to write this Scripture, that future generations, such as our own, might know God.

Second, John wrote some time after the Ascension. He wrote not in Jerusalem, where Jesus died and rose, but on Patmos, an island in the Aegean Sea, now part of Greece. John further learned about God.

The message is that always God reveals. God always reaches to us.

St. John's Gospel provides the last reading. It is a very familiar resurrection narrative, the story of the reluctance of the Apostle Thomas to accept that Jesus truly had risen to life after having been crucified, and then of the great faith of Thomas.

The Apostles assure Thomas. He is unconvinced. Then, dramatically Jesus appears. He invites Thomas to believe. In awe, and the uttermost faith, Thomas declares that Jesus not only is teacher and Redeemer, but indeed that Jesus is God.

The Lord then confers upon the Apostles that most divine of

powers, the power to judge what is sinful and to forgive sin. It is a divine power, since sin affronts God. Thus, only God can forgive sin. Jesus forgave, being the Son of God. He transmits this power to the Apostles, men who will form the Church and entrust this power to the Church for all the generations to come.

### Reflection

Two points in the readings support the theme of divine mercy. The first is the absolute love for the Lord, seen in the readings. God, through Jesus, always calls us to life in Him.

The second point is that God's call in our day and time, and in every age, comes to us through the Apostles. They were so much more than the Lord's companions and most frequent students. They represented the Lord. They possessed the Lord's authority and power and bore this authority and power after the Ascension.

Majestic among all these powers was their ability to forgive

sins, an ability expressly conferred upon them by Jesus.

We are not alone. Granted, as humans we are limited, no matter how impressive “progress” may be. The Lord comes to us with strength, knowledge and life. He lives! His mercy lives, as freshly now as ever.

We only have to turn to God honestly and humbly.

### 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

# Easter is not a question mark

Excavating my desk recently, I found the program notes from a Tallis Scholars concert my wife and I had attended a few months ago. The Tallis Scholars are a marvelous *a capella* ensemble, but most of their music that night was rather too minimalist for my tastes. In any event, the author of the program notes described Arvo Pärt's *I am the true vine*, and its "qualities of stasis and timelessness," as reminiscent of what "former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams has described as 'silently waiting on the truth, pure sitting and breathing in the presence of the question mark'."

Which put me in mind of an old joke that used to circulate in the editorial offices of *First Things*. Harvard University's crest, it seems, used to read *Veritas Christo et Ecclesiae* (Truth for Christ and the Church). Christ and the Church were jet-tisoned over a hundred years ago; the crest now reads, simply, *Veritas*. The joke was that the crest's next iteration would be *Veritas?* — thus honoring the post-modern canon that there is no "the truth," only "your truth" and "my truth."

During Lent, I've been rewatching the magnificent 1981 BBC production of *Bridehead Revisited* — the best TV adaption ever made of a great novel, in part because of the stunning cast but in larger part because Evelyn Waugh's book is the screenplay. In the second segment, the protagonist, Charles Ryder, muses on what he had once been taught about Christianity in terms that took me back to that joke, and to Rowan Williams "sitting and breathing in the presence of the question mark" while "waiting on the truth:"

"I had no religion (Ryder recalled)... The view implicit in my education was that the basic

narrative of Christianity had long been exposed as a myth, and that opinion was now divided as to whether its ethical teaching was of present value, a division in which the main weight went against it; religion was a hobby which some people professed and others did not; at the best it was slightly ornamental, at the worst it was the province of 'complexes' and 'inhibitions'.... and of the intolerance, hypocrisy, and sheer stupidity attributed to it for centuries. No one had ever suggested to me that these quaint observances expressed a coherent philosophical system and intransigent historical claims; nor, had they done, would I have been much interested."

Large parts of the western world seem similarly uninterested today. And the notion that Christianity is mythical rubbish unfit for intelligent adults has been given a new lease on life by the media-driven success of the New Atheists, although their fifteen minutes of fame has just about expired (happy news for anyone familiar with elementary logic). So the real question today is not refuting the blustering Richard Dawkins. The real question is, is the Church "silently waiting on the truth" as in Dr. Williams's image, shirking its evangelical responsibilities while basking (or freezing, as the case may be) "in the presence of the question mark"?

Lent and Eastertide ought to be occasions for the Church to examine its collective conscience on this point. The grittiness of Lent, and the "intransigent historical claims" without which Easter makes no sense at all, should remind us that Christianity does not rest on myths or "narratives," but on radically changed human lives whose effect on their times are



## THE CATHOLIC DIFFERENCE

GEORGE WEIGEL

historical fact. Within two and a half centuries, what began as a ragtag gang of nobodies from the civilizational outback had so transformed the Mediterranean world that the most powerful man in that world, the Roman emperor Constantine, joined the winning side. How did that happen?

It didn't happen because of better myth-making. It happened because those first Christians met a young rabbi who promised that, should they believe in Him, each of them would become "a spring of water welling up to eternal life" (John 4.14). Then came what seemed complete catastrophe: His crucifixion. But they met that teacher again as the Risen Lord Jesus Christ, and were infused by His Spirit. And after that, they didn't sit around in the "presence of the question mark; rather, they told the truth of what they had "seen and heard" (cf. 1 John 1.1).

And thereby changed the world.

George Weigel is Distinguished Senior Fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, D.C.

## EVERYDAY

Continued from Page 10

on high school:

One: listen to the words of St. Sister Faustina: "A humble soul does not trust itself, but places all its confidence in God."

And two: dream big, my little girl. Life can be hard and we can't change the direction of the wind, but we can choose to adjust the sails, courageously embrace life to the fullest and to walk confidently with God.

It is time to begin. For all of us. This I realized today, from going back.

Theresa Thomas is the wife of David and mother of nine children. Visit her blog: <http://theresathomas.wordpress.com>.

## CAPECCHI

Continued from Page 10

Ellen Mocklare, a young Irish woman, later told reporters, "and then it was that the priest again raised his hand and instantly they were calm once more. The passengers were immediately impressed by the absolute self-control of the priest."

Survivors said Father Byles was offered a lifeboat twice but refused it, determined to minister to passengers in their hour of greatest need, even though it would cost him his life. He heard confessions, gave absolution, offered blessings and led prayers, including the Hail Mary, whose back-and-forth recitation provided a steady measure amid chaos. The words "Holy Mary" rang out loud and clear.

As 2:20 am neared, more than 100 people were trapped on the stern, raising perilously high,

Father Byles among them. They knelt before him in an act of contrition, and he granted them general absolution.

As Ellen Mocklare was carried away on a lifeboat, she could hear the priest's voice and murmured responses to his prayers. "They then became fainter and fainter, until I could only hear the strains of 'Nearer, My God, To Thee' and the screams of the people left behind."

"There let the way appear, steps unto heaven," the old hymn goes. "All that thou sendest me, in mercy given. Angels to beckon me nearer, my God, to Thee."

Christina Capecchi is a freelance writer from Inver Grove Heights, Minn., and editor of SisterStory.org.

## SCRIPTURE SEARCH®

Gospel for April 3, 2016

John 20: 19-31

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for Divine Mercy Sunday, Cycle C: two visits by the risen Lord to his disciples. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

EVENING	DOORS	FOR FEAR
JESUS	STOOD	PEACE
HIS SIDE	AS THE FATHER	SENT ME
BREATHED	RETAIN	THOMAS
DIDYMUS	TWELVE	LORD
NAILS	FINGER	NOT BELIEVE
A WEEK	MY GOD	WRITTEN

### FORGIVE/ RETAIN

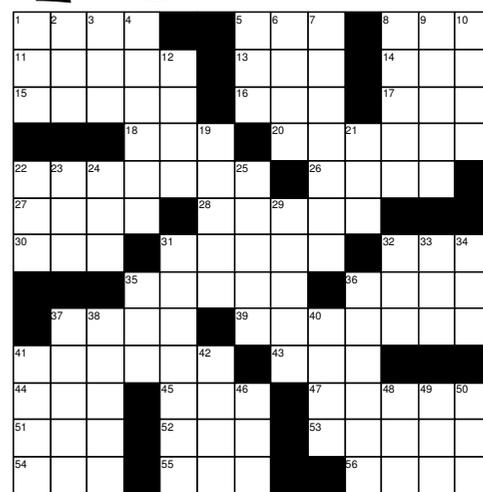
```

H I S S I D E M T N E S
W N R E G N I F J O R U
R L O G N I N E V E L M
I W O T S R A N H C O Y
T K D L B A N T L A R D
T D I B R E A T H E D I
E A C H O F L L T P O D
N I A T E R L I W E O O
E L A H J O E K E D T G
M M T C C F I O L V S Y
D S A M O H T L V I E M
A W E E K S U S E J A K
    
```

© 2016 Tri-C-A Publications www.tri-c-a-publications.com

## The CrossWord

April 3, and 10, 2016



© 2016 www.tri-c-a-publications.com

Based on these Scripture readings: Acts 5 :12-16; Rv 1: 9-11a; 12-13; 17-19; Jn 20:19-31 and Acts 5: 27-32; 40b-41; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

### ACROSS

- 1 Fish
- 5 Torso muscles (abbr.)
- 8 Belonging to the Lord
- 11 Harvest bundle
- 13 Fox's offspring
- 14 Lode yield
- 15 West Coast Fl. city
- 16 Auto
- 17 Not (prefix)
- 18 Joan of \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 John Paul the \_\_\_\_\_
- 22 Thomas' other name
- 26 Sins
- 27 Opera solo
- 28 Corroded

### DOWN

- 30 Nevertheless
- 31 New York paper
- 32 \_\_\_\_\_ of Man
- 35 Part of Jesus' breakfast
- 36 Have dinner
- 37 Ballet skirt
- 39 File holder
- 41 Assemblies
- 43 Thanksgiving month
- 44 Big truck
- 45 Animal foot
- 47 John's word for miracles
- 51 Monk's brew
- 52 East southeast

- 53 Slow, shelled animal
- 54 Ship initials
- 55 "\_\_\_\_ Lord"
- 56 Catch sight of

### DOWN

- 1 Central Time
- 2 Expression of surprise
- 3 Type of sleep
- 4 Paw-paw
- 5 Dog registry
- 6 Prejudice
- 7 People put sick here for healing by Peter
- 8 "\_\_\_\_, glory & blessing"
- 9 Golf clubs
- 10 "So I \_\_\_\_\_ you:"
- 12 Cropland
- 19 Radioactivity unit
- 21 "\_\_\_\_ of the poor"
- 22 First \_\_\_\_\_ of the week
- 23 Wrath
- 24 Morse code dot
- 25 Shrub of the cashew family
- 29 4-door car
- 31 Angel's horn
- 32 Turn from God
- 33 "We believe in \_\_\_\_\_ God"
- 34 Was filled with fish
- 35 Heat unit
- 36 \_\_\_\_\_ Mercy
- 37 Works hard
- 38 Suggests
- 40 Supervisor
- 41 Herr's wife
- 42 Son of Man word gold one on his chest
- 46 Tiny
- 48 Ozone
- 49 Cut
- 50 Herod was, like a fox

Answer Key can be found on page 15

# All Diocese Team

Today's Catholic presents 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.

## Saint Joseph

### Boys' basketball



Dominick Ferro  
grade 12,  
guard,  
Corpus Christi



Samuel Quinn  
grade 12,  
guard,  
St. Pius X

### Girls' basketball



Nicole Konieczny  
grade 11,  
guard,  
Christ the King



Daly Sullivan  
grade 11,  
guard,  
St. Anthony

### Girls' swimming



Ashley Jenkins  
grade 10,  
200 medley relay,  
St. Anthony de Padua



Lydia Schaeffer  
grade 10,  
200 medley relay,  
Christ the King



Lexi Spaulding  
grade 11,  
200 medley relay,  
LaSalle Academy



Aislinn Walsh  
grade 9,  
200 medley relay,  
St. Joseph,  
South Bend

### Boys' swimming



Luke Barrett  
grade 11,  
200 medley relay,  
200 free relay,  
St. Joseph,  
South Bend



Tim Greci  
grade 12,  
200 medley relay,  
200 free relay,  
homeschool



John Harmon  
grade 12,  
200 medley relay,  
200 free relay,  
St. Joseph,  
South Bend



Peter Jachim  
grade 11,  
200 medley relay,  
200 free relay,  
St. Joseph,  
South Bend



Cole Short  
grade 11,  
200 medley relay,  
200 free relay,  
St. Joseph,  
South Bend

### Wrestling



Jared Kazmierzak  
grade 11,  
126 lbs.,  
Holy Family



Tristan Moreno  
grade 11,  
132 lbs.,  
Holy Family



Taran Tomaszewski  
grade 12,  
145 lbs.,  
St. Adalbert

## Marian

### Boys' basketball



Jacob Whitfield  
grade 12,  
guard,  
St. Joseph,  
Mishawaka



Jair Rodgers  
grade 12,  
Christian Center

### Girls' basketball



Savannalouise Dennig  
grade 12, guard,  
St. Matthew Cathedral



Meghan Urbanski  
grade 10, guard,  
St. Matthew Cathedral

### Wrestlers



Patrick Ernst  
grade 12,  
220 lbs.,  
St. Matthew Cathedral



Nicholas Pingel  
grade 12,  
195 lbs.,  
St. Bavo



Nicholas Blasko  
grade 12,  
126 lbs.,  
St. Bavo

### Girls' swimming



Charlotte Voor  
grade 10,  
200 IM relay,  
St. Pius X



Gracie Molnar  
grade 9,  
200 IM relay,  
St. Bavo



Theresa Rice  
grade 12,  
200 IM relay,  
St. Matthew Cathedral



Jacklyn Tellez  
grade 9,  
200 IM relay,  
St. Jude

### Boys' swimming



Cody Mowers  
grade 9,  
400 freestyle relay,  
St. Matthew Cathedral



Ilia Glazman  
grade 12,  
400 freestyle relay



Filip Kosel  
grade 9,  
400 freestyle relay,  
St. Thomas



Sam Pierce  
grade 12,  
400 freestyle relay,  
Queen of Peace

## Bishop Luers

### Girls' basketball



Kayla Knapke,  
grade 12,  
guard,  
St. Joseph  
Hessen-Cassel



Emma Wolfe  
grade 12,  
guard,  
St. Jude

### Boys' basketball



Blane Cook  
grade 11,  
forward,  
St. Joseph



Alex Neher  
grade 11,  
guard,  
St. John the Baptist

### Wrestling



Chandler Woenker  
grade 10,  
132 lbs.



Luke Fisher  
grade 11,  
160 lbs.,  
St. John the Baptist



Ben Frecker  
grade 9,  
106 lbs.,  
St. Joseph  
Hessen-Cassel

### Boys' swimming



Ben Fink  
grade 10,  
100 Butterfly,  
St. John the Baptist



Alex Maldeney  
grade 12,  
50 freestyle,  
St. Charles  
Borromeo



**Andres Sundberg**  
grade 12,  
1M diving,  
St. John the Baptist



**Conlan Martin**  
grade 11,  
St. Vincent de Paul



**David Tippmann**  
grade 12,  
diving,  
St. Charles

**Girls' swimming**



**Carly Grabner**  
grade 12,  
100 freestyle,  
St. John the Baptist

**Wrestling**



**Andy Bruns**  
grade 12,  
126 lbs.,  
St. Jude

**Gymnastics**



**Grace Gillig**  
grade 12,  
St. Charles



**Abby Grabner**  
grade 9,  
200 IM,  
St. John the Baptist



**David Obergfell**  
grade 12,  
145 lbs.,  
St. Jude



**Maria Trahin**  
grade 12,  
Our Lady of Good Hope



**Olivia Koob**  
grade 11,  
50 freestyle,  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



**Louis Garrett**  
grade 12,  
152 lbs.,  
Our Lady of Good Hope

**Bishop Dwenger**

**Girls' basketball**



**Madison Ream**  
grade 12,  
forward,  
St. Charles



**Landon Campbell**  
grade 12,  
285 lbs.,  
St. Vincent de Paul



**Rose Tippmann**  
grade 12,  
forward,  
St. Charles



**Kristi McDonald**  
grade 12,  
St. Vincent de Paul

**Boys' basketball**



**Sam Royal**  
grade 12,  
St. Vincent de Paul



**Claire Reeves**  
grade 10,  
St. Jude



**David O'Daniel**  
grade 12,  
St. Vincent de Paul



**Chris DeWald**  
grade 11,  
St. Vincent de Paul



**Campbell Donovan**  
grade 11,  
St. Charles



**David Kelty**  
grade 12,  
St. Jude



**Caitlyn McTague**  
grade 12,  
diving,  
St. Charles

**Saint Joseph High School announces new girls' basketball coach**

SOUTH BEND – Saint Joseph High School announces Sydney Smallbone as the new girls' varsity head basketball coach. "Sydney brings abundant passion, energy, intensity, and basketball knowledge to Saint Joseph High School as our next girls' basketball coach. She has tremendous pride in SJHS, she cares deeply about the total development of the student-athletes, and she will serve as a great role model for them," said Debbie Brown, incoming athletic director at Saint Joseph High School.

**SHARATHON IS COMING!**

*Growing in Mercy*

For more information, visit us online:  
[RedeemerRadio.com/sharathon.php](http://RedeemerRadio.com/sharathon.php)

**Redeemer Radio**  
106.3 FM | 95.7 FM

Listen worldwide at [RedeemerRadio.com](http://RedeemerRadio.com)

Contact or provide financial support at [info@redeemerradio.com](mailto:info@redeemerradio.com)  
4618 E. State Blvd., Suite 200 • Fort Wayne, IN 46815 • 260.436.9598

**Love and Blessings**  
At St. Mary's Church • Bristol, Indiana 46507  
574-848-7799  
Hours: Sunday - Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
(Closed Fridays)

• Gifts • Statues • Rosaries • Crucifixes • Books and More.

See us for all your First Communion needs!

CLOSE TO HOME!

Sign up to get the news by email  
Visit [www.todayscatholicnews.org](http://www.todayscatholicnews.org)

The Nanovic Institute for European Studies presents the

**KEELEY VATICAN LECTURE**

**The Holy See's Higher Education Policy from St. John Paul II to Pope Francis**

REVEREND FRIEDRICH BECHINA, F.S.O.  
*Undersecretary of the Congregation for Catholic Education*

Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.  
Remick Commons, Visitation Hall

Free and open to the public  
[nanovic.nd.edu/vatican](http://nanovic.nd.edu/vatican)

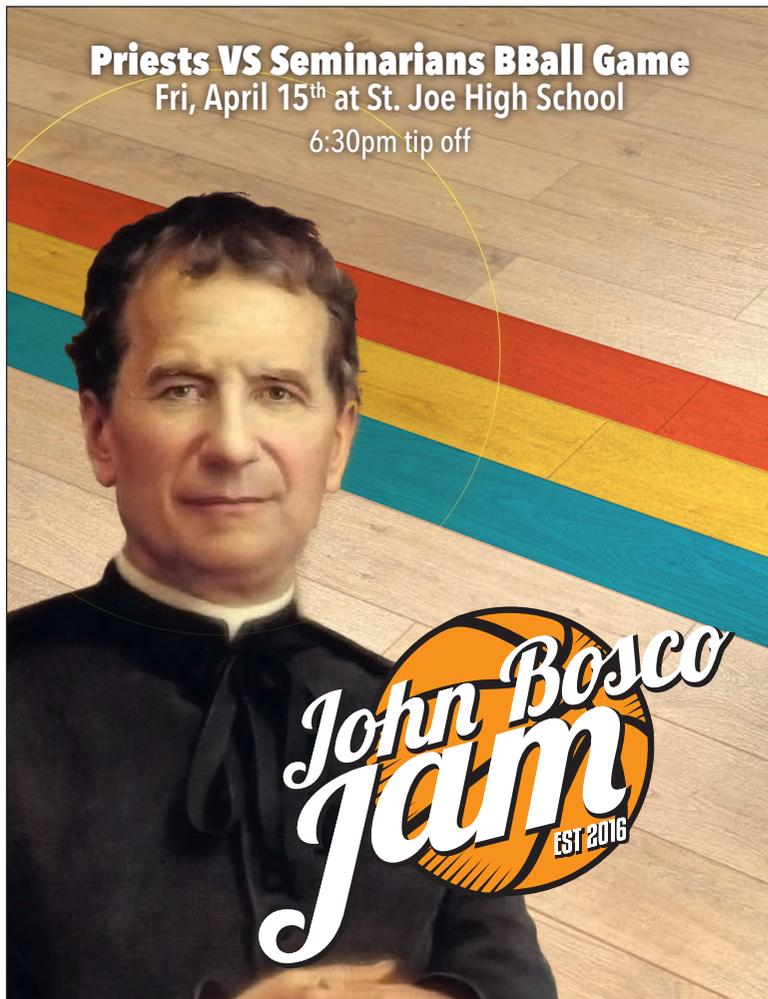
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME  
Keough School of Global Affairs

# John Bosco Jam: Catholic priests challenge seminarians in John Bosco Jam basketball game

SOUTH BEND — Following the success of the Cupertino Classic in Fort Wayne, the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend is hosting the inaugural John Bosco Jam: A basketball game between teams of priests and Holy Cross seminarians on Friday, April 15th at 6:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph High School, 453 N. Notre Dame, Ave. Admission to the game is free and doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Donations will be collected for Catholic Relief Services to help Christians in the Middle East. Official John Bosco Jam T-shirts will be available for purchase for \$10.

The event is named after St. John Bosco, who was an Italian priest from the 1800's. Bosco used his talent in sports to draw young people together through fun activities and then present the Gospel of Jesus in an accessible way. Organizers promote the event as a modern day example of doing the same thing.

"Priests from around the Diocese, the Congregation of the Holy Cross and other Catholic orders will be challenging the Holy Cross seminarians as a way to grow our sense of Catholic community in the South Bend area," noted Father Andrew Curry, team captain. Curry notes that this event is for all ages and is a fun way to bring people together. "Besides, high school and college students, this event is also a great way for parents and grandparents to bring their children to an event to see priests and seminarians in a way they don't usually see them," Curry stated. Organizers expect a crowd of several hundred people



**Priests VS Seminarians BBall Game**  
Fri, April 15<sup>th</sup> at St. Joe High School  
6:30pm tip off

The John Bosco Jam will pit priests against seminarians in a rousing game of basketball that promotes vocations and raises funds for charity.

to attend.

The roster for the Priest Team includes: Team Captain Father Andrew Curry, North Manchester; Father Mark Gurtner, Fort Wayne; Father Terry Coonan, South Bend; Father Aaron Pidel

SJ, Notre Dame; Father Nathan O'Holloran, SJ, Notre Dame; Father Michael Magree, SJ (Notre Dame), Father Jason Freiburger, Elkhart and Father Matt Soberalski, Fort Wayne.

## Haiti Hustle 5k run/walk

WARSAW — The Haiti Hustle 5k Run/Walk, will be Saturday, May 14, at 9 a.m. at Sacred Heart Parish. With a 70's theme, awards, refreshments and door prizes will be offered. Award for the best 70's gear. Pre-register for \$15 at [runsignup.com](http://runsignup.com) or \$20 the day of the event. Email Terry Powers [mtspowers@embarq-mail.com](mailto:mtspowers@embarq-mail.com) for information.

Proceeds go to teens from the Sacred Heart youth group traveling to Haiti in June on a mission trip to St. Nicholas in Kenscoff, Haiti.

## Patriot 5k for St. Vincent American Heritage Girls

FORT WAYNE — The St. Vincent American Heritage Girls will have a 5k and 1 mile kids' run Sunday, May 15, at 4 p.m.

More details can be found at [www.AHGPatriout5KFunRunandWalk.itsyourrace.com](http://www.AHGPatriout5KFunRunandWalk.itsyourrace.com). All proceeds directly support the St. Vincent American Heritage Girl program. Special entertainment from Sweetcakes Comedy and contest for most Patriotic participant.

## Free throw contest winner



Provided by Darren Zink

Isabelle Hogan won the 2016 Knights of Columbus State Free Throw Contest for 12-year-old girls. She was representing St. Jude Knights of Columbus Council #16065 in Fort Wayne. She was one of six girls at the finals shooting 19 out of 25 baskets. Other participants from the diocese included Max Carey, Garrett; Braeden Messenger, Osceola; Matt DeShone, Elkhart; and Xavier Allen, Fort Wayne.

## SCHORTGEN REALTY

**Darren Schortgen**  
Real Estate Broker/Realtor  
St. Charles Parishioner  
(260)385-7603  
[Darren@DarrenSchortgen.com](mailto:Darren@DarrenSchortgen.com)  
[www.SchortgenRealty.com](http://www.SchortgenRealty.com)



"Your Friend in the Business"

**Peerless CLEANERS**  
SINCE 1915

10 Locations  
Fort Wayne, Angola, Auburn and Warsaw

Eco-Friendly Dry Cleaning

4121 Hillegas Rd. Ft. Wayne, IN 46808  
260.422.9374 / Toll Free 1.800.514.9689  
[www.peerless-cleaners.com](http://www.peerless-cleaners.com)

Creating environments where moments of joy, independence and wellness are the focus each and every day.

**EASTLAKE TERRACE**

RETIREMENT AND ASSISTED LIVING  
574.266.4508

3109 E. BRISTOL STREET • ELKHART, IN 46514

[WWW.EASTLAKETERRACEALC.COM](http://WWW.EASTLAKETERRACEALC.COM)

Helping buyers and sellers find the home of their dreams!  
Call me...I'm here to help.

**Andrea "Andy" Hall**  
REALTOR® ABR, CRS, CDPE

RE/MAX Results  
8101 Coldwater Road  
Fort Wayne, IN 46825  
Cell: 260-417-5093  
Office: 260-490-1590  
Fax: 260-490-1591  
[www.ANDYHALLHOMES.com](http://www.ANDYHALLHOMES.com)  
Each Office Independently Owned and Operated

**LEGACY LENDING GROUP, INC.**  
The LOGICAL Choice

•FREE PRE APPROVALS!  
Cell: 260-440-4181  
[kari@legacylend.com](mailto:kari@legacylend.com)

Kari M. Peters  
NMLS#891575

Parishioner:  
Immaculate Conception, Ege

"If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world on fire."  
-St. Catherine of Siena

CONV - FHA - VA - USDA

Expertise you can rely on.

Michael Kendzicky  
Glen Lothary  
James Lothary  
Michael Marien

Private Wealth Management  
4220 Edison Lakes Parkway, Suite 100  
Mishawaka, IN 46545  
574-247-6830 . 800-866-9022  
[rwbaird.com](http://rwbaird.com)

**BAIRD**

©2015 Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated. MC-46527.

Please call Sam Haiflich for your next Auction or Appraisal  
260-740-7299 [Sam@bkmauction.com](mailto:Sam@bkmauction.com)

17 years experience  
bkmauction.com  
(260) 622-1000 • (260) 824-3982  
1085 North Main St., Bluffton, Indiana  
Parishioner-St. Aloysius, Yoder

**BKM Auctioneers**  
Farm Residential Commercial

# WHAT'S HAPPENING?

**WHAT'S HAPPENING** carries announcements about upcoming events in the diocese. Send your announcement at least two weeks prior to the event. View more Catholic events and submit yours at [www.diocesefwsb.org/bulletin](http://www.diocesefwsb.org/bulletin). Events that require an admission charge or payment to participate will receive one free listing. For additional listings of that event, please call our advertising sales staff at 260-456-2824 to purchase space.

**Marian conference dates set**

Notre Dame — The 2016 National Marian Conference will be held at the University of Notre Dame's Joyce Center on the weekend of May 20-22. The conference begins on Friday evening at 7 p.m. and ends on Sunday at 12:30 p.m. following Mass. Speakers include Al Kresta, Dr. Ray Gaurendi, Father Willy Raymond, Father Tom Shoemaker and singer Tatiana Cameron. For information contact Queen of Peace Ministries at 574-288-8777 or visit [www.QueenofPeaceMinistries.com](http://www.QueenofPeaceMinistries.com).

**Summer camps offered**

South Bend — Saint Joseph High School will offer sports camps, technology camp, art camp and ceramics camp for grade school students this summer. For a complete list of opportunities, cost and online registration visit [www.saintjoehigh.com/camps](http://www.saintjoehigh.com/camps).

**Divine Mercy devotion planned**

Fort Wayne — St. Vincent de Paul Parish, 1502 E. Wallen Rd., will gather on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3, for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after

the 12:45 p.m. Mass. At 3 p.m. Benediction and the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed. The Blessed Sacrament will then be transferred to the chapel until 5:30 p.m.

**Baked steak supper and basket auction**

Albion — Blessed Sacrament Parish will hold a baked steak supper and basket auction on Saturday, April 16, at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5-10. Proceeds will benefit high school students attending spiritual retreats and other functions. Call the church at 260-636-2072 for information.

**Interpreter to be at Mass**

Fort Wayne — An Interpreter for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing will be present at the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 10, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. For information contact Allison at 260-399-1452 or [asturm@diocesefwsb.org](mailto:asturm@diocesefwsb.org).

**Bishop Dwenger announces musical**

Fort Wayne — Bishop Dwenger High School presents "Children of Eden — The Musical" Friday and Saturday, April 29 and 30, at

7 p.m. and Sunday, May 1 at 2 p.m. An opening night art exhibition and reception begins at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for students; \$8 for general admission and \$10 for reserved seating. Call or text Babette Record at (260) 740-9591 to pre-order tickets.

**Rummage sale planned**

Kendallville — Immaculate Conception Parish, 319 E. Diamond St., will have a rummage sale on Friday, April 1, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, April 2, from 9-11:30 a.m.

The CrossWord  
April 3 and 10, 2016



## REST IN PEACE

**Fort Wayne**

James C. Furge, 81, Most Precious Blood

**Huntington**

Martin E. Young, 84, St. Mary

**Mishawaka**

Alvin G. Moser, 82, Queen of Peace

Stacey M. Blasko, 30, St. Monica

**Notre Dame**

Paul R. Chagnon, 86, Sacred Heart Basilica

Susan J. Pusztai, 75, Sacred Heart

**South Bend**

Edward McNamara, 75, St. Therese, Little Flower

Patricia DeWolf, 79, St. Jude

Submit obituaries to [mweber@diocesefwsb.org](mailto:mweber@diocesefwsb.org)

## Director of Music and Liturgy

**St. John the Baptist Parish in New Haven, Indiana** seeks a Director of Music and Liturgy. This person will be a part of a pastoral team and will be responsible for planning liturgies in addition to leading church choirs and cantors. The successful applicant will be a skilled musician (organist and pianist) with experience planning liturgies and leading choirs. A bachelor's degree in a related field and music competency is required. A full job description is available upon request. If you are interested, please email your cover letter and resume to:

Father Bill Sullivan  
[frsullivan@live.com](mailto:frsullivan@live.com)

or mail to:

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
943 Powers St., New Haven, IN 46774  
(Deadline: April 18, 2016)



**WE ARE ST. ANTHONY**

- Christ-centered, academically focused school community
- Innovative faculty who balance pedagogical best practices with emerging technology
- Collaborative faculty & staff of 46 who work and worship together
- Diverse student body totaling 335, with many 2nd & 3rd generation families
- Pastor actively engaged in our school community and student faith formation
- Parishioners who are invested in the success of the school
- Sustained record of diocesan leadership and support

**ST. ANTHONY DE PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
Position opening: **PRINCIPAL**



St. Anthony de Padua Catholic School  
2310 E. Jefferson Blvd · South Bend, IN 46615  
[www.stasb.org](http://www.stasb.org) · (574) 233-7169 · Grades PreK-8

For more information or to apply, contact:  
Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend Catholic Schools Office  
Phone: (260) 422-4611  
[www.diocesefwsb.org/Administrative-Application](http://www.diocesefwsb.org/Administrative-Application)

Rolling applications accepted until **April 15, 2016**  
Employment begins July 1, 2016

Join us in continuing to build our community of faith...one student at a time.

**WE ARE SEEKING**

- A strong, faith-filled Catholic who will work to effectively execute our school mission and the mission of the Church
- A dynamic leader who models Catholic values, inspires academic excellence, and develops life-long learners who live their faith through stewardship
- An experienced educator who is working toward or has completed administrative licensure; administrative experience preferred
- A strong communicator with financial and personnel management skills

Play a part in the new evangelization  
**Tell the story.**

Are you a dynamic individual who is passionate about the Catholic faith?

Are you a writer, editor, photo journalist or marketer?

Full-time positions available.

Send resume with cover letter and writing samples to [spatka@diocesefwsb.org](mailto:spatka@diocesefwsb.org).

Visit [www.todayscatholicnews.org](http://www.todayscatholicnews.org) for details.

Catholic Communications Office  
Today's Catholic Newspaper





# Living the Year of Mercy

## Feed the Hungry

### Feeding with more than loaves and fishes



Photos provided by St. Henry Parish

Members of the Fort Wayne community wait in long lines for food offered at the St. Henry Community Center.



Provided by St. Bernard, Wabash

St. Bernard parishioners deliver "Meals on Wheels" to the homebound in the Wabash community.



Vince LaBarbera

Helping "Feed the Hungry" as they load groceries into a needy person's car are Terry Lundquist, left, and Lyle Freimuth, both long-time volunteers at the St. Therese Parish Emergency Food Pantry in Fort Wayne.

## In case of emergency, break out the volunteers

BY VINCE LABARBERA

FORT WAYNE — The St. Therese Emergency Food Pantry had its beginnings in the early 1950s shortly after a St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) conference was established at the parish in 1949, said Cheryl Mowan, district president of the Society in the Fort Wayne area.

"People used to come to the church office almost daily asking for food," she continued. Vincentians began stockpiling food items in the office basement and when Mowan began working as the parish secretary in 1982-83, there was a long-running system in place for handout or delivery of food boxes to the needy. "I started giving out food one day a week in 1995, but climbing up and down the steep basement steps carrying heavy boxes while leaving the office unattended got to be a real burden," she indicated, so she asked her husband, Mike, to help with food distribution.

Parishioners Greg and Sue Rockstroh also began assisting and helped convince the pastor to remodel and dedicate two bays in the parish garage for food storage and emergency distribution. It was decided the food pantry would be open on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon. Those using the facility — approximately 40 to 55 individuals/families a week — have to furnish proof they live in either the 46809 or 46819 zip code area. They are restricted to one visit per month, although no one

ever is turned away because he or she is not familiar with the rules. "If someone does not live in our area we direct them to a food pantry near their residency the next time," Cheryl added.

The St. Therese Food Pantry purchases food, juices and household items from Community Harvest Food Bank and receives free government commodities of frozen and canned meats, fish, cheese, canned goods and other supplies. The pantry mostly depends on donations from parishioners and contributing SVdP members.

One of the most generous contributors is Nick and Cindy Hogan who monthly donate hundreds of boxes of cereal, box mixes and other food items even though they are members of St. Aloysius Parish in Yoder and not St. Therese parishioners, reported Cheryl. They used to donate exclusively to Community Harvest Food Bank until they heard about the emergency food pantry at St. Therese. "There are many other generous donors and contributing SVdP members as well on whom we depend," said Cheryl. They usually can use whatever people can give including fresh produce of vegetables and fruits.

There also are several parish volunteers who weekly help food pantry visitors select items they need or assist them in getting groceries to their vehicle, which occasionally is just a bicycle, motorized scooter or battery-powered wheelchair. Some also walk to the food pantry from more than a mile away. Volunteers include: the Rockstrohs, Lyle and Dorothy Freimuth, Joan Mitchell, Nellie Schaffer, Katie Stoppenhagen, Larry Colchin, Pete Duran, Terry Lundquist, Mike Mowan and Vince LaBarbera.

**BRADY BENEFITS & ASSOCIATES, LLC**  
YOUR TRUSTED ADVISORS

- Individual Health Insurance
- Group Health Insurance • Life Insurance
- Obamacare • Medicare-Supplements
- Retirement Income Planning • Annuities • 401K

Office: 260-220-8800  
1-844-GO-BRADY  
Marketplace: 260-220-8001  
www.bradybenefitsusa.com

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**  
ST. JOSEPH COUNTY

Feel good about where you shop.  
All of the proceeds from our stores are reinvested back into our mission.

4644 W. Western Ave. • 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
1827 North Bendix Dr. • 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
2302 South Bend Ave. • 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

www.svdpsb.org

**All Saints Religious Goods**

8808 Coldwater Road - Fort Wayne - 260-490-7506  
In Coldwater Centre at Wallen Road, 1.5 miles north of I-69

- First Communion and Confirmation Gifts
- First Communion Dresses
- Crucifixes • Rosaries
- Medals • Statues
- Books • Bibles

**The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul needs YOU . . . JOIN - DONATE - VOLUNTEER!**

*Help Us Help Those in Need*

- Home Visits: Food & Financial Assistance
- Homebound Program: Assistance with minor home repairs
- Care Van: Transportation to appointments
- Funeral Ministry: Funeral home visitation (parishioners) and prayers
- BINGO: Kingston Nursing Home (monthly)
- St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store
- Jail Ministry: Taking Christ to inmates (visitation and teaching)
- Christmas Help for Families
- Vehicle Donation Program

**24 PARISHES IN THE FORT WAYNE AREA HAVE A SAINT VINCENT de PAUL CONFERENCE!**

**The Fort Wayne Society of St. Vincent de Paul**  
260-456-3561  
1600 South Calhoun St.  
Fort Wayne, IN 46802-5254  
www.svdpsfw.org  
www.facebook.com/stvincentdepaulsocietyfortwayne