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## Koreans continue ethnic traditions Important centers for fellowship

BY BRIAN FORES  
Staff Writer

AREA—The scene is the typical parish feast. It is a bright July day—food is plentiful, parents chase their toddlers, a few children sit absorbed in their handheld video games and teens laugh and joke with friends. A spirited game of basketball is ongoing in the parish parking lot. Babies quietly doze in their parents' arms, and parish elders observe

the action, enjoying the lively conversation amidst the constant laughter and chatter.

The parish is St. Andrew Kim in Orange, and the feast is in honor of their patron saint. The parish is the mother church of three Korean parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark, including Korean Martyrs in Saddle Brook and St. Joseph Korean in Demarest. Msgr. Augustin Park is a pivotal figure in the founding of all three parishes.

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Father Minhyun Cho, left, and Msgr. Augustin Park hold up a hand-written Korean Bible, a gift made by the Korean Apostolate to Archbishop John J. Myers last year.

Advocate Photo- Brian Fores

## Evangelization programs enlist laity to cast nets among family, neighbors

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE  
Editor

NEWARK—Be prepared to “go out into the deep,” but be sure to recognize the subtle distinction between the mission and programs of evangelization.

As lay people at nearly 40 parishes throughout the archdiocese prepare to launch evangelization programs this fall, Dr. Thomas Curran, the executive director of Trinity Formation Resources, a non-profit ministry based in Federal Way, Wash. (near Seattle), offered words of support and wisdom for the ambitious effort. Curran, who has lectured and taught in six countries and throughout the United States, served as a keynote speaker on the topic of evangelization for the archdiocese's seventh convocation of priests at the Woodcliff Lake Hilton in June.

Lay people taking part in

evangelization programs, such as “Why Catholic?” and “Disciples in Mission” (see related sidebar story on page 15) will follow in the footsteps of the Apostles, Curran said. As recorded in the Gospel of Luke, Jesus called on

the Apostles to “put out into deep water” and cast their nets to catch fish even when the prospects for a good haul seemed bleak. The symbolic, religious message in this encounter was for the Apostles to

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## Immigration experience headed for the classroom

BY WARD MIELE  
Managing Editor

AREA—The immigrant experience will be brought into archdiocesan classrooms in vivid detail because 10 teachers visited Ellis Island last month.

The teachers were part of a 25-member contingent selected to attend a two-week inaugural tour and seminar sponsored by the Save Ellis Island Foundation. The focus was on

immigration with emphasis on the role of health screening.

Taking part were Paul Cunneen, St. Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, Patricia Picinich and Susan Patton, Our Lady of Sorrows, South Orange, Patricia Campos, Kathleen Blechar and Joan Barron, Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark, James Lauterhahn, Immaculate Conception High School, Montclair, Katie Anne

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**PEEK-A-BOO**—All eyes at St. Ann's Parish in Hoboken were fixed on the feast-day Mass and sacred procession on July 26. Parishioners serenaded Archbishop Myers with a spirited rendition of “Happy Birthday” as he led the colorful celebration. Hoboken faithful braved the sweltering day and turned out for the 95th annual Italian Festival. See page 23 for more photos.



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# Making 'Catholic' makes sense in these unique times

The ecumenical phenomenon that Colleen Carroll Campbell dubbed "the new faithful," accomplished young professionals leading lives of intense Christian orthodoxy, has had interesting manifestations in the Catholic Church. Is there a major American city that doesn't have a "Theology on Tap" program these days? Suds and the catechism seem to be an attractive mix. Then there are campuses like Notre Dame, where students are reconverting their faculties and their schools, often against great odds. And, of course, there's World Youth Day.

Now comes the new apologetics. Two books by younger Catholic writers demonstrate that the art of "making 'Catholic' make sense" has been recovered in a distinctive way for these unique times.

Matthew Lickona's *Swimming with Scapulars: True Confessions of a Young Catholic* (Loyola Press) is a sometimes funky, sometimes lyrical explanation of how a cradle Catholic, who buys the whole package, thinks, prays, struggles, and manages to have a lot of fun while being self-consciously counter-

cultural. Lickona, a staff writer for the San Diego Reader, loves wine, movies, "alternative rock" (don't ask me...), and the Church. He's frank about his spiritual limits—"In times of suffering, I look first to myself. God is the backup, to be called upon when I find myself insufficient."

Yet he has a firm grip on the faith and a keen insight into what apostasy has done to contemporary society: "We're living in an awful middle ground. Some might call it Christ-hungover. He lingers, a painful leftover presence

## The Catholic Difference

by George Weigel



that punishes the conscience but brings no comfort. People are left with the sad thrill of transgression: the enraged bumper stickers, the endless appeals to sex that is 'perfectly natural' but still sold as 'naughty.' Such may be the penalty for knowing His rules without knowing Him."

Then we have Mark Gauvreau Judge, hitherto known in Washington circles as the town's most ardent Senators fan. His grandfather, Joe Judge, had played for the team during baseball's golden years; grandson Mark kept the

flame of local baseball passion alive for decades, and is currently locked in an embrace of the re-commissioned Nationals. Now, outside the ballpark, Judge lowers the boom on the silliness that beset Catholic high schools and colleges in the post-Vatican II period in a feisty memoir, *God and Man at Georgetown Prep: How I*

*Became a Catholic Despite 20 Years of Catholic Schooling* (Crossroad).

Matthew Lickona writes elegantly; Mark Judge's prose has edge. Looking back from his early forties, he knows he was cheated of a serious Catholic education at Georgetown Prep and Catholic University—and he's not happy about it. Judge is no plaster saint; he freely admits that his own propensities for wild behavior (especially when fueled by drinking) made a circus out of his high school and (extended) college years. But he rightly asks why formation ceased being part of education in Catholic schools during and after the overheated Sixties. Grateful to Alcoholics Anonymous for helping him get his life together, he wonders, appropriately, why the trendy priests and teachers at some of America's most prestigious Catholic institutions didn't help him steer a better path.

Having survived the silly season, Matthew Lickona and Mark Judge have built integral, exciting Catholic lives despite the collapse of intact Catholic culture in the United States. Growing up in the intensely Catholic culture of Bavaria, a more famous Catholic apologist, Joseph Ratzinger, discovered that the Catholic Church is a wonderful thing, a treasure-house of insights and experiences to be savored and explored, reflected upon and argued over. Amidst the confusions of post-modern America, Lickona and Judge have discovered what Benedict XVI intuited as a boy: that the Church is everyday life and soaring speculation, liturgy and art and music, all at the same time. Learning the connections is a lifelong project, full of adventure and beauty.

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*Suds and the catechism seem to be an attractive mix.*

## Stewardship

# Helping parishes to do better at 'being Church'

BY DAVID OSBORNE

Director of Stewardship and Planned Giving

The Archdiocesan Stewardship Office kicked off its Seminar Series, "A Practical Guide to Stewardship in Today's Catholic Parish," on Tuesday, Aug. 2.

There is no cost for a parish to participate, and registration forms have been sent to every parish. If you have not already done so, sign up as soon as you can, because seating is limited.

The seminar begins with a presentation on the "Stewardship Environment" of the Archdiocese. By the phrase "Stewardship Environment," we are not talking about taking care of the ecology, but rather taking care of the total economy of the Archdiocese. By the term "economy" we mean much more than finances; we're talking about reviewing statistical information on the management of all resources, human and spiritual, as it relates to the Church.

Reviewing statistical data and information reveals certain trends taking place in our region. The information can help manage a parish more easily, effectively and efficiently. It helps to reveal how well a parish is doing at "being Church" as compared to its neighboring parishes, or other parishes throughout the Archdiocese. We do this in order to identify the practices that work best at helping people produce religiosity.

We need to find the causal relationships between how a parish uses its resources and the Catholic faith

and life culture it produces from its activities. As we learn how well a parish is functioning as compared to others, the statistical information will help parishes make changes sooner and enable them to do long-range planning.

Some long-range planning is easy. If we know that there is an increasing birth rate, then we know that schools will need to prepare for larger class sizes and everything else that comes with more students.

However, some long-range planning is not as easy to do. If we know that Catholics ages 65 and older only represent 20 percent of the population, but 30 percent of a parish's weekly church goers and 40 percent of its volunteers and annual budget, then what will happen to the parish over the next 10 to 20 years? What does the parish need to do now in order to counter all of the problems that we can foresee?

We are in a situation where the Archdiocese needs to restructure in order to fulfill its mission more effectively. Some parishes may need to close or combine resources with another parish, but if changes could have been done 15 years ago to keep such a parish thriving, then everyone would agree that those changes would have been better. In another 15 years, perhaps we will not just be merging parishes, but also be in need of merging dioceses.

Hopefully every parish will participate in the Seminar Series, because it is essential that every parish gain an understanding about how well it is performing its mission and what it needs to do in order to make progress.



Representatives from 25 parishes, a total of 46 people, attended the Aug. 2 Stewardship Seminar Series: "A Practical Guide to Stewardship in Today's Catholic Parish." Additional seminars will take place on Aug. 13, 17, 20 and Oct. 15. Contact David Osborne, director of planned giving in the archdiocesan development office, at (973) 497-4584 for more information on the series.



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# Teen volunteers feel warmth of 'Heart' beat

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AREA — Catholic HEART Workcamp, the Orlando, FL-based youth program devoted to sending teens and youth ministers to impoverished communities nationwide during summer months to help perform much-needed repairs to nurseries, churches, parks and other community centers, has once again brought its effort to the Archdiocese of Newark.

The acronym (HEART) stands for Helping Others Attain Repairs Today, and the 270 volunteers who set up camp at the Archdiocesan CYO Retreat Center in Kearny have done exactly that at 30 locations in the area, including the New Community Corporation, the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless and Community Access Unlimited.

Kelly Soffe, a middle school teacher in Washington County, MD, is an adult volunteer. Soffe said the group arrived on July 24 and would be in the area until the following Saturday.

She is among one of several groups deployed by the program to travel the country, participating in each of the pro-



Advocate photo - Brian Fores

Teens help tear down the ailing façade of a wall that is part of the recreation area at the CYO Retreat Center in Kearny.

gram's four sessions throughout the summer. Soffe noted that the New Jersey visit would be last trip of the summer.

This is Soffe's second year as a

manager, a position that entails participating in each of the work camp's four trips throughout the summer, though the teen volunteers are different for each session, she said. In all, Soffe has been involved with Catholic HEART Workcamp for five years.

Volunteers gather in the evenings to hear speakers and for fellowship. There is a Mass at the start and end of the trip—as well as daily Mass throughout the week. Soffe called it "faith-filling" and "a great organization." She added that for many of the teens, who live in well-to-do suburbs, the exposure to inner cities is a "life-changing experience."

Julia Sobieraj, 14, from Chicago, said she joined the effort because "I like helping people." Adding that team leaders used ice-breaker questions to help participants get to know one another, she said she "had the chance to get to know people I would never have known. I've become close with them, and I feel closer to God in a way that hasn't happened at home."

In a society where teenagers feel ever-increasing pressure to conform to secular society, the volunteers seem to appreciate the sense of relief that comes with being able to express their faith amongst their Catholic peers. Clearly they value the new friendships.

Cassidy Douglas, 17, Quincy, IL, is taking part in the program for the third time. She said she still keeps in touch with friends made through the work camp. Explaining that teens who express their faith are sometimes "looked at as different," she noted that "here there is no judgment. People accept you as you are. Everyone knows that we are all God's children."

Douglas is with a group working at St. Antoninus Parish, Newark. In the midst of a heat wave, the teens were busy painting, cleaning and clearing trash.

For Spencer Roberts, 14, Climax, MI, the experience involves "learning about God. Meeting other people, you learn about their perspectives on who God is."

Nick Mayer, 17, Sheboygan, WI, said his faith is "not a big thing I bring up with my friends at home," but said he enjoys "being able to express my Catholic views and work hard to help the less fortunate."

Monica Sehy, and adult volunteer from Vickburg, MI, joined the effort after observing that others who had participated "came back with that certain glow." The experience, she said, helped her find herself. "It really helped me see who I am. I don't have to look to others. Being Catholic is in my blood." Moreover, she noted, "it helps me reach out to people who don't have that certain glow."

Visit [www.heartworkcamp.com](http://www.heartworkcamp.com) online for more information on Catholic HEART programs or call (407)678-0073.

## Official Appointments

Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:



**ARCHDIOCESAN AGENCY/MINISTRY**

**Reverend Richard J. Berbari**, Parochial Vicar of St. Rose of Lima Parish, Short Hills, has also been appointed Assistant Director for Vocations Awareness in the Vocations Office, for a period of three years, effective July 15.

**Reverend Robert J. Gelinas**, Parochial Vicar of St. Catherine Parish, Cedar Grove, has also been appointed Assistant Director for Vocations Awareness in the Vocations Office, for a period of three years, effective July 15.

**Reverend Thomas P. Quinn**, Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood, has also been appointed Assistant Director for Vocations Awareness in the Vocations Office, for a period of three years, effective July 15.

**Reverend Msgr. Joseph R. Reilly**, Rector of St. Andrew College Seminary, South Orange, has been re-appointed to the Priestly Vocations Board for a term of three years, effective July 15.

**Reverend James O. Sheerin** has been re-appointed to the Priestly Vocations Board for a term of three years, effective July 15.

**Reverend Paciano A. Barbieto**, Parochial Vicar of Holy Family Parish, Nutley, has also been appointed to the Priestly Vocations Board for a term of three years, effective Sept. 15.

**Reverend Joseph S. Bejgrowicz**, Pastor of St. Theresa Parish, Kenilworth, has also been appointed to the Priestly Vocations Board for a term of three years, effective Sept. 15.

**Reverend Msgr. Thomas P. Nydegger**, Vice-Rector of Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall University, South Orange, has also been appointed to the Priestly Vocations Board for a term of three years, effective Sept. 15.

**Reverend Tobias Rodriguez**, Assistant to the Rector of Redemptoris Mater Archdiocesan Missionary Seminary, Kearny, has also been appointed to the Priestly Vocations Board for a term of three years, effective Sept. 15.

**PASTOR**

**Reverend Joseph Hertel, O.F.M.** has been appointed Pastor of the Church of St. Joseph, East Rutherford, effective Aug. 1.

**PAROCHIAL VICAR**

**Reverend Marcos A. Sequeira-Ruiz**, Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Newark, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of the Parish of the Resurrection, Jersey City, effective June 17.

**Reverend Roman Hamny, S.D.S.** has been appointed Parochial Vicar at St. Adalbert/Ss. Peter & Paul Churches, Elizabeth, for a period of three years, effective July 8.

**CHAPLAIN**

**Reverend Clement Kagoma** has been appointed Chaplain at St. Michael Medical Center, Newark with residence at St. John Rectory, Newark, effective July 20.

**RELEASE**

**Reverend Christoph Lintz** has been released for continued service in the Archdiocese of Munich for a period of three years, effective July 1.

**Reverend David S. McLaughlin** has been released from pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese of Newark for service in the Diocese of Paterson for a period of three to five years, effective June 13.

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# Cologne preparing for WYD

COLOGNE, Germany (CNS) — The city of Cologne is preparing for an invasion of hundreds of thousands of young people scheduled to attend World Youth Day and activities surrounding Pope Benedict XVI's visit.

Stefan Neuhoff, head of the Cologne fire department, described the pope's Aug. 16-21 visit as "the biggest planning challenge since the end of World War II."

By late July, just weeks before the start of the World Youth Day celebrations, organizers had received registrations from 370,000 young people from 160 countries, nearly 700 bishops, 8,000 priests and 5,100 journalists.

During the international celebration, those people and more will have to be housed, fed, moved around, entertained and inspired. Before Aug. 16, about 120,000 of them will stay in German dioceses for a few days, sharing the life of Catholics throughout the country.

Once they arrive in Cologne, many of the pilgrims will be housed in school halls and sports facilities, but people throughout the region have offered places in their homes to more than 89,000 of the young visitors. Some pilgrims will stay in a brewery, some in a castle, others in a cowshed. Ten young people will sleep in a couple of rooms in the studios of Germany's popular comedian and TV show host, Harald Schmidt.

The offer by individual local Muslims, in one case a whole Muslim community, to take in pilgrims caused some delays for the organizers, who eventually accepted the offers.

Msgr. Heiner Koch, World Youth Day general secretary, told the German Catholic news agency KNA: "The places which offer hospitality are not, for us, simply random locations. They should, after all, lead to Catholic encounters."

The Muslim community in the nearby town of Niederkassel has offered 60 young people a place in the communal hall beneath the mosque. The community's chairman, Niyazi Ileli, said, "Pilgrimage is central for

us as Muslims, and if young Christians want to do that, we support it happily."

However, he added Muslim leaders turned down organizers' request to allow young people to hold Christian morning prayers in the mosque.

World Youth Day registration includes a public transportation pass, and providers are running rush-hour services all day and into the nights.

To help the many foreign visitors, travel information will be offered in several languages, including Latin. The German railways are adding more than 140 extra trains.

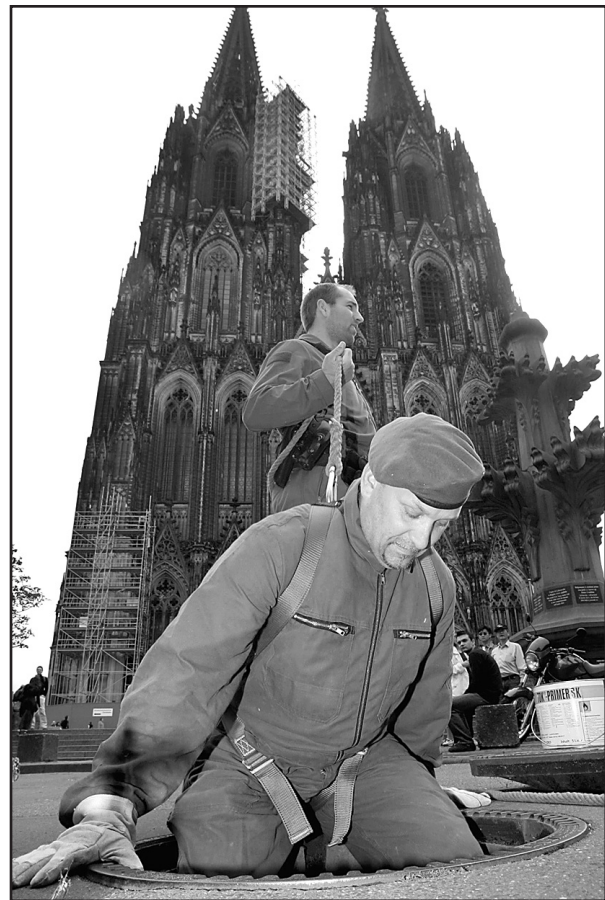
On Aug. 21, 1,200 extra buses will shuttle pilgrims from 12 stations and parking lots to the closing Mass with Pope Benedict, which will take place 15 miles outside the city and is expected to attract more than 800,000 people.

For that Mass on the Marienfeld, a recultivated open-cast mine, construction workers have laid out more than 30 miles of new roads and tipped 80,000 cubic yards of gravel to create the 30-foot-high "Pope's Hill," on which the altar will stand.

Cell phone operators are building an entire network of transmitters to cope with the increased population at the Marienfeld, but they are issuing no guarantees that the network will not break down when the pope drives by and people try to use their phones to take pictures and send them to family and friends. German Telekom is also offering special "sacred" ring tones, including church bells or the tune "Go Tell It on the Mountain."

Steffenhagen said the London subway bombings had made security a central concern, and the pope's arrival will turn Cologne into a high security zone. Bridges will be closed while the pope travels on the Rhine River; airspace will be closed over papal events. Police say they have called in all the crowd barricades they could find in Germany.

Meanwhile, the pilgrims will have to be fed, and, as Cardinal Joachim Meisner of Cologne said, they will need more than five loaves and two fishes.



A policeman examines a manhole in front of the Catholic Cathedral in Cologne. Police, fire and municipal workers are preparing to host hundreds of thousands of pilgrims, including a group from the Archdiocese of Newark, and Pope Benedict XVI during World Youth Day Aug. 16-21.

Sodexo, the company that catered for World Youth Day in Paris in 1997 and in Rome in 2000, will make 6.3 million meals throughout the celebration—100 tons of food a day. The menu will be international; organizers said German specialties like pork knuckle and sauerkraut might not appeal to international visitors.

## WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

### Cardinal urges Bush veto

WASHINGTON (CNS) — The head of the U.S. bishops' pro-life committee has encouraged President George W. Bush to veto any legislation that would loosen restrictions on federally funded human embryonic stem-cell research. The statement was issued by Baltimore Cardinal William H. Keeler, chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee for Pro-Life Activities, after Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., modified his stand to back legislation that would relax restrictions. Frist's support improves chances that the Senate will pass a bill easing restrictions when it returns in September from its summer recess. The House already passed such a bill. "I commend President Bush for his laudable pledge to veto such legislation," said Cardinal Keeler in a statement. The cardinal's statement was issued in Washington by the U.S. bishops' Department of Communications hours after

Frist, who previously agreed with Bush's restrictions, said in a Senate speech that the Bush policy was hindering research that could lead to cures for a number of diseases.

### Basilica work halted

WARSAW, Poland (CNS) — A Polish church official said work on a massive new basilica in Warsaw, built in thanksgiving for the collapse of communism and the pontificate of Pope John Paul II, would be halted by the end of the year because of lack of funding. "Legal uncertainties and changing interpretations of the regulations have caused fewer firms to give support," Father Bogdan Leszczewicz, project director for the Church of Divine Providence, told Poland's Catholic Information Agency, KAI. "Unfortunately, although there've been many private funders, their joint donations often aren't enough to cover even a single invoice."

### Family separations eyed

CHICAGO (CNS) — When it comes to immigration law, Carmen Estacio a naturalized U.S. citizen who is from the Philippines, did everything by the book, including applying for a visa for her then-18-year-old son to join her in the United States. She filed the application in 1991. Her son, now 33, arrived from the Philippines this June. "I waited and I waited and I waited," said Estacio. "I requested help from congressmen. I thought about getting a lawyer, but I knew it was very expensive." Estacio's experience illustrates one problem with U.S. immigration law, that families end up separated for years, say advocates for immigration reform. Those advocates include the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, which launched its Justice for Immigrants campaign in May. The 14-year wait for Estacio's son is actually shorter than the current 22-year backlog for siblings of Filipino immigrants to immigrate to the United States, according to Fred Tsao, policy director for the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights.

### Bombing horrors

HIROSHIMA, Japan (CNS) — Mobilization out of Hiroshima 60 years ago to work in a weapons-manufacturing zone probably saved the life of Hayazoe Jo, then a 19-year-old student. Sixty years after the United States dropped an atomic bomb on the city Aug. 6, 1945, Father Hayazoe, now 79 and a Hiroshima diocesan priest, recalled the horror and the events that led to his conversion to Catholicism and, eventually, his priesthood. He spoke to UCA News, an Asian church news agency based in Thailand. "The explosion took place at 8:15, just when the tram I usually rode was crossing the bridge right below the blast," Father Hayazoe said, referring to his daily journey to school in Hiroshima. Had he not been sent to Otake, a weapons and munitions-producing center about 18 miles down the coast, he added, "I would have been among the blackened corpses." From Otake, Father Hayazoe saw the "mushroom cloud" that spread over Hiroshima the day before he was told to return to his school to help identify bodies. "The smell of burning bodies, the

smell of rotting bodies, I couldn't stand it," he recalled. "Tears poured from my eyes."

### Catholic-Jewish ties

COLOGNE, Germany (CNS) — Jewish leaders said they hope Pope Benedict XVI's visit to a Cologne synagogue will help improve Catholic-Jewish relations. "We hope that the visit will be a sign for the future," said Michael Rado, a member of the board of the Cologne synagogue, which the pope is scheduled to visit Aug. 19. "In spite of the efforts of the church in recent years, there is still anti-Semitism based on religious grounds in the minds of some people. If the pope takes the step of visiting a synagogue, it will make once more clear that the movement in the church is away from such anti-Semitism," he said. Synagogue board member Ebi Lehrer said the fact that it is a German pope who is visiting is not a major issue. "We see him as the pope, as the head of the Catholic Church, and not so much as a German," he said. "Perhaps it even makes it easier for him to visit a community in his home country."

# Filipino charismatic prayer convention draws over 3,000

EAST RUTHERFORD—Some 3,000 people attended the 13th annual Alliance of the Filipino Catholic Charismatic Prayer Communities (AFCCPC) national convention last month at the Sheraton Meadowlands Hotel and Convention Center.

The July 8-10 convention of talks, workshops, prayers and worship was hosted by the AFCCPC East Atlantic Region, with Mario and Purita Vazquez as chairpersons.

Three bishops were guest speakers and concelebrants of daily Mass. Attending were Bishop Oscar Solis of the Los Angeles Archdiocese, the first

Filipino Bishop ordained in the United States; Bishop Joel Baylon from Masbate, Philippines, and Bishop Sam Jacobs, of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, LA, chairman of the board of Renewal Ministries in the U.S.A.

Besides the bishops, other speakers focused on the convention theme, taken from Jeremiah 30:22: "You shall be my people; I will be your God."

Saturday night, July 9, a candle procession of the Blessed Virgin Mary took place. Four men carried a stand decorated with flowers that held a statue of Mary. As the lights in the large



Bishop Solis concelebrated Mass at the convention at which three bishops spoke.

conference room were turned off, with only small flashlights flickering in the dark, Al Barbarino, a renowned Marian singer, sang with the Filipino Pastoral Team of Brooklyn and Queens.

Following the Marian prayers that Saturday night, Robert Canton, a renowned preacher, teacher and healer, as well as the AFCCPC National Coordinator,

began his healing service.

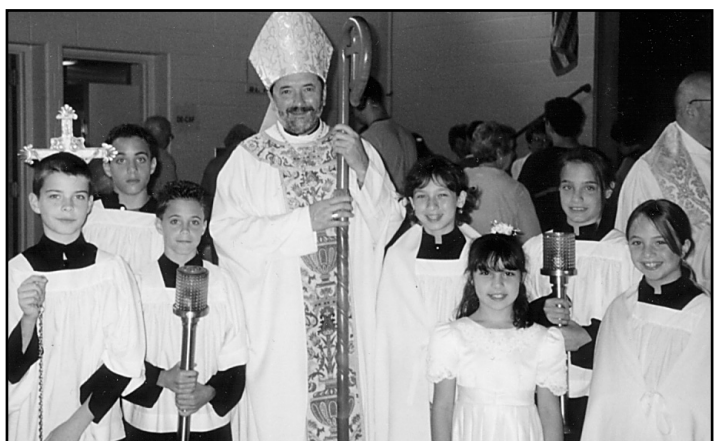
One of the rooms in the convention area was transformed to a vigil room where the Blessed Sacrament was exposed for 24-hour adoration throughout the convention.

Friday night, Mass was followed by a parade of colorful banners carried by representatives of the thirteen different

regions of the AFCCPC.

Just before Mass, youths from San Francisco performed a liturgical dance before the altar. A Sunday Mass ended the convention.

For more information on the Filipino Alliance of the Catholic Charismatic Prayer Communities (AFCCPC), go to [www.affccpc.org](http://www.affccpc.org).



**CELEBRATING FOUR DECADES**—Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., Regional Bishop for Essex County, celebrated a Mass marking the 40th anniversary of the dedication of the church building at St. Thomas More Parish, Fairfield. With Bishop da Cunha are, left to right, altar servers Tom Keegan, Joseph Fiore, Michael Fiore, Maria Isabella Pontoriero, Jenna Fiore, Heather Prinzo and First Communicant Natasha Pontoriero.

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### Are you going to World Youth Day?

The Catholic Advocate is seeking information on parishes sending groups to World Youth Day, Aug. 16-21, as well as individuals willing to share photos and experiences from the event. If your parish is sending a group to Cologne, Germany, contact Brian Fores, staff writer, at (973) 497-4196 or [foresbri@rcan.org](mailto:foresbri@rcan.org), with the number of people going on the trip.



Linz photography photos

**SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY HONORS**—Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology in South Orange recently held its annual Academic Awards Dinner. In the top left photo, Most Reverend Peter L. Gerety, Archbishop Emeritus of Newark, presents the Archbishop Peter L. Gerety Seminarian Award for Outstanding Research in the Field of Church History to Father Thomas Quinn for his Master's thesis. Father Quinn was ordained to the priesthood May 29. Lay graduates were honored at a Mass of Blessing. Frances Costello of Washington, N.J., top right photo, was congratulated at the dinner by Reverend Msgr. Robert Coleman, Rector and Dean of Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology for receiving the Pope John Paul II Medal for Academic Excellence in the Master of Divinity program. After the Mass of Blessing, bottom photo, lay graduates celebrated with faculty members.

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## Jubilees celebrated *50th*

### Father William D. Driscoll

**Anniversary:** 50 years

**Date of ordination:** June 4, 1955

**Hometown:** Teaneck

**College, seminary:** Fordham

University, NY; Seton Hall

University, Immaculate

Conception Seminary

**Post-graduate:** MA history, PhD

legal history, Fordham University;

American Bar Association fellow-

ship in legal history

**Assignments:** Seton Hall

University, professor of legal history, 1960-1998; pre-law

advisor, 1978-1992; established legal history program at

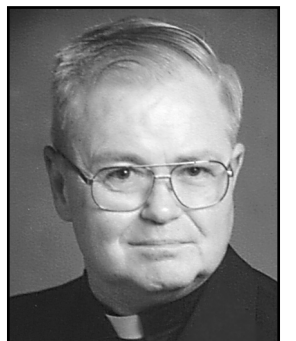
Seton Hall University; Queen of Peace Parish, North

Arlington, 1957-1960; Nativity Parish, Midland Park,

1955-1957; weekend assignments: St. Agnes Parish,

Clark, 1966 to present; chaplain, St. Vincent's Hospital,

Montclair, 1960-1966.



### Father Guy McPartland, O.Carm.

**Anniversary:** 50 years

**Date of Ordination:** May 28, 1955

**Hometown:** New York, NY

**College, seminary:** St.

Bonaventure University, Olean,

NY; Mt. Carmel College, Niagara

Falls, Ontario, Canada

**Assignments:** Mount Carmel

High School, Houston, TX,

teacher; Navy, chaplain (awarded

the Bronze Star for service in

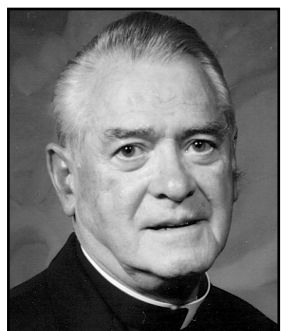
Vietnam and the Cross of

Gallantry, given by the government of Vietnam for merito-

rious service); St. John Parish, Leonia; St. Joseph Parish,

Bogota; St. Peter Hospital, New Brunswick, chaplain, and

St. Therese Chapel, Bergen Mall, Paramus



# Coverage of archdiocesan procedures on sex abuse reporting skewed

BY JAMES GOODNESS  
Director of Communications

A recent story and editorial in the *Newark Star-Ledger* concerning the Archdiocese of Newark and the identities of priests accused of abuse make it appear that we are more concerned with protecting reputations than with ensuring safe environments for children. The paper could not have been more mistaken.

When we receive an allegation, the priest immediately steps away from ministry, and does not return unless he has been cleared of the charge. That can take years, as reports about priests accused years ago but who are still out of ministry that have appeared both in *The Catholic Advocate* and in other newspapers in northern New Jersey can demonstrate.

We report every allegation of abuse to the appropriate county prosecutor for review and action. The prosecutors maintain the confidentiality of the information and the individuals involved unless they deem that they can proceed with a case in a public court.

Similarly, the Archdiocesan Review Board, an independent group of predominantly lay people, determines if an allegation appears credible. The Review Board also maintains confidentiality throughout the process, largely because most individuals who come forward do not wish any public airing of their pain.

In each edition of *The Catholic Advocate* and in parish bulletins throughout the year we call on anyone with knowledge of abuse to contact both the prosecutors and us. We also reinforce the need for those abused to come forward whenever we discuss sexual abuse issues with members of the media.

Our Victim's Assistance Coordinator works with people who have brought allegations to us to ensure that they receive appropriate counseling and other support services. The majority of people who have come to us have expressed their appreciation for the sensitive and private way in which we have dealt with their situations, and with the outcomes. In some instances, especially when a victim requests it, we have taken special steps to notify a parish, but we determine how to proceed based on the unique circumstances of each instance.

We require that everyone—priests, religious and laypeople—who works with children and youth receive training in sexual abuse awareness and prevention. A code of conduct and background checks are also part of our regular practice.

All that said, we admit to being concerned about the issues of reputation and confidentiality, and for good reason.

Early on in this crisis, there were accusations against priests and religious that were made public and later disproved. Despite efforts to make amends, however, there will always be questions about these individuals both in their parish communities and in the general public. As former Secretary of Labor Raymond Donovan noted, there is no window to go to to get a reputation back.

Although we obviously are concerned about the morale of priests, we never put this concern over the protection of children. This is why there is no priest in ministry in the Archdiocese who we believe is a threat to children.

There have also been instances where information appearing in newspaper reports about an accuser has later been judged to be erroneous, further affecting

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already fragile people who have come to the Church for help and justice. Shortly after a local newspaper carried a story about one young woman who made an accusation against a Newark priest, the paper ran a second story relating that local authorities had deemed that she had made false claims on several other unrelated issues. Her allegation became tainted, and her reputation suffered as a result. In another situation, the facts of an allegation that a man described to a newspaper differed in some significant areas from the facts he brought to the Archdiocesan Review Board several years ago. Which version is to be believed?

When the Archdiocesan Review Board deems that an allegation is credible, it is not a "beyond a reasonable doubt" jury verdict, as some might assume. Rather, it is a recommendation that the Archbishop begin the process to examine whether Church law was violated. It is only at the end of a lengthy canonical process that the Church can say with any certitude that it believes that a priest is a predator and must be removed. At that point, it is right and appropriate for the Archdiocese to make a public announcement to the communities affected by the abuse. However, because of the visibility of the pastor in any community, we do announce to that community that we are beginning an investigation into an allegation. At the same time, we remind the community that, under the laws of the nation in which we live, this priest is deemed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law—not in the court of public opinion.

In this Archdiocese, the majority of priests who have been accused and who are not in ministry have chosen to leave ministry voluntarily, or are still undergoing the canonical process, so a determination has not yet been made about guilt or innocence. Most, even those who have stepped away from ministry permanently, vehemently claim their innocence.

An advocate for victims of abuse noted in the *Star-Ledger* story that Archdiocesan priests do not know who is out of ministry because of an allegation. Although we have not published a "wanted list," as he would prefer us to do, I would disagree with his observation. The priest community is close-knit, and most know why someone may not be in ministry. They also know that these men are prohibited from exercising their duties publicly, and comply. True, a priest outside of the Newark Archdiocese may not know about a particular Newark priest's status. However, the Church has long had ways to verify that a person is a "priest in good standing," a card from his diocese granting him permission to celebrate Mass and the sacraments. No card. No permission. In addition, the Archdiocese will be issuing later this year a photo ID card to all Archdiocesan priests permitted to be in ministry. The pastor or person in charge of a mission or shrine must ask to see the documents of any priest not from his diocese or community. Therefore, the

director of the shrine in Stirling could have discovered easily whether the priest mentioned in the *Star-Ledger* story was permitted to participate in a liturgy. Pastors in Newark are under instructions to ask for cards from priests outside Newark, and do so.

The systems in place for monitoring priests no longer in ministry aren't perfect. No system is. The policies and procedures that the Archdiocese has in place are stronger and more detailed than those we—and society in general—developed some 20 years ago to address this issue. I can assure you that as we continue to deal with issues of abuse within the Church, we will strengthen these policies even further.

For years now, the civil authorities have been wringing their hands over how to handle the many thousands of convicted sex offenders in this state who must register under Megan's Law. One of the biggest concerns the authorities have, not surprisingly, is confidentiality. While Megan's Law allows the publication of names of accused only in cases where the accused has been criminally convicted, we in the Archdiocese are dealing primarily with priests who have simply been accused. In some instances, the Archdiocesan Review Board has found the accusation "credible." Working with the Vatican and our approved national policies, Archdiocesan officials proceed to find a resolution that seeks justice for everyone, particularly young people and their families.

## A question box about faith and practice

**Today's Question: My parents are sending me the church newspapers and I always read your column, but there is one thing I don't understand that I know you can explain to me: Why are the people of the world killing each other? God made us all equal. We all came from Him so that would make us brothers and sisters! I just don't understand. —AO3 John Pampaloni, USN**

Even though God made us equal, we all have differing notions of who God is and what God wants and how we please Him. This is true not only of those who sincerely try to follow the tenets of their religion, but also of those who would be considered "extremists" or who misinterpret doctrines of their religion to serve their own personal or political purposes.

The old adage that "even the devil can quote Scripture" applies here. Jesus often condemned the Scribes and Pharisees for a too-narrow view of Judaism. Ultimately, "by their fruits you will know them," He said.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "Injustice, excessive economic or social inequalities, envy, distrust, and pride raging among men and nations constantly threaten peace and cause wars. Everything done to overcome these disorders contributes to building up peace and avoiding war.

What's the Matter?

By Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Arnholds



"Insofar as men as sinners, the threat of war hangs over them and will so continue until Christ comes again; but insofar as they can vanquish sin by coming together in charity, violence itself will be vanquished and these words will be fulfilled: 'they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.'" (*Gaudium et Spes*, paragraph 6; Isaiah 2:4; CCC 2317.)

In the meantime, keep doing your part not only to make our good God known, but also to ensure the freedom of as many of His people as possible!

(The questioner is a parishioner of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Bergenfield, currently on active duty with the U.S. Navy.)

The Catholic Advocate welcomes questions from its readers about our Catholic faith and how it is practiced. Email your questions or comments to us at [advnews@rcan.org](mailto:advnews@rcan.org). Please give your name and parish.

## How to 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 Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256.

# A serious, in-depth look at faith and teenagers

Each year, for me, and I suspect for thousands of other Catholic priests, there is a double psychological trauma that we must endure.

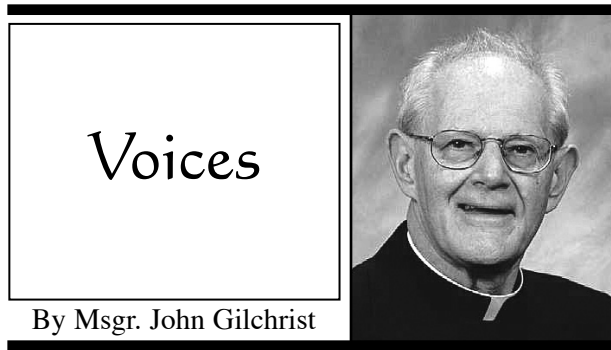
We go to great lengths in our Catholic schools and in our religious education classes to form and inform our Catholic boys and girls about the faith. We, and our religious education teachers and our Catholic School staff, try our very best to help the children realize the importance of our faith, and the love that God holds for them. At Mass, they seem rapt in attention as we attempt in every way possible to impart the good news of God's love to them.

But the day after Confirmation, suddenly as if by magic, the apparently devout confirmandi—our beloved ones anointed by the Holy Spirit through the hands of the bishop—disappear. Most of them will not reappear in church until the day they decide to get married.

But, we think, "Ah—at least the little ones—they will love God. They will come to Mass." But the day after religious education classes end—most of those little darlings disappear. And on the Sunday after our Catholic School closes—we find ourselves gazing at row after row of empty pews.

Perhaps—perhaps, we think, they have gone on vacation. But reality tells us, "No!" They have simply ceased attending Mass.

Now, at last, a book has appeared that is a "must



reading" for the people who are responsible for the religious formation and education of Catholic youth.

It is entitled *Soul Searching—The Religious and Spiritual Lives of American Teenagers*. It has been produced by Christian Smith and a partner named Melinda Denton. It is published by Oxford University Press.

Let me warn you. This is not casual reading nor

an easy book to digest. It is actually the result of an in depth study done by a team of sociologists. It was financed by a grant from the Lilly Endowment, Inc. given to a group called the "National Study of Youth and Religion" based at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

This group, over a nine month period, interviewed 3,370 teens from all over the United States

to discover what religion meant to them. This study defines a teenager as someone between the ages of 13 and 17. The interviews averaged 52 minutes by telephone. Two hundred sixty seven of these teens were interviewed in face-to-face question periods that averaged two hours each. The youngsters came from 45 states. Some were Spanish speaking.

While the teens were from 29 religions—including a category called non-religious—the percentage of teenagers in America runs this way. Protestants are 52 percent; Catholics are 23 percent; Mormons 2.5 percent and Jews 1.5 percent; each of the other denominations and religions are less than 1 percent of the teenagers in America. Sixteen percent are not religious at all.

For the purposes of the study the teenagers were divided into the general categories of Conservative Protestant, Mainline Protestant, Black Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish and Mormon.

Why do we mention all of this? Because it is necessary for us to understand that this is not just another study. It is a serious, in depth look at the religious lives and attitudes of young people in America today.

Next time, we shall give you some of the results of the inquiry. It will be quite sobering. One thing we ask is this. Please don't shoot the messenger. After all, "We're not criticizing—we're just analyzing"—as the old Jesuit used to say.

(First in a three-part series)

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

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nor an easy book to digest.*

# Fond memories of summer on Bedford Avenue

There is one image that comes to my mind often on these warm summer evenings.

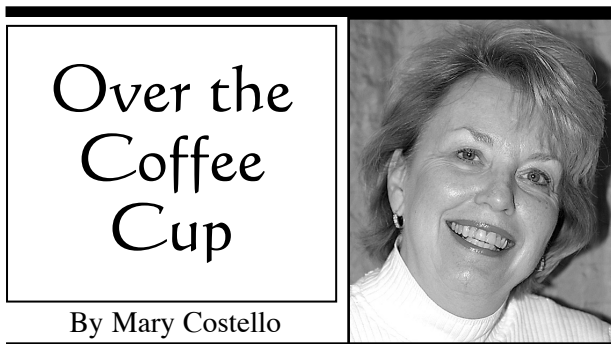
As I lie in my bed and listen to the sound of the air conditioner groaning in its attempts to keep us at a comfortable 74 degrees, my mind often drifts back to the days when central air, or even a window unit, was not even a gleam in someone's eye.

We lived in a neighborhood of comfortable brick Tudor homes, big white square colonials and an occasional stone ranch, but I don't think anyone we knew had an air conditioner of any shape or size.

There were four girls in our family and, on a hot summer night, the four of us would take the pillows and sheets from our second floor bedrooms and fashion ourselves a nest on the hard floor of the screened-in porch at the side of the house. The only lock on the door was a simple hook and eye clasp attached to a rickety door at the front of the porch yet we never felt a moment of fear.

Mother often sat in a lawn chair on the porch as we fell asleep, not just to keep us company, but to catch a cool breeze herself. She'd alternately work out her daily crossword puzzle, using the light of the lamp behind Dad's chair to guide her pen, or fan herself with the paper.

Our lullaby was the sound of the cicadas wooing us to sleep and our alarm was the cooing of the doves as they welcomed the dawn from the gabled rooftop. If we were lucky, and didn't have to get up to go to a baby-sitting job, or in later years, a job at the downtown Penney's store, we'd clumsily creep back up the stairs and tumble into our own beds for a couple more hours of sleep. But in later years we'd struggle awake and soon be jostling each other and arguing for space in the house's one tiny bathroom.



The only problem with this lovely image is the fact that I can't remember enough. I simply wasn't paying attention.

I thought Dad would be sitting in his big green chair forever, eternally smoking his Camels and catching up on the 10 o'clock news. (He'd heard the same broadcaster mouth the same words at 6 o'clock, but he'd watch it all over again at 10. I suppose he was waiting and hoping for a word that would stop the Cold War or bring the boys home from Korea.) I thought Mother would be relaxing in her lawn chair well into the twenty-first century, and maybe even after that.

Jeannie would be chattering on into eternity telling us all, once again, about the Show Wagon coming to the park across the street later in the summer. She would be planning a spectacular role for herself, perhaps something Ophelia-ish where she could adequately show her acting talents to the

judges. Even at 8 she was planning a career on Broadway. (She has spent much of her life as a Catholic grade school principal. Is there a correlation there?)

If I had known then what I know now, I would have stared through the night a baby Rita's sleeping face, memorizing the curve of her ear, the way her eyelashes lay so still on her chubby cheek. I would have drawn a picture of her, written a poem.

I should have begged or borrowed a tape recorder (as scarce as air conditioning units in those days, but I should have found one) to record the way Ann and I giggled until Daddy threatened to wallop us if we woke up the little girls. What were we laughing about? I should have written it down. I simply can't remember.

If I had known that Mother would be gone far too soon, before we were done with her, I would have remembered more. What was she wearing? Those

pink cotton pants I gave her for Mother's Day one year? Or a "house dress," the shapeless garment that women of the 50's wore to clean house?

I thought they would last forever, those simple, quiet, peace-filled days we spent in that house on Bedford Avenue. I sometimes drive by the house now and marvel at how small it has become. How tiny the porch seems now, the porch that cradled us in concrete. And I long for the people who lived in that house, when life was so good.

Thank you, Lord, for wonderful memories.

*Mary Costello is a freelance columnist.*

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forever, those simple, quiet,  
peace-filled days.*



# Lay movements have strong support

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Lay movements that enjoyed the strong support of Pope John Paul II believe they have an even stronger ally in Pope Benedict XVI.

In fact, one of the first meetings Pope Benedict has convoked on his own initiative—rather than confirming a gathering originally planned under his predecessor—is a Pentecost 2006 encounter with lay-movement representatives.

Leaders of 29 movements and communities, including the Focolare movement, Communion and Liberation, the Community of Sant'Egidio, L'Arche and the charismatic renewal, met in late June with officials of the Pontifical Council for the Laity to begin planning the encounter.

Guzman Carriquiry, a council official, said the June meeting was a brainstorming session and the real work on the program for a working meeting and a celebration with the pope would begin in the autumn.

Pope Benedict is no stranger to the lay movements, so the June meeting began with a review of a speech he gave during a similar Pentecost 1998 meeting at the Vatican with representatives of 50 lay movements.

"His 1998 speech is the most authoritative, explicit, organized theological treatment of the new movements that exists," Carriquiry told Catholic News Service Aug. 4.

Since 1998, he said, "the most important change has been that we have a new pope."

In his speech to the movements seven years ago, "he called them to press ahead in a process of maturity," Carriquiry said. "The 2006 meeting will be an opportunity to see how that call was followed."

Cardinal Ratzinger also spoke at a 1999 meeting of bishops

and representatives of the movements to discuss ways to improve the welcome bishops give to the movements and the way the movements show respect for local bishops and priests.

When he was archbishop of Munich and Freising, and then prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, "everything he has written" about lay movements "indicates very strong support," Carriquiry said.

In 1978, then-Cardinal Ratzinger gave official recognition to the Catholic Integrated Community, a movement of men and women, single and married, assisted by priests.

The community's Web site said the movement's roots go back to 1945 when a small group of Catholic young people in Germany asked themselves why Germany's Christian majority did not prevent the Holocaust with its murder of 6 million

Jews and why Christian citizens did not stop the rise of Nazism in Germany and of communism throughout Eastern Europe.

Members of the Catholic Integrated Community live together and many of them work

at community-run schools and health clinics, including one in Rome where the future pope was a regular visitor.

But closer to home, female members of Memores Domini, an organization of men and women from Communion and Liberation who have made promises of poverty, chastity and obedience, now care for Pope Benedict's apartment.

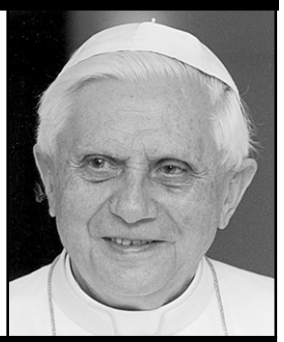
Before becoming pope, Cardinal Ratzinger urged the movements to submit to the guidance of local bishops in order to ensure they are not dividing parishes or dioceses. But he also told bishops that they must respect the gifts of the Holy Spirit expressed in the movements and allow themselves to be surprised at what God can accomplish through them.

*"The most important change has been that we have a new pope."*

—Guzman Carriquiry

## The Pope Speaks

Pope Benedict XVI



## Trust in the Lord

Dear brothers and sisters,

Psalm 125 (124), one of the "gradual psalms" traditionally recited during the pilgrimage to Mount Zion, proclaims that all who put their trust in the Lord stand solid and unshakeable. As Jerusalem is protected from its enemies by the mountains that surround her, so the Lord's faithful are defended from all danger by his presence.

This psalm speaks to us today. As believers we may experience external difficulties and the inner burden of our own discouragement, mediocrity and fatigue, but the Lord, the just judge, gives us confidence and encouragement. With the psalmist who contemplates the city of Jerusalem, the symbol of God's peace, we trust in our loving father who leads us to that peace promised in Christ to God's faithful people.

# Jews and the nations as part of God's plan

Readings: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Psalm 57; Romans 11:13-15, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28.

Has there ever been such a dramatic confrontation between the universal and the particular in human aspirations as in the past century? Many people recognize that goals fostering the good of the human race and the planet should take precedence over local and national concerns. However, few readily adapt their interests to favor the common good. Religious as well as political communities must think deeply about these issues.

At times both the people of Israel and various Christian communities have emphasized particular interests to the detriment of the common good of other groups. The readings selected for this Sunday challenge us to consider the reasons for a balanced stance in our time.

During the Babylonian exile those who survived the destruction of Jerusalem were subjected to many indignities. They preserved their spiritual identity by keeping the commandments and observing feasts and fast days as well as they could in a hostile environment.

Would they be receptive to foreigners who sought to join them? Prophets reminded them that the name Abraham was interpreted to mean "father of a multitude of nations" (Gen 17:4). God's promise to the patriarch was clear: "All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you" (Gen 12:3).

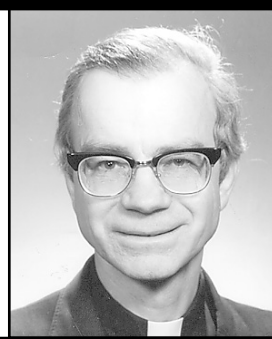
Solomon had built the first Temple in Jerusalem as the place where God would dwell with the chosen people. In his dedicatory prayer, Solomon asked that God listen also to the prayer of the foreigner who came to the Temple (1 Kgs 8:41-43). To overcome a human tendency toward nationalistic narrowness, the disciples of Isaiah taught those planning to rebuild the Temple that God welcomed the foreigners who wished to enter into the Covenant. "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples" (Isa 56:7).

During his public ministry, Jesus desired to build upon

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By Father Lawrence Frizzell



the rich heritage preserved by Israel over the centuries. He evaluated the priestly leadership as wanting in some respects, leaving the ordinary people "like sheep without a shepherd" (Matthew 9:36). When a non-Jewish woman pleaded on behalf of her sick daughter, Jesus commented: "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel," those with the best spiritual background to appreciate his teachings. However, the woman's faith and persistent plea won a response of healing for her child.

From the first generation of Christianity, pride and jealousy seem to have soured relations between Gentile groups, who became Christian, and their Jewish neighbors. The second reading offers segments of St. Paul's letter to the Romans, wherein he emphasized the continuity of God's plan from the time of Abraham. He was convinced of Jesus' unique role in that plan and regretted that some Jews who heard the Gospel did not respond positively.

He challenged the new Christians of Gentile back-

ground to live so that they would edify these neighbors. At the same time they must recognize that, as adopted into God's family through Baptism (Gal 3:26-29), they have been grafted on to the good olive tree, a symbol of the people of Israel (see Hos 11:7).

With regard to these Jews, Paul's message of respect is clear: "They are beloved because of the patriarchs, for the gifts and call of God are irrevocable" (Rom 11:28-29). As we commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council's Declaration on the Church's Bond with the Jewish People (*Nostra Aetate*, promulgated on Oct. 28, 1965), we recall that this passage is cited.

The gifts of God are manifested when incorporated into the life of the individual believer and into that person's community and culture. All wholesome elements of each culture can become a vehicle of divine blessings, so each person can remain faithful to his or her roots while becoming integrated into God's people. Because the Word of God was revealed within the Hebrew culture of ancient times, the efforts of Jews in every generation to remain faithful to the call of the covenant constitutes a precious witness and effective challenge to Christians.

*We have much to learn  
from each other.*

We have much to learn from each other. As Pope John Paul II stated: "As Christians and Jews, following the example of the faith of Abraham, we are called to be a blessing for the world" [cf. Gen 12:2ff]. This is the common task awaiting us. It is therefore necessary for us, Christians and Jews, to be first a blessing to one another" (Reflections on the 50th Anniversary of the Uprising of the Warsaw Ghetto, April 6, 1993).

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# Celebrating one hundred years of diversity

Blessed Sacrament Parish was officially established on October 12, 1905, with Father Frederick C. O'Neil as its first pastor. In 1910, Father O'Neil established a sister parish—St. Charles Borromeo, a few blocks south of Blessed Sacrament.

During the 1970's and 1980's, demographic changes in the area brought drastic loss in the membership of both churches. On May 10, 1999—under the name Blessed Sacrament/St. Charles Borromeo—both parishes merged. The merger was accomplished in order to strengthen the Catholic presence and maintain the parish in the area.

Blessed Sacrament/St. Charles Borromeo is located in the Clinton Hill neighborhood of the South Ward of Newark. It is made up of about 450 families—roughly 700 to 800 parishioners.

Demographically, it is a true melting pot of worshippers from different races and nationalities. With African-Americans in the majority, the parish continues to see a constant growth in parishioners from the Caribbean, Nigeria, Ghana and Cameroon. It is a parish where all are welcomed and all are made to feel at home.

Beginning on Oct. 7, 2004, the parish initiated a yearlong calendar of events in honor of the 100-year anniversary of the Blessed Sacrament worship site, which will take place on Oct. 12, 2005. Archbishop John J. Myers will be the main celebrant at a special Mass on Oct. 9 to commemorate the parish's centennial year.

Other upcoming events include an alumni centennial Mass with family breakfast on Sunday, Aug. 14th; a Centennial Praise and Worship Service on Sunday, Aug. 28; a 100-year gala dinner/dance on Saturday, Oct. 7, and a tricky-tray auction/Jazz fest on Saturday, Oct. 8.

As a parish community, Blessed Sacrament/St. Charles Borromeo is a very spiritually motivated, faith-filled and family oriented church. The



May 2005—First Communion at Blessed Sacrament/St. Charles Borromeo.

worship style is very distinctive, where gospel music, liturgical dances, and outward expressions of praise and worship are hallmarks of the mode of prayer. Many parishioners do not live in Newark, but come to the parish because of the style of worship and the way the Word is proclaimed.

Blessed Sacrament/St. Charles Borromeo Parish has always been a place where special things happen. The Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) in the Archdiocese of Newark was actually started at this parish through the efforts of Msgr. John J. Kiley, who, while serving at Blessed Sacrament, established one of the first CYO's in the state of New Jersey.

It was also Msgr. Kiley who founded *The Catholic Advocate* in 1951, under the direction of Most Rev. James A. McNulty, auxiliary bishop of Newark (1947-53). Msgr. Kiley served as its first executive director while pastor at Blessed Sacrament.

Over the years, the parish has developed some traditions and ethnic celebrations that have become an important part of parish life.

The youth group hosts an annual International Food Feast Day and annual Dance/Gospel Fest; Thanksgiving dinner is prepared and served for seniors

and families in need, and there are annual scholarship dances and state rally gala nights.

As a parish, Blessed Sacrament/St. Charles Borromeo is truly blessed with many active ministries. Apart from the regular liturgical ministries, social services that minister to the poor and needy are prevalent.

The Food Pantry distributes emergency food assistance to low income and unemployed households four times a month. The Wellness Ministry offers blood drives, free mammogram testing, free blood pressure screenings and other health programs to the surrounding community, and the Hot Meals Ministry serves over 100 people every fourth Sunday of the month.

The Rosary Altar Society and Holy Name Society promote devotions to the Blessed Mother and her Son, Jesus Christ, and offer financial assistance to families whose children are entering their first year of college.

The youth program is a very active part of our parish life and community. This small group is very engaged in the spiritual and social needs of the parish. Their liturgical dance group, called "Angels in Motion," graces the liturgies with

expressions of prayer through dance.

They also organize food and clothing drives, assist the elderly at nursing facilities, and volunteer their service to non-profit organizations.

The parish school, Blessed Sacrament School, runs from K-8 Grade. The goals of the school are to provide high quality education; promote social and interpersonal development; create an environment for spiritual development through prayer and liturgical celebrations; encourage discipline and moral integrity, and ensure staff commitment to higher achievement by all students.

The Religious Education Program includes Saturday CCD classes and Sunday Children's Liturgy of the Word as mediums for religious education. Father Longinus Ugwuegbulem coordinates the CCD program with Stephanie Williams, and the adult religious education program is coordinated by Marilyn Smith.

Father Anselm Nwaorgu, pastor, recently noted, "As a parish, we are truly blessed and favored. We thank God for our way of worship and for the gift of His Word, which is ever uplifting, encouraging, and comforting to us as sojourners on this earth."

He noted, "We thank Him for our Gospel Choir that lifts our hearts and minds in prayer Sunday after Sunday and for the ability to serve Him in the poor and the aged through our social services in spite of the tight fiscal realities of the parish."

"We invite all to celebrate with us during this centennial year. Alumni of Blessed Sacrament Parish are encouraged to call the church for more information on the centennial celebration."

He added, "The mystery of life is truly amazing! I was born in a remote village in Imo State, Nigeria and never imagined that I would be the pastor of this great church at this historic moment in her existence?"

The pastor concluded,

## Meet the Pastor



Father Anselm Nwaorgu

**Date of Birth:** July 29, 1958

**High School:** Owerri Grammar School, Imo State, Nigeria

**College/Seminary/Graduate**

**School:** Bigard Memorial Seminary, Ikot-Ekene, Nigeria, BA in Philosophy; Immaculate Conception Seminary, Seton Hall University, South Orange, MA in Systematic Theology; MDiv in Pastoral Ministry; Seton Hall University, School of Professional Psychology and Family Therapy, MA in Counselor Preparatory Program, PhD in Counseling Psychology. Licensed psychologist in the State of New Jersey.

**Date of Ordination:**

May 30th, 1992

**Hero:** My mother, Teresa Mmaku Nwaorgu

**Favorite Saint:**

Thomas Aquinas

**Favorite Sport:**

Lawn tennis

**Favorite Food:** Fufu

**Favorite Subject in**

**School:** Enjoyed most of the subjects

**Favorite Movie:** *Analyze This*

**Last Book Read:** *Your Best*

*Life Now*, By Joel Osteen

**Occupation if I weren't a**

**Priest:** Air Force

"We pray that these one hundred years of favor from the Lord will renew our love for God and for one another; renew our strength to remain faithful to Him; renew our commitment to keep faith alive in this church with our devotion unwavering, our love and giving unsurpassed, and our forgiveness unending."

*Blessed Sacrament/Saint Charles Borromeo Parish is located at 15 Van Ness Place, Newark. Contributors to the article include Anna M. Groves, Alice Tate, David Moorman, and Father Anselm Nwaorgu (Pastor).*

**WORDMASTER—**

Marissa Dragone of St. Michael Parish, Union, won first place in a statewide essay contest sponsored by Seton Hall University. The assignment was to write about an influential and inspiring woman. Marissa chose Sister Ann Dominic of her parish.



## A cutting-edge curriculum

ORADELL—Bergen Catholic High School, which introduced Bergen County's first laptop program into its curriculum in the fall of 2003, has continued to upgrade its use of technology in the classroom by utilizing world-renowned GTCO CalComp's InterWrite wireless SchoolPads.

Kathy Sobek, technology committee chairperson and laptop coordinator, looks forward to the school's integration of technology into the classroom in general, and the use of laptops and wireless SchoolPads, in particular. "The SchoolPads are an interactive teaching tool that adds freedom and flexibility to the classroom. We have 16 InterWrite wireless SchoolPads and two of the Interactive Whiteboards, and plan to add more in the future."

Sobek cites the "ease" in which the SchoolPads, which are

light and about the size of a textbook, can be used. The electronic pen that comes with the pad is easy to use and also provides full mouse capability (left and right click, drag and drop, etc.), allowing teachers to access files and documents from their laptops.

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"The interactive whiteboards allow teachers to write on the table and save the material to a file for later access. Teachers can write on the whiteboard from anywhere in the room, and can pass the pad around the room from student to student to allow for more interaction," Sobek adds. "Students learn more when they become active participants of the lesson."

Teachers can also use the

"flashlight" feature, which allows them to highlight or block out sections of the document in use. Items saved can also be transferred onto the school's Edline system, an Internet-based program that allows students and parents to monitor grades, attendance, assignments and calendars. The screen can also be "split" into two sections to access different documents or files simultaneously.

The InterWrite wireless SchoolPads help bring new levels of interaction and enthusiasm into the classroom, while giving teachers more control than ever before.

"Students love these pads—they call them the 'John Madden' board!" Sobek explains, referring to the popular football commentator who is famous for his use of the telestrator. "The kids were mesmerized when we first introduced the pads. The classroom environment really came alive."

The SchoolPad system allows lessons to be taught from anywhere in the classroom—to distances of up to 300 feet. The pad can be used with the whiteboards, or a simple movie screen, to create an electronic teaching surface. The SchoolPad allows teachers to give individual attention to each student as they walk around the classroom, eliminating the previous need to be "tethered" to the blackboard.

Several Bergen Catholic faculty members have used this intuitive software to annotate, highlight, and add notes to presentations over any computer application, to save notes and lessons for archival purposes or to distribute them to students, or to e-mail them to absent students.

English teacher Charles Flynn, a veteran of 32 years of service, was eager to praise the integration of SchoolPad technology into his class. "I was extremely happy to have the opportunity to use it. It's a very valuable learning tool that allows you to interact with your students. Because you are no longer restricted to the front of the room, it's now much easier to facilitate classroom management."

Sobek, who just completed her fifth year at the school, expects the usage of this new technology to double next fall, and notes that some prospective users have taken the pads home to practice during the summer months.



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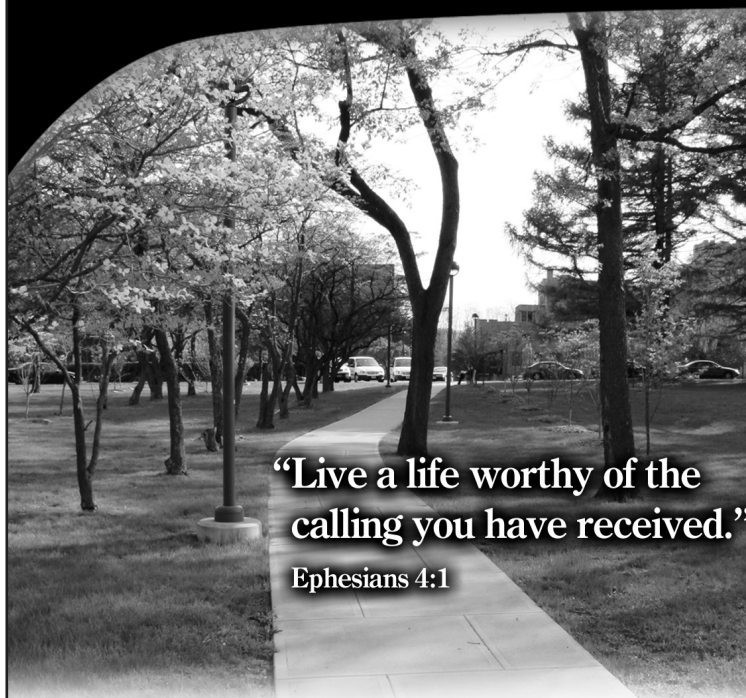
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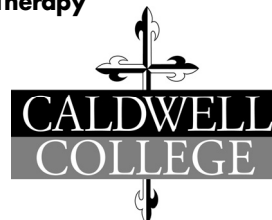
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pational titles are still evolving for CIS graduates in such areas as systems analysts, software quality assurance analysts, database administrators, network systems and data communications analysts.

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oriented degrees designed to prepare students to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing world,” adds O’Sullivan.

Members of the CIS faculty include Ph.D. specialists in the fields of computer science, business, security assurance, engineering and e-learning. Two professors in the program received their Information Assurance

Education Graduate Certificate (IAEGC). Other CIS faculty credentials include publishing articles in professional journals and positions in the private sector.

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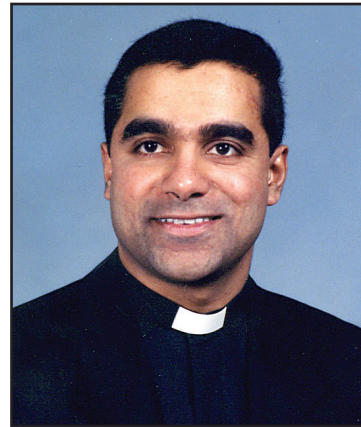
Dr. Alberto LaCava, CIS professor, offers computing advice to Jessica Walsh.

## SHU names new ‘mission’ director

SOUTH ORANGE—Seton Hall University has appointed Father Anthony Figueiredo, S.T.D. executive director of the Office of Mission and Ministry.

Father Figueiredo will work to ensure that the mission of the University remains both vital and evident to students, faculty, staff, administrators, regents, trustees and alumni. He will supervise Campus Ministry, the International Institute for Clergy Formation, the University Chaplain and the Office of Board Affairs.

Father Figueiredo succeeds Father Paul Holmes who, since 2001, has served as the University’s first mission officer and, beginning on July 1, began his tenure as vice president and interim dean of the John C.



Fr. Anthony Figueiredo, S.T.D.

Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations.

Ordained to the priesthood in 1994 and holding a doctorate in theology from the Jesuits’ Gregorian University in Rome,

Father Figueiredo served as priest secretary to Archbishop Theodore McCarrick and was parochial vicar of Saint Agnes Parish in Clark. He has been assistant professor of systematic theology at the Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology at Seton Hall since 2000.

At the time of the recent papal transition, Father Figueiredo was called upon by the international news media to provide his unique insight into the life and legacy of Pope John Paul II, whom he served as special assistant during the historic five worldwide Synods of Bishops (1997-2001), as well as to the Extraordinary Consistory of Cardinals in May 2001. He continues to serve as religion analyst for MSNBC.

## Caldwell College draws a national and worldwide student body

CALDWELL—Caldwell College, ranked last year by U.S. News and World Report among the top 25 comprehensive colleges in the north, attracts a student body from across the United States and the world.

Students can enjoy numerous educational, cultural and social experiences that the region offers, all within a relaxed campus atmosphere.

Its 10 NCAA Division II intercollegiate sports teams provide athletic and physical opportunities for its student-athletes. Last year, the softball team played in the World Series and finished seventh in the nation.

Almost 90 percent of the undergraduate students receive some form of financial aid, with the average financial aid package covering 75 percent of tuition costs.

With a student/faculty ratio of 13 to one and an average class size of 15 students, Caldwell College provides a personalized learning environment and easy faculty access.

Specialized programs including the honors, Gateway and Education Opportunity Fund (EOF) programs are available to allow students to grow individually and enhance the learning experience based on their skills and motivation.



Caldwell College offers more than 30 programs of study in the arts and sciences, including unique health-related affiliation programs in dentistry, physical therapy, optometry, occupational therapy with schools such as New York University, Temple University, Columbia University, UMDNJ and New York Medical College.

Potential benefits of the affiliation programs include guaranteed program placement, and the opportunity to save tuition dollars and time by earning multiple degrees faster.

The programs are open to new freshmen, and, if students transfer from another college, they are encouraged to apply and discuss available options with an advisor.

Caldwell College also offers adult undergraduates, 23 years or older, a uniquely structured and flexible undergraduate degree program. Students can transfer up to 75 credits and combine on-campus courses with distance learning, accelerated classes, and short-term travel abroad experiences. These options allow students to quickly complete their undergraduate degree.

In addition, Caldwell College has master degree programs in business administration, counseling psychology, curriculum and instruction, educational administration, special education, applied behavior analysis, and pastoral ministry. Further specialization for certain programs is available. Students can choose to specialize in accounting within the M.B.A program, in

art therapy and school counseling within the counseling psychology program, and in special education and educational technology within the curriculum and instruction program.

Educational administration is also offered in a fast track Off Campus Leadership Development version.

Each year students earn many accomplishments and accolades based on their academic, athletic and leadership skills as well as their involve-

ment in community activities. University in Baltimore, within the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine and the Bloomberg School of Public Health.

- Completion of summer research projects by Caldwell College students at Cornell University Medical School.

- Acceptance of Caldwell College students into the prominent Carnegie Mellon University Medical School summer research program, a leader in training undergraduates for careers in biomedical research.

- Selection of a Caldwell College student as a first team member of the Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholars, based on academic performance, community service and athletic ability.

- Several student-athletes received NCAA Division II National player of the week honors.

A Student Transfer Week will take place Aug. 15-18 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Alumni theatre.

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ment in community activities.

Examples of recent accomplishments include:

- Acceptance of Caldwell College into a summer internship program at Johns Hopkins

## Evangelization

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go out into the world to gather and save the souls of women and men.

According to Curran, the Catholic faith traditionally has not emphasized a strong evangelization component as part of its culture. "You live and I live, and that's the typical American culture and Catholic experience," Curran observed, citing the cliché of those Catholics who live faithful, honorable lives yet remain "passive in the pews."

Curran described evangelization efforts as a "clarion call, something that springs forth from a sense of zeal, not a sense of duty. You know the love of Jesus and it sets you free. People are being invited to let the light of Christ shine through them."

However, Curran said that lay people who have volunteered to take part in evangelization programs should be aware that the mission might be difficult.

"There are no guarantees that people will be receptive," he warned. "Yes, it is a leap of faith. Some people might be



Advocate Photo- M. Gabriele

Dr. Thomas Curran, the executive director of Trinity Formation Resources, described evangelization efforts, soon to be underway throughout the archdiocese, as a "clarion call, something that springs forth from a sense of zeal."

turned off by evangelization."

Should awkward moments occur, Curran offered this advice: "Propose, but do not impose." He said that, depending on the situation, those involved in evangelization must be willing to step back

and gauge their effectiveness. He suggested that there should be a "relational sharing of faith. Be a friend, but don't try to impose your views on others."

He also emphasized the subtle distinction between the mis-

sion of evangelization and establishing the programs for evangelization. The true mission, he said, is for a person to become an "instrument" of Christ in order to reach out to others. As a result, specific evangelization programs are necessary to create an opportunity for people to get together and socialize. While that is important step in the process, the formation of programs is not the main event or end point in evangelization, he cautioned.

"The U.S. culture tends to emphasize doing things, like the practical undertaking of projects," he said. "But what can happen is that we rely on (establishing) the program itself. We shouldn't confuse the program with the mission."

The "mission field," as Curran described it, means having people put their name on the broad topic of evangelization. For laity, this means they now have a direct, active role in evangelization, along with priests and missionaries. And because they are lay people, they bring a unique, personal perspective and approach to the mission.

It is a calling that, by definition, hits close to home. The mission field for laity means evangelizing "to people that you and only you can reach," Curran said. "This means the people around us: family, friends and associates. My calling is not just to be a 'good' neighbor; my calling is to be a 'good Catholic' neighbor. These are opportunities to share our faith with people we know the best."

Curran has served as a consultant for the National Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Evangelization and taught religion at Rivier College, Nashua, NH. He received a graduate degree from Gregorian University, Rome, and a Ph.D. in Systemic Theology from Catholic University, Washington.

## Why Catholic? launch dates and places

NEWARK—Below is a list of dates and locations for the launch of the initial Why Catholic? workshop programs this fall. The workshops are designed to train parish-planning teams to implement the Why Catholic? program and develop leadership skills and invitational strategies to maximize participation.

Tuesday, Sept. 27  
Bergen County  
Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish  
668 Ridgewood Rd.  
Washington Township

\*Saturday, Oct. 1  
(Meeting presented in Spanish)  
Union County  
Immaculate Conception  
424 Westminster Ave.  
Elizabeth

Tuesday, Oct. 11  
Union County  
St. Mary  
232 Central Ave.  
Rahway

Wednesday, Oct. 12  
Hudson County  
(Meeting presented in English and Spanish)  
Parish of the Resurrection at St. Mary's site  
219 Third St.  
Jersey City

Tuesday, Oct. 18  
Bergen County  
St. Matthew  
555 Prospect Ave.  
Ridgefield

Thursday, Oct. 20  
Essex County  
Archdiocesan Center  
171 Clifton Ave.  
Newark

\*Note: Meetings listed here will run 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The one exception is the Oct. 1 meeting at Immaculate Conception, which will run 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

## 'Unleash a culture of life' stressed

SOMERSET—"It is the role of the Knights of Columbus to unleash a culture of life in today's society" over 300 newly-elected grand knights and district deputies were told by Mary Oswald, a spokesperson for the Legal Center for the Defense of Life, at the annual Grand Knights' Conference.

Oswald, who has been handicapped since birth, told members of the New Jersey State Council that when she was born her parents were told she would never sit up or live beyond the age of 30. Her family, however, did not accept that.

Oswald holds an A.B. degree in Psychology and an M.A. degree in Vocational Rehabilitation. She is an advocate for People with Disabilities and a cantor at St. Bridget Parish, Peapack.

Addressing the Knights, Oswald decried the "culture of death" that prevails in the country.

"We were all created by God to do something. Now is the hour for the lay faithful. It is the role of the Knights of Columbus to promote and pray for a culture of life from conception to natural death. Pray a decade of the Rosary before each council meeting. I urge all grand knights to restore our culture to a culture of life."

George Hanna, from the Supreme Council in New Haven, CT, thanked Oswald for her "inspiring motivational address." Hanna noted too "I am totally in awe at the message of light that you bring here today. You were born to be a beacon of light." Hanna told his fellow Knights, "you have been called to leadership. You must have a firm commitment in your heart. Don't let anything get in the way of accomplishing that goal."



Speaker Mary Oswald with, left to right, State Advocate Wayne J. McCormack; State Secretary Thomas C. Ciborski; State Deputy Reginald F. Beckett; State Treasurer Herbert C. Meyer of Rutherford and State Warden Daniel Rossi.

## School helps one of it's own

SPRINGFIELD—Saint James the Apostle School has donated a \$2,893 check to the New Jersey Arthritis Foundation.

After learning about one of their kindergarten students, Eliana Zavala, who was diagnosed with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis at the age of two, a plan was initiated to help raise money for the Arthritis Foundation to research safer medications to treat children like Eliana.

Blue arthritis bracelets were sold throughout the school and the student council sponsored a jump-a-thon/hoop-a-thon fundraiser.

Students received pledges from family and friends for the number of jumps they could do in two minutes and for the number of baskets they could get out of 25 throws.

The school also put together a team to walk with Eliana and her crew during the New Jersey chapter annual Walk-a-thon at Verona Park. The Arthritis Foundation presented the student council representatives with a plaque in appreciation of the school's efforts.

For more information on the Arthritis Foundation, you can check out their web page at [www.arthritis.org](http://www.arthritis.org).

# 'Lay people are best vehicle for this work': Bishop da Cunha

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE  
Editor

NEWARK—Lay people at nearly 40 parishes throughout the archdiocese will take part in evangelization efforts this fall, with the vast majority participating in the "Why Catholic?" adult faith-formation program.

Launched a year ago, "Why Catholic?" was developed by RENEW International (<http://www.renewintl.org/>), a Plainfield-based organization that began in 1976 and extends to 50 dioceses and 2,000 parishes. "Why Catholic?" is a four-part series that covers the basic teaching of the Church, with an evangelization outreach woven throughout the process. It is designed for use by small faith-sharing groups or in parish gatherings and includes family faith bulletins as a way to reach out to a vast number of parishioners and their families.

A second program is "Disciples in Mission," a ministry of the Paulist National Catholic Evangelization Association. Disciples in Mission creates opportunities for parishioners to encounter Christ through individual and communal prayer, small faith-sharing groups of adults and teens, inspiring homilies that make Christ's evangelizing mission more understandable and clear.

Evangelizing workshops will be offered in Spanish and English. As reported earlier this year, the archdiocese has made evangelization a priority through the establishment of the Office for

Evangelization, which is coordinated by Liliana Soto, under the direction of Bishop Edgar da Cunha, S.D.V., the vicar for evangelization and the regional bishop for Essex County.

Bishop da Cunha and Soto stressed that the Office for Evangelization will function as a resource to support parishes in their evangelization efforts.

"Lay people are the best vehicles to do this (evangelization) work," Bishop da Cunha said. "This is part of the vocation and mission of the laity. The goal is to have every parish become an evangelizing parish. We want people to become active; not just celebrating the sacraments, but helping people to grow in faith and build communities."

He stressed the latter point, citing the directive from the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope John Paul II, *Ecclesia in America* (Jan. 22, 1999), who wrote that a parish should be a community of communities. This sense of weaving together a diverse community is especially critical, given the changing demographics and multicultural makeup of many parishes today in the archdiocese. Bishop da Cunha, who was born in Brazil in 1953, cited his own background, saying that this sense of community propelled the growth of the Catholic faith in Latin America during the last 50 years.

"It is an ongoing process," Bishop da Cunha pointed out. "There is no end point. The goal is to grow in faith, share our faith and

create communities within the parish. Our diversified culture creates challenges, but it also creates opportunities. Today, many immigrants who come to the archdiocese are people of faith," he said.

The thrust for "new evangelization," as cited in the exhortation of John Paul, is rooted in the Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Nuntiandi* of Pope Paul VI, written in 1975. Bishop da Cunha also noted the influence of Karl Rahner, the German Jesuit theologian who died in 1984. Bishop da Cunha said that the Fr. Rahner wrote about "the shape of the Church to come, where he sees the Church of the future made up of small faith-sharing communities."

Earlier this year, Archbishop John J. Myers published a Pastoral letter on evangelization, which ran in the March 9 edition of *The Catholic Advocate*. "The short answer to the question 'Why evangelize?' is because love demands it," Archbishop Myers wrote. "It is Catholic teaching, restated at the Second Vatican Council, that God's grace...is offered to everyone.

"Evangelization, like charity, begins at home," the Pastoral letter continued. "The hidden evangelization that occurs with the family is essential. In addition to the home, there is the Church. Every-



Advocate photo - M. Gabriele

Liliana Soto, the coordinator of the archdiocese's Office of Evangelization, and Bishop Edgar da Cunha, chairman of the archdiocese's Evangelization Task Force, will serve as the point people for the evangelization thrust throughout the archdiocese.

thing in our parish life should be ordered towards sharing the Good News. There is also the workplace, the marketplace and our various associations and friendships.

"We evangelize through docility to the Holy Spirit that leads us to dialogue and witness," Archbishop Myers wrote. "Jesus Christ is the goal and the means of evangelization. For us to be evangelizers, to authentically be bearers of His message, we

first must allow Christ to enter our lives and transform our lives. Christ must be within us before we can dare to bring Him to others. A special effort should be made by all to reach out to baptized Catholics who, for whatever reason, have left active practice of their faith."

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# Panthers capture second CYO title

JERSEY CITY—In a nail biter that went into the final inning, the Panthers of St. Stephen Parish, Kearny, captured their second straight championship of the CYO Baseball League with a 5-4 victory over a tough team from Jersey City's St. Nicholas Parish.

The title game, played on the Caven Point diamond, was a rematch of last year's title battle.

The championship tournament was held at Lincoln Park and Caven Point. Four teams each from the Union County and Hudson/Bergen County divisions competed.

In the quarterfinals, number four seed St. Stephen's defeated five seed Academy of Linden, number eight seed Queen of Peace, North Arlington, downed top-seeded St. John's (gold), Clark/Linden, second seeded Hoboken Catholic got by sev-

enth seed St. John's (black) and six seed St. Nicholas defeated Elizabeth's St. Genevieve.

Semifinal action featured exciting games as St. Stephen topped Queen of Peace 6-4 and St. Nicholas got the better of Hoboken Catholic 9-7.

In the title game, St. Nicholas was the visiting team and got on the board fast in the first inning. Pitcher Fabian Roman scored a run on an RBI single by catcher Matt Cutola.

That was it through three innings with both pitchers hurling good games backed up by a solid defense. St. Stephen's pitcher Anthony Kameno struck out six in those three innings.

In the top of the fourth, St. Nicholas added to its lead. With one out, first baseman Stephen Kenny walked and third baseman Michael Kelly stepped up to the



On the championship roster were, left to right, kneeling, Steve Taylor, Michael Chianca, Matt Millea, Ray Pardo, Chris Miterko and Peter Miranda. Standing, middle row, Kevin Crawford, Brian Gaven, John Manley, Anthony Kameno, Rob Gross, Rhett Gross, Mark Isabella, Coach Kevin O'Sullivan. Standing, back row, Coach Joe Maffei, Bob Szeluga, Father Joseph Mancini (head coach), Nick Bush and coach Dan Lane.

plate and banged out a two-run homer. After Cutola struck out, shortstop Dan Short also homered. Rightfielder Paul Donnelly walked and scored on a single by second baseman Joshua Cordero giving the St. Nicholas team a 5-0 lead.

St. Stephen's got on the board in the fourth inning. Shortstop John Manley led off with a double and scored on a double off the bat of third baseman Kevin Crawford. Kameno drove in Crawford on a fielder's choice.

"We were happy to be on the board with those two runs. Our bats were a little slow and not really supporting Anthony's pitching efforts. St. Nick's got off to a good start against us," noted Father Joseph Mancini, head coach and

parochial vicar at the parish.

Fifth inning action saw St. Stephen's centerfielder Rhett Gross walk and score on Manley's second hit of the game. Crawford followed with a single and scored on a single by Kameno. At the end of the inning things had tightened up with St. Nicholas holding a thin 5-4 lead.

St. Nicholas was retired in order in the top of the sixth. In the bottom of the inning, St. Nicholas had a man on with one out after centerfielder Giancarlo Ghisalberti singled and went to second on a wild pitch. With two outs and the go-ahead run on second, Ghisalberti tried to steal third but was thrown out by Mark Isabella to end the inning.

"There are two things that gave our team a life," explained Father Mancini, "Anthony's pitching was the best it was all season. He didn't even let the 5-0 deficit affect his performance. The second lift was Mark throwing out the runner at third. Plays like that either increase or kill a team's momentum and it is something we tried to work on during practice and live-game situations. These two things really got us and our fans pumped up going into the bottom of the seventh inning."

With two outs, it appeared that the game was headed into extra innings.

Crawford walked with two outs, stole second and went to third on a wild pitch. Kameno hit a soft grounder between shortstop and third that was bobbled and Crawford scored the winning run.

"I give a lot of credit to the St. Nick's team which played a great game. It is always hard when one team has to win and one has to lose, especially in a close game. Ken Kelly and his coaches should be proud of what their team has accomplished," Father Mancini commented after the game.

"I am very proud of our guys, This season was tougher than last year and it pushed the kids to work harder. The eighth graders who played on both championship teams are skilled and will do well in whatever they pursue in high school. Our seventh graders now have a legacy to carry on," Father Mancini added.

The championship game marked the end of coaching for Father Mancini and assistant coaches Joseph Maffei and Joseph Ferriero, teachers at St. Stephen's. "We have no regrets. We are happy with what our team has done the past three years. Now it is time to move on," noted Father Mancini.

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# Koreans

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Parishioners are upbeat, as participants feast on traditional Korean cuisine, such as *Kimchi*, a condiment dish using cabbage with spices, this “summer variety” features cucumber and tofu; *Bulgogi*, marinated beef strips and cabbage; *Jun*, vegetables fried in an egg batter, and *Ojing-A Bokum*, squid sautéed with vegetables in a hot pepper sauce. In the background, traditional Korean music plays softly over loudspeakers.

As with ethnic parishes of the past and present—such as German, Polish, Italian, Portuguese and Irish—St. Andrew Kim serves a dual role, nurturing the spiritual needs of its parishioners in a familiar cultural setting as well as being a center for new Americans seeking the fellowship of their countrymen. Perhaps most importantly, it is a place where parishioners connect their children with the traditions, language and customs of their respective native countries.

John Kim, a parish council member and a father of four, explained, “...As a Korean American, even though I feel this [United States] is my home, I feel that St. Andrew Kim is a place where I can be myself—a place where we can come together in Jesus to share our family values.”

Father Minhyun Cho, pastor of St. Andrew Kim since November 2003, noted, “We feel it is important to make an active effort to integrate into American society. We must also keep our values and hold on to our uniqueness as Koreans.”

In fact, the history of Catholicism in Korea is more than unique, if not extraordinary. Unlike the many nations of America, Asia and Africa, where by Christianity spread through the work of missionary priests, Catholicism in Korea was initiated entirely by lay people.

“A particular group of scholars were in search of the truth, they were not fulfilled by the traditional [Confucian] philosophy,” explained Dr. Lucy Cho, a parish council member at St. Andrew Kim and a neuropathologist who teaches at University of Medicine and Dentistry, Newark. “They began to realize that there was a higher truth, without being certain of what that truth was,” Cho stated.

Christianity is thought to have reached Korea as early as 1592, by way of Christian Japanese soldiers participating in an invasion of Korea that year, who baptized some Koreans. Yet true growth did not take place until the 18th century, when Christian books



Advocate photo- Brian Fores

The parish celebrated the Feast of St. Andrew Kim last month. Teens are able to bond in a special way at parish functions.

obtained from Jesuits in China were brought clandestinely into the insulated nation.


As Dr. Cho suggested, those books reached Korea’s most educated class first, including scholars. From there, enthusiasm for Catholicism spread to the middle and lower classes. “Scholars were considered high officials, yet they were accepting servants and others from the working class as their friends. This was thought of as being against the established social tradition.

“This acceptance was part of the reason why so many in the working classes—servants, merchants and others—joined Catholicism. When they realized that they would be treated as equals by those in the upper class, Catholicism spread like wild fire,” Cho explained.

Through the late 1700’s, the

Catholic Church in Korea grew to 4,000, unassisted by a single member of the clergy. Within less than a decade, that number would balloon to 10,000. Until French missionaries came to Korea in 1836—after several requests by the Korean people to the Vatican—the Church there thrived with only the assistance of two priests from China.

The government viewed the new religion with suspicion and took measures to eradicate Christianity from Korea. The Four Great Persecutions would follow (1801, 1839, 1846 and 1866), in which early leaders of the Catholic Church in Korea perished—including Lee Seung Hun in 1801, the first Korean convert, and Ignatius Kim in 1839, the father of St. Andrew Kim Taegon, the first native born priest, who would later be martyred himself.



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The Feast of the Korean Martyrs is celebrated on September 20. Father Cho pointed out that the feast is celebrated not only by Koreans, but by the Church Universal. Yet clearly he sees the effects of the Martyrs’ sacrifice on his own parishioners.

“Our ancestors shed their blood and sacrificed their lives. For many Koreans, they too are willing to sacrifice for their faith. Many, after 10 hours of work, come here to do more work, to take care of the church and maintain it, to be volunteers, even spending what little free time they have away from their families,” Father Cho stated.


In keeping with the notion of an ethnic parish, Koreans also

participate in several cultural Korean traditions. Following the lunar calendar, the Korean New Year is celebrated some time in January or February, varying in date. “Often the elders will still wear *Hanbok*—traditional Korean dress, which features bright colors and intricate embroidery,” explained Joanne Lee, youth group leader at St. Joseph Korean in Demarest.

On this day in Korea, she explained, youths visit local households, paying respects to elders by bowing. In return, they receive small “pocket gifts” and “lucky money.” “Even if you’re 50, you pay respect to a parent or elder by bowing, wishing them happiness and longevity,” Lee stated.

Bearing resemblance to Thanksgiving, Koreans also celebrate *Chu’sok*, a Harvest Moon celebration, which takes place in

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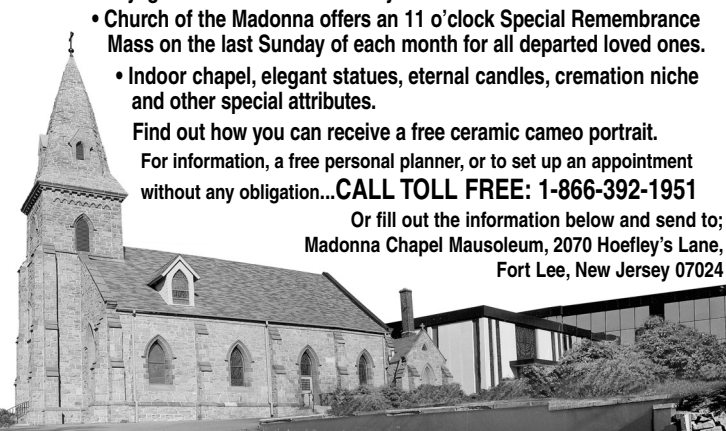


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# Movie depicts late pope's life

NEW YORK—Long before he became Pope, Karol Wojtyla's life was a vigorous search for love and freedom. His transformational journey led him to the theatre, scholarship and the Catholic

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The heroic, true story, based on Gian Franco Svidercoschi's book, *Stories of Karol: The Unknown Life of John Paul II*, comes to television in "A Man Who Became Pope," a four-hour movie event presented by Faith & Values Media that premieres Aug. 15 on the Hallmark Channel.

A Vatican spokesman said Pope John Paul II had seen the film in its entirety in a private viewing and was "very impressed" with the portrayal and

"appreciated the many scenes" from that period in his life.

The young Polish artist and athlete became a priest who fought against Communism, Nazism and materialism. Cardinal Karol Wojtyla, on Oct. 16, 1978, succeeded the brief Pontificate of Pope John Paul I, who died less than two months after his own installation. Pope John Paul II, who died on April 2, served for more than 26 years, the third-longest period of service in the papacy.

Filmed on location in Krakow, Poland, and Vatican City, the pro-

duction depicts Wojtyla's remarkable life; a man as much at home on the world stage as on his knees in his local parish; a man who was the 263rd successor to St. Peter who lived out his title as the "servant of the Servants of God."

Faith & Values Media is the nation's largest coalition of Jewish and Christian faith groups dedicated to media production, distribution and promotion. It is a service of the National Interfaith Cable Coalition Inc., which was established in 1987.

"A Man Who Became Pope," a four-hour movie event presented by Faith & Values Media, premieres Aug. 15 on the Hallmark



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Channel. The film features an international cast led by Piotr Adamczyk as Karol Wojtyla.

## Traditions

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late September. The purpose of *Chu'sok* is to pay homage to ancestors for their good fortune. Lee explained that in Korea, this would entail a visit to the tombs of ancestors to pay homage to them.

For Koreans in the United States, Lee stated, "We have a gathering at the home of whoever is considered the head of the family, and we recall our ancestors. Then we have a celebration in church—that is where we find comfort and tradition, where we celebrate jointly."

Perhaps because of, and not in spite of their reverence for those who have gone before them, Koreans place their greatest energy and emphasis on educating their young. The care their parents took with them is clear: with an estimated 43,000 Koreans in the Archdiocese of Newark, more than 36,000 are living in the affluent communities of Bergen county, including Demarest and Saddle Brook.

Msgr. Park noted, "Many are doctors, lawyers, engineers or college professors. But the first generation did not have the privilege of such a high level education. Many worked as dry cleaners and in delis, grocery stores and other small businesses."


Jessica Lim, 16, a student at West Essex High School, said she wants to go to medical school. Lim said she would like to be an emergency room doctor. Asked about her aspiration, she noted, "Some of my cousins are doctors, but I began thinking I wanted to be a doctor when my dad had an accident and I witnessed the physicians who cared for him."

With such energy, devotion and vibrancy, the Korean communities of the Archdiocese of Newark will continue to grow and preserve their unique cultural heritage well into the future. Having produced a number of vocations in last ten years alone, including four ordained priests, clearly Koreans set a high priority on giving back to the Church and faith from which they have been nourished.

Father Cho describes his community as "a big extended family. We stick together to support each other."

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John 1:38-39

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# Msgr. William J. Daly, 85, pastor emeritus

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Msgr. William J. Daly, Pastor Emeritus of St. Philomena Parish, Livingston, on July 14.

Most Rev. John J. Myers was the celebrant and Father John E. O'Brien the homilist at the Mass, at St. Philomena.

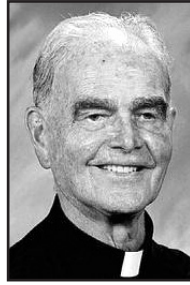
Msgr. Daly was born in Jersey City, and lived in Jersey City and Kearny before entering Immaculate Conception Seminary. He was ordained June 15, 1946.

He earned a BA in Classical Languages from Seton Hall University in 1942, an MA in Guidance from Seton Hall in

1950 and a PhD in Administration and Supervision from St. John University, Brooklyn, NY, in 1955.

From 1946 to 1967, he was a teacher, guidance counselor and assistant headmaster at Seton Hall Prep, South Orange. Msgr. Daly became director of the Newman Apostolate in 1956, and served as Superintendent of Schools from 1967 to 1971. In 1986, he was appointed Vicar of Education by Archbishop Theodore McCarrick and served in that position for four years.

Msgr. Daly served as pastor of St. Philomena Parish, from 1975



Msgr. Daly J. Daly Award."

Msgr. Daly was Dean of the Essex County Vicariate for the Archdiocese of Newark from 1977 to 1983; a member of the Presbyteral Council for the Archdiocese from 1985 to 1988, and served on the Vocations Board of the Archdiocese from 1996 to 2002. From 1996 to 2004, Msgr. Daly was Priest in Residence at St. Joseph Parish, West Orange.

to 1995. He was inducted into Seton Hall Prep's Hall of Fame in 1985. The school's award to its outstanding senior athlete is named "The Msgr. William

# Father Rischmann, pastor

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Father Robert J. Rischmann, pastor of Holy Name of Jesus Parish, East Orange, on July 20.

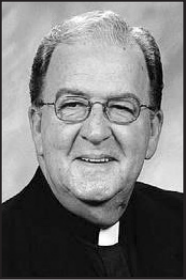
Most Rev. Peter L. Gerety, Archbishop Emeritus of the Archdiocese of Newark, was the main celebrant, and Msgr. John P. O'Connor was the homilist for the Mass, which took place at St. Anne Parish, Garwood.

Msgr. Daly was active in the development of the Senior Citizens' housing program in Livingston, involved in ecumenical activities and promoted parochial and public education throughout his priesthood.

Born and raised in Irvington, Father Rischmann was ordained May 21, 1961.

His first assignment was at St. Anne Parish, Newark, until 1968, when he moved to St. Anne Parish, Garwood.

In April 1996, Father Rischmann was named temporary administrator of Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, Maywood. In June of that year, he was appointed administrator of Holy Name of Jesus Parish, East Orange. In February of 1998, he was named pastor.



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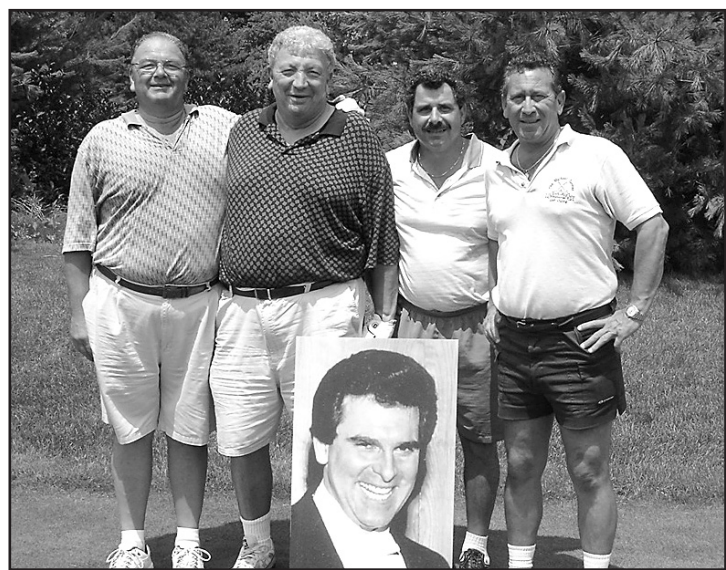
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**TANNER GOLF OUTING**—The fourth annual Michael Tanner Memorial Golf Outing was held July 14 at Valley Brook Golf Course in River Vale. The event, which attracted 144 golfers, raised over \$25,000 for athletic programs at St. Joseph of the Palisades High School, West New York. The event honors the memory of Tanner, a 1975 graduate of the school who was killed in the attack on the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001. Tanner was an outstanding athlete during his years at St. Joseph and went on to graduate from Cornell University. The highlight of the event was a hole-in-one by Walter Olsewski. Pictured (left to right) are Paul Cambria, winner of the outing; Lou Cambria, class of 1963 and one of Tanner's coaches; Pablo Juri, class of 1975, one of Tanner's classmates; and Kenny Tanner, class of 1976, Tanner's younger brother. The four men are pictured at the golf course with a poster portrait of Tanner.

## Shakespeare performance benefits CSE

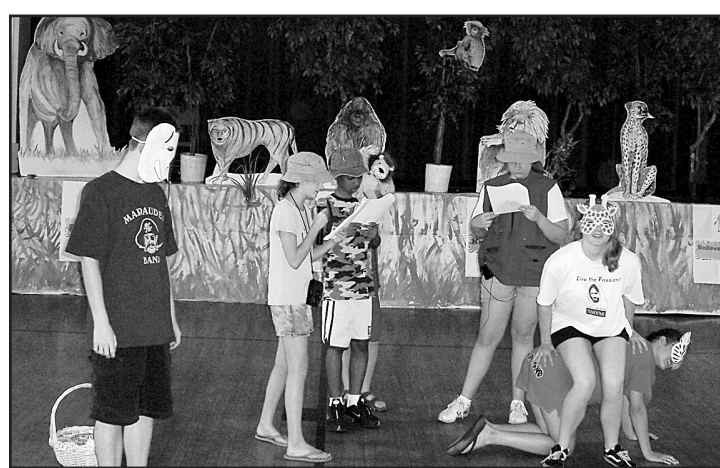
MORRISTOWN — Nearly 300 people were whisked back in time, as The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey performed its production of Marivaux's *The Triumph of Love* at the College of Saint Elizabeth's (CSE) open-air Greek Theatre, July 19 through Aug. 7, with a special CSE benefit performance on Thursday, July 21.

Proceeds from the benefit performance went in support of the educational programs at the College.

"There is nothing like the experience of an outdoor theatre performance," said Jeanine Hirsch, Vice President of Institutional Advancement at the CSE. "Audience members can transport themselves through centuries—without leaving their seat! It is truly a magical experience that can only be felt here, at the College of Saint Elizabeth. We are delighted to have the talented and wonderful Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey on our campus."

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For information on other activities or programs, visit at [www.cse.edu](http://www.cse.edu).



**SAFARI ADVENTURE**—Youngsters at the Vacation Bible School at St. Mary Parish, Dumont, celebrated a safari adventure in which they met Jesus the King.

## Benefits of international travel cited by pontiff

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — International travel can open up new roads to dialogue and understanding among people, said Pope Benedict XVI.

The traveler should be motivated by "the desire to meet other people, respecting their individual, cultural and religious differences," he said in a message for World Tourism Day.

Visitors "must be ready to be open to dialogue and understanding" and behave in a manner that conveys "respect, solidarity and peace," he said in the written message released July 20 by the Vatican.

The message, dated July 16, was sent on the pope's behalf by the Vatican secretary of state,

Cardinal Angelo Sodano, to the head of the Pontifical Council for Migrants and Travelers, Cardinal Stephen Fumio Hamao.

World Tourism Day is sponsored by the U.N. World Tourism Organization and is celebrated each Sept. 27.

Pope Benedict said this year's theme, "Travel and Transport: From the Imagination of Jules Verne to 21st-Century Reality," made for important reflection.

He said Verne, the French author most noted for "Around the World in 80 Days," invited readers to look beyond their culture to discover new worlds.

While traveling today is much safer and faster than in Verne's 19th century, international travel is not possible for all people, said the pope.

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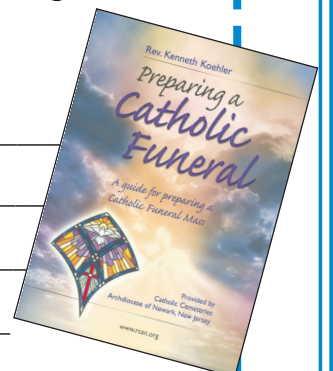
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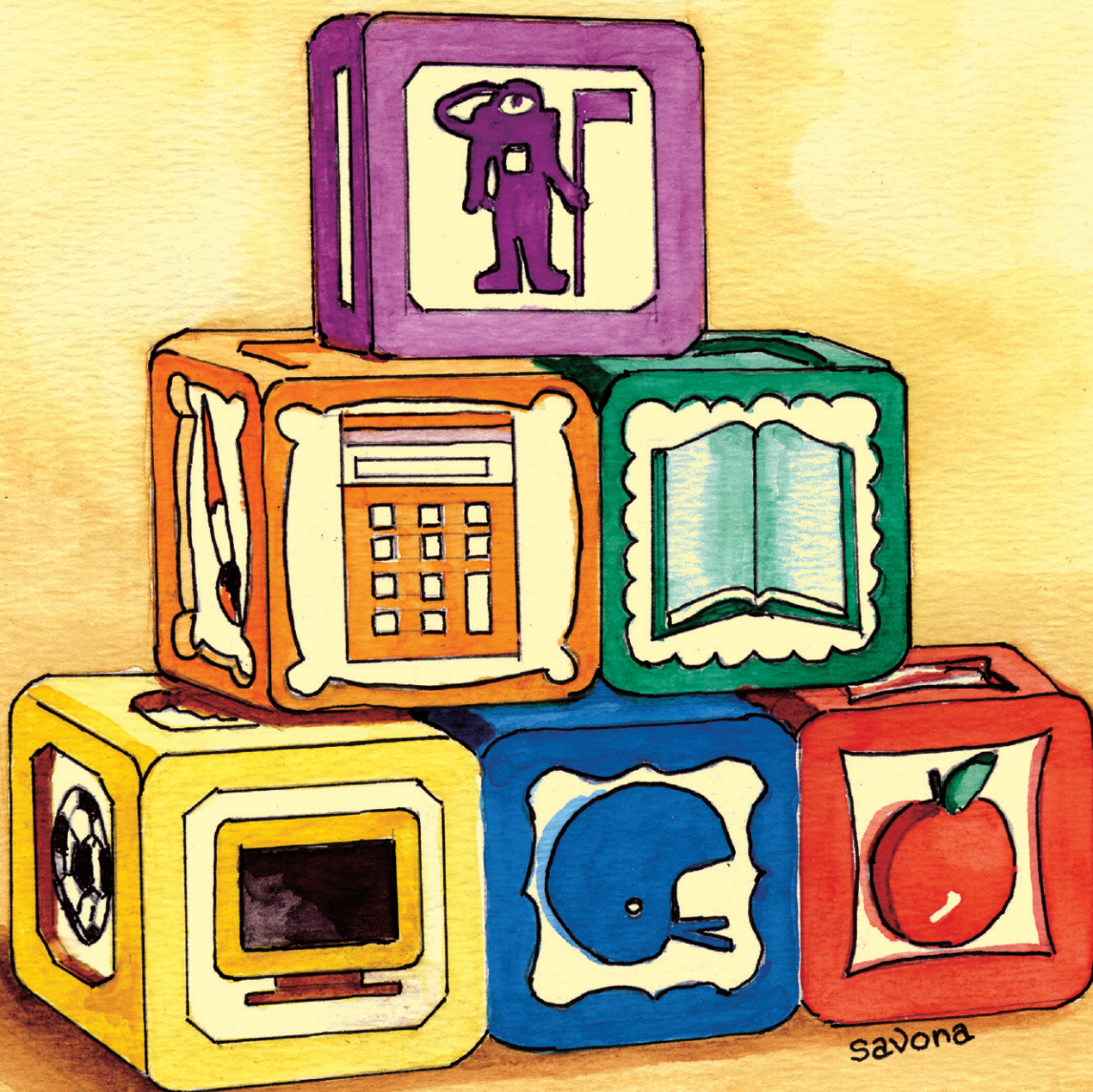
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## Cultivating the sound of music for Catholic schools and choirs



### MINISTRY MEDITATIONS—

The National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM), Silver Spring, MD, held its annual "Music Institute with Children" conference last month at Caldwell College. The event attracted over 50 Catholic school music teachers and administrators, choir directors and parish music directors throughout the Archdiocese, as well as educators from as far away as Arizona, California and Louisiana. Donna L. Kinsey (top right photo), a teacher from Morgantown, WV, led a workshop that discussed planning strategies and communication skills. Pictured utilizing a cabasa, which is a hand-held rhythm instrument typically used in Latin music, Kinsey also discussed practical logistics for instructors who must travel between various school locations, and highlighted the leadership responsibilities of music teachers within a school system. Eileen M. Ballone (left photo), a music teacher at St. Francis of Assisi School in Ridgefield Park, served as the coordinator for the event. Ballone is the president of the NPM's Music Education division, a member of the NPM board of directors, and also works as the director of music, organist and choir director at St. Margaret of Cortona Parish, Little Ferry. Ballone is pictured at the keyboard with Father Paul Colloton, the NPM director of continuing education, who also conducted a workshop at the conference. The NPM ([www.npm.org](http://www.npm.org)), an organization with 9,000 members, is dedicated to fostering the art and educational power of music in Catholic schools and worship services.



Advocate photos—Michael C. Gabriele

## St Patrick Academy applications available

ELIZABETH—Applications for the new school year are being accepted at the newly formed St. Patrick Academy.

The fifth through eighth grade school is successor to Elizabethport Catholic which recently closed.

Saint Patrick Academy was formed by the board and administration of nearby Saint Patrick High School in order to keep a parochial school available to students of the city's port section.

"Given our mission for this section of Elizabeth," explains Principal Joseph Picaro, "we felt that we could not allow the opportunity for a parochial education to slip away and be denied to this neighborhood. Inasmuch as the closure of Elizabeth Catholic was sudden, announced in mid-June, we feel that the constraints of time did not allow us to prepare a comprehensive feasibility study regarding opening the doors for all the grades, K through eight. We therefore decided on the fifth through eighth grade concept, hopefully the other grades will be added in the near future based upon the response of the community to what we have to offer."

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## BCHS grad honored

**ORADELL**—Ryan Keane, a June graduate of Bergen Catholic High School, has been honored by the Bill Tierney Foundation as one of a dozen winners of its annual Scholar-Athlete award.

Keane, who was a first and third baseman, will attend Fairfield University in September.

He was inducted into the National Honor Society during his junior year, and was very active on the school's Peer Ministry team, Red & Gold Club, and Mock Trial team.

Mike Miello, the newly-appointed head football coach at William Paterson University, was the guest speaker at the awards presentation.

Since 1997, the Bill Tierney Foundation has awarded more than \$1 million in scholarship money to its scholar-athletes.

Tierney was an outstanding two-way starter for the Crusaders in 1992 and 1993, when Bergen Catholic won back-to-back State championships. He moved on to Fordham University, where he passed away just prior to a game there in 1996.

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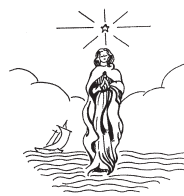
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Representing the Archdiocese of Newark at a seminar sponsored by the Save Ellis Island Foundation were, left to right, kneeling, Paul Cunneen, Patricia Picinich, Susan Patton and Patricia Campos. Standing are Kathleen Blechar, Joan Barron, James Lauterhahn, Katie Anne Basler, Patricia Lobosco, Charles Syby and John O'Neil.



## Ellis Island

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Basler, St. Thomas the Apostle, Bloomfield, Patricia Lobosco, Holy Family School, Norwood, Charles Syby, Queen of Peace High School, North Arlington and John O'Neil, Associate Superintendent of Schools.

According to the foundation, some 12 million immigrants passed through Ellis Island between 1892 and 1954, with nearly 8,800,000 arriving during the first decade of the 20th century.

Immigration declined during World War I and never again reached the 1900-1910 levels. In 1954 Ellis Island was declared surplus government property and closed.

Seven years ago, the U.S. Supreme Court awarded sovereignty over 22 of the 27.5-acre Ellis Island site to New Jersey. In 2000 the Save Ellis Island Inc. was established and became a partner with the National Park Service. The teachers' seminar is the first public program offered under the auspices of the Ellis Island Institute.

Along with the National Park Service, Save Ellis Island Inc. is working toward restoration and reuse of 30 buildings, mostly former hospitals, remaining on the island. A major use of the buildings will be by the Ellis Island Institute for the study of immigration and public health worldwide.

The eight-day seminar, held on Ellis Island and points of interest in the metropolitan area in July, is designed to offer high school and middle school social studies teachers the opportunity to immerse themselves in the experiences of immigrants past and present. Among the stops was a meeting with a Citizenship and Immigration Service agent at Newark Liberty International Airport.

The goal of the program, according to Dorothy Hartman, director of Education and Public Programs for Save Ellis Island, Inc., is to "introduce teachers to the resources available on Ellis Island, to expose them to immigration and public health scholars, and involve them in enhancing the ways in which immigration and public health are presented in the classroom."

It was, Hartman continued, "an action packed eight days...by far, the trip to Newark Liberty Airport was the most popular part of the program." She said that "what impressed me most was the dedication and focus every teacher brought to the program. I could not have asked for a better group."

Basler called the seminar "wonderful," adding it was "a fantastic opportunity to collaborate with fellow teachers about new and exciting ways to make the history of immigration come alive for our students. A vast amount of resources were made available to us and we gained so much insight from an array of speakers. I found it to be an extremely valuable two weeks and I am very enthusiastic about applying what I learned during the upcoming school year."

It was, in the words of Joan Barron, assistant principal and chair of the Social Studies Department at Mother Seton Regional High School, "a tremendous experience." Researching on-site at Ellis Island, she continued, "was extremely engaging." Touring areas such as the former hospital facilities, researching oral histories and field trips, she felt, proved to be "a great asset," which has enabled her to "infuse" the material into the social studies curriculum.

Explaining she "always felt a connection to Ellis Island" because her grandmother came through the New York Harbor landmark, Kathleen Blechar said touring the south side of the island where the hospital buildings are located, was "like stepping back in time." She reflected further and said "I could imagine myself an immigrant confined to the hospital while staring at the Statue of Liberty." A field trip to Homeland Security at Newark Liberty Airport and watching the processing of passengers on a flight from Amsterdam, Blechar remarked, was "very interesting and high tech, much different from the Ellis Island experience."

"Outstanding" was the word used by Patricia Campos. "The participants were enthusiastic and interesting. The speakers provided us with a wealth of information that we can use to enrich our students' experience as they learn about immigration, past and present. We were among the first people to tour the hospital areas and we had a fascinating tour 'behind the scenes' of the immigration process at Newark Liberty." The seminar, she concluded, was "valuable and memorable to me as both a history teacher and citizen of the United States."

Reflecting on her attendance, Patricia Lobosco said it was "a great experience." The opportunity to visit Ellis Island and tour the south side where renovations are underway, she noted, was "so interesting (and) a primary source way to feel the experience. I would recommend any teacher who had the chance to attend this seminar in the future to grab it."

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# St. Therese receives accreditation

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St. Therese is among approximately 100 schools in the tri-state area cited by the commission.

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Therese School has engaged in a rigorous process of developing self-knowledge; has hosted an evaluation team of independently-appointed educators; and has created an on-going Strategic Plan to ensure a culture of continuous improvement at the school going forward.

This rigorous process was directed by a steering committee, chaired by Kathleen Velazquez, Religion Department, and Kathleen Mays, Language Arts Department. The pastor, Rev. Joseph P. O’Brien, O. Carm., administration, faculty, parents, and students were actively engaged in the process.

Accreditation is recognized around the world as an indication of trustworthiness, educational quality, and a commitment to

on-going school improvement. F. Laird Evans, Ed.D., and Executive Director of the Commission, offered his congratulations to the entire St. Therese of Lisieux community, adding: “accreditation is a recognition of both prior achievements and a commitment to greater future accomplishments.”

Accreditation also signifies that St. Therese School has met the standards for a quality school. These standards reflect the most up-to-date educational research and best practices from throughout the education profession.

During the ten-year term of accreditation, the school community will engage in a commission-directed series of reports and/or site visits to maintain the vigor of the accreditation process.



Father Joseph P. O’Brien, pastor of Saint Therese Parish, with, left to right, Sister Helene Byrne, principal, Sister Agnes Regan, vice principal, and evaluation team members Ainsley Evans, Sister Lydia Etter and David Gillespie.

# International honors go to QPHS teacher

NORTH ARLINGTON—Alan A. Maisano, Social Studies Department Chairperson, Student Council Moderator, and Music Club Moderator at Queen of Peace High School, has been inducted as a founding listee into the International Biographical Centre’s (IBC) “Leading Educators of the World.”

IBC, in Cambridge, England, has published the highest level of biographical information for over 40 years. Only a select few are chosen for their contributions to the category of “excellence in education.”

Maisano, a Kearny resident and a member of the faculty at Queen of Peace since 1975, is no newcomer to teaching honors. He has been recognized by “Who’s Who Among American Teachers” for nine consecutive years. Only 5 percent of the nation’s teachers are honored in each edition and less than 2 percent are included in more than one edition.

In recognizing Maisano’s listing by IBC, Principal Cathy Condon stated, “Alan Maisano is one of QP’s treasures, he has brought a high level of professionalism and genuine caring to our school and specifically our Social Studies Department. We are truly blessed to have Alan as part of our faculty.”



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# Schools busy during summer

AREA—While students are enjoying the final days of summer, principals, school presidents and faculty throughout the Archdiocese of Newark have been busy on projects designed to enhance learning with the opening of the new school year.

At **Assumption Academy**, Emerson, the emphasis on a technology-centered curriculum will continue. Available at every grade level are laptops, a weather station, video-conferencing and multimedia collaborative projects. In addition, the state-licensed child-care house, for area children ages 2 and up, operates year round, weekdays 6:45 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Second Step, an anti-bullying program, continues at **St. Joseph School**, East Rutherford. It consists of classroom lessons, videos for parental participation and an anti-bullying pledge for students, faculty and parents. The program, which has produced positive results, has been utilized the past three years. New this school year will be internet accessibility in every classroom. In the library will be a bank of computers for students' research work. Also, an active group of parents has been helping paint the classrooms. Last month the new pastor, Father Joseph Hertel, O.F.M., arrived. "We anticipate using his expertise which will be very helpful to our school and look forward to working with him on continuing the bond between parish and school" said Principal Fran Alberta.

Following the success of last year's \$100,000

scholarship matching grant from the Simon Foundation, **The Academy of Saint Aloysius**, Jersey City, is ready to kickoff its new campaign. The new school year will open with the development of three "floating" classrooms equipped with a wireless network of 25 laptop computers in each class, all as part of the school's commitment to a college preparatory education for young women. Under way too is a professional networking program to assist with resume development and career matching so that students and alumnae can connect with alumnae employers.

At **Visitation School**, Jersey City, the auditorium will receive some safety repairs through a \$12,000 grant from the Stewardship Endowment Fund. Weak flooring will be replaced and protective covering placed on windows surrounding the auditorium. Awaiting students too are a variety of physical upgrades. Curriculum additions include Spanish and Algebra. Teachers will be focusing on improving students' reading comprehension skills in order to strengthen overall academic performance. They will attend a Teaching Reading Comprehension Strategies workshop. During the summer, faculty members are taking professional development courses. They received training in the new Interactive Smartboard and attended workshops and institutes on science education at Liberty Science Center.



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**OUTSTANDING STUDENTS**—Kean University graduates Joe LaPlaca (left) and Lindsey Graca (center) were the recipients of the 2005 "outstanding student" award from the Catholic Campus Ministry of the Archdiocese of Newark. Both were members of Kean's Newman Club. Father Alex Santora (right), Kean University chaplain, recently was appointed to be pastor at Our Lady of Grace Parish, Hoboken. Father Santora, who has been at Kean for 10 years, has known the two honor students since their sophomore year. Graca and LaPlaca were honored at the Catholic Campus Ministry's third-annual golf outing, which was held June 27 at the Cedar Hill Country Club in Livingston.

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# Scholarship awarded

EAST RUTHERFORD—Alexa Marques, a June graduate of St. Joseph School, has been awarded a \$16,000 scholarship from the Columbus Citizens Foundation.

She received this award in recognition of both academic success and service to the community and school.

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# Leadership changes for the new school year

The Schools Office has announced the following appointments:

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**St. Leo/Sacred Heart**  
**Interparochial School,**  
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 Principal

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 Alice Terell, Academic Director  
**Good Shepherd Academy,**  
 Sister Domenica Troina, MPF, Principal  
**Marylawn of the Oranges**  
**Academy,**  
 Delores Thompson, Principal

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**St. Francis Academy,**  
 Sister Mary Dora Sartino, MFIC, President  
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 Timothy Lynch, Headmaster

**Additional school changes**

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**Epiphany School,** Cliffside Park  
 merged into **Christ the Teacher**  
**Interparochial School,** Fort Lee.  
 Sister Rosemarie Bartnicki, OSF,  
 Principal

**ESSEX COUNTY**  
**Good Shepherd Academy** (school  
 created from merger of **St. Paul,**

Irvington and **Immaculate Heart,**  
 Maplewood). The school is located in  
 Irvington.

Thomas Scalea, Principal  
**Ironbound Catholic Academy**  
 (school created from the merger of  
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