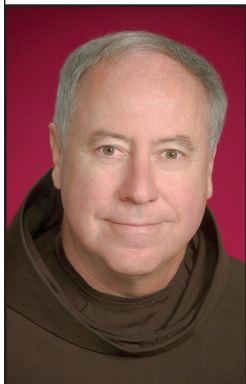




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# Long-distance call: adjunct clergy share not-so-foreign faith

BY WARD MIELE  
Managing Editor

Well into their summer assignments at parishes throughout the four counties of the Archdiocese of Newark, a predominate reaction among adjunct clergy from around the world is a deep appreciation of this country's multiculturalism, which they gained during an enriching pastoral experience among a devote and welcoming faithful.

The archdiocese—one of the most culturally and ethnically diverse corners of the United States—is one of the national leaders in utilizing summer adjunct priests.

## Hospital transfer in Newark set for Oct. 17

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE  
Editor

NEWARK—Saint Michael's Medical Center, 111 Central Ave., will mark the transfer of sponsorship to Catholic Health East (CHE) from the Archdiocese of Newark with a ceremony on Friday, Oct. 17, representing a major transition in Catholic healthcare for northern New Jersey.

According to a prepared statement issued by Robert V. Stanek, the president and chief executive officer of Newtown Square, PA-based CHE, "Hope Ministries will formally accept the solemn responsibility to assume sponsorship of Saint Michael's and to steward its Catholic mission into the future."

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While the visiting priests benefit from their U.S. experiences, faith communities, in turn, learn about the broad spectrum of cultures these priests represent.

Operating under the guidance of Father Stanley Gomes, director of adjunct clergy for the archdiocese, some 60 parishes are participating this year in the program that allows pastors and parochial vicars to take a break from their demanding duties.

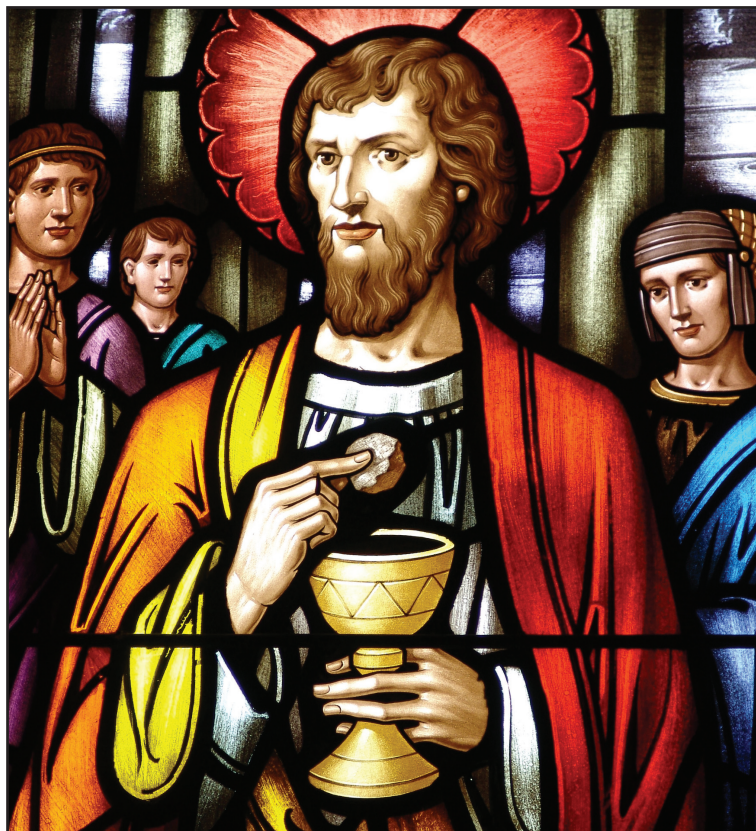
Reflecting recently on their time in local parishes during a visit to the Archdiocesan Center in Newark were Father Wilson R. Chu and Father Melchor Braga from the Philippines; Father Jude Likori Omukaga, Kenya; Father Thomas Joseph, Father Matthew Kallinkel and Father Davy Thattil, India; Father Jerzy Pikulinski, O.F.M., Cap., Poland; and Father Lastborn Foto, Zimbabwe.

The usual time slots for adjunct clergy are June through August and July through September. Most adjunct clergy study in Rome and Leven, Belgium, for most of the year, then make the trip to the United States when their schools close for the summer.

Fr. Braga, who served at Ascension Parish in New Milford, wanted to become an adjunct clergy to broaden his horizons from that of a "student priest" to working in a parish setting. He came to Newark from the Pontifical College Filipino, Rome.

The road to the archdiocese for Fr. Pikulinski began with a retreat two years ago among Polish parishes when he was invited by the priests there to become an adjunct clergy. He felt he would be able to fill a need among Polish parishioners. Fr. Pikulinski was assigned to Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Wallington.

"My bishop was very specific  
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Saint Paul Parish in Ramsey features a series of stained-glass windows that illustrate the life of Saint Paul.

## The Living Church

# Paul reveals insights using light of Gospels

BY FR. LAWRENCE FRIZZELL  
Catholic Advocate columnist

*(Editor's note: This is the second and concluding part of a major review of the life of Saint Paul. Part one appeared in the Sept. 17 edition of The Catholic Advocate. Pope Benedict XVI has challenged Catholics to know Saul of Tarsus—Saint Paul the Apostle—more intimately through prayerful study of his letters.)*

"I have called my son out of Egypt" (Hos 11:1; see Ex 4:22-23). Brought into God's family, Israelites should recognize the divine presence in their midst. The title "glory" designates the impressive, illuminating presence of God, especially associated with the Temple that demands acknowledgment (which is the act of "giving glory" to God).

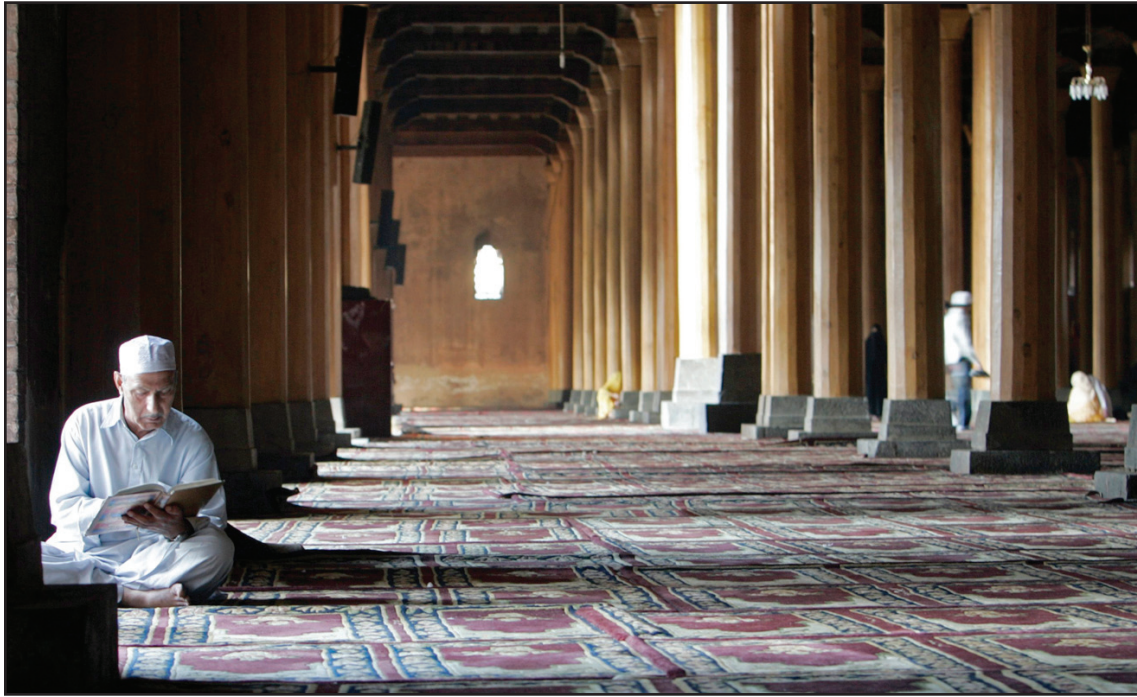
The covenant gift began with Abraham, Sarah and their family and elevated Israel from clan to nation at Mount Sinai. Later priestly (Num. 25:13) and royal (2 Sam 7:8-16) covenants were the means whereby continuity

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Through the covenant, Israel was initiated into intimacy with God, which may be described as a filial bond.



# New initiative looks to foster interfaith dialogue



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A Muslim man reads the Quran during the recent Ramadan season inside Kashmir's Jamia Masjid in Srinagar, India. A national report issued last month called for improved relations between the United States and the Muslim world. Interfaith dialogue between Christians, Muslims and Jews has a firm foundation in and around the Archdiocese of Newark. This good will among people of faith was demonstrated last month at two special events: the annual "Dialogue and Unity" dinner, held Sept. 28 at the Pioneer Academy of Science, Clifton, sponsored by Interfaith Dialog Center, Newark (Web site: [www.idcnj.org](http://www.idcnj.org)); and the annual "Interfaith Ramadan" dinner on Sept. 17, hosted by the Islamic Center of Passaic County, Paterson (Web site: [www.icpc.com](http://www.icpc.com)).

WASHINGTON (CNS)—A new report calling for stronger diplomatic relations between the United States and Muslims around the world is a step toward peace, said Auxiliary Bishop Denis J. Madden of Baltimore.

"It offers a very good approach to what can be done" and

also stresses that the divide between the United States and the Muslim world is "not as wide as people make it out to be," said the bishop, one of 34 American leaders who produced the 146-page document "Changing Course: A New Direction for U.S. Relations With the Muslim World"

The report was created by the Leadership Group on U.S.-Muslim Engagement, which included representatives from religious, business, military, foreign policy, academic, foundation and nonprofit circles. The group released the report Sept. 24 (Web site: [http://cbuilding.org/news/u-s-](http://cbuilding.org/news/u-s-muslim-engagement-project)

muslim-engagement-project), a day after briefing members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and members of Congress on its key points.

The project involved 18 months of examining various polls and studies of Muslim and American attitudes and coming up with possible solutions for improving relations, including not only more diplomacy but also a major investment in economic development in Muslim countries that would create more jobs for youths.

The report urges the next U.S. administration to take immediate steps. It calls on the next president to renounce the use of torture and to appoint a special envoy to facilitate negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians.

Bishop Madden said he was impressed by the work of the committee members and the body's bipartisan nature. "We all signed off on the document, even though there wasn't always full agreement," he said.

The bishop, who previously served as associate secretary-general of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association and director of the Pontifical Mission for Palestine office in Jerusalem, said part of his involvement included telling the group what Catholic leaders have said about dialogue between Muslims and Christians.

He spoke to the group about Pope Benedict XVI's statement earlier this year that stressed the need for "uninterrupted pursuit of diplomacy in trying to resolve issues." He also quoted Catholic leaders and statements from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops pointing to the need to "listen and learn from each other."

The new report "puts Muslim extremism into perspective" by pointing out how people frequently "paint an image of a whole society from an image of one group," the bishop stated. Many conflicts in U.S. and Muslim relations have stemmed from religious extremism, he said, which occurs when terrorists claim a religious basis for their actions, yet they "do not represent the real teaching of Islam."

People of both faiths should look to the common aspects of their beliefs, such as "roots in Abraham, the place of high honor for Jesus and Mary in the Quran and ties to the Old Testament that go without saying," Bishop Madden said. He added that he is hopeful that the groundwork established by the group will now "move forward" through steps taken by U.S. political leaders.

The report's committee members will be addressing upcoming congressional hearings. Bishop Madden also hopes they will be invited to speak on the campuses of Catholic universities.

## Focus on Christ, care for poor to truly measure freedom: Pope

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Christian freedom is not being able to do anything one wants, but being free to imitate Christ, especially in serving the poor, Pope Benedict XVI said.

"Let us allow ourselves to be guided by the Spirit, trying to live in the freedom that finds direction in faith in Christ and becomes concrete in service to our brothers and sisters," the pope said Oct. 1 at his weekly general audience.

"Being increasingly like Christ is essential. That is how one becomes truly free," the pope told an estimated 20,000 people gathered for his audience in Saint Peter's Square.

The pope's audience talk focused on how Saint Paul and the other apostles resolved differences they had, particularly regarding whether new Christians from pagan families were required to observe Jewish law.

"In the light of his encounter with the risen Christ," Saint Paul understood that righteousness for the new Christians came from following Christ, the pope said.

With great respect for the Twelve Apostles who had been with Jesus from the beginning of



Pope Benedict XVI

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His public ministry, Saint Paul nevertheless was frank about what he believed the Gospel required, said the pope. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, all of the apostles met in Jerusalem and adopted Saint Paul's position.

"Only sincere dialogue, open to the truth of the Gospel, could orient the journey of the Church," Pope Benedict said.

He quoted Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans: "The kingdom of God is not a matter of food and drink, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit."

Pope Benedict also noted how the Council of Jerusalem ended with a resolution for all the Christian communities to take up a collection to help poor Christians in Jerusalem.

"It was a completely new initiative in the panorama of religious activities," the pope said. "So great was the value Paul attributed to this gesture of sharing that he rarely referred to it as a collection, but called it service, blessing, love, grace and even liturgy."

Saint Paul's reference to the collection for the poor as liturgy recognizes that care for the poor is a sign of love for God, the pope said. "Love for the poor and divine liturgy go together," he said.

Love for God and for one's brothers and sisters are part of every Mass celebrated in the Church, "which by its nature opposes the separation of worship and life, faith and works, prayer and charity for one's brothers and sisters," Pope Benedict said.



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## Voices to gather and extol the mission of stewardship

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE  
 Editor

AREA—The Archdiocese of Newark's annual Stewardship Day conference will be held Saturday, Oct. 18 at Paramus Catholic High School, 425 Paramus Rd.

The conference, slated to run from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., targets clergy, parish stewardship committees and interested parishioners, providing information and resources to help increase their understanding of stewardship.

Admission is free and the event is open to the public, but online registration ([www.rcan.org/stewardship](http://www.rcan.org/stewardship)) is suggested. Registration includes a free continental breakfast and lunch. Contact Lynn Gully, associate director of stewardship by phone at (973) 497-4589, or via e-mail at [gullylyn@rcan.org](mailto:gullylyn@rcan.org) for details.

Msgr. Michael J. Corona, pastor of Saint Philip and Saint James Parish in Phillipsburg, will serve as the keynote speaker. An internationally recognized expert on stewardship, Msgr. Corona will offer insight and reflections on the impact and benefits of diocese stewardship program and implementing applied-stewardship principles at individual parishes.



Carla L. Gonzalez is the executive director of the archdiocesan Office of Development, which sponsors the annual gathering. The event will feature presentations by Father Larry Evans II, the chaplain of Paramus Catholic; Father William J. Halbing; pastor of Saint Antoninus Parish, Newark; Sister Marilyn Minter, C.S.S.F., director of music

and liturgy at the provincial house in Lodi; and Kay Furlani, director of the archdiocesan Office of Human Concerns. There will be separate Spanish-language track presentations, featuring Father John J. Galeano, the pastor of Saint Francis De Sales, Lodi, and Jose DeJesus, president of Millennium Consulting.

In a related development, the Stewardship Office is launching a "Go Green with God" video contest, an opportunity for concerned youth to demonstrate the importance and challenges faced with "Going Green." All students in grades 2 through 12 who are enrolled in either a Catholic School or religious education program are eligible to enter the contest.

Using either a video or Power Point format, contestants are asked to produce a persuasive presentation illustrating the "Stewardship of Creation" theme of Going Green, depicting the need to take better care of the earth. Ideal entries will reflect the contestants' knowledge of stewardship, incorporating the themes of time, talent, treasure, prayer and scripture.

The first place prize is \$750, second place, \$500 and third place is \$250. Monetary prizes will be awarded to the school or parish attended by the winners. Video or Power Point presentations must be at least one minute long and all entries must be submitted on a CD or DVD. Further information on the contest will be provided at the Stewardship Day conference and Stewardship Web site.

## Heritage Tour to view friary, three churches

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE  
 Editor

AREA—The Archdiocese of Newark will host the annual Heritage Tour on Saturday, Oct. 11, an all-day bus excursion that includes stops at Immaculate Heart of Mary and Saint Patrick Parish, Elizabeth, and three sites in Newark: Saint Columba Parish; Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish; and Most Blessed Sacrament Friary.

Tickets are priced at \$50 per person. Contact Ursula Rivera at (973) 497-4132 or Lynn Bartnicki (973) 497-4566 for more information, or visit the archdiocesan Web site ([www.rcan.org](http://www.rcan.org)) and click on the Heritage Tour icon.

Registration, along with continental breakfast, will be set up at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Ave., Newark, on Oct. 11, 7:30-8:15 a.m. Secure parking will be provided at the Archdiocesan Center. Buses will depart at 8:30 a.m. sharp and are scheduled to return at 4 p.m.

The tour includes expert docents who will discuss the architectural and historical significance of each site. Catered lunches will be provided to each passenger and there will be a Mass celebrated at the friary.

Troy Joseph Simmons, archdiocesan historian, and Msgr. Robert Wister, professor of Church History at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Seton Hall University, South Orange, will lead the tour.



Most Blessed Sacrament Friary

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# Archbishop to attend Baltimore gathering

WASHINGTON — The Administrative Committee of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) said the full body of U.S. bishops will discuss the practical and pastoral implications of political support for abortion during their annual assembly, Nov. 10-13, in Baltimore. Archbishop John J. Myers will attend the Baltimore confab and participate on the USCCB's administrative and bylaws committees.



Archbishop John J. Myers

At the conclusion of its Sept. 9-10 meeting in Washington, the Administrative Committee, which is the highest authority of the USCCB outside the conference's plenary assemblies in November and June, cited concern for recent misleading remarks about Catholic teaching by Catholic politicians. The statement follows:

"In light of recent comments by Catholic politicians misrepresenting Catholic teaching, the Administrative Committee of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops affirms the statements that have been issued by Cardinal Justin F. Rigali, chairman of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities, and Bishop William E. Lori, chairman of the U.S. bishops'



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**HURRICANE AFTERMATH**—Saint Paul Church, Sabine Pass, TX, sustained major damage from the storm surge of Hurricane Ike, which hit the Gulf Coast area Sept. 13. Volunteers from Catholic Charities are working with devastated coastal communities to provide assistance. "Our goal is to take care of immediate, basic needs by supplying water, canned goods and diapers," Yolanda Gutierrez, onsite supervisor for Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, said. Visit the group's Web site ([www.catholiccharities.org](http://www.catholiccharities.org)) for information on how to assist storm victims.

Committee on Doctrine.

"We confirm the Catholic Church's constant teaching about the sanctity of all human life from the moment of conception and the intrinsic evil of abortion. As the teachers of the faith, we also point

out the connectedness between the evil of abortion and political support for abortion. We plan to discuss the practical and pastoral implications of these serious matters at the U.S. bishops' general meeting in Baltimore."



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# Msgr. Hourihan, 84; served needs of deaf Catholics

BY MELISSA MCNALLY  
Staff Writer

NEWARK—Rev. Msgr. John P. Hourihan, pastor emeritus of Saint John Parish who died at the age of 84 on Sept. 10, leaves a legacy of tireless work with the deaf community as well as compassionate outreach to the poor, hungry and homeless.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Sept. 15 at Saint John Parish, the oldest parish in New Jersey.

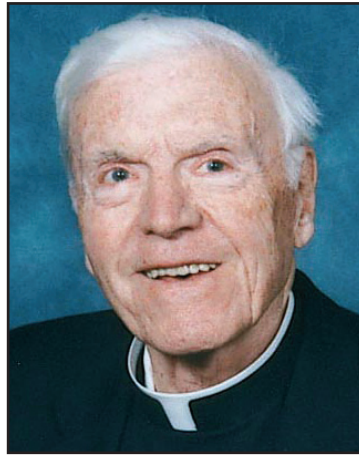
Last month the parish launched a regularly scheduled American Sign Language (ASL) Sunday Mass, just three days before Msgr. Hourihan passed away. The ASL Mass represents a historic legacy, according to Deacon Thomas Smith, director of the archdiocesan Pastoral Ministry with the Deaf, because for many decades, under the leadership Msgr. Hourihan, Saint John Parish's Catholic Deaf ministry flourished (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Aug. 20).

According to Rev. Msgr. Neil J.

Mahoney, current pastor of Saint John Parish, Msgr. Hourihan's work with the city's poor had humble beginnings. "Msgr. Hourihan just started serving sandwiches at the front door of the church along with a maintenance worker. The operation just grew and grew. Today, we serve 700 to 800 people daily at the soup kitchen."

Deacon Smith, who gave the homily at the late pastor's funeral, credits Msgr. Hourihan with encouraging him to pursue the diaconate. "He was everything to me. He was like a second father to me. He exemplified what a priest should be—a person of the people and a person of the Church. Msgr. Hourihan was my mentor, role model and spiritual director."

A fervent believer in the power of prayer, Msgr. Hourihan's contributions to Saint John Parish will never be forgotten, according to Msgr. Mahoney. "Everything he did was rooted in spirituality," he said. "Everyday, our work begins with a prayer. That tradition was started by Msgr. Hourihan and he



Msgr. John P. Hourihan

was adamant that the entire parish staff be present. His spirit infuses everything we do here."

Over the years Msgr. Hourihan's work with the deaf garnered national attention, according to local news reports. He was a member of President John F. Kennedy's advisory committee on teacher training. In addition, Msgr. Hourihan was picked to serve as an advisor to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare

during the administration of President Lyndon B. Johnson. President Jimmy Carter also appointed him as vice chairman of the National Conference on the Handicapped.

In 1977, Hourihan was appointed pastor of Saint John Parish. While there, he fed over 2 million meals to the poor and homeless people of Newark and surrounding areas until his retirement in 1997.


He attended Seton Hall University (SHU), South Orange, where he majored in philosophy and theology. He went to Immaculate Conception Seminary and continued his education at The Catholic University of America in Washington D.C.

While earning a Licentiate in Moral Theology at the university, the young priest associated with

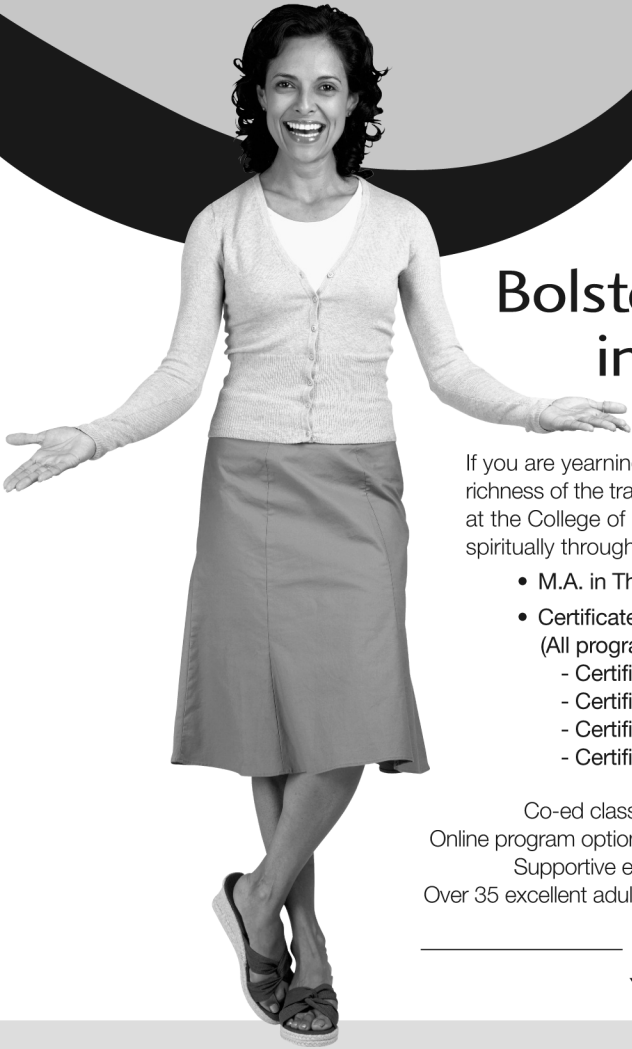
students at Gallaudet College for the Deaf. After his first assignment to Saint Peter Parish in Belleville, he was appointed to the Mount Carmel Guild where he was responsible for ministry to the deaf and hearing impaired. At the guild, he established four catechetical centers for children in public school programs for the deaf.

During his service with the Mount Carmel Guild, Msgr. Hourihan attended Columbia University and received a master's degree in education of the deaf and was qualified as an audiologist in the American Speech and Hearing Association. He went on to earn doctorate in administration from the university.

He taught as an adjunct professor at Columbia University, SHU and Immaculate Conception Seminary.



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## October 8

**Saint Mary Parish,** Rutherford, bereavement support group, 7:30 – 9 p.m., each Wednesday until Nov. 11, RSVP at (201) 438-2200.

## October 9

**Lacordaire Academy,** Upper Montclair, golf outing at Forest Hill Field Club in Bloomfield, \$300 per golfer, \$75 per dinner-only guest, (973) 744-1156 ext. 27.

**Queen of Angels Parish,** Newark, blood drive, noon-5:30 p.m., call Marie Forrestal at (732) 616-0798.

## October 10

**Villa Pauline,** Mendham, Beginning Experience Weekend, those suffering the loss of a loved one through divorce, separation or death, through Oct. 12, call Renee Godlewski at (973) 301-0794.



## October 11

**Our Lady of Lourdes Parish,** West Orange, ministry fair, following 5:30 Mass, also on Oct. 12 following masses, (973) 325-0110.

## October 12

**St. Aloysius Parish,** Caldwell, Rosary Altar Society community breakfast at Essex Fells Country Club, 10:15 a.m., cost: \$30, call Marjule Drury at (973) 227-3382.



**Knights of Columbus Council 137,** Jersey City, blood drive at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., call Lisa Brosnan at (201) 251-3703.

**Seton Hall University,** South Orange, the college seminary St. Andrew's Hall open house, 2-5 p.m., call Msgr. Reilly at (973) 761-9420.

## October 14

**St. Andrew Parish,** Westwood, Bible study on the Gospel of John, 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays through Nov. 25, call Barbara Stewart at (201) 664-6777.

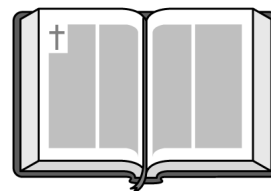
**Lumen Center,** Caldwell, "Meditation Made Easy," 5-7:30 p.m., (973) 403-3331 ext. 25.

## October 15

**St. John the Baptist Parish,** Hillsdale, "Faithful Citizenship: A Matter of Conscience" DVD shown, 7:30 p.m., (201) 664-3131.

## October 17

**St. John the Apostle Parish,** Linden, post-abortion healing seminar, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., (732) 388-8211.



**Knights of Columbus Council 2188,** Westwood, Oktoberfest dinner, 6 p.m., \$10 per person/ \$25 max per family, (201) 664-9835.

**Seton Hall University,** South Orange, "Transforming Business: Enterprise, Ethics and the Elimination of Poverty," 6:30 p.m., call Debbie Kurus at (973) 313-6329.

**Knights of Columbus Council 5427,** Washington Township, dinner dance, 7-11 p.m., cost: \$35, tickets paid in advance by Oct. 10, (201) 664-0422.

## October 18

**Lumen Center,** Caldwell, "Harvesting Hope: Reaping the Poetry Within," 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., cost: \$35, (973) 403-3331 ext. 25.

**St. James the Apostle Parish,** Springfield, travel-service-craft auction, 6 p.m., cost: \$10, (973) 376-3044.

**The Community of God's Love,** Rutherford, Anointing of the Sick and Healing Prayers, 6 p.m., (201) 935-0344.

**St. Bartholomew the Apostle Parish,** Scotch Plains, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Mass, noon, (908) 322-5192.

**Holy Name of Jesus Parish,** East Orange, craft/yard sale, vendors wanted, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., call Mary at (973) 675-4444 or Meg at (973) 743-9552.

**Stewardship Day,** Paramus Catholic High School, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m., call Lynn Gully at (973) 497-4589.

**Holy Family High School,** Union City, all class reunion, Schuetzen Park, Union City, 6 p.m.-1 a.m., cost: \$70, call Louise Iannantuano at (201) 225-0505.

## October 19

**Bergen Catholic High School,** Oradell, craft show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., \$2 adults, \$1 seniors. (201) 384-6676.

## October 22

**St. Thomas More Parish,** Fairfield, "Celebrating St. Paul; Called to Witness! How About You?," presented by Sister Marilyn Minter, C.S.S.F., 7 p.m., Call Rosemary Horkay at (973) 227-0719.

**Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth,** Convent Station, Harvest Festival at Valley Regency in Clifton, 6:30-9:30 p.m., (973) 290-5454.

## Official Appointments



**Archbishop John J. Myers** has announced the following appointments:

### ARCHDIOCESAN AGENCY/MINISTRY

**Reverend James F. Tortora** was appointed chaplain to Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark, including Mount Carmel Guild Behavioral Health and Mount Carmel Guild Schools, effective Oct. 1.

### PAROCHIAL VICAR

**Reverend Arlou T. Buslon** was appointed parochial vicar of Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Leonia, effective Sept. 24.

**Reverend Felix Inglez Filho** was appointed parochial vicar of Holy Cross Parish, Harrison, effective Oct. 3.

**Reverend Ethiege Silva, O.M.I.,** was appointed parochial vicar of Saint Michael Parish, Palisades Park, effective Oct. 1.

**Reverend John Thottukulappananiyil, O.F.M., Cap.** was appointed parochial vicar of Saint Adalbert Parish, Elizabeth, effective Sept. 6.

### CORRECTION

**Reverend Babu Thelappilly, S.D.V.** was appointed parochial vicar of Saint Nicholas Parish, Palisades Park, effective Sept. 8.

### RESIDENCE

**Reverend Thomas C. Roberts,** chaplain at New Jersey Northern State Prison with residence at Saint Michael Rectory, Bayonne, was assigned to residence at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Bayonne, effective Oct. 1 while continuing as chaplain at New Jersey Northern State Prison.

### RETIREMENT

**Reverend Monsignor Charles W. Gusmer** has been granted retirement, effective Feb. 1, 2009.

**Reverend Francis A. Heinen** has been granted retirement, effective Feb. 1, 2009.

### RELEASE

**Reverend Peter Smutelovic** has been released for a five-year period for the service of the Holy Father in the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, effective Sept. 15.

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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.

Priests, Deacons, Religious and Laypersons interested in **Prison Ministry** are invited to call

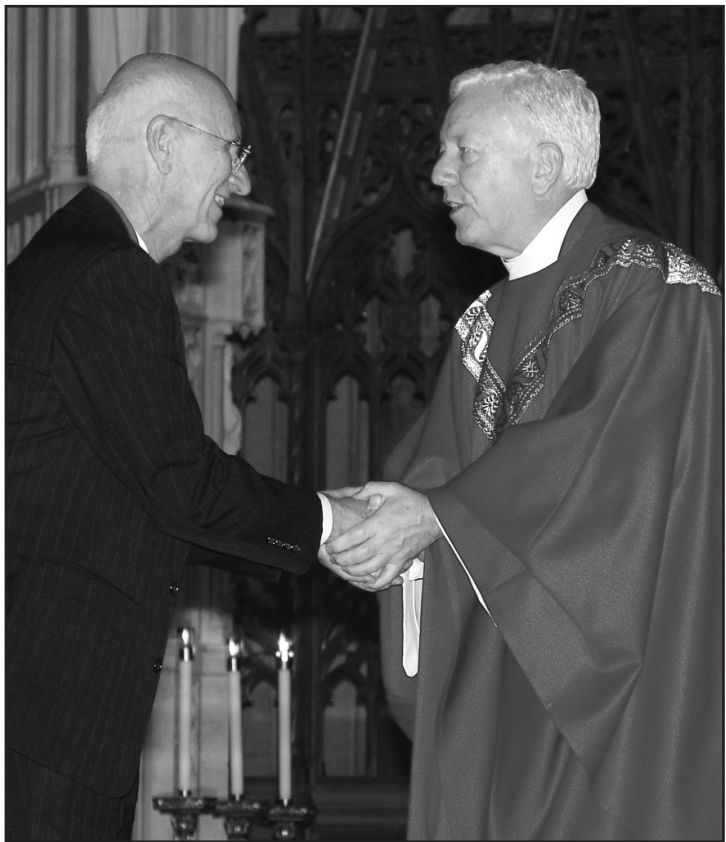
Director of Prison Ministry, Deacon Gregory C. Quinn (973) 618-3302 or email him

at [gquinn@caldwell.edu](mailto:gquinn@caldwell.edu)

"...[I]n Prison and you visited me."  
MT 25:36







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**LEGAL CAREER SALUTED**—John B. Wefing, Esq. (left), the most senior law professor (40 years) at Seton Hall University (SHU) School of Law, receives hearty congratulations from Msgr. Robert Sheeran, SHU president, moments after accepting the prestigious Saint Thomas More Medal from Archbishop John J. Myers who was the main celebrant of the annual Red Mass on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 28 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. The Red Mass, a Solemn Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit, is celebrated at the beginning of the judicial year to invoke God's blessing and guidance on the administration of justice. The Saint Thomas More Medal is given in recognition of outstanding contributions to the field of law as well as service to the community.

## A vote for Faithful Citizenship

In case you happened to miss it on television, radio or the Internet, in just 28 days this nation goes to the polls to elect its next president.

The right to vote, taken for granted or simply ignored by too many Americans, is a precious privilege not available in many nations around the globe.

Along with the right to choose the next leader of the free world, comes the awesome responsibility to cast an informed vote Nov. 4.

To that end, Archbishop John J. Myers declared Sept. 28 Faithful Citizenship Sunday throughout the Archdiocese of Newark. It was and is a call to study the issues that will define election day and the next four years during a critical and pivotal time in the history of the United States.

Faithful citizenship is just that—a thorough evaluation of each candidate and his position on the issues from a Catholic perspective.

Considering the substantive issues faced by Americans—the ongoing war in Iraq, the economic turmoil in financial markets, the astronomical U.S. budget deficit, serious questions regarding the environment and new sources of energy, and issues that literally define the spiritual aspects of life and death for people of faith—the stakes are too high to cavalierly walk into the voting booth and make a spur-of-the-moment decision.

Faithful citizenship goes beyond the superficial glitz of a campaign, ignores the increasingly nasty attack ads of both major parties and concentrates on the moral platform of each party and its candidate. Anything less trivializes election day and that is simply unacceptable.

## Financial turmoil, hungry families

Given the national financial crisis of late, it should come as no surprise that demand is rising dramatically and shelves are quickly emptying at the 75 food pantries served by Catholic Charities' Emergency Food and Nutrition Network (EFNN) of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Now more than ever, EFNN's 24th annual Harvest of Hope Food Drive needs the support from every corner of the archdiocese.

Launched earlier this month, the drive will run through Dec. 12. Donations help feed the most vulnerable and helpless among us—the working poor, senior citizens, children living in poverty and families suddenly struggling to make ends meet.

Through the concern of those who responded to last year's Harvest of Hope Food Drive, assistance was available to 46,411 of God's children. Even more need help this year. Arrangements can be made for the EFNN van to pick up Harvest of Hope food donations by calling (973) 266-7941.

# Maimed by apartheid, priest advocates forgiveness

## Father Lapsley to discuss 'Healing' process Oct. 14

BY MELISSA MCNALLY  
Staff Writer

JERSEY CITY—The Haiti Solidarity Network of the North East and Pax Christi NJ will present "Healing of Memories," a program featuring Father Michael Lapsley of South Africa, on Tuesday, Oct. 14, 7:30 p.m., at Saint Patrick's Theater, 509 Bramhall Ave., (adjacent to Saint Patrick and Assumption All Saints Parish).

The Healing of Memories method began as an alternative form of providing support for victims and survivors of South African apartheid violence and is now seen as a way to contribute to the healing journey of individuals, communities and nations.

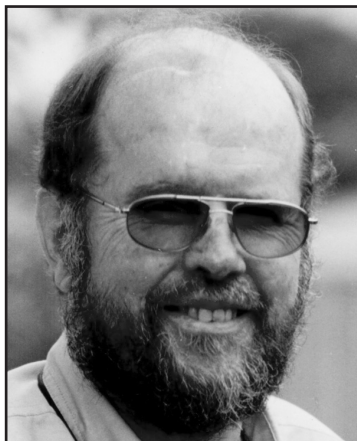
In 1990, while living in exile from South Africa, Fr. Lapsley became a victim of the violence of apartheid when he received a letter

bomb. He lost both his hands, an eye and his eardrums were shattered. After leaving the hospital he became an international advocate for reconciliation, forgiveness and restorative justice.

He returned to South Africa in 1992 and established the Trauma Center for Victims of Violence and Torture in Cape Town. His organization provided assistance to Bishop Desmond Tutu and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, which is credited with putting South Africa on a path toward healing.

It serves as a model for other countries including Rwanda, Guatemala and Argentina. He is now director of the Institute of Healing of Memories, Cape Town, South Africa.

Georgette Delinois, president of the Haiti Solidarity Network of the North East, based at 39 Bleeker St. Newark, (Web site:



Father Michael Lapsley

www.hsnne.org), went to a "Healing of Memories" retreat in South Africa and made the arrangements for Fr. Lapsley to visit the Archdiocese of Newark. Father Eugene P. Squeo, a member of the team ministry at Saint Patrick and Assumption All Saints Parish, is a board member of the Haiti Solidarity Network and met the inspirational priest in New York.

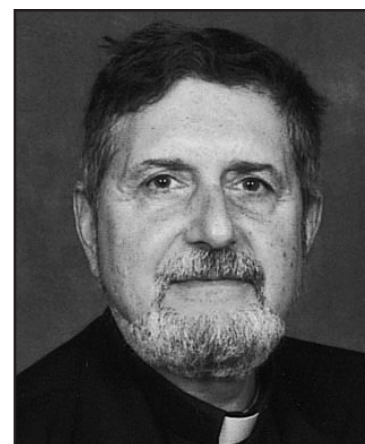
"I was so impressed with the Healing of Memories Method and Fr. Lapsley's story I thought it

could be applied on a personal level to people who have suffered injury or wrong," Fr. Squeo said.

The presentation will only be an introduction to the method of Healing of Memories. Fr. Squeo explained it is a long, complex process—"an attempt to have people unburden their past and seek forgiveness or offer pardon."

While visiting the small Haitian town of Grand Ravin in 2006, Fr. Squeo—a leading voice in the archdiocese in the area of interfaith dialogue—witnessed how forgiveness can heal wounds of the past. The town, just outside of Port-au-Prince, endured a number of violent massacres and brutal killings. During a peace march, a woman who lost someone in the violence spoke eloquently about the need to forgive.

"She said that the violence and sorrow she experienced would be experienced by her children and grandchildren unless there is forgiveness. When I saw the people who were injured, I saw that need to forgive. Healing of Memories helps peo-



Father Eugene Squeo

ple along that road," he said.

Fr. Squeo believes that the method is not only applicable to victims of violence and torture, but to all people who need help with reconciliation. "Any person who needs to forgive or seek forgiveness would benefit from this presentation," he said. "We all need help with forgiveness."

The public is invited to attend the program. For more information, contact Georgette Delinois by phone at (201) 724-3463 or via e-mail at delinois1@optonline.net.



# Foresight, faith and courage lead us to shores of eternity



West New York,  
Boulevard East, 1958

**N**ext week, we observe Columbus Day. Formerly celebrated on Oct. 12, it is now relegated to the second Monday of the month, to accommodate long weekends for those lucky enough to have the day off and special sales for early Christmas shoppers.

Growing up in West New York, I remember Columbus Day being a big deal. Perhaps our Italian-American mayors had something to do with that, but I remember my father, who had not a drop of Italian blood in his veins, being so proud of the monument to Columbus erected in the waterfront park atop the Palisades on Boulevard East in 1958 that he wanted his photo taken next to it (see image at left). I was fortunate enough to be awarded a modest college scholarship from the local Christopher Columbus Commemorative Committee when I graduated from Saint Joseph's High School some years later.

Those were simpler times, of course. Transatlantic ocean cross-

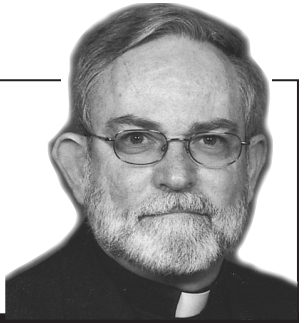
ings were still considered somewhat exceptional, except for limited cruises. When I boarded in New York harbor the replicas of the Niña, the Pinta, and the Santa Maria, which toured the world in 1992 to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the discovery of the "New World," I began to appreciate what a challenge it was for those first sailors who joined the Italian explorer Cristoforo Colombo on the original ships, financed by Queen Isabella of Spain. Money talks: the people of El Salvador, where Columbus is reputed to have first come ashore, speak Spanish, not Italian!

The reach of the Spanish empire was worldwide, and the growing influence of Hispanic culture through current day immigration from many Spanish-speaking countries continues to permeate our country and our world. I recently read of a Catholic parish in Hawaii that has a weekly Sunday Mass in Spanish.

While the debate continues

## SEEING & BELIEVING

By Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Arnhols



on our country's immigration policies and whether English should be declared our official language, almost every country in the world is becoming more integrated with people from many other nations. We are all called, as the people of God, to do our best to understand one another and support each other. As it says in the book of Revelation, the kingdom of heaven will be filled with people of "every nation, race, people, and tongue" (Rev. 7:9). Then there will be no national boundaries, no "Babel-like" linguistic confusions.

The universality of God's heavenly kingdom is reflected in our belief in the Communion of Saints, especially emphasized on Nov. 1 (All Saints Day) and Nov. 2 (All Souls Day). As is prayed in Eucharistic Prayer II for Masses of Reconciliation, "In that new

world, where the fullness of your peace will be revealed, gather people of every race, language and way of life to share in the one eternal banquet with Jesus Christ the Lord."

The qualities of Columbus that the monument in West New York highlights are foresight, faith and courage. Planning ahead to reach one's goal, trusting in God for help and protection, and being ready to bravely meet the challenges that present themselves are excellent traits not only for earthly explorers, but also for all of us who seek one day to cross the "seas" of time to the "shores" of eternity. That will be the ultimate "New World" all of us will rejoice to discover.

(Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Arnhols is pastor of Saint John the Evangelist parish in Bergenfield, and archdiocesan Vicar for Pastoral Life.)

# Savoring call, nourishment of the heavenly banquet

Readings: Is 25:6-10; Ps 23; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14.

**T**he divine plan for humanity and all creation is sublime both in God's intention and in His revelation of its benefits. Its riches are beyond our comprehension, yet the divine teaching is presented with a simplicity that makes it clear to all.

The words of God, expressed in human language, have been made like human discourse, just as of old the Word of the eternal Father, when He took to Himself the weak flesh of humanity, became like other human beings (Vatican Council II, Revelation No. 13).

How could ordinary people long ago learn that eternal life is communion with God in a joyful experience shared with many others? All understood that life is sustained by nourishment, which should be shared, not only with one's family and friends, but with all in need. Thus the meal as a sharing of divine gifts in a community became a symbol of eternal happiness and by the time of Jesus the Passover feast, with its four cups of wine, pointed to the joy of God's kingdom.

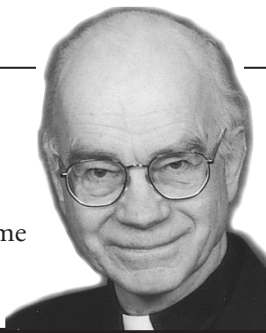
Because the communion sacrifices and the Passover lambs were offered in the Temple on Mount Zion, the followers of Isaiah spoke of God preparing a banquet for all peoples on this very mountain (25:6-10). Simple folk, for whom abundance of good food and wine would be a rare treat, must have relished this symbolism. Quickly the prophet elaborated its meaning: food sustains life, so this feast signifies God's victory over death, that mystery which all people share in common and tend to dread as a grim reality overshadowing all life.

Jesus knew that, in the Jewish tradition, a meal provided an ideal context for elevating people's minds to spiritual realities, so He often led His host and other

## SUNDAY READINGS

28th Sunday of Ordinary Time  
(Oct. 12, 2008)

By Rev. Lawrence Frizzell



guests in discussion of the kingdom. Not only did He provide food and drink for large crowds, either to assist the hungry or to alleviate acute embarrassment, but He also taught that bread and wine would become the signs of his life-giving gift of sacrificial love.

Saint Matthew records a parable wherein Jesus took the wedding feast as a model for His Father's kingdom. Again Jesus challenged the chief priests and elders of the people to respond to the call that He was mediating to them. In those days, before the postal system, messengers, with whom Jesus seemed to identify as great teachers in Israel's history, conveyed the wedding invitation. How often their gracious message was scorned! Sometimes they were abused and even became martyrs for God's Word. Again (as in Mt 21:33-43) Jesus admonished the leaders of His day not to be like some of their predecessors.

If those favored with God's invitation neglect the benefits He offers, his servants will reach out to people who acknowledge that they need the divine gift. Of course, sinners among them would need to repent and strive to conform their lives to the divine will (see

21:31-32). To emphasize the necessity of conversion, the parable ends with a dire warning that complements the admonition to the leaders of the community. All who enter the banquet hall must do their part to become worthy of the honor bestowed on them. The man without a wedding garment represents the person who sins by presuming on God's mercy.

Communion with God is indeed a gracious gift, which cannot be earned by mere human effort. However, once the invitation is delivered it cannot be ignored with impunity. The time of life allotted to each individual is to be used for activating the qualities of the divine image so that, in death, God will recognize His child.

Rabbi Jacob told his disciples: "This world is like a vestibule before the world to come; prepare yourself in the vestibule so that you may enter the banquet hall" (Mishnah Abot 4:21). Indeed, the work of each person to prepare for eternal happiness with God also will benefit others and contribute to the Church's growing readiness for the wedding feast of the Lamb (see Rv 19:7-8).

(Father Lawrence Frizzell is the director of the Institute of Judaeo-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University, South Orange.)

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## Saint Paul

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of leadership at the service of God's people would be assured.

Every privilege has a concomitant responsibility. The gift of God's instruction (Torah) enabled the people to understand the dimensions of their creaturely and filial response. During the First Temple period the tables of the Decalogue were kept in the Ark of the Covenant; an examination of conscience prepared the community for worthy worship (see Psalms 15 and 24). Frequently priests and prophets reminded them that fidelity to the covenant in the details of social exchange was essential to true worship.

While demanding a total response to the Torah, God assured His people of help so that divine plan would be fulfilled. Under the guidance of the Anointed One, Son of David, all humanity would be blessed through the name of Abraham (see Gen 12:3; 17:4-5).

A liturgical proclamation of the Scriptures offers a message to the congregation, whether in the synagogue or church (ekklesia convocation called forth by God's Word), and the passages would be interpreted in a homily for the edification of the listeners. Saint Paul used the same principle as he dictated this epistle. Ancient texts breathed upon those listening to Paul as he wove an argument, or a series of insights, in the light of the Gospels.

Jewish teachers like John the Baptist had insisted that the pedigree "descendant of the patriarchs" called for a life of righteous deeds (Mt 3:7-12). So did Paul (Rom 9:6-13). These days a priest on a bus cringes as an inebriated person sits next to him and proclaims for all to hear: "I used to be an altar boy."

When we read the biblical quotations assembled by Paul, we must recall that he did not see himself as alienated from the Jewish people. After all, he frequented the synagogue during his travels and accepted punishment for misdemeanors of which he was accused. "Five times I have received from the Jews the 40 lashes minus one" (2 Cor 11:24). He was not using the Jewish Bible as an arsenal from which to attack contemporary Jews but, like Jesus (Mt 15:7-9, etc.), wanted to provoke a reflection on the part of his listeners. In a similar situation Christians should be careful not to quote biblical passages against those with whom they disagree as a cheap

way of sealing a debate.

From the patriarchs and matriarchs of Israel (Rom 9:5-11) Paul moved to Pharaoh and the Exodus, when Moses learned that the sacred Name revealed in the burning bush means "God is love and mercy" (Ex 3:14; 33:19; 34:6-7). In the Gospels and in Paul's letters the opponents of Jesus include "the Pharisees," who seek righteousness under the Law (Phil 2:6).

Some may have focused upon the works of obeying the commandments too exclusively, forgetting the underlying divine gift of the Covenant, but others would have understood from the daily prayer using Deut 6:4-5 that the yoke of faith precedes the yoke of the commandments.

In the mid-first century Jews constituted approximately 10 percent of the Mediterranean population; a goodly number must have been striving for eternal life by keeping the commandments (see Mt 19:16-26), as beneficiaries of divine mercy, in accord with Paul's heart's desire and prayer (Rom 10:1). Only God judges the fate of each individual, so the distinctions in Romans 9-11 must be read in the light of the principles elucidated in Rom 2:1-16, for God will repay according to each one's deeds (2:6).

Just as Jesus challenged His listeners with the example of the centurion's faith (Mt 8:10-12), so Paul chose prophetic passages to provoke an examination of conscience concerning complacency or self-righteousness among Jews. But God has not rejected his people (Rom 11:1). Obstinance or stubbornness inhibit a response to the divine will, yet some may be stimulated by jealousy on recognizing that salvation has come to the Gentiles (Rom 11:11).

So that non-Jewish Christians would not become proud or arro-

gant, Paul introduced the image of a venerable olive tree on to which wild branches have been grafted (Rom 11:17-26). The divine plan flows continuously from Abraham and Sarah down through the millennia. The root and trunk support the natural and grafted twigs so that the divine work will prevail in spite of the vicissitudes of history.

In Romans 9-11, "Saint Paul is not concerned with the destiny of individuals, their predestination or reprobation, but the fate and salvific function of two great communities, Israel and the nations" (J.M. Oesterreicher). The Apostle proposed a mystery to his listeners: "A hardening has come upon part of Israel until the full number of the Gentiles has come in and so all Israel will be saved" (Rom 11:25-26). Choosing the Greek word "mystery," Paul referred to the Book of Daniel where the Aramaic term "raz" means the eternal plan of God, long hidden from human probing, but to be revealed for a privileged generation (see Rom 16:25-27).

The animosity resulting from

the challenge of the Gospel to Israel's efforts to be faithful to the Torah (Law of Moses) involves what should be a creative tension between Jews and Christians. From a human perspective they may be enemies, "but as regards election they are beloved, for the sake of the patriarchs; for the gifts and call of God are irrevocable" (Rom 11:28-29). Rather than a judgment about responsibility and guilt of individuals, Paul returns to the profound reality of divine mercy, which will always triumph (see Rom 3:21-26; 9:14-18; 11:30-32).

Whenever the Apostle reached a crescendo in his exposition or celebrated a profound insight, he turned to a paean of praise. Thus, one finds a doxology in Rom 9:5 and 11:33-36. Saint Paul has scrutinized the painful schism between the chosen people, who are living evidence of God's fidelity to ancient promises, and the people created as God the Father's children through Baptism into the Paschal Mystery of Jesus (Rom 6:3-4). In praise of divine wisdom, Paul's celebration of God's fidelity and mercy informs us that all theological discourse, all probing into the meaning of history, should be taken up into prayer.

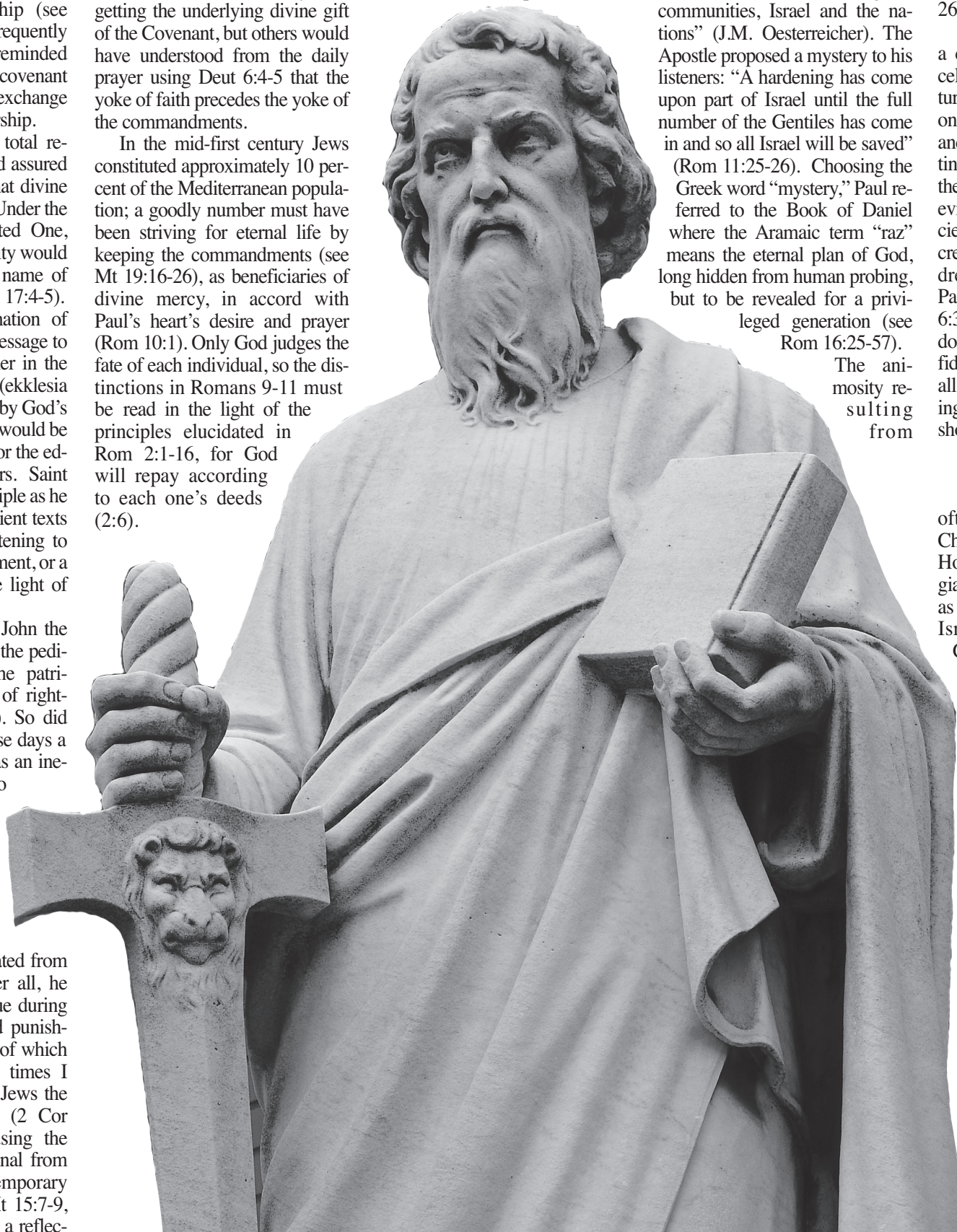
### Conclusion

As we review the long and often painful history of Jewish-Christian interactions, we wonder: How often did Christian theologians and preachers turn to prayer as they attempted to teach about Israel? The Second Vatican Council drew upon certain themes of Romans to lay a foundation for the future.

In gratitude, the Church recalls "that she received the revelation of the Old Testament through the people with whom God in his inexpressible mercy concluded the Ancient Covenant. Nor can she forget that she draws sustenance from the root of that well-cultivated olive tree onto which have been grafted wild shoots, the Gentiles" (*Nostra Aetate* No. 4).

Recalling the promise to Abram that his descendants are called to be a blessing to the world (Gen 12:3), Pope John Paul II exhorted both Christians and Jews "to be first a blessing to one another" (April 16, 1993).

(Father Lawrence Frizzell is the director of the Institute of Judaean-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University, South Orange, and a long-time columnist for The Catholic Advocate.)



Saint Paul the Apostle Parish in Jersey City displays an outdoor statue of Saint Paul. The landmark church, founded by the Paulist community, will celebrate its 150th anniversary in 2011. Saint Paul's writings form a major portion of the New Testament and through them God reveals how to live as disciples in a Christian community, as well as how to engage the world with a confident faith.

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## Programs to shine a 'Spotlight' on faith

The Church of **HOLY TRINITY** Fort Lee gratefully celebrates **Sr. Rose Marie O'Brien, S.C.** on Catechetical Sunday for her generous service to our parish!

AREA—The "Spotlight" series of six education courses organized by the Catechetical Office of the Archdiocese of Newark kicks off this season with "Spotlight on the Old Testament," offered at Our Lady of Peace Parish, 111 South St., New Providence, and "Spotlight on Sacraments," at Saint John the Evangelist Parish, 235 Harrison St., Leonia.

Both courses will begin on Thursday, Oct. 9, 7 to 9 p.m. Sister Kathy Burton, S.S.J., of Saint Joseph of Chestnut Hill, will present the Old Testament course, while Sister Christine Tobin, S.F.C.C., the director of religious education at Saint Paul Parish, Ramsey, will lead the program on sacraments.

Sr. Kathy, the newest member of the catechetical Spotlight team, has served for 28 years as a parish director of religious education in the Archdiocese of Newark—15 years in her present position at Holy Trinity, Westfield, and previously at Saint Andrew Parish, Bayonne, and Saint John the Baptist Parish, Hillsdale.

Spotlight courses will be offered in each of the four counties of the Archdiocese of Newark—Bergen, Essex, Hudson and Union. Most sessions meet in the evening for two hours. This year the option of completing a course in a single-day session on a Saturday, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 99 Broadway, Jersey City, is available.

The topics, locations, dates and

times of courses offered this season include:

- Spotlight on the Old Testament: "Discovering Our Roots and Meeting Our Ancestors in Faith," Thursdays, Oct. 9, 16 and 23, 7-9 p.m. Presenter: Sr. Kathy, at Our Lady of Peace Parish, New Providence

- Spotlight on Sacraments: "The Paschal Mystery: Past, Present, and Future," Thursdays, Oct. 9, 16 and 23, 7-9 p.m. Presenter: Sr. Christine, at Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Leonia

- Spotlight on Sacraments: "The Paschal Mystery: Past, Present and Future" will be presented by Sr. Christine on Saturday, Oct. 25 as a single, full-day course, 9 a.m.–3 p.m., at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Jersey City

- Spotlight on Prayer: "God's Thirst," Tuesdays, Nov. 11, 18 and 25, 7-9 p.m. Presenter: Father Terrence J. Moran, C.S.S.R. (retreat leader, spiritual director, and author with experience in parish,



**Dr. Eugene Tozzi**

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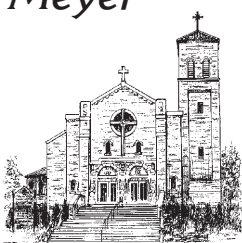
- Spotlight on Morality: Saturday, Jan. 17, 2009, a single, full-day course, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. Presenter: Msgr. Paul L. Bochicchio (pastor of Holy Family Parish, Nutley) at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Jersey City.

Registration for three-week Spotlight courses is \$25 per person. The registration fee for one-day Saturday courses are \$35 per person, which includes lunch. Courses are open to the general public. A certificate is issued for participants after completing each course. Parish catechists and Catholic school religion teachers can earn doctrinal certification from the archdiocesan Catechetical Office by completing the entire series.

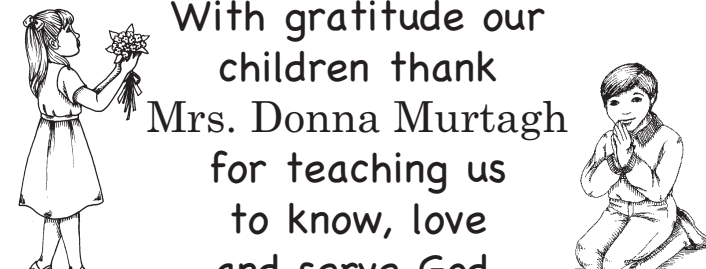
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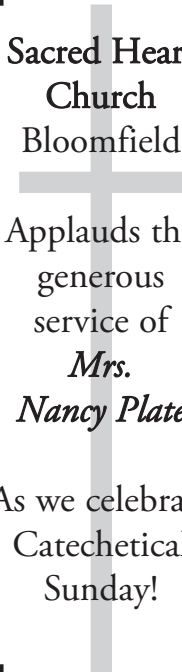
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# World Mission Sunday maps urgent global challenges

BY WARD MIELE  
Managing Editor

NEWARK—With the needs of the mission Church more acute than ever, the long history of the Archdiocese of Newark in support of the less fortunate around the globe while spreading the Gospel will be depended upon as never before.

As he prepares for the annual World Mission Sunday collection the weekend of Oct. 18-19, Rev. Msgr. Robert Fuhrman, director of the archdiocesan Pontifical Mission Societies office, realizes his task is one that is never “fully achieved or completed” due to world conditions.

“People live in profound poverty and, in many cases, have their freedom denied, their faith repressed. This is the life of the missionary of the Church. His or her job is to preach (the Gospel of) Jesus Christ and to serve the people in His holy name,” Msgr. Fuhrman explained.

Interview in his office at the Archdiocesan Center, Msgr. Fuhrman—who also serves as the pastor of Saint Gabriel the

Archangel Parish in Saddle River—is blunt in his assessment of global poverty. “Two thirds of the world is mission territory. With her people, the Church struggles in developing countries, whether in poverty, persecution or some natural crises. We Americans would find it hard to imagine what mission life can involve.”

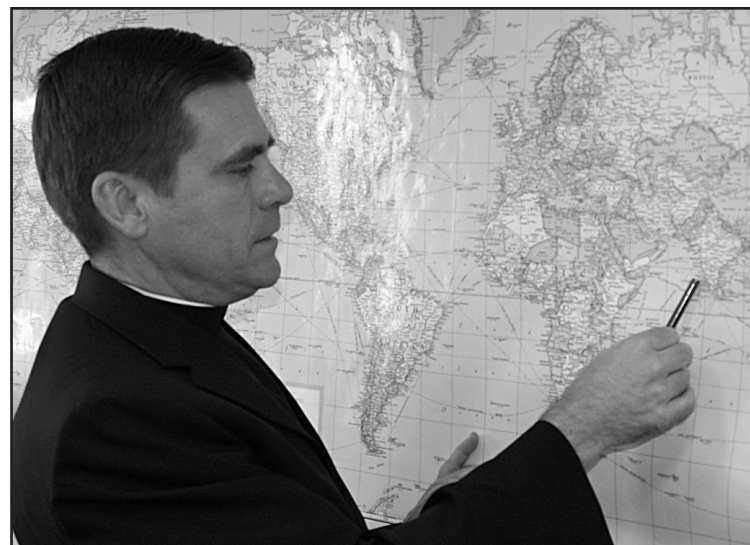
High-profile areas where the mission Church is at work, he went on, are Africa, parts of Latin America and much of Asia. China, Msgr. Fuhrman said, “is a vast land of great potential. Catholic evangelization is essential there, though very, very difficult.”

The Chinese government requires the registration of bishops and church communities, according to reports in Catholic News Service. Some Catholics view this registration requirement as a tool for control and prefer to exercise the faith in a semiclandestine manner. Pope Benedict XVI, last August, while visiting the birthplace of an Italian missionary to China, said that as China’s economic, cultural and political influence grows “it is important that this great na-

tion opens itself to the Gospel.”

The local Pontifical Mission Societies director sees the purpose of his office as that of recognizing “all people are equal in God’s sight.” As a result, he explained, there is a very real obligation to “share resources” thereby enabling the poor and oppressed to “hear the Gospel and experience the sacraments.” Doing so, Msgr. Fuhrman stressed, results in the Church “fulfilling its mission as given by Jesus.”

The worldwide locales in which the mission Church ministers, Msgr. Fuhrman lamented, are where conditions are only getting worse. He used as examples parts of India, central Africa, Indonesia and Haiti. It is interesting to note people from these remote parts of the world regularly relocate to the four counties of the Archdiocese of Newark, making it one of the most culturally diverse corners of the United States. Considering this spiritual connection, even though the Pontifical Mission Societies targets assistance to those in far-off lands, the work and challenges profoundly resonate here in the archdiocese.



Advocate photo—Ward Miele

Msgr. Robert Fuhrman, director of the archdiocesan Pontifical Mission Societies office, points to India on his world map, where the mission Church is hard at work. The annual World Mission Sunday collection will take place the weekend of Oct. 18-19. It is, he stressed, the “most important” fund-raiser of the year.

On any given day, examples of a suffering people that take on staggering proportions addressed by the mission Church can be found in poignant letters piled high on Msgr. Fuhrman’s desk. For example, in one typewritten letter, Rev. Msgr. Daniel Vilerior from the seminary of Saint Pius X in

Roxas City, the Philippines, asks for financial help “because our parish is poor.” Current economic conditions and the “oil crisis,” Msgr. Vilerior wrote, have adversely affected the faithful and local clergy. A similar request came in a letter from the bishop of

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## World Mission Sunday

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Tambura-Yambio Diocese in the extreme southern portion of the war-torn African nation of Sudan.

Father V. John Bosco from Holy Cross Parish in the Kurnool District of India submitted a handwritten letter. Where he ministers, Father Bosco said with regret, "Christians are living as coolies (menial laborers) at the hands of high-caste people." In his parish, Fr. Bosco goes on, most of the faithful are from the lower caste. Stressing his efforts to educate the children, many of whom are orphans.

Several distinct entities make up the Pontifical Mission Societies. Probably best known is the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, which provides the means for the Church to function. The Society of Saint Peter the Apostle supports the education and formation of Religious

and clergy. Under the guidance of Sister Arline Zurich, O.S.B. in the Archdiocese of Newark, the Holy Childhood Association cultivates the concept of "children helping children."

Help for the small and sometimes persecuted Catholic minority comes through the Catholic Near East Welfare Association. Each year a small percentage of the archdiocesan World Mission Sunday collection is sent as humanitarian aid to the Middle East, northeast Africa, India and Eastern Europe. Other facets the Pontifical Mission Societies include Mass offerings, designate gifts and legacy donations.

Msgr. Fuhrman was emphatic in explaining that his office insisted on the faithful "knowing where their money goes through a completely transparent process." The foundation of that process is the procedure under which funds

are forwarded to the Papal Nuncio in each mission country, which in turn makes its way to the district bishops.

"That is the right way to do it," Msgr. Fuhrman said, pointing out the system has "very low overhead. We're serious about frugality."

Still, he regrets, "demand is outstripping supply but a donation of \$25 on World Mission Sunday could bring great relief to an orphanage in India or a medical clinic in Oceania. We may forget how far our offerings can go." Msgr. Fuhrman said a bishop recently visited him from Dindigal in southern India who was appointed three years ago and as yet does not have any kind of office. The "chancery" where he works is the hallway of a building.

From the perspective of the Archdiocese of Newark, noted Msgr. Fuhrman, there is the constant striving to help the missions by "cultivating prayer." There must also be the recognition, he stressed, to be in "solidarity with the poor" in conjunction with "joyful giving." World Mission Sunday, he wanted everyone to know, is the "most important" fund-raiser of the year. In urging the faithful to be generous, Msgr. Fuhrman said the poor sacrifice to help those in even worse circumstances. His parish, he said, is the "most generous" in the archdiocese.

Citing the current tough economic conditions facing the country, Msgr. Fuhrman is convinced that "when you give to the poor you are rewarded."

## Spotlight

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or by e-mail (tozzieug@rcan.org) to request a brochure or to register for a course. Brochures also are available in many parish, religious education and school offices and on the Catechetical Office Web site (www.rcan.org/catechet).

Tozzi explained Spotlight courses are not intended to offer exhaustive treatments of their subjects, but rather are designed to

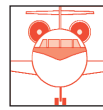
provide an introduction that provide basic insight into the material and allow participants to pursue further learning on their own.

Two new courses will appear under the title "Spotlight on the Scriptures," which will focus on the Old and the New Testament.

Due to the new course rotation schedule, "Spotlight on Faith" will not be offered again until the fall of 2009. The new "Spotlight on the New Testament" course will be offered in New Providence in March 2009.



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## St. Joseph to mark 100 years

HACKENSACK—Most Rev. John W. Flesey, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, will be the main celebrant for a special noon Mass on Sunday, Oct. 26 to begin the centennial celebration of Saint Joseph Parish. The parish, which turns 100 next year, is located at 460 Hudson St. Everyone is invited. For additional information call (201) 440-3224.

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# Art exhibit illustrates faith of Georges Rouault

SOUTH ORANGE — Seton Hall University's (SHU) Walsh Gallery, in conjunction with the Center for Catholic Studies, is hosting an exhibition of artwork by French painter and print-maker Georges Rouault, which runs through Oct. 26.

As a complement to the exhibit, a Msgr. J.M. Oesterreicher Memorial Lecture, "Chagall and Rouault: Paintings of the Crucifixion," which will be held on Sunday, Oct. 26 at 2 p.m., followed by a closing reception.

The display at SHU, which opened last month, marks the 50th anniversary of the artist's death. A foremost 20th century religious artist, Rouault (1871-1958) is renowned for blending spiritual and secular traditions in a way that had not been seen since the Renaissance.

Through his involvement in the French Catholic Revival movement of the early 20th century and his observations of the poor and oppressed of society, Rouault developed a concern with sin and re-

demption that is reflected in the original prints of this exhibition. He is also known for his thoughtful depictions of biblical subjects.

The exhibition traces his early career with the influential print series "Miserere et Guerre" and highlights of later works, exploring themes of human suffering linked with Christ's passion and the promise of redemption.

Jeanne Brasile, Walsh Gallery director, curated the exhibition, which includes 35 works from various lenders, including The Museum of Contemporary Religious Art at St. Louis University, The Godwin-Ternbach Museum at Queens College, and The Spaightwood Galleries of Upton, Massachusetts.

SHU joins a world community

of institutions mounting current exhibits in honor of Rouault, including the Centre Pompidou and the Pinacothèque in Paris, museums in Italy and Japan, and the McMullen Museum at Boston College.

"The Walsh Gallery is fortunate to have the opportunity to show art of such renown," Brasile said. "I think visitors will leave the show with a respect for the meticulous manner in which Rouault executed his prints, as well as the thought-provoking subject matter which remains timely despite its creation decades ago."

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French artist Georges Rouault believed an artist should respect his "interior vision," according to notes from the SHU Walsh Gallery exhibit program. Rather than simply copy nature, Rouault felt an artist should instead find elements to express emotion. Exhibit curator Jeanne Brasile said the artist's images of Christ on the cross as well as secular themes reveal Rouault's belief that suffering can lead to salvation. Despite the hardships of poverty he faced in his lifetime during the post-Franco-Prussian War period, Rouault remained optimistic, fortified by his faith, Brasile said. The exhibit concludes on Oct. 26.

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## Long-distance call

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about gaining pastoral experience," remembers Fr. Omukaga, who came to Church of the Nativity in Midland Park from Leuven, recalled.

The absolute importance of fostering the pastoral experience was emphasized as well to Fr. Kallinkel who was at the Collegio San Paolo in Rome. He was, Fr. Kallinkel stressed, anxious to be exposed to Catholic organizations

that flourish in this country. He was assigned to Saint James Parish in Springfield.

Influencing Fr. Thattil's decision was a trip last year to the National Conference of Priests in Miami that impressed him with its openness. Serving at Holy Cross Parish in Harrison, Fr. Thattil, who came here via the Diocese of Jales in Brazil, wanted to expand his priestly experience.

Serving as a missionary in

India, Fr. Joseph noted that he "wanted to experience Church life in another part of the world." In the area of India where ministers, he said there are Christians but most are Baptist. Catholics, he lamented, are looked upon "with suspicion." Where he ministers, Fr. Joseph added, the school has 2,800 students most of whom are illiterate. There are also 18 tribes all with their own language. He is convinced his service as an adjunct clergy at Saint Raphael Parish, Livingston, will be extremely useful with

his pastoral duties in India.

Assigned to Saint John the Baptist Parish in Bergenfield, Fr. Chu, who came to the archdiocese via Spain, was struck by the different cultures he was exposed to during the summer assignment.

Fr. Foto, who was assigned to Holy Name of Jesus Parish in East

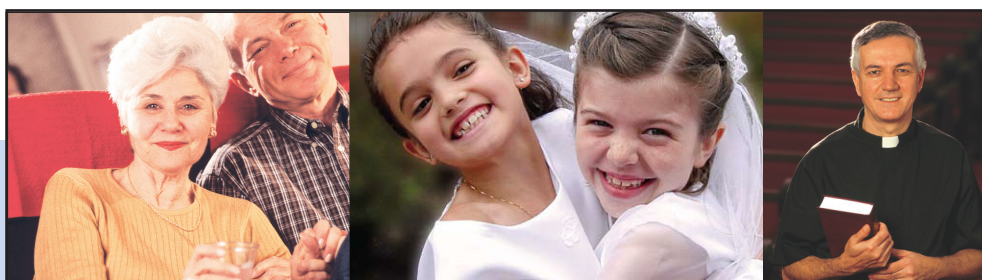
Orange, was anxious to nurture his pastoral work. While at the Collegio San Paolo, he had the feeling that with 200 other priests he was "more like a student than a priest." He said too he felt very much at home in the United States.

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# Summer adjunct clergy

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many positive experiences, adjunct clergy face numerous challenges. Most were awestruck by the rapid pace of life in the Garden State. For example, Fr. Pikulinski was struck by the high activity level of people, which he admitted was "a bit overwhelming." Far from the religious aspect of his stay, Fr. Pikulinski added with a chuckle, another major challenge was crossing the street in midtown Manhattan.

One of the initial obstacles he faced, explained Fr. Omukaga, was how fast Americans speak. Still he was immediately struck by the deep spiritual community life at the parish level and the true humility of his fellow priests.

The language situation was also a concern for Fr. Kallinkel. He recalled with a laugh that before he left for the United States he was advised that if he could not initially understand something said to him he should simply respond: "sorry." Fr. Kallinkel emphasized the fact of how well he was accepted at Saint James Parish.

Learning about the Brazilian/Portuguese mix at his parish, Fr.

Thattil pointed out, was a time in which he appreciated the patience of the parishioners.

In his native India, Fr. Joseph said, Mass can last 75 minutes. When he was told that here Mass had to be concluded in 45 minutes, initially he was worried.

The secular media in his country, Fr. Foto noted, led him to expect that the United States was extremely secularized. To his great satisfaction, he quickly learned that is not the case. Much like Fr. Joseph, Fr. Foto also had to adjust to the tighter Mass schedules in this country.

Overall, the adjunct clergy expressed great joy and appreciation for the life experiences they gained while working in the archdiocese. After the seminary, Fr. Braga mused, his first assignment was teaching in the seminary. As an adjunct clergy, he said, he has had the opportunity to actually gain pastoral experience in his first parish.

"The Church is one big family," Fr. Braga declared, adding that his time as an adjunct clergy has left him feeling "appreciated and affirmed." His ministry in the Archdiocese of Newark, he



Father Davy Thattil

emphasized, "has done more for my pastoral experience than any other place."

His time spent in the archdiocese, Fr. Pikulinski said, enriched the experience of his priesthood. From his pastor at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Fr. Pikulinski continued, "I have learned how to appreciate my priesthood." In Europe, he added, there is the mistaken belief, reinforced by some news organizations, that Americans are a "spoiled people." That is simply not true, he said. "I met a lot of very good people in the parish," he said, noting how impressed he is with the "sacrifice and energy" of the lay people.

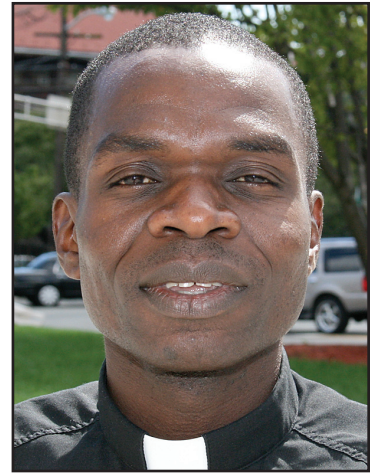


Father Jerzy Pikulinski

Fr. Omukaga said his visit has excited him as to the "meaning of Catholicism." He too cited the world's view of the United States as "negative," especially among the media in the Third World—a false portrait, he declared. "I dreamed about coming to the United States and prayed I would not die before I came here," he said.

His faith, Fr. Kallinkel stressed, was affirmed through his service in the Archdiocese of Newark. "It has nourished my spirituality."

Fr. Thattil was impressed with the "attitude" of the priests and parishioners. The people, he explained, are so very "open-




Father Lastborn Foto

minded" to all cultures. Making tremendous impressions on him as well were the religious fervor of the faithful.

Without doubt, Fr. Joseph said his heart was touched by the hospitality of his fellow priests and parishioners. "I enjoyed their deep faith and generosity. The Church runs on the generosity of the people which stems from their great faith."

His time as an adjunct clergy said Fr. Chu will absolutely "help me in the future as a priest." He took special note of the "empowerment" of the laity, the great activity level of parish organizations and the support of the other priests.




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# Healthcare

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tions have been sponsors. Hope Ministries is comprised of both lay people and women religious.

In addition to Saint Michael's Medical Center, the other healthcare facilities sponsored by Hope Ministries include Saint Mary Medical Center, Langhorne, PA; Saint Agnes Continuing Care Center, Philadelphia; Saint Francis Hospital, Wilmington, DE; Saint Francis Medical Center, Trenton; Nazareth Hospital, Philadelphia;

and Global Health Ministry, Newtown Square.

Going forward, Saint Michael's will function as the hub of Catholic healthcare services for New Jersey's largest city. The Oct. 17 transfer is the culmination of new sponsorship and planned expansion for Saint Michael's Medical Center—a plan that was unveiled earlier this year (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Jan. 23). The plan includes the shuttering of healthcare services at Columbus Hospital and the establishment of a new healthcare mission for Saint James Hospital.

Last May Saint James, located at 115 Jefferson St., was recast as a "campus" for Saint Michael's, providing inpatient and outpatient support services along with 24-hour satellite emergency capabilities (see *The Catholic Advocate*, May 7). There will be transportation between the two sites, by ambulance or free shuttle, providing access to these services. Operations have been closed at Columbus Hospital, 495 North 13th St. Cathedral Healthcare System previously had managed Saint James, Columbus and Saint Michael's.

CHE proffered a letter of intent in June 2007 to sponsor Saint Michael's. The due-diligence process that followed revealed a poor and deteriorating financial picture of Cathedral Healthcare's three-hospital system in Newark.

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Father Louis J. Molinelli, S.D.B. 79, school director and president, will induct seven alumni into the Don Bosco Prep Hall of Fame.

Tickets for the event are priced at \$165 per person and can be reserved by calling the Don Bosco advancement office at (201) 327-2049. The public is invited to attend. Sponsorships are available to support the gala.

Honorees at the gala will include Joseph Carabello, a Don Bosco graduate who currently serves as the president and chief executive officer of CPR Strategic Marketing Communications, Elmwood Park. Kevin Diverio, Don Bosco Prep Head

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The gala will recognize the Santangelo Family, including Michael (Class of 1980), Thomas (Class of 1982), John, Jr. (Class of 1990) and John, Sr., an alumni parent. A posthumous induction will be made in honor of Rev. Francis Szeszol, S.D.B., a 1921 alumnus and athletic director of Don Bosco Prep from 1927-1939.

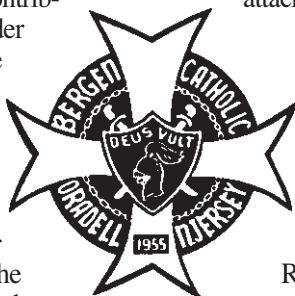
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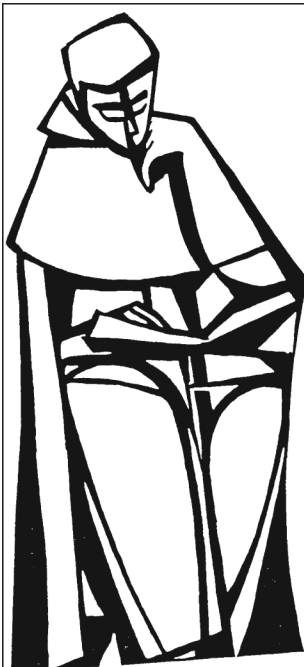
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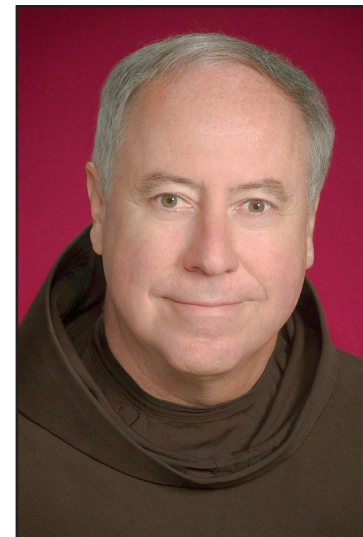
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## Obituaries

### Sr. Damien, 91

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Sr. Damien entered the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace in 1936 and pronounced final vows in 1941. Her assignments in the archdiocese included; Holy Name Hospital, Teaneck; Saint Joseph's Home for the Blind, Jersey City; Barbara Givernaud Orphanage, North Bergen; and Saint Joseph's Home for Boys, Englewood Cliffs.

### Sr. Ellen Jean, 81

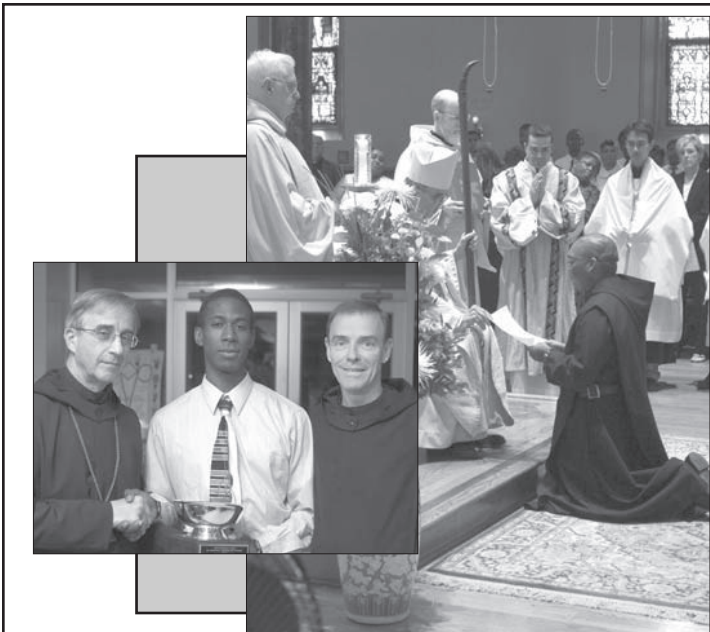
Holy Family Chapel, Convent Station, celebrated a Mass of Christian Burial on Sept. 22 for Sister Ellen Jean Beronio, S.C., 81, who died on Sept. 17.

Born in Hoboken, Sr. Ellen entered the Sisters of Charity in 1945 and was a member for 63 years. Her assignments in the archdiocese included: Saint Mary Elementary School, Nutley, teacher and principal; Saint Lucy School, Jersey City, principal; and Saint Paul of the Cross School, Jersey City, principal.

### Sr. Pasqualina, 92

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Sept. 25 at Saint Lucy Chapel at Villa Walsh, Morristown, for Sister Pasqualina Mazzatenta, M.P.F., 92, who died on Sept. 22.

Sr. Pasqualina entered the Religious Teachers Filippini in 1934 and made her religious profession in 1938. She taught the middle and upper grades in the several archdiocesan schools including Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Orange; Holy Rosary, Jersey City; Our Lady of the Assumption, Bayonne; and Saint Bartholomew, Scotch Plains.



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This 800-year anniversary also serves as an opportunity for men to consider the vocation ministry of the Franciscan Friars of the Holy Name Province. The provincial office of Holy Name Province is located at 129 West 31st St., New York; phone: (646) 473-0265. Father Brian Smail (ext. 352) is the vocations director.

Catholics around the world, on Oct. 4, celebrated the feast day of this remarkable patron saint of many causes—not only of animals, the environment and peace, but also of families, merchants, against dying alone and even the state of Colorado.

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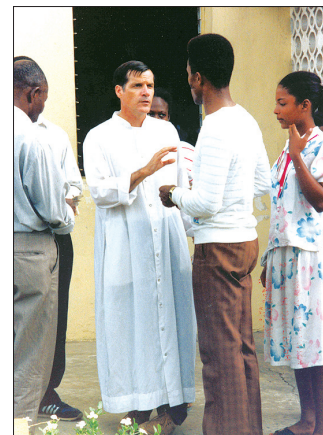
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(Father John O'Connor, O.F.M., is the Provincial Minister of the Holy Name Province, the largest group of Franciscan Friars

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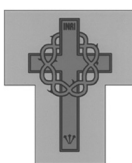
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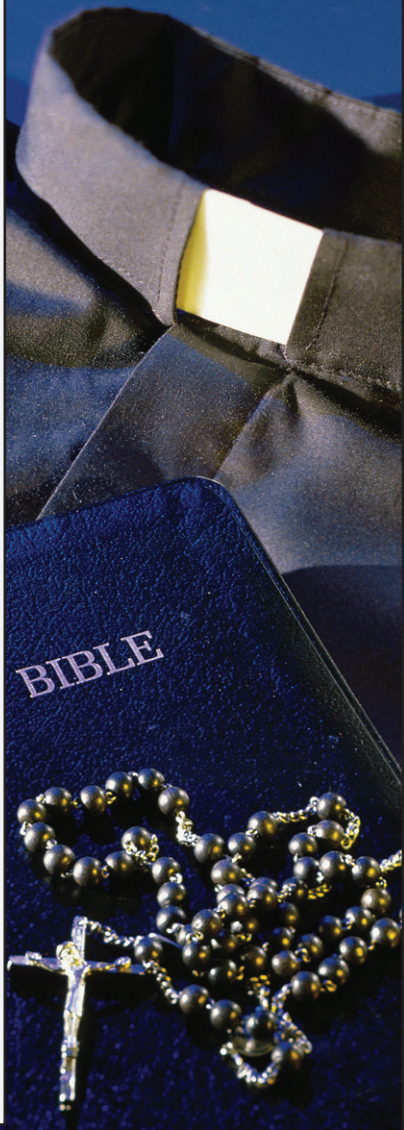

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M.T.

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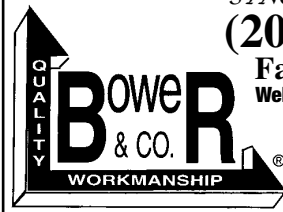
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**GLOBAL MISSION**—Bishop Manuel A. Cruz (left) on Sept. 18 visited Assumption College for Sisters, Mendham (Web site: [www.acs350.org](http://www.acs350.org)), where close to 40 Sisters are pursuing studies toward an Associate in Arts degree. Sister Mary Joseph Schultz, S.C.C., Assumption president (pictured with Bishop Cruz) highlighted the college's global mission, explaining that Assumption provides full scholarships to over 30 Sisters from countries such as the Philippines, Vietnam, Poland, Zimbabwe and Namibia to serve in health-care and education ministries. Bishop Cruz praised the mission of the college and encouraged the Sisters on the importance of their studies in service to the poor, saying that through their hands God's love is made known.



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## Cathedral concert Nov. 2 to celebrate All Souls Day

NEWARK—Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Newark will present a concert Sunday, Nov. 2, 4 p.m., at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 89 Ridge St., featuring the Cathedral Chamber Orchestra and Cathedral Choir.

The concert, in remembrance of All Souls Day and to honor the faithful departed, features the 40-member choir and 25-member orchestra under the direction of John Miller, director of music ministries and director of music for the Cathedral Basilica, who serves in the archdiocesan Office of Divine Worship.

"This performance is intended to be a source of comfort and consolation for all those who are grieving the loss of a loved one," Andrew P. Schafer, executive director of Catholic Cemeteries for the Archdiocese of Newark, said.

Upon entering the Cathedral Basilica, guests will be invited, if they choose, to enroll names of their deceased loved ones into the Book of Remembrance. A free-will offering will be received. No tickets are required and the public is invited to attend.

The concert is sponsored in part by a grant from Catholic Cemeteries. Call the Cathedral music office at (973) 484-2400 or visit the Web site ([www.cathedralbasilica.org](http://www.cathedralbasilica.org)) for details.

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## Chris Christie to address Serra Club

SOUTH ORANGE — U.S. Attorney for New Jersey Chris Christie will be the featured speaker at the Serra Club International District 22's Communion breakfast on Sunday, Oct. 19.

The breakfast will be held in the main lounge of the Student Center at Seton Hall University following a 9:30 a.m. Mass, which will be celebrated by Most Rev. Edgar da Cunha, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, at nearby Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.

Tickets for the Serra Club Communion breakfast are priced at \$20 for adults and \$10 for children. Contact Joseph Pagano at (201) 424-6773, RoseMarie Deehan (973) 762-6180 or John Scibetta (201) 332-8657 or at [jtschibetta@verizon.net](mailto:jtschibetta@verizon.net) for more information on the event.

Christie, currently serving in his seventh year as the chief law enforcement officer for New Jersey, is a graduate of Seton Hall University Law School, Newark, where he received a Juris Doctor degree in 1987. He was admitted to the Bar in New Jersey and of the United States District Court for New Jersey that same year.

He was nominated to be a United States attorney Dec. 7, 2001 by President George W. Bush. He was unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate on Dec. 20 and sworn into office on Jan. 12, 2002.

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## Workshop to 'define' career targets

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The workshops are open to the public and parish membership is not a pre-requisite to attend. Held

in the parish's lower church meeting room, the workshop is designed to help people find employment or advance their careers. Ministry members are professionals in the employment field.

"Define Your Target Market" is the topic of the upcoming workshop. A question-and-an-

swer session will follow the formal presentation. Those planning to attend should bring their most recent resume or job experience information.

Last month the Career Resources Ministry workshop discussed "Create Your Communications Strategy and Resume," which focused on resume writing (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Sept. 17). Additional topics will be addressed in the coming months for those seeking employment.

For additional information call Carol Shea at (201) 447-4215.



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**ANNIVERSARY ANGELS**—Sacred Heart Elementary School, 181 Bayview Ave., Jersey City, will celebrate its 95th anniversary on Sunday, Oct. 26, 4-8 p.m., with a gala dinner/dance and fund-raiser at Harborside Financial Center Atrium, 153 Plaza II Hudson Street, Jersey City. Tickets are priced at \$125 per person. Sacred Heart students are pictured writing messages on decorative angel's wings in preparation for the event. Contact Maureen Bell Broglia at (201) 445-7508 (e-mail: mbrogia@mac.com) for reservations.

## Monument to honor late pontiff

WALLINGTON — Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 127 Paterson Ave., will mark the anniversary date of the election of Pope John Paul II with a monument dedicated to the late pontiff on Saturday, Oct. 18.

The ceremony will begin 4 p.m. followed by a multilingual Mass of Thanksgiving. Most Rev. John W. Flesey, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, will be the celebrant. A reception will follow. Call Mary Jane at (201) 939-8576 or Ginny at (201) 804-3995 for information.

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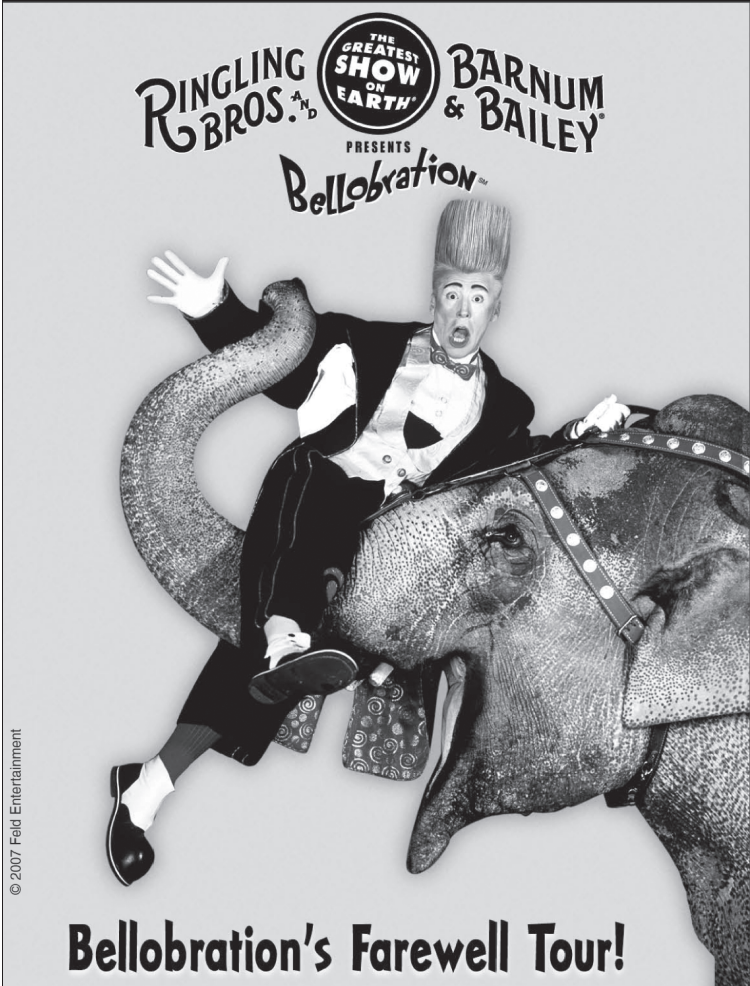
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**Family spirituality center responds to pontiff's call**

SOUTH ORANGE—Seton Hall University's (SHU) Immaculate Conception Seminary has launched a new Catholic Center for Family Spirituality, inspired by the life and teachings of Pope John Paul II.

Through a grant from the William E. Simon Foundation, the center will focus on the spiritual foundations of family life and explore ways to meet the many challenges and stresses in today's society.

The center is designed to respond to the challenge of Pope John Paul II to create new institutes dedicated to theological and pastoral dimensions of family life. Experts in the field will offer retreats, courses, lectures and book club meetings.

A Summer Institute for Family Spirituality will function as the center's cornerstone for activities and education. The summer institute will offer classes such as Theology and Spirituality of

Marriage; The Family as Domestic Church; Pope John Paul II and the Family; and Theology of the Body.

Courses will be held at the seminary on SHU's campus; Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Jersey City; Saint Henry's Parish, Bayonne; and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood.

The center was created through the collaboration of two seminary professors: Dr. Dianne Traflet, associate dean; and the late Deacon William Toth, associate professor of Christian Ethics. Dr. Toth suffered a fatal heart attack earlier this year, as plans for the center were being finalized (see *The Catholic Advocate*, March 19).

For more information about the Catholic Center for Family Spirituality, e-mail the SHU School of Theology at: [theology@shu.edu](mailto:theology@shu.edu) or call Andrew Saunders, co-director of the center, at (973) 313-6335.



Advocate photo—Ward Miele

**LEARNING EXPERIENCE**—A young man carefully peruses material from an archdiocesan high school during the first of two "High School Expo" programs Sept. 24 at the Archdiocesan Center in Newark. For sixth through eighth grade students and their parents, the informal setting features school administrators, staff and students on hand to share information and answer questions. "High School Expo is a great opportunity for busy parents to get an overview of many Catholic secondary schools at once," Laura Cristiano, director of marketing for schools, said. "One-on-one conversations with admissions officers and students help parents to decide on which school to investigate further based on their child's needs."

**UCHS unveils lab and plans open house**

SCOTCH PLAINS—Union Catholic Regional High School (UCHS), 1600 Martine Ave., opened its doors for the new school year last month to over 800 students, unveiling new building enhancements and academics programs.

UCHS will host an open house Thursday, Nov. 6, 7 p.m. for students in grades six through eight. Contact Betsy Thornton, Union Catholic director of admissions, at (908) 889-1600 ext. 302, for details.

Among the new facilities is a physics lab equipped with special lab tables to accommodate student laptop computers. The lab also features "Smart Board" technology, which enhances teacher/student interaction.

As for new academic programs being launched this year, sophomores will participate in "math essentials," which is based on the success of a freshman program. Sophomores will receive two periods per week of math skill instruction, in addition to their regularly scheduled math classes.

Other capital improvement projects include refurbishment of student bathrooms and the addition of a handicapped-accessible bathroom near the gymnasium entrance; the installation of new shades in all the classrooms; new ceiling and lighting in the cafeteria hallway; renovation of the balcony of the gymnasium; and the opening of a new campus ministry center.



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# CSE lauds Zavada with President's Award

MORRISTOWN — The College of Saint Elizabeth (CSE) presented its 2008 "President's Award" to Mary R. Zavada, a member of the CSE Class of 1957, on Sept. 25 at the Madison Hotel.

The CSE President's Award is given each year to an individual who has provided outstanding service and support in connection with the efforts and activities of the president of the College. The CSE President's Council includes the college's most dedicated benefactors.

A resident of West New York, Zavada graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in English. Honored by the CSE Alumnae/i Association in 2007 for her accomplishments and dedication to the College, Zavada served as class chair for the College Capital Campaign. She was also a member of the Arts Exploratory Committee for the College's Annunciation Center, an Arts and Education Building, which was opened in August 2007.

"Mary's generosity, enthusiasm and supportive spirit speak volumes about her loyalty and commitment to the college and to our students," Sister Francis Raftery, President of CSE, said at the awards ceremony. "It is



Mary R. Zavada

with deep respect and appreciation that the college is proud to bestow this year's President's Award upon her."

In 1998, Zavada established the Sophie Majowicz Zavada Memorial Scholarship at the College in honor of her mother. Since its inception, this CSE scholarship has benefited a number of deserving students. One of them, Michaela Levandoski, CSE Class of 2002, said Zavada's generosity "helped make my dream of gaining a quality education come true." Levandoski, who received Educational Leadership Certification from Seton Hall

University, South Orange, works as a learning consultant at the Plainfield public school system

Zavada attended CSE on a four-year, full-tuition scholarship from the Paterson Diocese. As a senior, she won first prize in the Prix de Paris contest, a national editorial and writing talent search among college women sponsored by Vogue Magazine. In 1959

she earned a master's degree in creative writing from DePaul University, Chicago. Her articles have appeared in numerous publications, including Vogue magazine and *The New York Times*.

In 1962, she received a grant from the Washington, D.C. branch of the English-Speaking Union to study British contemporary literature, music and art at the

University of London. She later returned to London to study British contemporary drama and work as a feature writer for United Press International.

The New York Chapter of Women in Communications in 1984 selected Zavada as one of the 60 outstanding women in communications working in the metropolitan area. In 1997, Zavada retired as vice president of publications at the Insurance Information Institute, New York.



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# Saint Anne's school wins award for 'Walk to Jerusalem' project

FAIR LAWN — *Today's Catholic Teacher*, the prestigious national education publication, has named Saint Anne's School as "Catholic School of the Month" in its October edition. The magazine, based in Dayton, OH, cited the school for excellence in its "Walk to Jerusalem" project.

"As the recipient of recognition in *Today's Catholic Teacher*, we are especially proud of the time and effort that went into the 'Walk to Jerusalem' project," Principal Loretta Stachiotti said. "Part of our mission is to acknowledge the diversity in the backgrounds of our students and attempt to provide them with an environment where common Gospel values are instilled.

"The 'Walk to Jerusalem' was a perfect chance to break open the Word of God and explore it as it applies to us and others," she continued. "This project gave us the opportunity to stretch our brains and our borders as we learned about people of different cultures. It made us more aware of how different we are, but how similar we are as well."

Combining educational, spiritual and healthful experiences, students and faculty at Saint Anne School "traveled" to the far-away land of Jerusalem without venturing far from school grounds. The estimated 40,000-mile "Walk to Jerusalem" trip was a symbolic journey as students walked and exercised their way to the Holy Land.

Parents were encouraged to continue the journey at home as a family project. Students added to their mileage by walking around the immediate school neighborhood. The students' itinerary included Morocco, Algeria, Libya, Egypt and Israel. Their concluding celebration coincided with the 60th anniversary of Israel as a nation.

Students researched countries along the way



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Loretta Stachiotti, principal of Saint Anne's School (top, center), celebrates the "Catholic School of the Month" award with students. The elementary school (Web site: www.stannenj.com), with an enrollment of 314 students, will mark its 60th anniversary next year.

during social studies classes, exploring history, geography and culture. Students also focused on weekly devotions and Scripture passages designed to explore their Catholic Faith and their response to other religions.

Eighth grader Cody Porcoro said "my teacher encourages us to live the Scripture quotes in our daily lives." Classmate Victoria Rosenthal added that "we need to understand how the different religions are connected because they all believe in God, no matter what they call Him."

"What we learned most is that we are essentially very similar in our need for and appreciation of family and friendship no matter where in the world we live," second grade teacher Andrea LoBue said.

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# Overseeing 15 years of growth, Sister Patrice to retire in June

CALDWELL — Caldwell College President Sister Patrice Werner, O.P., Ph.D., will retire June 30, 2009, marking the end of three terms as leader of the college. Sr. Patrice made the announcement last month at a Caldwell College staff and faculty meeting.

“It is my privilege to have served as president for what will be 15 years,” she wrote in a letter to the college community, adding that her heart is filled with gratitude “for the tremendous things we have done together, you and I as a campus community, to advance the college and better serve our students.”

A formal search is underway

for a new president to assume office on July 1, 2009.

A member of the Sisters of Saint Dominic of Caldwell, Sr. Patrice has been at Caldwell College for over 35 years. Prior to becoming president, she held several administrative positions on campus, including director of continuing education, chair of the Foreign Languages Department, prefect in Mother Joseph Residence Hall and academic dean.

During her tenure as president, Sr. Patrice has steered major growth and expansion in all areas of campus life while promoting the mission of the Catholic Dominican College. Those accomplishments include an ex-

panded graduate program, substantial enrollment increases and facility and technology expansion.

Under her leadership, Caldwell College became a fully accredited member of the NCAA Division II and today the athletics department has 11 varsity programs and many scholar-athletes. She has overseen the addition of a number of facilities on campus including: The George R. Newman Recreation and Athletic Center, the 60,000

square-foot center that features a 1,600 seat basketball arena; a new entrance to campus directly from Bloomfield Avenue; a new state-of-the-art apartment style residence hall—Dominican Hall; a new academic building; and completely renovated science labs.

Graduate programs that have been added during Sr. Patrice’s leadership include a master’s degree in applied behavior analysis (ABA), which is a treatment for autism—the first master’s program in ABA in the state of New Jersey.

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# Saint Joseph to put out welcome mat

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The open-house program will include a tour of the school along with information on its academic and extra-curricular offerings. Members of the faculty, coaching staff and student leaders will be available to answer questions. Call the school at (201) 864-9700 for more information on the event.

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(Web site: [www.saintjoseph-wny.com](http://www.saintjoseph-wny.com)) is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The co-ed institution, which has approximately 250 students, is a member of the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association.

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**LOOK OUT U.S. OPEN**—Ellen Pulsinelle, a senior at Immaculate Conception High School, Lodi, and a member of Saint Mary's Parish, Rutherford, launched a tennis program at the local Boys and Girls Club as her Girl Scout Gold Award project. The award is equivalent to Eagle Scout for Boy Scouts. She is co-captain of her school's varsity tennis team and was named this past season's MVP. Before starting the program she attended a United States Tennis Association (USTA) seminar on a new effort, "Quick Start," designed to teach youngsters the game. The USTA's Junior Tennis Association funded the program.

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# Drive aims to quench the thirst of soldiers

SUMMIT—Joe Macri, a junior at Oratory Preparatory School, is calling upon his fellow students and area residents to help him quench the thirst of U.S. soldiers far from home.

“Our soldiers have asked if we could supply them with Gatorade or Powerade so I have encouraged my fellow students to bring in donations of powdered drinks,” Macri said. “I am collecting donations of powdered flavored drinks to fulfill their request.”

Donations must be in powder form suitable for shipping. A Union County American Legion Post has offered its help. Boxes of powdered drink packets may be dropped off at the main office of Oratory Prep School, 1 Beverly Rd., from 8 a.m. 4 p.m. or the American Legion at 1003 North Ave., Westfield, after 2 p.m. In addition to the drinks, monetary donations are being accepted. Checks should be made payable to the Westfield American Legion.

Macri is the son of Theresa and Stephen Macri. “One of my friend’s two older brothers enlisted in the service. They write home all the time saying that they wish they had something other than water to drink,” he said. “These powdered drinks will give them a little variety and will let them know we are thinking of them. Our soldiers ask for very little and they are protecting us on a daily basis.”



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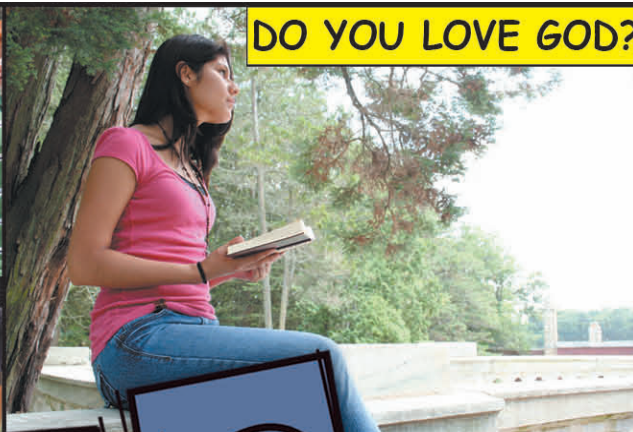
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