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**Archbishop Myers blesses the new Bishop Francis Center for Immigration Services, operated by Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark. The center will serve immigrants, refugees and victims of human trafficking.**

## Center to help and protect

**BY LIESL FORES**  
Staff Writer

Archdiocesan and public officials gathered last week for the opening of the Bishop Francis Center for Immigration Services in Newark.

Archbishop John J. Myers, U.S. Attorney for New Jersey Christopher Christie, Congressman Donald Payne, Sen. Ron Rice, Phillip Frese, executive director of Catholic Charities, and Henry Amoroso, chairman of the board of Catholic Charities and vice chairman and COO of Catholic Health and Human Services, gave words of welcome and gratitude for what Christie called "a ray of hope" for immigrants, refugees and victims of human trafficking.

The building, which was purchased by the

Archdiocese of Newark as a base for Catholic Charities' Immigration Assistance and Refugee Resettlement programs in the mid '90s, has been fully renovated, with an anonymous grant of \$260,000, and renamed for the late Joseph A. Francis, S.V.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Newark from 1976 to 1995 and human rights advocate.

"Bishop Joseph Francis—throughout a lifetime of service on behalf of those in need of help and protection—revealed God's gift of hope to countless men, women and children who were far from home and close to despair," noted Archbishop Myers.

The center will continue to operate as the headquarters for immigration and refugee services, and

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## Cathedral Mass set for Dec. 8 at 8 p.m.

Archbishop John J. Myers will celebrate a Mass to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Doctrine of the Immaculate Conception, proclaimed by Pope Pius IX (1846-78), on Wednesday, Dec. 8 at 8 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark.

The Mass is planned as "a tribute of love and devotion to the Mother of God, Patroness of the United States, the Archdiocese of Newark, its major seminary and Seton Hall University," according to Msgr. Richard F. Groncki, rector of the Cathedral Basilica.

All are welcome to participate in this important event in the history of the universal Church, with special significance for the local Church of Newark.



## Pilgrimage, homage to Mary

**BY BRIAN FORES**  
Staff Writer

Archbishop John J. Myers led some 3,000 faithful, including six bishops and 50 priests, on a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC, in honor of the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception, on Oct. 30.

The bishops of the Archdiocese of Newark stood in the plaza and welcomed the travelers as they piled out of buses carrying parishioners from throughout the archdiocese on a dreary autumn morning. Later, the rain stopped and the sun came out in full prominence.

"I think it's exciting for the people," said Most Rev. John W. Flesey, Regional Bishop of Bergen County. "There's a real sense of joy and devotion," he added.

Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., Regional Bishop for Essex County, noted, "As I greet the people, I can see the expressions of enthusiasm and joy on their faces. There are people here of all ages and from all the parishes—it's a joy to be here."

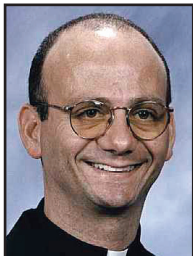
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## Key chancery personnel changes in effect this week

The Archdiocese of Newark announced new appointments and some reorganization in administrative organization. According to Father Robert E. Emery, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, "These announcements are part of a conscious effort to bring greater efficiency to our organization. All new appointments took effect on Nov. 1, unless otherwise noted."

The Office of Chancellor has been combined with the Office of Vicar General, and Father Emery has been named Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Father Michael A. Andreano, former parochial



Father Robert E. Emery



Father Michael A. Andreano

vicar of Holy Family Parish, Nutley, has been named Vice Chancellor and Assistant to the Vicar General. The position is full-time.

Rosemarie Petraglia has been appointed to the new position of director of the Office of Child and Youth Protection. Petraglia is a family counselor and will coordinate all matters that relate to the Charter for the Protection of Children.



Deacon Joseph A. Dwyer, Jr.



Deacon Robert Baker

Deacon Robert Baker will assume the role of Director of Research and Planning upon the retirement of Joseph A. Vancio, the current director, after the first of the year. Vancio is also Director of Stewardship for the archdiocese.

Deacon Joseph A. Dwyer, Jr. continues to serve as Vice Chancellor for Administration and as Operations Officer for the chancery building. He will also be a member of a new executive committee that will serve as consultants to the Archbishop of Newark on a variety of issues.

# Decius and his interminable two-year reign of terror

When the Emperor Decius (249-51) ascended the throne of the Roman Empire, the Church had just come through a decade and a half of uninterrupted peace. Though Decius ruled for just two years, his reign would prove to be a seemingly interminable nightmare for Mother Church. For the Christians, the age of toleration was over.

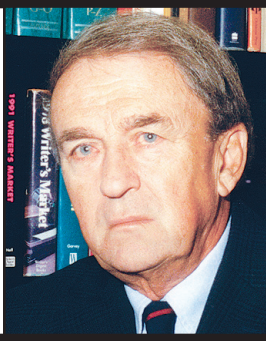
Upon assuming power, Decius issued an edict compelling all citizens to present themselves before a special panel of officials and offer sacrifices to the pagan deities. This demonstration of observance of the state cult would earn a person a libellus ("certificate") and put him or her in good standing with the authorities.

In the edict there was no mention of the Christians. Nevertheless it was clear that the ruling was aimed specifically at them, since the Jews were, by law, dispensed from every cult other than their own. By his actions, Decius broke from the policy of religious toleration that had marked recent reigns, starting with that of Alexander Severus (222-35). Roundups of Christians were launched throughout the Roman world.



## A View from History

By Frank J. Korn



In their fright and their eagerness to save themselves many Christians repudiated the faith.

The rest of the Christian community referred to these brethren as *lapsi* ("lapsed"), i.e. fallen into the sin of apostasy. Those courageous ones, who refused to denounce Christ and venerate Jupiter and the other gods, paid for their bravery with their lives. Among these was the zealous Bishop of Rome, Pope Fabian (236-50). Hauled before the Emperor Decius himself, the 19th successor of St. Peter was put to death on Jan. 20, 250.

Roman rulers as far back as Nero (54-68) had sought to drown Christianity in its own blood. But astoundingly, as Tertullian pointed out, "The blood of the Martyrs became the seed of life" for the beleaguered Church. Decius apparently sensed this fact and feared the resilience of the Christian community.

To his top aides he confided, "I would rather hear word of a rival to the throne than of another Bishop of Rome."

Throughout the capital and all the provinces many of those who remained loyal to Christ were subjected to torture and execution. In such places as Carthage, Alexandria and Antioch the pagan populace collaborated with the authorities in hunting down Christians, eagerly testifying against them in kangaroo court trials.

A wealthy and well-educated Illyrian, Decius was

relentless in his quest. He sought to consolidate the fragmenting empire by a return to the traditional Roman religion. He went after the clergy and hierarchy of the Church with a concentrated ferocity.

Among the bishops put to death were Alexander of Jerusalem and Babylas of Antioch. Also victim to the carnage was the great Christian scholar, Origen. Reports from provincial governors came pouring in to the emperor's office declaring triumphantly that the Church was *vastata* ("destroyed").

The Christians were blessed with a brief reprieve when, late in his bloody reign, Decius was summoned by his generals to the banks of the Danube, where the powerful army of the Goths were threatening the imperial frontier.

This is the first mention in history of the invaders who would one day break the Roman hold over the Mediterranean world and eventually reign in Gaul, Spain, and Italy. Decius sought to halt the Goths' advance in an obscure town called Forum Terebronii.

There, however, the Roman army was decimated and Emperor Decius fell in battle.

His successor, Trebonianus Gallus, made peace with the Goths and showed no particular interest in harassing the Church. Thus for the next two years the flock of Christ enjoyed relative tranquility and freedom of worship.

This interlude, however, proved to be merely the calm before the storm. For the next emperor, Valerian, unleashed a furious persecution that would make Decius' slaughter seem mild by comparison. Among the victims was Pope St. Sixtus II (257-58), who was seized in one of the catacombs and summarily executed on Aug. 6, 258. Another celebrated martyr was the Roman deacon, St. Lawrence.

Upon the death of Valerian, his son Gallienus assumed the crown. One of his first acts was to annul all his father's laws hostile to Christianity.

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## Stewardship

# Discipleship finds focus, purpose in the Eucharist

BY ANDREW KACZYNSKI

Associate Director of Stewardship for the Archdiocese

Are Jesus and His Church priorities in your life? You can lose your home, your possessions, even your family, but Jesus will never leave you. He is the only thing in your life that can never be taken away.

When we realize this belief, we become true disciples of Jesus. When we become a disciple of Christ we hand over our lives to the Lord, putting God before all earthly desires. With this dedication to Jesus Christ, the practice of stewardship naturally follows.

Even the title of the U.S. bishops' pastoral letter on Stewardship conveys this: *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*.

Jesus' life and teachings provide guidance in living as Christian stewards. We are challenged to be stewards for the Kingdom of God by receiving His gifts gratefully, tending them responsibly, sharing them in justice and love with others, and returning them with increase to the Lord.

Our gifts include everything we have—time, health, relationships, talents, property, the Gospel, the environment—all gifts from God. We should serve God with grat-

itude for these gifts, knowing that it's not how much we have but what we do with what we have that is important.

Everyone has been given special gifts for God's special purposes. Discovering, developing, and using those gifts is a lifelong responsibility.

Jesus is the perfect example of stewardship. He used all of his gifts to glorify and serve God. The crucifix reminds us that Jesus gave of Himself with the greatest gift of all—the gift of His life so that we could have eternal life.

Starting this past October and continuing until October 2005, Our Holy Father has declared a Year of the Eucharist.

In the Eucharist, Christians come together in Jesus' New Covenant. We become one—the Body of Christ. Stewardship and the Eucharist leads us to embrace all men and women, especially those in

need, in a community of mercy and love. In the Eucharist, we bring our lives as Christian disciples to join with Jesus' offering. We give thanks to God for gifts received and strive to share them with others.

*We are challenged to be stewards for the Kingdom of God.*

If we are sincere and true to this ideal, Stewardship and the Eucharist should lead us to conduct various works of charity and mutual help.

In the Eucharist, we are able to enjoy the promise of the heavenly banquet. Christian stewards strive to model our lives after the stewardship of Christ, who gave and still gives all He has and is, in order to be faithful to God's will.

We have Jesus' word for it: "Whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is My flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51)

Remember that with stewardship faith, not money, is the bottom line. Building our faith and commitment to Jesus, through the Eucharist and by living our lives as good stewards, lead us to service for others. By doing so, our actions will speak vol-

umes to others.

If we strive to build a deeper commitment to Jesus, we, as the Body of Christ, are doing what we are challenged to do, which is to carry out Christ's mission in our world today.



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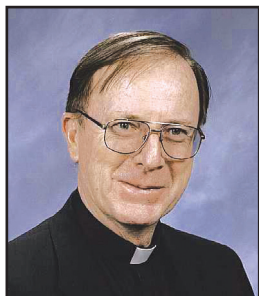


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# Four parishes assigned new pastors



Father George D. Gillen

**Father George D. Gillen**, pastor of St. Joseph the Carpenter Parish, Roselle, has been appointed pastor of St. Genevieve Parish, Elizabeth, effective Oct. 1.

Father Gillen attended Holy Trinity High School, Westfield, and Seton Hall University. After studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary, he was ordained to the priesthood on May 29, 1971.

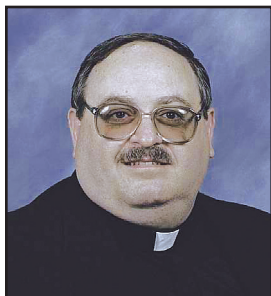
While a seminarian, he served at Queen of Angels Parish, Newark, and St. Agatha's Children's Home, Nanuet, NY. As a deacon, he served at Immaculate Conception Parish, Montclair.

Father Gillen also served as chaplain at Marlboro State Mental Hospital, Marlboro, and as a religious instructor at St. Dismas Drug Rehabilitation Center, Paterson.

After ordination, he was appointed parochial vicar at St. Genevieve's. While there, he was named moderator of the Union County CYO and also taught at St. Patrick's High School, Elizabeth. He received an M.A. in religious education from Fordham University, NY, in 1976.

He was appointed chaplain at Union Catholic High School, Scotch Plains, in 1981. He earned an Ed.S. (Education Specialist degree) in marriage and family counseling from Seton Hall University in 1990.

He was named pastor of St. Joseph the Carpenter, in April 1993. The same year, he began service as chaplain and volunteer firefighter for the Roselle Fire Department, which he will continue while at St. Genevieve's.



Father Stephen J. Cinque

**Father Stephen J. Cinque**, parochial vicar of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Maywood, has been appointed pastor of St. Joseph the Carpenter Parish, Roselle, effective Oct. 1.

Father Cinque received seminary training at Don Bosco College, Newton, and Immaculate Conception Seminary, Mahwah.

During his seminary years, he taught theology to the developmentally disabled and served as chaplain at Good Samaritan Hospital, Suffern, NY, and Clara Maass Hospital, Belleville. He served his diaconate at St. Catharine Parish, Glen Rock. He was ordained in May 1981.

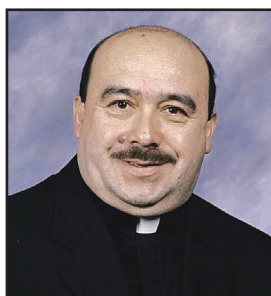
After ordination, he was appointed parochial vicar at St. Nicholas Parish, Jersey City, until 1982. He served as parochial vicar at St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Union City, from 1982-1985.

In June 1985, he was named parochial vicar at Our Lady Queen of Peace, and in June 1986, at St. Anthony of Padua, Union City.

In August 1989, he was appointed chaplain of Paramus Catholic Regional High School. In September of the same year, he was appointed to residency and as weekend assistant at St. Joseph Parish, Oradell/New Milford.

He was named again parochial vicar of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Maywood, in December when 1995.

In May 2002, he was appointed Spiritual Director of the Bergen County Curia of the Legion of Mary. He was appointed police chaplain of Maywood in Sept. 2001.



Father Jose I. Gamba

**Father Jose I. Gamba**, parochial vicar of St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Jersey City, has been appointed pastor of St. Peter Claver Parish, Montclair, effective Oct. 1.

Father Gamba was born in 1960 in Santa Sofia, Colombia.

He entered the Seminario Conciliar Tunja, Colombia, in 1980. He was ordained in July 1986, in Medellín, Colombia, by Pope John Paul II.

Father Gamba was assigned to St. Paul Parish, Moniquirá, and the high school Instituto Integrado Antonio Nariño, teaching philosophy and "religious science," from Jan. 1987 to Aug. 1988.

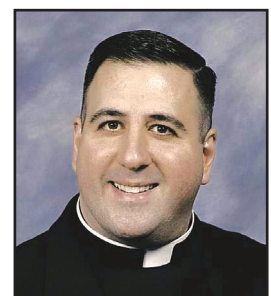
In Aug. 1988, he became the vice rector at the minor diocesan seminary at Chiquinquirá, where he served until December 1990.

In January 1991, he resumed parish life at Muzo y Otanche, Colombia, and teaching philosophy and social sciences at El Colegio Nacionalizado de Otanche, until Aug. 1991.

In August 1991, Father Gamba came to the United States, and the Archdiocese of Newark, spending a month at Holy Family Parish, Union City, for orientation.

In September, he was appointed parochial vicar of St. Mary Parish, Jersey City, and Assumption All Saints Parish, Jersey City, until May 1992.

He was named parochial vicar of St. Mary Parish, Plainfield, until June 1994, and then St. Paul the Apostle, Jersey City. He earned a B.A. in psychology from New Jersey City University from 1995-99, and is currently pursuing an M.A. in psychology there.



Father Robert E. Templeton

**Father Robert E. Templeton**, executive director of the Office of Clergy Personnel, has also been appointed pastor of St. Anthony Parish, East Newark, effective Oct. 25.

Born in Jersey City and raised in North Bergen, Father Templeton studied at Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, before transferring to St. Andrew's College Seminary at Seton Hall University, South Orange.

He studied Spanish in the summer of 1985 in the Dominican Republic and did chaplaincy work at Bellevue Hospital, New York City, in the summer of 1986.

Father Templeton was ordained Dec. 10, 1988, after completing studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary. He was assigned to Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Maywood, in 1989, and then served at St. Anthony Parish, Union City, in 1990.

He was appointed secretary to the archbishop in 1995. In 1997, Father Templeton was named administrator of St. Rocco Parish, Union City.

In 1998, Father Templeton was named pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish, Elizabeth. In September 2003, he was appointed executive director of the Office of Clergy Personnel for the Archdiocese of Newark.

## Official Appointments

Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:

### Archdiocesan Agency/Ministry

**Very Reverend Robert E. Emery, J.C.L.**, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia has also been appointed Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Newark, effective immediately.

### Pastor

**Reverend Robert E. Templeton**, Executive Director of the Office of Clergy Personnel has also been appointed Pastor of the Church of St. Anthony, East Newark, effective Oct. 25.

### Chaplaincy

**Reverend Thomas F. Blind** has been appointed Chaplain/Campus Minister at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in Newark with residence at St. Thomas the Apostle Rectory, Bloomfield, effective Jan. 1, 2005.



### Parochial Vicars

**Reverend German J. Coquilla, Jr., C.R.M.** has been appointed Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Joseph, Lodi, effective Oct. 13.

**Reverend Kevin J. Schott** has been appointed Parochial Vicar of the Church of St. Bernard of Clairvaux, Plainfield, effective Nov. 1.

### Other

**Reverend Monsignor Richard T. Strelecki** has been granted retirement, effective Nov. 1.



Cardinal James A. Hickey, retired Archbishop of Washington, died Oct. 24 after a long illness. He was 84. In this 1988 file photo he visited a local school and read with a student.

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**'Here to stay'**

NEW YORK (CNS)— Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan said in a New York address Oct. 25 that the American tradition of bishops working together through national organization is "here to stay." Even those bishops who are critical of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops "much prefer to be part of it and work through it to bring about reforms they feel may be necessary," he said.

**Cloning ban sought**

UNITED NATIONS (CNS)— The Vatican has renewed its effort to get the United Nations to develop an international convention that would ban all forms of human cloning. Speaking Oct. 21 to a committee of the U.N. General Assembly assigned to consider the issue, the Vatican's

U.N. nuncio Archbishop Celestino Migliore, said both reproductive and therapeutic cloning "involve disrespect for the dignity of the human being." Therapeutic cloning, carried out for research purposes in the hope of finding cures for many diseases, means "creating human embryos with the intention of destroying them," and this process, even if done with good intentions, has the result of "making one human life nothing more than the instrument of another," said Archbishop Migliore.

**Adult catechism**

WASHINGTON (CNS)— One of the major items on the U.S. bishops' agenda when they meet this November will be the country's first national Catholic catechism intended specifically for adults. A project begun in June 2000, the proposed "United

States Catholic Catechism for Adults" was written in response to a Vatican request that bishops or bishops' conferences develop such catechisms to complement the universal "Catechism of the Catholic Church" issued in 1992 by Pope John Paul II. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops will convene its fall general assembly in Washington Nov. 15-18.

**Fine threatened**

MADISON, WI (CNS)— Neil Noesen, a Wisconsin Catholic pharmacist, could be fined and possibly lose his pharmacist's license for refusing to cooperate in seeing that a college student's prescription for artificial contraceptives was filled. He faces disciplinary action because he would not transfer the student's prescription to a pharmacist who would fill it.

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# Pilgrimage

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Most Rev. Dominic A. Marconi, retired Auxiliary Bishop, commented, "It's always an inspiration to see the number of pilgrims that come to pay homage to Our Lady. The diverse ethnicities present in the archdiocese are well represented here today."

Most Rev. David Arias, O.A.R., Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus, noted, "I have accompanied many pilgrimages over the years—and it is always an experience that people remember. I know that this pilgrimage will be no different."

Pilgrims were treated to an organ recital in the upper church, followed by a procession of parish banners. The bishops then led the faithful in praying the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary, with Bishop Arias offering his decade in Spanish.

Gabrielle and Joseph Grusycanski of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, West Orange, were delighted to be on the pilgrimage. "We're here because of the shrine, and the anniversary of the Doctrine of the Immaculate Conception," Gabrielle said. Her husband added, "And to worship with our fellow faithful in the Archdiocese of Newark."

Their friend, Katherine Sheridan, who taught at Sacred Heart School, Vailsburg, for nine years said, "I came for the same reason, and because they encouraged me."

Walter and Kathy Maher of St. Mary Parish, Dumont, were equally thrilled, "We've been here at least half-a-dozen times. Each time, you discover something new," Kathy stated. Walter noted, "It's a great way to slow down and focus on your relationship with God. To do so in this environment, with some many of our fellow Catholics, is uplifting. It's a great way to charge the batteries," he said with a smile. Walter will be ordained a deacon in 2005.

In his homily, Archbishop Myers pointed out that Mary, through her Immaculate Conception, was privileged to have a special relationship with the Holy Spirit. "Throughout her life, the Holy Mother often and consistently offered a loving 'yes' to the Father... Even at the foot of the cross, she embraced His will."

He continued, "How important and integral to God's plan is devotion to Mary. ... It is essential. ... A Church without Mary is a Church without Jesus Christ. We must rely on the Blessed Mother if we are to continue to be faithful in Christ."

*Photo coverage of the pilgrimage in Nov. 17 issue.*

# Parishes take prayerful approach to transition plans

BY MAUREEN TAURIELLO  
*Special to The Catholic Advocate*

Back in the spring of 2004, when a meeting was called to break the story of the New Energies plan, two parishes had particularly large turnouts of support. They were St. Paul the Apostle, Irvington, and Immaculate Heart of Mary, Maplewood.

At that meeting, the parishes were told of the mergers, linkages and closings that were possible. There was a lot of discussion that night by all those present, wanting to know the answers to the questions, "Why?" "How?" and "What happens next?" It was not a happy place, to be sure.

However, it was at that point that the two parishes began a dialogue regarding the potential merger.

On Aug. 8, the transition team from St. Paul's was warmly welcomed and treated to refreshments and a tour of the facilities of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. Father Frank Rocchi, pastor, and Tom Scalea, school principal, were on hand to answer questions.

Father Rocchi and Father Ted Osbahr, pastor of St. Paul's, offered their reflections at a prayer service for the two parish transition teams. With the process of getting acquainted under way, St. Paul's then issued an invitation to Immaculate Heart to come and view their facilities on August 22.

The transition teams sampled a multicultural menu prepared by

parishioners of St. Paul's. The day included a tour of the church, and a tour of the school by the principal, Cherie Kacprowicz, with a presentation of the school's computer lab by teacher Ed DeJesus. The group re-convened in the rectory for dessert and fellowship and ended with a closing prayer service.

Members of each of the committees shared that their initial reactions of shock, anger, sadness and disbelief had given way to a determination to forge ahead and build a new church community.

Peter Tauriello of St. Paul's stated, "We are no longer the 'save St. Paul's' and 'save Immaculate Heart' committees. We are the 'build a new church' committee."

Father Rocchi remarked, "We owe it to our future generations to build something lasting for them." Father Osbahr added, "It's all in God's hands, we must trust Him to lead us in the right direction."

On Oct. 11, the two cluster teams met for the first time. The transition team of St. Paul's decided that they would like to support their team members in prayer. What began as a simple prayer chain soon became a more public, larger scale project as word spread about the evening of prayer.

Since the interest was so great, team members asked Father Osbahr if something could be done in the church. Once given permission, a program for the evening was organized.

The focus was to pray for the teams hoping that they could

remain open to all possibilities, and that wisdom and serenity would prevail.

The evening began with song, followed by recitation of the Rosary, followed by Liturgy of the Hours, an evening prayer service led by Deacon Jerry Freeman of St. Paul's, prayers offered by parish representatives, the writing of messages to

team members, silent prayer and mediation, a chance for people to speak from their hearts about the merger and, finally, a closing song.

*Maureen Tauriello, a St. Paul's parishioner of 21 years, is on the transition team. Her husband, Peter, known to many as the voice of Shadow Traffic on 1010 WINS, is also a transition team member.*

As promised in the last issue of *The Catholic Advocate* (Oct. 20), we will report on specific decisions and actions taken, regarding parish reorganizations, after consultation among the parish groups, the New Energies Task Force executive committee, the Presbyteral Council and the Office of the Archbishop have concluded.

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## November 4

**St. Mary Parish**, Nutley, talk by Maxine N. Lurie, history department chair at Seton Hall University, 7:30 p.m. For free ticket, call (973) 235-1100.

**St. Thomas the Apostle Parish**, Bloomfield, Monte Carlo Night, including buffet dinner, 6:30 p.m., for parish school. Cost \$50. Call Michele Sweetman at (973) 667-6623.

## November 6

**St. Joseph Parish**, East Rutherford, All Souls Day Cemetery Mass, 10 a.m., at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Ridge Road, Lyndhurst. Call (201) 939-0457.

## November 7

**Our Lady of Good Counsel**, Washington Township, Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass for deceased members at 11 a.m., followed by brunch. Cost \$6; \$2 for children under 12; free for children under 5. Call (201) 664-0422 or (201) 358-0781.

## November 8

**Presentation Parish**, Upper Saddle River, two-day series of reflection and renewal for those moving into or engaged in later adulthood with Dr. James McGee, 10 a.m. to noon. Free. Call June LoCascio at (201) 327-3055, ext. 37.

**Our Lady of Lourdes Parish**, Mountainside, Rosary Altar Society, Rosary, novena and packaging Halloween candy for needy, 7:30 p.m.



## November 13

**St. John Parish**, Bergenfield, pre-Thanksgiving recollection with Father Bill Halbing and Msgr. Richard J. Arnolds, pastor, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Call (201) 384-0101.

**Holy Trinity Parish**, Westfield, Harvest Hoe Down, 7:30-11:30 p.m. Cost: \$10. Contact (908) 232-8137 or deacon.tom@verizon.net.

## November 14

**St. Aloysius Parish**, Caldwell, talk by Jennifer Sands, author of *A Tempered Faith: Rediscovering Hope in the Ashes of Loss*, 2 p.m., 219 Bloomfield Avenue.

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish**, Orange, trip to Atlantic City, 8:30 a.m. Cost \$25. Call Donato Casiero (973) 463-1333 or the church (973) 674-2052.

**St. Andrew Parish**, Westwood, parish mission through Nov. 17, 7:30 p.m., presented by Bill Wegner of Good News International. Call (201) 666-1100.



## November 15

**St. John the Baptist Parish**, Hillsdale, four-day parish Scripture retreat, "Luke Live!" with Paulist Father James M. DiLuzio, C.S.P. Call (201) 666-2707.

**St. John the Evangelist Parish**, Leonia, lecture, "Making Moral Decisions: Forming the Catholic Conscience," 7:30 p.m.

## November 18

**Our Lady of the Visitation Parish**, Paramus, Theology on Tap at On the Border Restaurant, Garden State Plaza, 71 South Route 17 South, Paramus. Mike and Ann Tobin on "The Challenges and Rewards of Marriage," 7:30 p.m. Call Teresa Hessenius (201) 722-3596 or teresahe@mindspring.com.

## November 19

**St. Michael Parish**, Cranford, 75th anniversary gala of parish school at the Gran Centurion, Clark, 8 p.m. Cost \$50. Call Eva McGlynn (908) 272-6113 or Jennifer McGann (908) 272-8319.

## Report Abuse

The Archdiocese of Newark takes very seriously any and all credible complaints of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform the archdiocese immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse.

Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Office of the Chancellor of the Archdiocese at (973) 497-4009.

### Archbishop Gerety Lecture

• Samuel Hugh Moffett, Ph.D., of Princeton Theological Seminary, will present "Has Christianity Failed in Asia?" at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Seton Hall University, Nov. 17, 7:30 p.m., Lewis Hall. Free. Contact (973) 761-9633 or theology@shu.edu.

### Spiritual

• "The Gospel of Saint Mark" with presenter Sister Anne Sullivan, O.P., will take place at the Dominican Motherhouse, 1 Ryerson Ave., Caldwell, 9:30 a.m.-noon, Nov. 8. Cost \$10. On Nov. 13, the center will present "Power: Who has it? Who needs it?" 9:30 a.m.-noon. Contact the Lumen Center, (973) 403-3331, ext. 25, or email Lumencenter@caldwellop.org.

• The Felician Sisters are sponsoring a three-part series, "Getting in Touch with God," Thursday evenings in November, in the Madonna Room of Immaculate Conception Convent, on the Felician College campus, Lodi, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Free. Call Sister Judith Marie at (973) 473-5923.

• A retreat held at the Adorno Fathers, Ramsey, on Nov. 6, 8:45 a.m., will explore the Mystery of the Blessed Mother. Cost \$25. Contact (201) 320-1723 or ed@theeagleswings.org.

• The Catholic Women of Zion will host its annual Catholic Women's Rally, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., at the Christian Brother Academy, Lincroft, Mass celebrated by Bishop John M. Smith of Trenton, and guest speakers Patti Gallagher Mansfield and Laurie Watson Manhardt, Ph.D. Cost \$40. Contact (732) 349-3364 or beholy1@yahoo.com.

• The parishes of Deanery 3, Bergen County are sponsoring an evening with the God Squad, Msgr. Tom Hartman and Rabbi Marc Gellman, Nov. 18, 8 p.m., at St. Mary Parish, 280 Washington Ave., Dumont. Cost \$5. Call (201) 384-0557.

### Dinner Dances

• Holy Rosary Academy, Union City, will celebrate its 100th anniversary, Nov. 13, 6-10 p.m., at Westwood Restaurant, Garwood. Call (201) 864-0332.

### Workshops

• The Office of Continuing Formation of the Archdiocese of Newark will offer a workshop, "The Pastor as Administrator (Part One)," on Nov. 9, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Cost \$25, lunch included. Send name, parish and registration fee to Office of Clergy Personnel/Ongoing Formation of Priests, Archdiocesan Center or call (973) 497-4218 or email downinfr@rcan.org.

• "The Gift of Human Sexuality: Catholic Teaching for the Church in the New Millennium" will take place Nov. 12, 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (priests only), 7-9:30 p.m. (deacons, pastoral ministers, DREs, CREs, principals, marriage formation leaders, all staff), Archdiocesan Center, Newark, with presenter Father Richard M. Hogan. Check (\$25 day/\$10 evening) payable to Family Life Office, Arch-

## Local Highlights

diocesan Center, or call (973) 497-4324.

• The Xavier Center, Convent Station, will host "Peace in Our Homes—Domestic Violence Advocacy" a skill-building workshop for pastoral/youth ministers and clergy, Nov. 9. Contact (973) 290-5100 or XavierCenter@scnj.org.

• Grace Renewal Adult Christian Enrichment, co-sponsored by St. Andrew Parish, Westwood, will hold "Prepare Heart and Home for Advent and Christmas," with Meredith Gould, Ph.D., on Nov. 10, 7:30-9:30 p.m., at St. Therese of Lisieux's Father Armand Hall, 120 Monroe Ave., Cresskill. Cost \$20. Call (201) 664-6777.

### Open House

• Aquinas Academy of Saint Philomena Parish, Livingston, will hold several sessions, Nov. 3 (7:30 p.m.), Nov. 9 (9 a.m.), Nov. 17 (9 a.m.) and Nov. 18 (7:30 p.m.). Call (973) 992-1587.

### Fundraisers

• The Shrine of St. Joseph, Stirling, will hold its annual Country Christmas Craft and Gift Boutique Nov. 12 (10 a.m.-9 p.m.) and Nov. 13 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.). Admission \$1. Call (908) 647-0208.

• Roselle Catholic High School will hold its annual \$100 raffle. First prize is \$10,000. Drawing takes place Nov. 12 during a dinner. Call Brother Vincent at (908) 245-2350.

• St. Mary, Star of the Sea Parish, Bayonne, will hold its 15th annual fall craft show in the parish school Nov. 13, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Call (201) 437-4090.

• Immaculate Conception High School, 258 South Main St., Lodi, is sponsoring a Tricky Tray on Nov. 5, 7 p.m., in the high school cafeteria. Cost \$7.

• On Nov. 12, the Rosary Confraternity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Wallington, will hold a Tricky Tray in the church auditorium, 127 Paterson Ave., 6:30 p.m. Cost \$5.

• The Parents' Guild of Saint Joseph Regional High School, Montvale, is sponsoring two-day Christmas Craft Spectacular on Nov. 6-7, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost \$2. Children and seniors are free. Visit www.saintjosephregional.org.

• Union Catholic Regional High School, Scotch Plains, is hosting a casino night at Gran Centurions, 440 Madison Hill Road, Clark, Nov. 12, 7 p.m. Cost \$35.

• Paramus Catholic High School will hold a craft show Nov. 7, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Admission \$3. Call (201) 933-4982.

• The annual scholarship fundraising gala for St. Dominic Academy, Jersey City, will take place Nov. 13, 7 p.m. at Casino in the Park, Jersey City. Call (201) 434-5938, ext. 39.

• The Aquinas Academy Student Enrichment Committee will host "Autumn in the Islands" dinner reception Nov. 5, 7 p.m. at the Chanticleer, Short Hills. Cost \$120. Proceeds benefit Aquinas Academy students.

### Support Groups

• The needs of fathers who have suffered the loss of a child are unique. The Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark will hold the Support Group for Fathers Whose Children Have Died on Nov. 27 at Notre Dame Parish, 359 Central Ave., North Caldwell, 10 a.m. Call (973) 497-4327.

• The next HOPE meeting, for those who are separated, divorced, newly divorced or going through a divorce, will take place at St. Francis of Assisi, 114 Mt. Vernon St., Ridgefield Park, Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m. Call (201) 641-6464.

### Blood Drives

• The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold blood drives at the Knights of Columbus, 37-43 South Ave., Garwood, Nov. 6, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, 60 Byrd Avenue, Bloomfield, Nov. 7, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; St. Aloysius Parish, 219 Bloomfield Ave., Caldwell, Nov. 12, 3-8 p.m., and Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, 217 Prospect St., South Orange, Nov. 14, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Call 1-800-BLOOD NJ.

### Annulment Evening

• Family Life Ministries and the Metropolitan Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Newark will sponsor an information evening on Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m., at Our Lady of Mercy, Jersey City.

### Plays

• Catholic performing artist Nancy Scimone will present her one-women drama on the life of St. Faustina on Nov. 13, at St. John the Evangelist Parish, Bergenfield, 7:30 p.m. and Nov. 14, Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish, Harrison, 4 p.m.

• Saint Patrick High School, Elizabeth, will present *Once On This Island* Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m., and Nov. 7, 2 p.m. Cost \$4 in advance, \$5 at the door. Buffet will follow Sunday performance for \$15. Call (908) 353-5220.

### Symposium

• Seton Hall University School of Law to present all-day conference, "Bankruptcy in the Religious Non-profit Context," Nov. 6, 9 a.m. at One Newark Center, Newark. Call Ramona Serratelli, (973) 642-8541.

### Bayley Seton League

• The organization will mark its 65th anniversary with Mass, Nov. 14 at 2:30 p.m., Immaculate Conception Chapel, Seton Hall University, South Orange, Msgr. Robert Sheeran, presider and homilist. Father Lawrence Frizzell to be honored for his work with Judaeo-Christian Institute. Dinner to follow. Call Connie Annucci at (973) 762-4303.

### International Adoptions

• Catholic Charities will sponsor free informational meeting, Nov. 18, 7-9 p.m., at 499 Belgrove Dr., Kearny. Call (201) 246-7378.

## 'Exceptional' people abound in parish

Editor,

I am a parishioner at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Ridgewood. I am writing this to let you know how exceptional the people, who keep this parish running, really are.

Our pastor, Msgr. Ronald J. Rozniak, was given a gift from God with his ability to speak to anyone at any age. His sermons are not behind the pulpit. He takes the microphone in hand and travels through the church making people feel welcome and comfortable. He often makes us laugh, but most of the time he just makes us all want to be better Catholics.

Then there is Father Mert J. Cordero. He can spend a few moments with someone who is ill and suffering and make them feel so much better. Unfortunately, over the past three years I have spent a lot of time in the hospital. Father Mert visited me almost daily. I always felt better after his visit.

Finally, I would like to talk about Father Ivan Sciberras. He has given me my life back. About three years ago I was deeply depressed. My daughter and her boyfriend called Father Ivan, and he came over to my house. He also made repeated visits during a number of hospital stays.

He talked, and I mostly cried. He told me about a group meeting at the church twice a week, Catechesis for adults. Father Ivan said it was a good place for people who were losing hope and needed to find rest. So I listened and attended these meetings and went on retreats. I can't begin to tell you how wonderful I felt.

I have a stronger faith now than I ever had. I wanted to share this wonderful feeling, so I am teaching 2nd grade CCD classes on Sundays. I love teaching these children about our loving God. I want them to realize how wonderful life can be if you just put your faith and trust in Our Father.

Katherine Mueller  
Ridgewood

## Matter versus form

Editor,

Msgr. Arnholts, in "What's the Matter?" (*The Catholic Advocate*, Oct. 6, 2004), treats the "matter" rather than the "form" of the sacrament of Holy Eucharist, revealing that there is no Scriptural authority in accounts of the Last Supper for prescribing either that the bread must be made of unleavened wheat or that the wine be only from grapes, but that the practice is only due to received tradition.

Nonetheless, following Vatican policy, he declares that no exceptions can be made for persons whose physical condition, such as celiac disease, wheat allergy or alcohol addiction, would militate against ingestion of wheat or wine, because of serious consequences to their health.

However, Christ wanted His message of salvation carried to all nations. Tradition has made the necessary accommodation from a tribal, largely illiterate, agricultural

society to a globally aware, industrial, scientifically advanced, high-tech world of instantaneous communication. It must continue to do so, if Christ's good news is to remain relevant.

In the first century after Christ's death, His followers began to put aside Jewish practices regarding dietary laws, male circumcision, rituals and celebrations. If the mission of the Church in the modern world is to be truly salvific and universal, then it must shed the vestiges of tribal origins, historical accident and Pharisaical fixation on outmoded traditions and rules.

Christianity is a liberating faith, revealing the love of a humane God and giving hope of a life that is meaningful now and hereafter.

Rather than be concerned about the "matter" of the Holy Eucharist, Msgr. Arnholts should re-direct the emphasis in his discussion to the "form" of the sacrament, viz., to the question of the Real Presence of the Risen Lord in the sacrifice of the Mass and the experience of the faithful in communion with Our Lord and Savior.

John P. Canavan  
Dumont

## Needle exchange law is concern

Editor,

The New Jersey Catholic Conference is stunned and appalled at the misuse of the executive power by Governor James McGreevey in signing Executive Order 139 that would allow municipalities to establish needle exchange programs.

The governor has overstepped his boundaries by going around the legislature, ignoring the legitimate concerns of those in affected communities who oppose needle exchange.

The New Jersey Catholic Conference adds its voice to those who decry this action and call upon Senator Richard Codey to rescind Executive Order 139 upon his taking over as acting governor Nov. 15.

The New Jersey Catholic Conference encourages all citizens who oppose this indiscriminate action to send letters to the incoming acting governor urging him to rescind Executive Order 139.

Marlene Lao-Collins  
New Jersey Catholic Conference  
Trenton

## Time to remember

Editor,

The Bereavement Supplement (*The Catholic Advocate*, Oct. 20, 2004) is very good.

Above all, November is a month to remember the poor souls in purgatory. We never know if a person needs our prayers after death.

Father Thomas McLaughlin  
Blessed Sacrament Parish  
Elizabeth

## A 24-hour hotline: (866) 999-0997

Often a simple telephone call can be the first step out of a desperate situation. Here it is—1 (866) 999-0997.

Although a nationwide tragedy, the evil of human trafficking is especially acute in northern New Jersey with its sizeable immigrant population.

With Archbishop John J. Myers and the Church of Newark in the forefront, local and federal officials used the Archdiocesan Center in August to announce the launch of an extensive program in this part of the state to combat human trafficking.

Utilizing a sizeable grant authorized by the archbishop, Catholic Charities is playing a major role with such crucial support as legal services, healthcare, housing, employment training and placement.

The 24-hour hotline was announced Oct. 26 in conjunction with dedication of the Bishop Francis Center for Immigration on Broad Street, Newark. The late Bishop Francis was Auxiliary Bishop of Newark.

The center will be the hub of archdiocesan efforts to combat human trafficking. As Archbishop Myers has said, "The Archdiocese of Newark is fully committed to ending this evil scourge." Just as it is important for anyone who suspects human trafficking to contact the proper authorities, it is important too for victims, often living in fear, to know the Archdiocese of Newark wants to and has in place the resources to save them from such a horrid existence.

## Blue Mass recognizes those who serve

The commitment, sacrifice and expertise of the men and women who "protect and serve" the people of New Jersey will be recognized on Thursday, Nov. 4 when Archbishop John J. Myers is the main celebrant of the 11th annual Mass for Law Enforcement Officers.

Known as the Blue Mass, it will be celebrated at 10 a.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark. The procession and presentation of colors starts at 9:45 a.m.

Always a poignant and emotional portion of the Mass is when officers who gave their lives in the line of duty during the past year are honored. Unfortunately four names have been added to the list of the fallen.

It is too bad it took the tragedy of the 9-11 terrorist attacks for many of the public to appreciate the bravery of those who wear the uniform. The Blue Mass is the perfect opportunity to say thank you.

**Today's Question: Last time you spoke about the qualifications for a godparent. Just how many godparents are needed or allowed?**

Only one male sponsor or one female sponsor or one of each sex is to be employed for the baptism of an infant. For adults, it is assumed there will only be one sponsor, but a second is not excluded.

Some cultures invite several couples as sponsors or godparents. In fact, only one couple can be officially designated, and only their names appear in the baptismal registry.

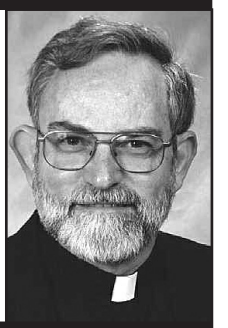
By the very nature of the role of sponsor, the father and mother of the one to be baptized cannot also be the godparents.

A baptized person who belongs to a non-Catholic ecclesial community (a Christian of another denomination) may be admitted as a Christian witness to baptism, together with a Catholic sponsor.

The 1967 *Directory on Ecumenism* states, "For it is not simply as a relative or friend of the one to be baptized that the godparent has responsibility for the Christian upbringing of the recipient; in acting as the guarantor of the faith of the candidate, the godparent is also the repre-

What's  
the  
Matter?

By Msgr. Richard J. Arnholts



## A question box about faith and practice

sentative of the community of faith, and in particular the Catholic community. The admission of the baptized person belonging to a non-Catholic ecclesial community to serve as a Christian witness to a baptism is on account of that person's 'having a convinced faith in Christ.'"

Christians of a separated Eastern Church (such as the Orthodox) may serve as both Christian witness and sponsor, along with a Catholic sponsor.

The Catholic Advocate welcomes questions from its readers about our Catholic faith and how it is practiced.

# A writer reflects on the purpose, effect of his words

Although I've been writing columns for the Catholic press since 1979, I took a break from the mid-1980's through the early '90's. My current column, "The Catholic Difference," began in 1993, and as this column is No. 500 in that sequence, a few thoughts on what I've been trying to do in this space might be in order.

How to pitch a column—and I mean "pitch" in the musical sense, not the Roger Clemens sense—is always an issue. The "pitch" of a column tells us something about how a writer imagines his or her readership. I believe that those who read the Catholic press regularly are every bit as intelligent as the people who read the op-ed pages of the daily newspaper.

My writing—its "pitch"—reflects that conviction. Too much of the Catholic press writes down to its audience, or so it seems to me. Op-ed columns are intended to make us think. I hope mine does that.

Correspondents often ask why I write about so many different things: the Church, theology, politics, sports, the arts, literature, cooking. That's an easy one. I write about everything because, in the Catholic sacramental imagination, everything and everybody counts.

As the Holy Father said at Fatima on May 13, 1982, a year to the day after he was shot down in his front yard, "In the designs of Providence, there are no mere coincidences." Everything that happens is a something within the great cosmic drama of creation and redemption. Everyone we meet is a someone whose personal drama is playing within that great cosmic drama.

## The Catholic Difference

by George Weigel



Columns in the Catholic press should reflect the Catholic "difference" that finds the world and its people endlessly fascinating. If everyone is a someone for whom Christ died, then everyone, and whatever they're up to, is worth writing about.

Do I mind being labeled, some correspondents ask? I suppose I've gotten used to it. Still, labels obscure both complexities and simplicities. Seven hundred-word columns don't leave much room for increments of nuance; but I hope I've not reduced complexities to simplicities, just as I hope that the great simplicity of this column—that it's written, not from an ideological point of view but from a Catholic point of view—has been clear.

A column isn't a news story. The premium in commentary is on the provocative, not the narrative. Yet a column should also be as factually accurate as a writer can make it. So, on this anniversary, let me acknowledge a few recent bloopers.

A few months ago, I was gulled by a flurry of debate on the Internet into a misstatement of FDR's war address to Congress on Dec. 8, 1941; I had the quote right, but out of sequence. Thus was I introduced to the term "urban legend," whose origins still, frankly, puzzle me.

I am also happy to report that Father Frank Brennan, an Australian Jesuit with whom I took issue on a number of matters recently, assures me that he did not tell the *Australian* that young people are being turned off to the priesthood by an increasingly autocratic and doctrinaire Catholic Church, out of touch with the 21st century.

But those of you now waiting, perhaps breathlessly, for me to confess that I had it wrong on the Iraq war are, I fear, going to be disappointed. As a matter of fact, I believe the Duelfer Report strengthens the just war case for the war, by demonstrating that the U.N. sanctions regime, and the related U.N.-managed "Oil-for-Food" program, far from keeping Saddam Hussein "in the box," were hopelessly corrupt, manipulated by the Iraqi dictator to serve his own wicked purposes.

I'll return to this point in the future, and at greater length.

Five hundred columns comes to some 350,000 words. That's a lot of verbiage, and I thank my readers for their patience, forbearance and good humor. My thanks, too, to the Archdiocese of Seattle, the original syndicator of my work, and to the Archdiocese of Denver, the present syndicator. Both of my editors, Kay Lagreid in Seattle and Roxanne King in Denver, have been completely supportive, for which I'm very grateful.

*Soli Deo gloria.*

*George Weigel is a senior fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, DC.*

*The premium in commentary is on the provocative, not the narrative.*

# Religious convictions should be grounded in love

The picture was graphic. It is the type of photo that stays in a person's mind. It is similar to the pictures of the little girl that we saw so many years ago in Vietnam running—naked and burned—from the napalm dropped from an American warplane. It was unforgettable.

It was the image of a baby's hand holding a tiny crucifix. It was from the *Musa Sadulayen Press* carried by *The New York Times* on Sept. 4, 2004. The hand belongs to a child wounded by the terrorists in Beslan, Russia.

On the same page there were three other heartrending scenes—of elderly women, grief etched on their faces, of two half naked children with blood on their bodies, and of a desperate Russian soldier pulling an injured comrade to safety under the covering guns of other military men.

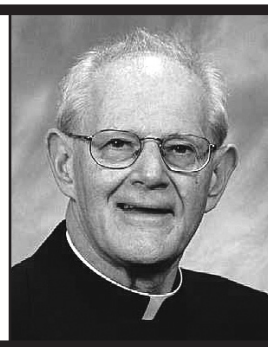
The hand of the child is a perfect metaphor for the innocents caught in this war between radical, fanatical revolutionaries and the civilized world.

This incident is the first since the World War II-era Holocaust in which I can remember a cool, calculated murderous plan to murder children.

Yes, thousands, perhaps millions, of young people have died as a result of military action. But here we encounter a plot specifically designed to annihilate

## Voices

By Msgr. John Gilchrist



women and children in a primary school. They were not accidentally targeted.

The perpetrators of the horror rounded up the victims, intimidated them, starved them, gave them no water, and would not let the children even relieve themselves. Then they murdered them in cold blood—hundreds of them.

Why write about this? Because it is essential that we realize what fanatical religious beliefs can produce. We, as a human race, have come so far. Let me remind you of just how far we have come.

Hear Psalm 137. It is a beautiful lament for Zion by a Jewish captive in Babylon. It is heartbreaking. Yet hear how it ends:

*Our purpose and mission as Christians is to bring gentleness into a violent world.*

O daughter of Babylon, you destroyer,  
how happy the man who shall repay you  
the evil you have done us.  
Happy the man who shall seize and smash  
your little ones against the rock.

We in the Judaeo-Christian world have come a long way from such evil impulses. The Church has even eliminated the above quoted verses from the daily prayer of the Church, the Divine Office. We do not even say those words any more. We Christians are followers of the patient Jesus who said, "Love your enemies," and who also said, "Let the children come to me."

We are part of a Church that defined herself as "a sacrament—a sign and instrument, that is, of communion with God, and of unity among all men" in Vatican II—in the document entitled *Lumen Gentium* or the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church.

That is why the hand of a wounded child holding a crucifix must remind us of our purpose and mission as Christians—to bring gentleness into a violent world.

We cannot permit revulsion and hatred to enter our hearts and to warp our attitudes. If we do, then evil wins. No, our mission must be as witness—a witness to God's holy presence in this strife-ridden world. Jesus overcame hatred by love. We must strive to do the same.

*Msgr. Gilchrist is pastor of Holy Cross Parish, Harrison.*



# Church's social doctrine reinforced

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — The God-given dignity of humans and the obligation to promote the common good of all the world's people require the Catholic Church to speak on social issues, said the new *Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church*.

The Church's social doctrine offers criteria for judging various aspects of public and social life and provides guidelines for "conforming them to the demands of Christian morality," states the book, released Oct. 25 at the Vatican.

Drafted at the request of Pope John Paul II by the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, the compendium explains Church teachings related to politics, war, the economy, the environment, work and legislation impacting family life, among other topics.

Not counting the index, the English volume presented to the press was 331 pages.

"Insofar as it is part of the Church's moral teaching," the volume said, "the Church's social doctrine has the same dignity and authority as her moral teaching."

At an Oct. 25 press conference about the volume, officials from the justice and peace council said the book was reviewed and approved by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith because it pertains to the Church's moral teaching.

The compendium states, "By means of her social doctrine, the Church shows her concern for human life in society."

On the topic of war, the compendium said that when a nation is attacked it has a right and duty to defend itself, which includes "using the force of arms."

The compendium, designed to give Catholics a systematic

understanding of church positions on social issues, explained that the principles flow from the Ten Commandments, from natural law and human reason and from biblical truths about people, the world and the reality of sin.

While based on 2,000 years of Christian moral teaching, the compendium said the Church must respond to new situations in society, including the increasing number of women working outside the home, advances in biotechnology, globalization, the destruction of the environment and new attacks on human life and on the family.

The compendium insisted that "homosexual persons are to be fully respected in their human dignity," but said respect "does not justify the legitimization of behavior that is not consistent with moral law; even less does it justify the recognition of a right to marriage between persons of the same sex and its being considered equivalent to the family."

On another current topic, it said that while nations have a right and obligation to protect themselves from terrorism, "this right cannot be exercised in the absence of moral and legal norms."

Individual terrorists must be identified, proven guilty and punished, it said. But responsibility for terrorist activity "cannot be extended to the religions, nations or ethnic groups to which the terrorists belong."

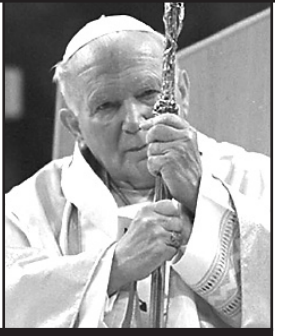
Throughout the volume, the sacredness and dignity of human life is emphasized.

On the question of capital punishment, the compendium repeats the traditional Church teaching that society has a right to defend itself by punishing and, in some circumstances, taking the life of a person convicted for a serious crime.

*The Church must respond to new situations in society.*

## The Pope Speaks

Pope John Paul II



## We are all mortal

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Here is the Vatican's English-language summary of Pope John Paul II's talk at his weekly general audience Oct. 27 and his greetings to English-speakers present.

Today's catechesis is a reflection on the second part of Psalm 49 (48). In the psalm, we hear a strong condemnation of those who idolize riches and turn their backs on God.

One of humanity's constant temptations is to attach itself to money, with the false hope that it can even stave off death.

In today's world, there is at times an attempt to ignore our own mortality. Thus it is necessary to recall that a serious and faith-filled meditation on man's final destiny will produce great benefits. God will never abandon the just man, not even at the hour of death. Indeed, God opens wide to His faithful ones a horizon of hope and immortality.

# Our judgment and resurrection

**Readings: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17; 2 Thes 2:16-3:5; Lk 20:27-38**

"Thou dirge of the dying year," Shelley addressed the West Wind, and long ages earlier the Church chose this season to commemorate the faithful departed.

Throughout November we are encouraged to pray for the dead, especially for friends, relatives and benefactors—and also for those who died alone and unloved. Would that all those facing the mystery of death today be strengthened by the presence of family and friends!

Life is experienced most fully in community, ideally within a setting wherein people share ideals of the spiritual order: "Keep my statutes and my decrees, for the one who carries them out will find life through them" (Lv 18:5).

Obedience to God's law normally brings peace and happiness, but this teaching of Israel's prophets and sages was tried severely during the persecution by the Seleucid king, Antiochus IV (167-164 B.C.). At that time those in Judea who were most faithful to the commandments were penalized most harshly. Much earlier the psalmist defined life as communion with the living God, so people reasoned that even physical death could not sever this bond.

The doctrine of immortality of the soul and resurrection of the body brought special consolation to the martyrs who refused to partake of the Greek sacrificial offerings.

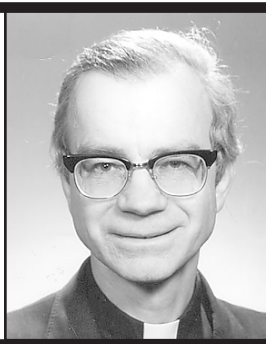
The divine judgment of all human beings at death is the basis for the insight that resurrection differs for the righteous and the wicked. "Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever; others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace" (Dn 12:2).

The mother and her seven sons remained faithful to the Covenant, assured of a richer life together in God's presence. Moreover, their agony had a vicarious purpose, "imploping God to show mercy soon to our nation..." (2 Mc

## Sunday Readings

32nd Sunday  
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By Father Lawrence Frizzell



7:37). They drew upon the teaching of the prophet about the suffering servant (Is 53:4-6) to give another level of meaning to their martyrdom.

Not only was their fidelity the response to God's gift of life that would blossom into the resurrection; it was also the way in which Israel would become open to divine mercy (see 2 Mc 8:2-5).

At the time of Jesus the Pharisees proclaimed faith in the resurrection of the body, but the Sadducees and the priestly leaders denied it because they found no evidence in the five Books of Moses (the Torah) to support the doctrine.

On the contrary, the levirate law required the brother of a deceased man who was childless to marry the widow (Dt 25:5). To ridicule the idea of resurrection they posited an exaggerated case of seven brothers who married the same woman. Whose wife would the woman be in the risen state?

*The meaning of human life can be discerned only when we grapple with the mystery of death.*

Jesus replied by declaring that in the coming age those rising to new life would not marry but be like angels. There was little use to argue by quoting texts like Isaiah 26:19 or Daniel 12:2 as scriptural proof of this doctrine, because Sadducees gave primary emphasis to the Torah of Moses.

So Jesus met them on their own ground, referring to the experience of Moses at the burning bush.

God revealed Himself by declaring, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob" (Ex 3:6). If life were limited to this world, then the text should read, "I was the God of your father..." The God of Israel had indeed revealed to Moses an aspect of the mystery of life eternal and, by implication, the resurrection: "He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to Him all are alive" (Lk 20:38).

According to the version of this debate presented by Matthew and Mark, Jesus puts the Sadducee teachers in their place by declaring their ignorance. "You are misled because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God" (Mt 22:29; Mk 12:24).

They claim to have the key to interpretation of the Scriptures, so their failure to appreciate this doctrine is a serious flaw in leadership. Moreover, reflection on the infinite power of God is the basis for faith that the Creator can bring the plan of redemption to fulfillment.

The meaning of human life can be discerned properly only when we grapple with the mystery of death. The Church guides us in this search to know profoundly the message of the Scriptures concerning life and death. The resurrection of Jesus is the paradigm that shows us the power of God to transform creation in wondrous ways.

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# Saint Peter Claver, Montclair

## A historic parish, sacred heritage

BY BRIAN FORES  
Staff Writer

St. Peter Claver Parish, Montclair, is one of several churches in the Archdiocese of Newark, such as Queen of Angels, Newark, Holy Spirit, East Orange and Christ the King, Jersey City, which was founded for and by African-American Catholics.

Today it stands as one of the most, if not *the* most, ethnically and economically diverse parishes in the four counties of Bergen, Union, Hudson and Essex.

Father John P. Nickas, pastor since 1996, and who retired this October, noted, "We have 600 registered families here at St. Peter Claver. It's about one-quarter Latino, one-quarter Haitian, one-half African-American and Caucasian..." he said.

Before finishing, Father Nickas stopped himself mid-sentence, clarifying, "It's very hard to break it down... We have a lot of biracial couples: Latino and African-American, African-American and Caucasian, Caucasian and Latino, and every combination you could imagine. It's a richly mixed group, and there is a beauty to that. At the same time, you have people speaking many different languages, and that poses its own challenge."

Explaining how he addresses that challenge, Father Nickas noted, "We have a number of things just for children—children's Liturgy of the Word, a Christmas party, and other events—and they bring different groups together."

"Planning is important," he stated. To illustrate his point, he gave the example of last summer's parish picnic, which was strategically held on a Sunday. "Latinos came early, noon to four o'clock, since the Spanish Mass is at 6 p.m. The Haitian [Creole] Mass is at 12:45 p.m. So when that finished, they all came out and joined the picnic, since they were already here!"

Denise Lewis Patrick, a prolific author of children's books and parishioner of St. Peter Claver for 3 years, where she is raising her four young sons, explained, "On the surface, it seems as though those things just work out seamlessly, but in reality, Father Nickas has done a great deal to assure that this type of sentiment is ongoing."

Fostering a sense of warmth at the parish has been a top priority for Father Nickas. So much, in fact, that Marian Jiminez has been by his side for 30 years as a friend and assistant throughout his different pastorates. Despite a difficult battle with cancer, she continues to



The exterior of St. Peter Claver Church, of red brick, stands in stark contrast to the European-influenced design of many churches in the Archdiocese of Newark.

volunteer at St. Peter Claver.

"He exemplifies what a priest should be," she declared. "He reaches out to those people no one else would: the homeless, those with AIDS/HIV, and the addicted," adding, "People love him."

When Patrick moved to Montclair from New York, she searched the local area for a parish that "fit our needs." She credits her eldest son, who found the parish while surfing the Internet.

Coincidentally, their new house is just a few blocks away.

Patrick said the "warmth of the people" at St. Peter Claver imme-



A contemporary statuette of St. Peter Claver baptizing a young child.

diately struck her, further explaining, "My husband is not Catholic, and we wanted a place where he felt comfortable."

Guy Mendez, a parishioner, commented, "During the sign of peace, this parish goes out of its way... It's not just a handshake, people kiss and hug each other, they leave their seats... everybody is showing love!" he said enthusiastically.

Mendez's mother, Patience Davis, a parishioner at the parish since 1980, and before that at Holy Spirit Parish, East Orange—where she became a close friend of Most Rev. Paul G. Bootkoski, and was invited to his subsequent installation as Bishop of Metuchen—perhaps said it best, "The Masses and services make you want to come back. Not only do they draw you closer to other people, but to the Holy Spirit. You can feel that love and warmth every time you walk in the door."

"Trying to respect one another and bring people together as one community is always difficult, no matter what the community," Father Nickas offered. "I am always amazed... we go to church and pray, week after week, but we may not even know the name of the person who sits next to us! We don't always connect or feel a bond with our community."

"Unless each church creates an atmosphere where that happens, where people talk to each other... it takes a lot of hard work and doesn't happen naturally. Our greeting is very warm; we take our time with it... We encourage, after Mass, for people to have socials with coffee, etc. With Latinos, each week they bring different foods. One week it's Colombian food, the next week,

Peruvian, the next, Costa Rican," he explained, adding, "It's wonderful!"

He noted that the Haitian population, which has been at the parish for over 30 years, holds quarterly prayer vigils open to all. "There are all night vigils offered for issues close to the hearts of our Haitian parishioners, such as the plight of hurricane victims, or victims of violence," Father Nickas stated.

"Everyone is there, from the youngest to the oldest. By the end of the night, the little ones are often asleep in the pews, but everyone is together," he continued.

Another important issue for Father Nickas was the need to actively reach out to those who feel alienated. "Everyone is welcome, we try to build the full spectrum, and we accept people wherever they are in that spectrum."

In particular, he expressed concern for the divorced. "Unless we reach out and call them back into the Church, they will not feel welcome. When we lose people, something is going on in their lives that we are not responding to, whether it is divorce, illness, or any other issue."

A big part of what has drawn people to St. Peter Claver is their active healing ministry. The parish holds a weekly healing Mass, as well as an annual "cancer" Mass.

"Most people who come to the healing Mass have cancer," he noted, adding that many have HIV/AIDS, and some suffer from alcoholism and other addictions.

In addition, many elderly come to the healing Mass, as well as couples whose marriages are struggling. "Whatever the problem, people get to 'walk the walk' with each other."

"We had a Mass recently for two men whose wives died of cancer, and they have continued coming. They go through that grieving and loss and have people in the community who are here for them. It is a strong bond that sustains itself beyond priest involvement. It's a total ministry, and one of the most intensive ministries in our parish."

The parish also has an active religious education program. Sharon Huebner, in her fourth year as director of religious education and a parishioner at St. Peter Claver for 17 years, said the program serves a total of 85 children from Pre-K through Grade 8.

This year, the program is branching out to reach teenagers, "We are reaching teens through film," Huebner stated. "We will show excerpts from current films such as *Finding Nemo*, to raise discussion of social issues, about their lives and

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## After four busy decades, mission becomes parish

St. Peter Claver Parish began as a mission of Queen of Angels Parish, Newark, on Jan. 14, 1931, in Montclair. On that day, Father Cornelius J. Ahern called the first meeting in the basement of Immaculate Conception Parish.

On June 6, 1931, the first converts of the mission were baptized, Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Herbert and their five children.

On June 7, 1931, the first Mass was offered, at which time, the Herberts and their three oldest children received their first communion.

Soon the congregation outgrew its basement meeting-place. On Oct. 1, 1931, the first mission home was opened at 51 Elm St., Montclair.

Sister Peter Claver and Sister Mary of the Precious Blood of the Missionary Servants of the Blessed Trinity are important names in the parish's early history. Sister Peter Claver is remembered for her great work during the early beginnings of the mission, and Sister Mary for her great accomplishments during the last five years of the mission home.

Older parishioners remember Sister Peter Claver and Father Ahern, as well as other sisters and priests of the early years with great affection and respect.

Bill Cannady, a parishioner, said, "Father Ahern knew that we had trouble, that we weren't accepted at the other churches... Father Ahern worked very hard to get that mission off the ground, he and Sister Peter Claver."

Parishioner William Sturdivant noted of the Trinitarian Sisters, "We were their children... At that time, they went from door to door to check on their parishioners. And they really looked out for us."

Most of the early parishioners were converts and say that the sisters, especially Sister Peter Claver, were instrumental in their decision to become Catholics.

By 1934, St. Peter Claver Mission had 205 members.

Archbishop Thomas J. Walsh dedicated St. Peter Claver as a mission, Nov. 5, 1935.

The older parishioners speak of how exciting it was to get a real church building after being in a house for several

years. Cannady noted that it "meant a lot to have that church when some other Black missions did not.

"But the bulk of the money that built that church came from the friends of St. Peter Claver... we ourselves couldn't have built that church."

The building cost \$67,000. The cornerstone was laid on July 19, 1939, and the dedication took place Nov. 5, 1939.



Maisha Sturdivant, 6, in September 1980, offers doves, symbolic of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, to the late Joseph A. Francis, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark.

The *Montclair Times* of Nov. 7, 1939, described the dedication ceremony: "On Sunday, Nov. 5, 1939, a congregation of 317 parishioners, proudly attended exercises for the dedication of the St. Peter Claver Chapel... Archbishop Walsh completed the blessing and dedication of the St. Peter Claver Mission... Clergymen from many nearby parishes as well as from out-of-state assisted at the services."

On Dec. 1, 1973, after 43 years as a mission, St. Peter Claver Parish was officially designated as a self-sustaining parish, with Father Charles McTague as the administrator.

Father John Holian became the parish's first official pastor in 1976, remaining there until 1983. His pastorate was marked by growth,

including an influx of parishioners for nearby Glen Ridge.

While there, the building fund grew significantly, and needed repairs and renovations were performed. Father Holian did a great deal to emphasize the African-American heritage of the parish.

Msgr. George Lutz became pastor of St. Peter Claver in 1984. He remained there until 1996.

He was first assigned to St. Peter Claver as well as Holy Spirit, then in Orange, in 1972. He served as a parochial vicar for the two parishes. He became pastor of Holy Spirit in 1974.

As pastor of St. Peter Claver, he was heavily involved with the parish's youth program, particularly their drill team, known as the "Soul Stompers." He also involved the parish in various interfaith endeavors, and was on the "HomeCore" committee, which provided low-income housing for the town of Montclair.

Over the years, St. Peter Claver Parish grew in membership and diversity, reaching out to welcome all. During the 1970's, Koreans from some 20 communities attended weekly Mass and a social hour.

Since 1972, St. Peter Claver has been the parish home for a Haitian community, which celebrates weekly Mass in Creole and participates in all aspects of parish life.

Father John P. Nickas was appointed pastor of St. Peter Claver Parish on Dec. 1, 1996. He has expanded religious programs at the parish for children and youth. A number of outreach programs to the community were also established.

The parish is also home to a Latino ministry, since March 2002, offering weekly Mass in Spanish. This active and growing community has also become an integral part of the St. Peter Claver family. The parish has evolved into a unique blend of diverse cultures united by the Catholic faith and Christian love.

St. Peter Claver serves as the meeting place for a number of community groups. Recently, the Let's Read after-school program was established for children in Montclair. During Father Nickas' pastorate, the parish's social concern's

## Vibrant parish

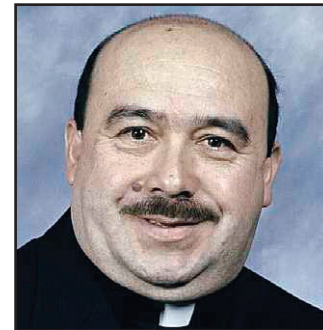
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struggles, all within the context of the teachings of our faith."

She added that the lack of a parish school is actually a plus in this instance: "Everyone who comes is part of the larger parish community. There is no division between those in the CCD program and school children."

Elaborating on that larger community, Father Nickas noted, "Not only do we have many different ethnic groups, but different economic groups as well. We have people who live on the mountains all the way down to the valleys, and people who just came to

## Meet the Pastor



Father José Gamba

**Age:** 44

**Date of Birth:** Jan. 2, 1960

**High School:** Technical High School, Santa Sofia, Colombia

**College/Seminary/Graduate**

**School:** Seminary Tunja, Colombia; 1982 Ph.B. in Social Philosophy; 1986 Th.M. Sacred Scripture; 1999 New Jersey City University, B.A.

Psychology

**Date of Ordination:** July 5, 1986

**Hero:** My Father, Clemente Gamba

**Favorite Saint:** Joseph

**Favorite Sport:** Soccer

**Favorite Foods:** Soup, shrimp

**Favorite Subject in School:** Social Science

**Favorite Movie:** *The Calvary's Martyr*

**Last Book Read:** *How to Think like Leonardo DaVinci* by Michael J. Gelb

**Proudest Moment:** My ordination

**Occupation if I weren't a Priest:**

Teacher

committee ran an active food pantry, clothing and blood drives, participated in Interfaith Hospitality Network, CropWalk, an AIDS ministry and the parish was an official Peace Site.

In October 2004, Father Nickas retired from active ministry. Father Jose I. Gamba was appointed pastor of St. Peter Claver Parish.

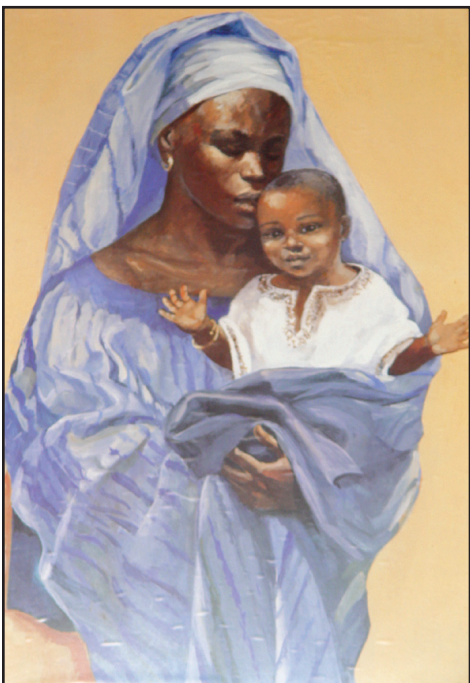
*Source materials for this history include The Early History of Saint Peter Claver Church, 1931-1939 "by Elizabeth Milliken, and the pamphlet A Diverse Spiritual Community in Action: St. Peter Claver."*

this country last month. Yet everyone works together and prays together without thinking of these differences."

Father Jose I. Gamba was appointed pastor of St. Peter Claver Parish on Oct. 1. "I am very impressed by the hard-working and dedicated volunteers of this beautiful parish family," he noted. "It is wonderful to watch the way they work together to get things done," he said, adding, "We ask God to continue to bless us and bring us closer to Him and one another as we, together, build up our parish community of faith."

When asked his plans for the future of St. Peter Claver, he noted simply, "To love, serve and be happy in the Lord."

*St. Peter Claver Parish is located at 56 Elmwood Ave., Montclair.*



This portrait of the Madonna and Christ Child adorns the inside of St. Peter Claver Church.



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November 18, 9:00 AM  
Forum Diner  
211 Route 4 West  
Cross St./Forest Ave.

### **Bergen - Fairlawn**

November 19, 9:00 AM  
Land & Sea Diner  
20-12 Fairlawn Ave.  
Cross St./Pollitt Dr.

### **Bergen - Hackensack**

November 29, 9:00 AM  
Arena Diner  
250 Essex St.  
Cross St./Polifly Rd.

### **Bergen - Fairlawn**

December 9, 9:00 AM  
Land & Sea Diner  
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Cross St./Pollitt Dr.

### **Bergen - Englewood Cliffs**

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### **Bergen - Paramus**

December 28, 9:00 AM  
Forum Diner  
211 Route 4 West  
Cross St./Forest Ave.

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November 16, 9:00 AM  
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Cross St./Burnet Ave.

### **Union - Linden**

November 30, 9:00 AM  
Colosseum Diner  
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Cross St./Park St.

### **Union - Roselle**

December 10, 9:00 AM  
Cavalier Diner  
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### **Union - Union**

December 21, 9:00 AM  
Huck Finn Diner  
2431 Morris Ave.  
Cross St./Burnet Ave.

### **Essex - Bloomfield**

November 17, 9:00 AM  
Nevada Diner  
293 Broad St.  
Cross St./Benson St.

### **Essex - Newark**

November 23, 9:00 AM  
IHOP  
109 Bergen St.  
Cross St./South Orange Ave.

### **Essex - Irvington**

December 14, 9:00 AM  
Don's Diner  
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# Commitment to Caribbean mission

BY LIESL FORES

Staff Writer

On the beautiful Caribbean islands of Turks and Caicos, a ministry has been developing over the past several years: bringing the Gospel to the people who live and visit there.

Before 1984, Turks and Caicos Islands, a British territory, was a part of the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of Nassau in the Bahamas. In 1984, it became a *missio sui iuris* (independent mission), under the bishop of Nassau, but did not have a stable pastorate.

In 1998, the Holy See requested that the Archdiocese of Newark send two priests to serve the Catholic community in Turks and Caicos full-time. Soon after, the mission was entrusted to the archdiocese.

According to Father Peter Baldacchino, chancellor of the Turks and Caicos mission, there are two goals: "To serve Catholics on the islands through the announcement of the Gospel, by providing the sacraments and all that is necessary for their spiritual growth, and to serve the visiting tourist, for whom a time of rest can also be an opportunity to reconnect with God."

With these objectives in mind, Father Baldacchino arrived in July 1999 to further establish the presence of the Catholic Church "in its fullness and the authentic Christian faith."

Two parishes had been created: Our Lady of Divine Providence, on the island of Providenciales, the tourist capital; and Holy Cross, on island of Grand Turk, the nation's capital. While these are the only two parishes with church buildings, the mission reaches beyond these borders to celebrate Mass regularly in two major resorts on Providenciales and on North and South Caicos, bringing the presence of the Church to four of the eight inhabited islands (there is a total of 40).

Father Baldacchino, also pastor of Our Lady of Divine Providence Parish, serves a community of approximately 265 families. This does not include tourists attending Mass at the resorts at an average of about 60 a week. Mass is celebrated in English (the official language), Creole and Spanish. Father George Klybus arrived this past summer to assist the pastor.

Father Emmanuel Bornhauser, who was sent as parochial vicar to the Providenciales parish in 2002, was appointed pastor of Holy Cross Parish, which has around 100 families on Grand Turk and South Caicos, in 2003. Father José Amante Abalon has been ministering with him there since June.

There are usually a few seminarians from Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Kearny, who spend part of their formation at the mission, assisting with catechism, evangelization or anything else that needs to be done.

Residents of Turks and Caicos hail from many parts of the world. The term given for the local population, "belongers," reflects the significant percentage of inhabitants that are not originally from the nation.

With the total population estimated at 25,000, there are approximately 10,000 Haitians officially living on the islands and about 4,000 from the Dominican

Republic. It is believed that roughly 5,000 from these two groups are Catholic.

There are other immigrant groups too, as well government contract workers, largely teachers. These dwellers come from the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Trinidad, Guyana and Freeport, among numerous other countries.

Many of these expatriates, immigrants and contract workers are parishioners at Our Lady of Divine Providence and Holy Cross. Presently, there are no belongers in the parishes or their extended communities. A good number are members of Protestant and other churches.

Instead of waiting for people to come to them, however, the priests reach out to all their neighbors, Catholic and non-Catholic, in the spirit of community and friendship, as well as evangelization. This also helps lessen the gap between the Church—a recent presence on the islands—and the local population.

"We always try to show a presence at the public civil celebrations. We have been called upon to offer prayers of blessing for the first ever fire truck on Providenciales, as well as at opening ceremonies of civil institutions, and we actively participate in local clubs, such as Rotary International," Father Baldacchino pointed out.

The chancellor recalls celebrating Mass when he first arrived in Providenciales with 11 English-speaking people; the Creole Mass drew 70. But those numbers have grown due to his efforts and those of the other priests.

The immediate aim is to propagate the Gospel through celebration of Mass and the sacraments.

Faith formation communities of the Neocatechumenal Way have also been established in both parishes. "In 1999 we also started a journey of deepening the faith in the form of a post-baptismal catechumenate. ... It is our firm hope that in the near future lay leadership and catechists will come forth from these Neocatechumenal communities," Father Baldacchino asserted.

Apart from this, some parishioners already offer their services as catechists for the youth, lectors and ushers.

There are two Haitian choirs on Providenciales, one of which visits the sick of the parish. And lay representatives from the five different settlements of the island minister in bringing "the needs of persons in distress in their respective areas" to the attention of the priests.

In Grand Turk, there is a choir composed of parishioners of different ages, the majority from Trinidad. The group's performances are open to the public, especially during the Christmas season and the parish feast of the Exaltation of the Cross.

The English, Creole and Spanish-speaking congregations come together, within each of the two individual parishes, for Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, the Easter Vigil and the parish feast day. "On these occasions multi-lingual Masses are celebrated with the opportunity to come together after Mass and share food and drink and fun activities for the kids," said Father Baldacchino.

Ministry to all the youth, regardless of religious affiliation, is particularly important, he continued.

"On a long term vision, we have directed much attention to the youth. They have excelled in soccer and have made a good name for our Catholic Church F.C. (our soccer club) on the islands. Some youth who have been attracted to the club are seeking baptism, and some of these young boys and girls in their teens are already involved in the life of the parishes. We are (discretely) quite proud of them!"

This encouragement has spurred plans for a school, "making a long term Catholic contribution to the development of the islands through Catholic education," Father Baldacchino said.



Children of Our Lady of Divine Providence Parish at choir practice, preparing to sing Christmas carols at Midnight Mass, 2003.

This, and plans for other parish and church facilities are under way, though there have been plenty of setbacks, often because of financial reasons.

Among the many challenges that the Turks and Caicos mission has, Father Baldacchino lists bureaucratic red tape in acquiring property and getting necessary work permits for the priests ministering there; the financial burden of trying to build new structures, and in the meantime, priests having to fly to the "out islands" to celebrate Mass every week; figuring out how best to reach out to and bring together the different cultures and ethnicities, and parishes that are in constant flux.

However, the priests of the mission do not despair.

Msgr. Ronald J. Rozniak, Vicar General of the mission, explained that in the past, since there was only one priest who was present six months of the year, there was missing "a sense of permanence of faith and community." What the staff at the mission has accomplished, he went on, is to "reintroduce a sense of Church and Church community and witness. I'm very pleased."

"Considering that many missionaries in the history of the Church have not had the privilege of seeing the fruits of their labors, we are very grateful to God that ... we have been allowed to see some promising signs," asserted Father Baldacchino. "It is very encouraging for us to see our young people become engaged in the life of the Church, while they recognize the need of ongoing personal conversion. We start to see families helped by the sacramental life and the announcement of the Gospel, and youth kept off the streets, that here too are becoming day after day a more unsafe place to be.

"We hope that ... the seed of faith which is now being planted and which gives hope in times of trouble may lead the people of Turks and Caicos Islands never to doubt of the love of God for them."

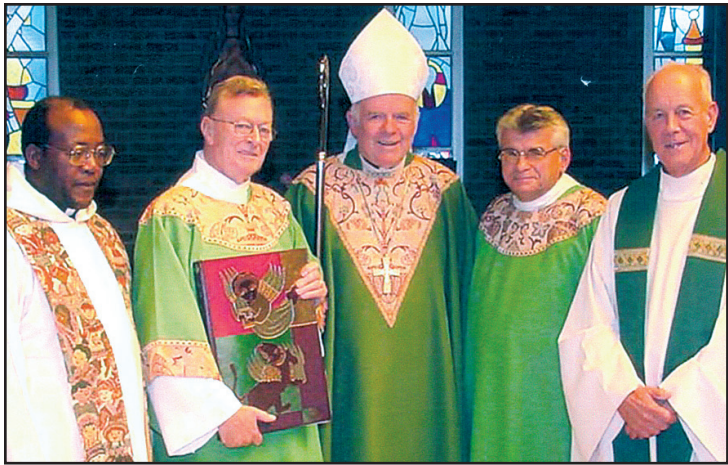
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To date, a total of \$50,400 has been raised for the Turks and Caicos Islands relief fund, initiated by the Development Office after September's Hurricane Frances. Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, Archbishop of Washington, DC, sent a letter and personal donation. "I have been watching the hurricanes in the Caribbean ever since I sent our priests to the Turks and Caicos Islands years ago," the letter read.



Archbishop John J. Myers, Ecclesiastical Superior of the *Missio Sui Iuris* of Turks and Caicos Islands, administers the sacrament of Confirmation to five parishioners at Our Lady of Divine Providence Parish on June 16, 2004. From left: Guylnaud Gustave, Calli Lewis, James René (being anointed with Holy Chrism), Bernardo Rodriguez and Lucy Tucker.

Advocate photos-Deacon Ed Campanella



Bishop John W. Flesey, center, presided at the anniversary Mass. He is accompanied here by, left to right, Father Josephat Kato Kalema; Deacon Ed Porter, director of the permanent diaconate; Deacon Joe Yandoli, chairman of the Council of Permanent Deacons, and Msgr. Philip Morris, pastor of St. John the Baptist.



Members of the permanent diaconate, Class of 1975, at the anniversary celebration. Left to right: Deacons Vincent Serzan, James Puliatte, Nicholas Fargo, Jerry Leary, Michel Morend and John Di Meo. The permanent diaconate was established 30 years ago after Vatican II developments.

## Our permanent diaconate marks major milestone

A Mass to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the permanent diaconate of the Archdiocese of Newark took place last month at St. John the Baptist Parish, Hillsdale.

Most Rev. John W. Flesey, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, was the main celebrant; Deacon Ed Porter, director of the permanent diaconate, and Deacon Jack Gray served as deacons for the Mass. Msgr. Philip D. Morris, pastor of St. John's, welcomed deacons of the archdiocese and their family and friends, and Deacon Al McLaughlin, chair of the anniversary committee, gave a word of thanks at the end of the liturgy.

All deacons present renewed their commitment to God and the Church.

## Job workshop set

The Career Resources Ministry of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood, will present its fourth annual fall/winter workshop, Nov. 14 at noon in the meeting room of the lower church.

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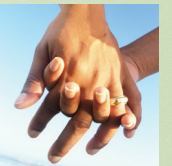
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Bob Stickel of Lifesaver, center, instructs Thomas McCue and Kevin Comp of the Archdiocesan Center on how to use automated external defibrillator equipment.

## Defibrillation team formed

The chances of surviving a heart attack have improved significantly at the Archdiocesan Center, Newark, with the availability of automated external defibrillators (AED) equipment and ten staff members trained and certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation CPR.

Typically, only 5 percent of sudden cardiac arrest victims survive. But if victims are defibrillated with three minutes of cardiac arrest, that survival rate can increase up to as high as 74 percent.

According to the American Heart Association (AHA), for every minute defibrillation is delayed, the victim loses 7 to 10 percent of a chance at survival.

Another factor is whether the police or another agency, that might arrive prior to an ambulance, even have a defibrillator. It must be considered too if such entities can consistently arrive in less than four minutes.

Although the use of the AED is easy, caring for a cardiac arrest victim is more than just operating the device. The situation goes faster and smoother with a trained individual and improves more with a team of CPR trained personnel.

Use of an AED is safe. The device will only shock a person who is in ventricular fibrillation, a lethal heart rhythm that does not circulate blood. At that point, a person is legally dead. An AED cannot shock a beating heart even if a attached to a live person by mistake.

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## The compassionate battle against HIV/AIDS

BY WILLIAM H. MEAGHER, III  
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At the Peter Ho Memorial Clinic, the oldest and largest facility serving HIV/AIDS patients in New Jersey, the Archdiocese of Newark's mission of compassionate service touches more than 2,000 people each year. That commitment also defines three HIV/AIDS resident housing programs operated by Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Located at Saint Michael's Medical Center, Newark, the Peter Ho Clinic provides medical care, case management, psychological services, nutrition, drug and alcohol counseling, and transportation for people with HIV/AIDS. According to Stephen Smith, M.D., director of Infectious Disease at Saint

Michael's, the clinic remains a priority. And his father agrees.

A renowned physician with a distinguished record of service to Saint Michael's, Leon G. Smith, M.D., recently became an executive vice president at Catholic Health and Human Services Corp. (CHHS). He now serves as chief adviser on healthcare policy for CHHS, which manages the healthcare system and social service agencies that support the mission of the archdiocese.

"Maintaining a continuum of care for HIV/AIDS patients poses challenges that demand collaboration among doctors, nutritionists, counselors and others," said Dr. Smith. "With a program founded in the social justice teachings of the Church,

we continue forging these cooperative relationships."

St. Bridget's Residence in Newark provides transitional housing and support to homeless men living with HIV/AIDS. In Jersey City, Canaan House provides permanent housing and on-site supportive services for low-income people with HIV/AIDS, and Franciska Residence provides long-term residence and social services for homeless men with HIV/AIDS.

Residents receive care and services that include case management, educational workshops, and referrals to mental-health and addiction-treatment services.

"Staff at Saint Michael's committed to treating people with HIV/AIDS when no one

else would. We will continue working with the other Cathedral Healthcare System hospitals, with Catholic Charities, and with other CHHS affiliates to enhance this vital continuum of care," promised Dr. Smith. "And at CHHS, we will aggressively promote these efforts as part of the mission of the Church."

*William Meagher is the director of publications for CHHS.*

## Common sense flu protection

With cold and flu season in full swing, parents need a proven line of defense against germs.

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According to the American Public Health Association, the best way to combat the spread of colds and flu is frequent and proper hand washing.

Experts recommend everyone use running water and soap. Adults can use a liquid soap or a bar soap, but kids should use a liquid soap because it is easier for little hands to manage. Generate a lather and make sure to really scrub in between fingers and under the nails.

It is also important to know when to wash. Make sure children wash before eating or helping to prepare food, and after being outside, using the bathroom, playing with pets, sneezing, coughing or blowing their noses.

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Catholic Health and Human Services Corporation (CHHS) last month provided a health screening and education program at the Archdiocesan Center, Newark. Among those attending was Marilyn Smith, production supervisor of *The Catholic Advocate*.

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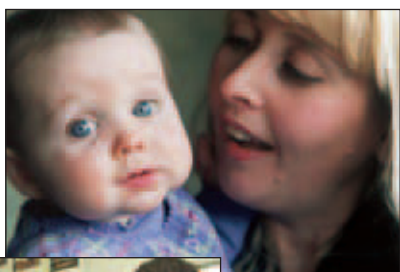
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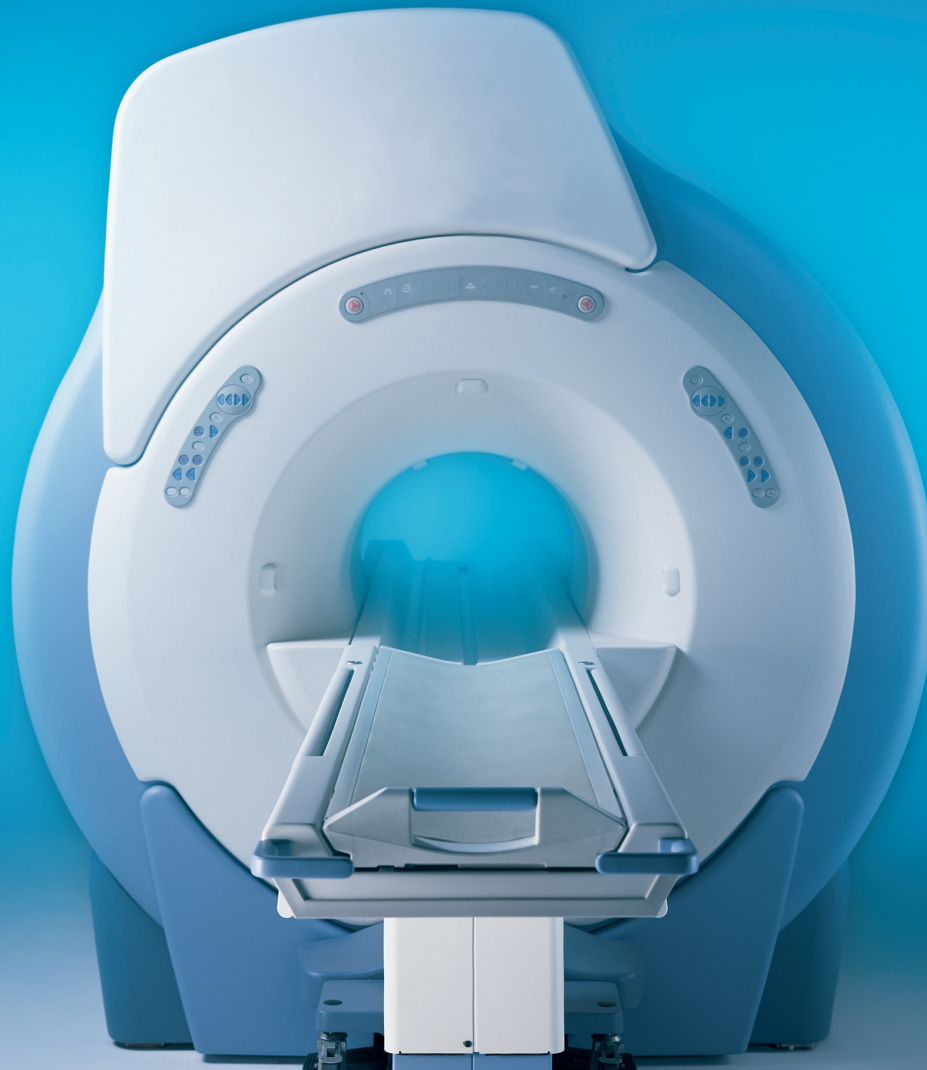
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# A shining star in Bayonne for 125 years

**BY BRIAN FORES**  
Staff Writer

Most. Rev. Thomas A. Donato, Regional Bishop for Hudson County, celebrated a Mass in honor of the 125th Anniversary of the parish school of St. Mary, Star of the Sea, Bayonne, on Oct. 2.

In attendance were the Sisters of St. Joseph, PA, who ran the school for nearly 120 years, representatives from the archdiocesan Office of Superintendent of Schools, local authorities, parishioners and students past and present—some coming from as far away as Pennsylvania, Texas and

Seattle, according to Father Lawrence Miller, pastor.

As the procession made its way up the center aisle, the Knights of Columbus, dressed in full regalia, turned to face one another, drew their swords and formed an arch, under which the altar servers, lectors, concelebrating priests, including Msgr. Francis R. Seymour, and Bishop Donato proceeded to the altar.

During his homily, Bishop Donato expanded on the parable of the mustard seed.

“Rather than just give the apostles the spiritual nourishment they sought,” Bishop Donato explained, “Christ

offered them a parable, as if to say, ‘You have the gift of faith within you, it is enough ...that little bit of faith can lead you to great experiences.’”

Explaining that Catholic education and formation happen not only in the school, but within the context of the larger community, Bishop Donato stated, “Do parents invite their children back to the Church after they have left school? Christ challenge’s each one of us to create an environment of faith... to continue to be a means by which God can touch the world and better the community in which we live.”

After the Mass, Bishop Donato noted, “I am so grateful for the hard work of the school still continuing strong and having an impact on the lives of Bayonne. I wish them many more years of excellent Catholic education and Christian formation.”

Father Miller noted, “I am overwhelmed at the tremendous faith of those who have come here from far and wide. I wish the school another 125 years,” he added with a wink, “though I don’t expect to be here.”



Students from St. Joseph School, West Orange, held a walkathon in the spring to raise funds for new playground equipment which was delivered and assembled over the summer with the help of school families and faculty. Admiring the new equipment with Father Richard Francesco, pastor, are, left to right, Ken, Robert and Camille McPherson, Laurin Hoffa, Principal Lynda Wright, Aubrey Skolnick, Ashley Hoffa and Russ McPherson.



The parish choir of St. Mary, Star of the Sea, during the 125th celebration.

## Remembrance and hope

The College of Saint Elizabeth (CSE), 2 Convent Rd., Morristown, will hold its annual Kristallnacht Commemoration: Week of Holocaust Remembrance, Nov. 8-11.

A special evening of remembrance and hope will take place Nov. 8 in the Octagon in Mahoney Library and will include: Holocaust survivor testimonies, a candlelight ceremony, prayers and reflections, a special

award presentation to Murray Laulich, of Pitney Hardin and music by the Elizabeth Singers.

A film program, “We Are Not Alone,” will take place Nov. 9, in Mahoney Library.

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## A working 'vacation'

Not many teenagers had the type of productive summer that Bergen Catholic High School (BCHS) junior Paul Girardi had.

While many teens were engaged in typical summer activities, such as visiting the shore, camping, working a summer job, or hanging out at the mall, the Franklin Lakes resident traveled to Ohio to help others in need and by attending a national forum to advance his education.

Not satisfied with the idea of "wasting" his vacation time, Paul turned to an attitude that had become ingrained in him during his previous two years at BCHS—the concept of Christian service. Students are required to donate service hours to their community in increasing increments during their scholastic careers.

Last year, he became aware of a program called Group Workcamps through the church bulletin at the Most Blessed Sacrament Parish, Franklin Lakes and, after checking the organization's website, decided to contribute his time to this cause.

"It made me free great to help others in need," he remembered. He once again signed up for the program in June, and convinced three of his friends to join him for the trip to Ohio.

Workcamps are week-long home-repair projects involving volunteers from various church youth groups. At each Work camp, hundreds of teenagers and adult sponsors come to an underprivileged community and spend five days repairing homes for elderly, low-income, and disabled residents.



Paul Girardi

## NCEA marketing workshop slated

The New Jersey Catholic Schools' Marketing Council presents a one-day workshop, "World-Class Marketing on a Shoe-String Budget," Nov. 29 and again Nov. 30 at the St. John Neumann Center, Piscataway.

The workshop, sponsored by the National Catholic Education Association, is open to principals, pastors, marketing and development professionals, board members and interested parents.

This fall's workshop will begin with a general session as well as a discussion of marketing "best practices." Following that, attendees will choose two break-out sessions from among four topics:

Personalizing the Admissions Process, Maximizing Marketing Strategies, Designing a World-Class Open House and Under-

standing a Mission-Driven Marketing Program.

The workshops will run from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Breakfast and lunch are included in the fee which is \$20, or \$100 for six participants from the same school.

Same-day registration is \$30.

For additional information contact Trish Fitzpatrick, director of school marketing, Archdiocese of Newark at (973) 497-4258 or at fitzpapa@rcan.org to register for the workshops.



The entire student body of Newark's Saint Vincent Academy, along with faculty, friends and supporters, took part in the school's annual Spirit Walk through downtown Newark. Through pledges and contributions, students raised more than \$20,000 for the college-prep school for young women.

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# Further advancement in NCAA is Pirates' goal

After three straight years of improvement under fourth-year head coach Louis Orr, an aura of excitement surrounds Seton Hall's 2004-05 season—and with good reason. With four returning players who averaged in double figures, the Pirates are battle-tested, experienced, and deeper than they have been in quite some time. Throw in a recruiting class considered Orr's best yet, and a fourth season of improvement—last year's team went 21-10 and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament—is a very attainable goal.

A key factor in the upcoming season will be the loss of two four-year starters.

The team returns three veteran starters, but the improvements in the games of last year's reserves will ultimately determine the team's fate.

John Allen is the undisputed leader of the team, the current program's only four-year player. The 6-5 swing player has averaged in double figures in each of his three years, and as a senior will have more of a burden placed upon him to score.

"I expect John to be a great

leader for us," Orr said. "He's got a strong will, he's a competitor and he wants to win. He has an excellent mid-range game, one of the best in the league, but I expect him to have his best year from the perimeter as well."

Andre Sweet became a starter last season at the power forward spot and excelled.

"Sweet's a guy who makes big plays for you," Orr said. "I feel like I have to have him on the floor. Offensively, I expect him to expand his game, which he has done every year. He gives you a lot of offense."

The focal point of the offense will be junior center Kelly Whitney.

"Kelly is one of the best post players in the country, in terms of what he does around the basket on the offensive end," Orr said. "That said, I think he'll surprise some people with his versatility this year. He'll be able to step out and do a little more facing the basket. Whenever you have a post player the caliber of Kelly Whitney, it will create double teams. That's where he has to make the players around him better."

Replacing Andre Barrett's 17.3 points per game might seem like a daunting task, but close followers of the Pirates realize that junior swingman J.R. Morris is ready to take on a much larger role offensively.

"Nothing will surprise me about J.R. in terms of how good he can be," Orr said. "He's got a chance to be one of the best scorers in our league. I think he understands the total game now. That was his biggest adjustment, understanding how important things like defense and ballhandling are. J.R. is just a special talent."

The point guard spot may never be filled with the likes of a Barrett, but the Pirates should be in good shape at that position. Junior Donald Copeland was Barrett's backup last year.

"The incumbent is Donald Copeland," Orr stated. "He's the most experienced and has played in crucial situations. In reality, there are many areas of Donald's game that people haven't seen the best of yet. He could be our best three-point shooter, and he's a pest on the defensive end. I trust him and he has come through whenever I've called on him."

Freshman Justin Cerasoli will come in and have every opportunity to earn a starting nod.

Sophomore guard Jamar Nutter will also depth.



Freshman swing player Brian Laing is another newcomer expected to help right away.

"Brian is a guy who has a chance to be a versatile scorer like John Allen is," Orr said.

Sophomore swing player Mani Messy is a wild card who may be ready to provide offensive firepower off the bench.

Up front, the Pirates will have many options off the bench to spell Whitney and Sweet. Sophomore Grant Billmeier gradually emerged as a reliable big body last season, and he should continue to get better. Billmeier is a non-stop worker who at 6-10 is not afraid to throw his body around for the good of the team. He also has a nice touch inside and is one of the top passers in the frontcourt.

Junior Alex Gambino is a 7-footer who may be used in a larger role this season after averaging less than a point a game last year. With his length and wingspan, he could certainly help the team in many ways.

"As a whole, we have to hold on to our foundation, and that's our defense and toughness," Orr said. "We have to make some adjustments offensively, but we will have more guys who can make plays for us. The bottom line is we were content with our season last year, but not satisfied. Our guys are hungry, and they want more."

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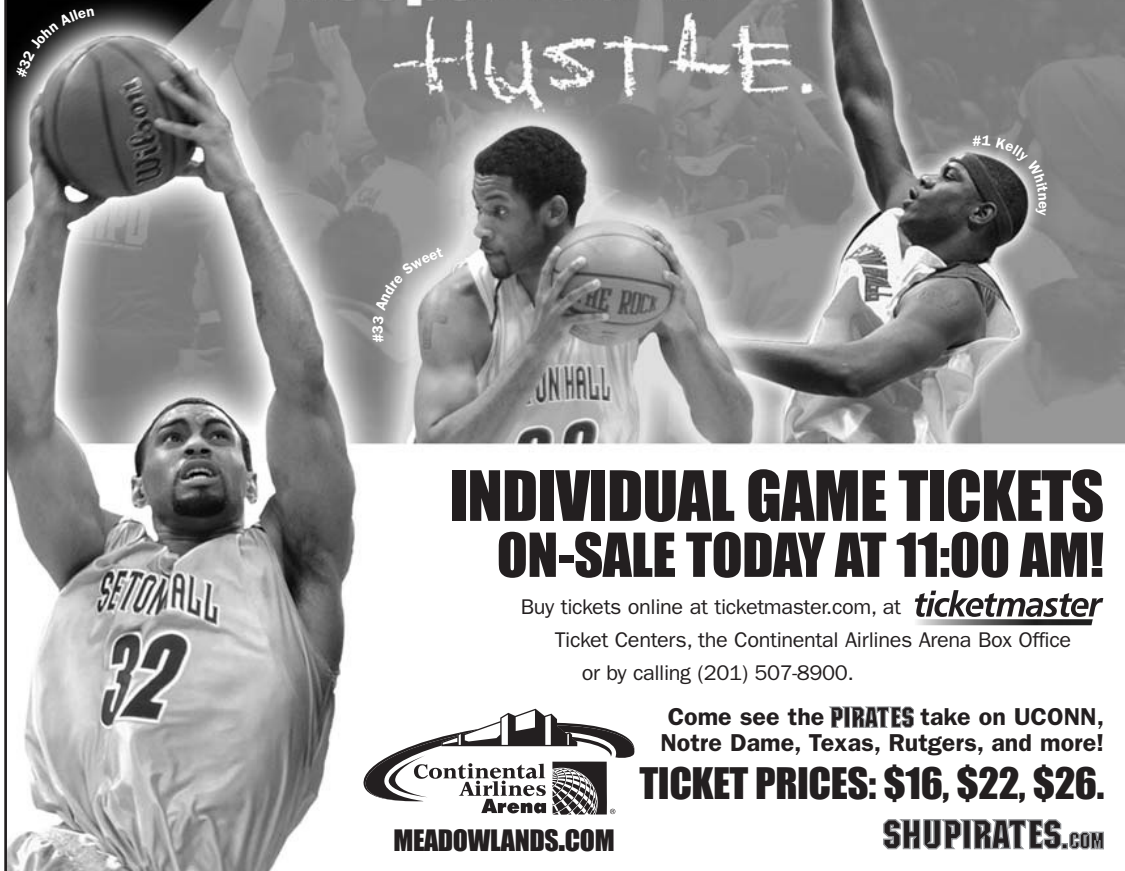
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POR EL ARZOBISPO JOHN J. MYERS

*A continuación, una traducción de los párrafos más importantes de la homilía por él proclamada el 17 de octubre último.*

En 1843, diez años antes de la creación de la Diócesis de Newark, un reportero escribió lo siguiente en The Newark Daily Advertiser; "Las iglesias de una nación son parte de su cultura religiosa. Ellas hablan al pueblo. Ellas representan ideas. Ellas hacen impresión. Los católicos entienden esto y por eso están construyendo, me parece a mí, las más bellas iglesias del país, muchas más que cualquier otra denominación religiosa. Yo confieso que si pudiera construir una iglesia para satisfacer mi gusto personal, lo haría en el más solemne y bello estilo gótico, y la construiría de piedra bien duradera, para que pudieran congregarse en sus sagradas paredes sucesivas generaciones futuras que al correr de los siglos dejarían sus encantos en el ambiente, permitiendo que los niños, al orar a través de los años, nos inspiraran para hacernos creer que el espíritu de sus padres se mezclaba con los sagrados ritos."

Si ese reportero anónimo estuviera hoy entre nosotros, él podría ver que sus sueños y su esperanza se habrían cumplido más allá de lo que él hubiera podido imaginar.

Miren ustedes a su alrededor y podrán contemplar el más bello y majestuoso edificio de la ciudad de Newark, y del estado de New Jersey. Y con el debido respeto a mis hermanos obispos yo me atrevo a decir que esta es la más bella y magnífica catedral de los Estados Unidos.

La primera lectura de hoy nos recuerda la dedicación del Templo de Salomón. Bastaron siete años para construir ese gran templo en Jerusalén. Nuestra catedral demoró medio siglo en ser construída. Aparentemente Salomón no tuvo problemas con sus arquitectos y constructores. Pero él era un monarca absoluto. La historia de nuestra catedral está llena de largas y dolorosas disputas entre los arquitectos, contratistas y prelados. El Templo de Salomón se contruyó con piedras locales de Jerusalén, cedros del Líbano, maderas de olivo y bronce adornados en oro. Nuestra catedral combina lo mejor del viejo y el nuevo mundo. Su diseño e inspiración viene de Francia, sus ventanales de Alemania y sus mosaicos y estatuas de mármol de Italia.

Y con todo y eso, nuestra catedral es verdaderamente Americana. Está construída con granito de Vermont, mármoles de Georgia, cobre de Montana y acero de Pennsylvania, decoraciones en piedra caliza de Indiana, mármol de Georgia y cedro blanco de Appalachia. Pero aun más importante, fue construída por los obreros de New Jersey, originarios de todos los rincones de la tierra. Esos obreros bien representaban a la gente de nuestra arquidiócesis, pues hoy, al igual que hace cien años, todavía los tenemos de todas las partes del mundo.

El Libro de los Reyes nos dice que para construir su Templo, Salomón "hizo una leva en todo Israel, la leva fue de treinta mil hombres" (1 R 5:27). No fue necesario utilizar trabajadores forzados para construir nuestra catedral. Fue construída con los sacrificios de decenas de millares de fieles católicos que dieron una parte de su pobreza para dar gloria a Dios.

Sin embargo, honradamente debo reconocer que una serie de donaciones no fueron enteramente voluntarias. En 1950, después de anunciar los planes para la construcción de nuestra catedral, el Arzobispo Walsh puso en práctica un método único para levantar fondos. En este momento yo se que todos mis hermanos obispos están prestando atención. El Arzobispo Walsh concedió un aumento de salarios a todos los sacerdotes, pero con la estipulación de que por tres años no recibirían ese aumento, pues el aumento sería pagado directamente a la Asociación de Constructores de la Catedral. En los últimos años yo he concedido a los sacerdotes de la arquidiócesis varios aumentos de salarios.

¿Cómo no se me ocurrió hacer algo parecido? Bueno, en mi lectura de "Semillas de Fe, Ramas de Esperanza", la historia de los 150 años de nuestra Arquidiócesis, me ha

convencido de que el Arzobispo Walsh es el único Arzobispo de Newark que hubiera podido hacer algo así para financiar un proyecto. Yo le puedo garantizar a los sacerdotes aquí presentes hoy, que yo nunca voy a intentar hacerlo. Yo confío que también hablo en nombre de mis hermanos obispos.

Hoy completamos la celebración de los 150 años de haberse establecido la Diócesis de Newark y de los 50 años de la dedicación de nuestra catedral. James Roosevelt Bayley, el primer obispo de Newark, siempre quiso que la diócesis tuviera lo que él llamó "una catedral apropiada". Pero no pudo realizar ese deseo, pues tuvo que atender a otras prioridades para poder servir mejor al Pueblo de Dios.

Durante 100 años la venerable Pro-Catedral de San Patricio, en la calle Washington, que antecede a la creación de la Diócesis, sirvió como nuestra catedral. Está santificada por un siglo de servicio, ungida por cien años de ordenaciones sacerdotales y consagraciones episcopales. Nosotros, el pueblo de Newark, tuvimos que esperar por cien años para lograr nuestra catedral. Tuvimos que aceptar que la predicación del Evangelio tenía prioridad. Tuvimos que aceptar que la limitación de nuestros recursos y energías debían aplicarse de la mejor manera posible para satisfacer las necesidades espirituales de la gente de la arquidiócesis. Teníamos que enfocar nuestras energías de la manera más efectiva que pudimos discernir.

Esos retos siempre están presentes. La fuente de todas

nuestras energías es el Espíritu Santo. Hoy, como cada día, le pedimos al Espíritu Santo que sople su poder sobre nosotros para dirigir nuestras "nuevas energías" cuando nos esforzamos para satisfacer las necesidades del pueblo de nuestra arquidiócesis en el futuro.

El 11 de junio de 1899, al colocarse la piedra angular de nuestra magnífica Catedral Basílica, el Obispo de Rochester, Bernard McQuaid, nacido en Newark, la llamó "un monumento apropiado a la fe". Es eso y también mucho más. Desde que fue concebida como un sueño del Obispo Bayley en 1859 hasta su dedicación en 1954 por el Arzobispo Thomas Aloysius Boland, y hasta la celebración de su 50 aniversario hoy, y por largo tiempo en su futuro, es y será mucho más que piedra y cemento. Es y será mucho más que cristales de muchos colores y delicadas tallas de madera. Es y será un signo vivo y duradero de la fe de nuestras madres y nuestros padres en la fe, que se sacrificaron, con frecuencia y a gran costo, para crear esta catedral, esta sinfonía de alabanza al Todopoderoso!

Hoy, al honrar a nuestros antepasados en la fe en esta dedicación, también queremos destacar a algunos fieles católicos que son verdaderamente "piedras vivas" de la Iglesia de Newark. Con la presentación de la Medalla del Jubileo del Sesquicentenario de la Catedral Arquidiocesana a esos fieles seleccionados de cada parroquia de la arquidiócesis reconocemos a quienes hoy son instrumento en construir esta parte del Cuerpo de Cristo.

## ¿De qué se trata? Preguntas y respuestas sobre la fe y su práctica

POR MONSEÑOR RICHARD J. ARNHOLS.

La pregunta de hoy: Pronto tendré que escoger padrinos para mi recién nacido. ¿Cuáles son las condiciones para ser padrino de bautizo?

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Los padrinos deben ser individuos fieles dispuesto a aceptar la responsabilidad de formar parte de la vida de fe de una persona por el resto de su vida.

El padrino o madrina debe presentar un certificado de autorización de su Parroquia local.

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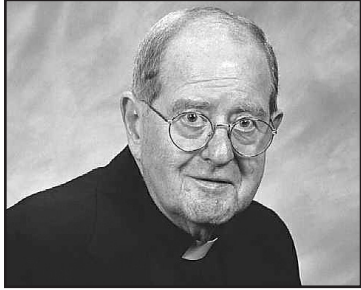
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# Father Arnold P. De Rosa, Seton Hall professor, 68



Father Arnold P. De Rosa

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Oct. 20 for Father Arnold P. De Rosa, 68, who died Oct. 16.

Born in Jersey City, Father De Rosa was a graduate of Saint Peter's Preparatory School and Saint Peter's College, both in his hometown.

He attended Immaculate Conception Seminary when it was in Darlington, and was ordained by Bishop Thomas A. Boland at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newark, in 1963.

He received a doctorate in clinical psychology from St. Johns University, New York, in 1974.

His first assignment in the Archdiocese of Newark was as parochial vicar at St. Bartholomew Parish, Scotch Plains, from 1963-1967.

Father De Rosa also taught at Union Catholic High School, Scotch Plains.

In 1967, he became a member of the faculty at Seton Hall University and was a professor of clinical psychology.

Father De Rosa retired last year.

Father De Rosa also practiced psychotherapy for fellow priests, seminarians and lay persons.

# Father Gabriel Lucarelli, C.R.M., 95

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Oct. 13 for Father Gabriel Lucarelli, C.R.M., 95, who died Oct. 7.

Born and raised in Italy, Father Lucarelli entered the Clerics Regular Minor in 1920 and attended the diocesan seminary in Agani. He studied at Gregorian University, Rome, receiving a doctorate in philosophy, and he studied theology at Pontifical Angel-

icum University, also in Rome. He was ordained in 1932 in his hometown of San Ginesio, Macerata, Italy.

Father Lucarelli came to the United States in 1937 and was assigned as an assistant at St. Joseph Parish, Lodi. He was then sent to minister in St. Margaret Parish, Morristown, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Montclair, and St. Lucy Parish, Newark, before returning to St. Joseph's in 1945.

He was appointed pastor there in 1955 and remained in that position until he retired in 1974. He resided at St. Joseph's until a couple of years ago.

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**Voices of Our World**  
10:45 a.m. - WSOU 89.5 FM

**The Sunday Morning Mass**  
11 a.m. - WSOU 89.5 FM

**Proclaim the Good News**  
12:30 p.m. - WCTC 1450 AM

**Perspectives on the News**  
12:30 a.m.(Mon.) - WOR 710 AM

### SATURDAY

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Santa Misa (local) 6:30 a.m. - Sunday

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# Ensemble to perform

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# World War II heroism documented

NEW YORK (CNS)—Here's a stirring remembrance of extraordinary courage at sea guaranteed to bring the proverbial lump to the throat.

"The Four Chaplains: Courage at Sea" tells the story of how four men of faith—a Catholic priest from the Archdiocese of Newark, a rabbi and two Protestant ministers—selflessly gave their lives when the USS *Dorchester* was ambushed by a German U-boat in the early days of World War II.

Airing on Wednesday, Nov. 10, from 10-11 p.m. EST on the Hallmark Channel, James Moll's documentary, which includes interviews with survivors and present-day chaplains, vividly shows the power of faith in action.

In 1943, the *Dorchester*—a converted Hudson River cruise boat, originally meant to hold fewer than 400—set sail for Europe, jampacked with 900 men. On board were these four men of God: the Rev.

George Fox, a Methodist minister; Rabbi Alexander Goode; the Rev. Clark Poling, a Dutch Reformed minister and Father John Washington.

During the days before a deadly torpedo would strike the ship, the four chaplains were inspirational embodiments of good fellowship, much to the surprise of many of the men who, until then, had narrow ideas about religion, since in some cases they had not had any interaction with those of other faiths.

The story is simply told, with minimal production values, and none of the archival footage is identified, so it isn't always clear whether we're actually seeing the *Dorchester*, some other warship or a re-creation.

Still, this is an amazing story, and this solid Faith & Values Media retelling of how these brave men's love of God inspired them to make the supreme sacrifice is well worth your time.

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# New center

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will also become the hub for victims of human trafficking, providing them with emergency food, shelter and legal resources to obtain refugee status, with all the benefits that accompany that designation, such as education, healthcare and employment.

This effort is part of the national Rescue and Restore campaign to identify victims of human trafficking, rescue them and restore them to a life of dignity and compassion, which was launched in the northern New Jersey area at a press conference in the Archdiocesan Center, Newark, in August.

Christie reasserted his own commitment and that of federal and local law enforcement—part of a task force, along with the NJ Anti-Trafficking Coalition—to identifying and rescuing victims of human trafficking and prosecuting offenders. The center, he said, will help “treat victims with compassion.”

“Some of those who we hope will pass through these doors are the victims of human trafficking—a heinous crime that robs victims of their very lives. Today’s dedication bespeaks the full commitment of the archdiocese to help end this evil scourge,” Archbishop Myers asserted.

“The opening of the Bishop Francis Center and the establish-



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At the opening of the Bishop Francis Center for Immigration Services, Newark. Left to right, Henry Amoroso, chairman of the board of Catholic Charities and vice chairman and COO of Catholic Health and Human Services (CHHS); Phillip Frese, executive director of Catholic Charities; Philip Caprio, Sr.; Charles Carella, Esq., legal counsel for archdiocese; Daniel M. Daniels, CHHS president and CEO; Congressman Donald Payne, U.S. Attorney for New Jersey Christopher Christie and Archbishop Myers.

ment of our 24-hour human trafficking hotline (1-866-999-0997) help put the archdiocese where it belongs—at the forefront of a growing campaign to help identify victims, to rescue them, and to try to assist them in

restoring and renewing their lives,” remarked Amoroso.

“The dedicated, hardworking staff of our Immigration Assistance program, our Refugee Resettlement program and our Rescue and

Restore program will build on 100 years of experience in supporting the region’s immigrant community,” Frese commented.

*The center is located at 970 Broad St. Newark.*



## Novarcensis:

### A Look Back at Our History

#### 151 years ago...

November 1. Most Rev. James Roosevelt Bayley as first Bishop of Newark in St. Patrick’s Pro-Cathedral, Newark.

#### 143 years ago...

November 11. The cornerstone of St. Peter’s Church, Newark, was laid. This is now Queen of Angels Church.

#### 141 years ago...

November 15. Founding of St. Boniface Parish, Jersey City.

#### 135 years ago...

November 14. Cornerstone of St. Bridget’s Church, Jersey City, laid.

#### 126 years ago...

November 10. Our Lady of Grace Church, Hoboken, dedicated by Most Rev. Michael A. Corrigan, second Bishop of Newark. At that time it was the largest church in the diocese.

#### 108 years ago...

November 15. First Mass celebrated in All Saints Parish, Jersey City.

#### 62 years ago...

November 13. Most Rev. Francis J. Monaghan, Bishop of Ogdensburg and former president of Seton Hall University, died.

#### 52 years ago...

November 15. Most Rev. Thomas A. Boland of Paterson was appointed second Archbishop of Newark.

Novarcensis is compiled and edited by Rev. Msgr. Francis R. Seymour, Archivist of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Novarcensis means “Newark” in Latin.

## Fair trade sale schedule

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) will host a fair trade sale at the Archdiocesan Center, Newark, Nov. 4, noon to 2 p.m. and 4:30 to 7 p.m.; Nov. 5, noon to 2 p.m. and 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., and Nov. 6, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

A Fair trade workshop will be held Nov. 6 from

9:30 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$10. The Archdiocesan Center is located at 171 Clifton Ave.

The fair trade sale includes items sold through Work of Human Hands, which markets fairly traded crafts of artisans from around the world to Catholics in the United States.

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The four National Merit Scholarship semifinalists from Don Bosco Preparatory School, Ramsey, left to right, Christian Clark, Keith Gross, Mario De Franco and Andrew Segna are congratulated by Principal John Stanczak, center.

## A real life lesson for an entire school

The annual Make a Difference Day at St. Michael School, Union, began routinely enough but ended with the opportunity to help one of their own.

Principal Adele Ellis challenged the students to do something extra helpful on Saturday, Oct. 23.

The students began the weekend cleaning up their neighborhoods. Raking leaves was a popular pursuit as was helping elderly neighbors with chores and shopping.

All that changed Saturday afternoon when the home of the Owoade family was engulfed in flames. Two Owoade children, Motalani and Olayode, are in Grades four and six respectively.

Informed by athletic director Connie Foster of the family disaster, Ellis contacted the school community and faculty.

By the end of the weekend, the Owoades had shelter provided by a school family. Faculty members, meanwhile, rounded up appliances, furniture, household items and personal items for the family. The students also turned their attention to helping however they could. Throughout the weekend and on Monday, families provided monetary donations as well as clothing and food. The school's food service, Dowling Foods, will provide free lunch to the children while the school uniform company, Flynn and O'Hara, donated new uniforms.

Make a Difference Day has taken on new meaning for the students. Erika, a second grader, said "It felt good in my heart to give clothing to the children who had none." Sixth grade homeroom teacher Renee Deresz added, "The response which we gave to the Owoade family is a natural reaction to help those who are suffering from misfortune. It is part of being Catholic to help others in time of need. It is who we are and what we do. It is nice to teach the concepts, but when we teach by example the lessons go even further."

## Service, leadership to be honored

Sister Rosemary E. Jeffries, R.S.M., Ph.D., president of Georgian Court University, Lakewood, will be honored for her service and leadership at the 13th annual Sister of Mercy Benefit Dinner Dance, Nov. 5 in Atlantic City.

Sister Jeffries became the eighth president of Georgian Court University on July 1, 2001. She earned her doctorate in sociology and a master's degree in public communications from Fordham University, and holds an M.A. in religious studies from Princeton Theological Seminary and a B.A. in art education from Georgian Court College.

Sister Jeffries held increasingly responsible

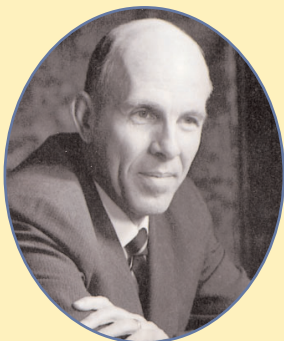
titles with the Sisters of Mercy of New Jersey,

including director of communications, member of the leadership team and vice president from 1998 until she assumed the helm at Georgian Court. She was also the director of communications for the Diocese of Trenton and held positions of pastoral ministry and teaching.

"I am proud of so many aspects of Georgian Court. In addition to our goals and mission, we boast an increasing number of students in our graduate school, achieving university status, a number of partnerships with other institutions, and a master plan campaign to expand and improve our facilities," the president said.

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