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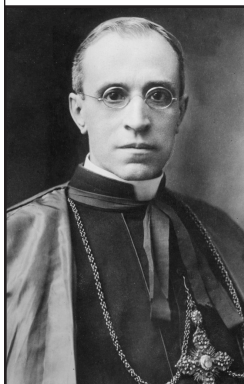
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Medical innovations at area hospitals help enhance the quality of life for families in the Archdiocese of Newark.

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Speaking out on ministry of Pope Pius XII

South Orange educator reviews facts on pontiff who led Church during the dark years of World War II.

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NEW JEWEL AT SHU—A Mass of Dedication was held Oct. 31 to celebrate the restored Chapel of the Immaculate Conception at Seton Hall University, South Orange. Opened in 1863, the Gothic Revival structure was designed by New Jersey architect Jeremiah O'Rourke. See page 28 for details on the chapel's history and renovation.

Chapel to display treasured relics

BY WARD MIELE
Managing Editor

NORTH ARLINGTON—For the first time, the faithful from throughout the Archdiocese of Newark will have a centralized location for veneration of some 200 relics.

Archbishop John J. Myers on Sunday, Nov. 2, during the noon-time Mass at Queen of Peace Parish, 10 Franklin Pl., dedicated a new repository chapel for the archdiocese's relic collection.

"As we celebrate both All Saints Day and All Souls Day, it is

very fitting that we dedicate a special chapel here in the archdiocese for the relics of the saints," Archbishop Myers said. "Relics are a very important and tangible way for Catholics to connect with the saints and with our faith.

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Career ministry aids nervous job seekers as 'meltdown' brews

BY MELISSA MCNALLY
Staff Writer

RIDGEWOOD—In these dark, unstable economic times, with an increasing unemployment rate and decreasing stock market value, the Career Resources Ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 1 Passaic St., provides a ray of hope in the Archdiocese of Newark.

Started in the fall of 2001 following the 9/11 tragedy, the ministry began as a way to help those who lost their jobs due to the terrorist attacks. Ed McCabe, a career coach/senior counselor/master trainer at Lee-Hecht-Harrison, is one of the ministry's founders. Carol Shea, vice president of information technology recruiting at Berman, Larson, Kane in Paramus, is also a

member of the ministry team. Through a series of workshops, Career Resources Ministry helps people seeking employment by providing them with tools and encouragement to find a new position. The Fall/Winter session began Sept. 21 and will run through Dec. 7. The next session, "Get Your Message Out—Networking" will be held Sunday, Nov. 16 at noon.

McCabe and Shea, who have known each other for years, offer their time and talent on a volunteer basis. "We give people the tools to find a job. It is more of a 'how-to' group than a networking group," McCabe explained. Tom Lewis, who does consulting work for financial services companies throughout the country, and Terry Myer, who handles the ministry's publicity, also participate in the workshops.

Thirty people attended the Oct. 19 session, compared with 17 people in September. An ominous sign of the economic turmoil, the increasing number of attendees are encouraged to bring their résumés to the workshops for review.

As the global financial meltdown hits home in the archdiocese, Continued on page 25

Archbishop Myers chides 'simple solutions'

BY ARCHBISHOP JOHN J. MYERS

Since I was first called to serve as a bishop more than 20 years ago, I have taught plainly and forcefully on the primacy of protecting the sanctity and the dignity of life at all stages, and on the need to care and nurture pregnant women so they will choose to have their babies.

I have also plainly and forcefully taught that it is the responsibility of all Catholics, whether in public life

or not, to form our consciences according to authentic Catholic teaching and tradition, and not societal fashions and fads. Even more so, it is our responsibility to live our teaching and tradition every day, not just on Sundays.

Most recently, I joined with the Administrative Committee of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to endorse statements by Cardinal Justin Rigali of Philadelphia and Bishop William E. Lori of Bridgeport, CT, that point out that

life begins at conception, and that from her very beginning the Church has taught the grave moral evil of abortion.

Today, I endorse the most recent statement of Cardinal Rigali and Bishop Murphy—again speaking for the bishops' conference—that our faith requires us to oppose abortion on demand and to provide help to mothers facing challenging pregnancies.

All too often, our political leaders look for a quick fix or a "simple so-

lution" to the tough moral problems our country and world face. Our national experience has shown that such actions do not fix, and never solve, underlying problems.

"Simple solutions" like the Freedom of Choice Act can never be considered, and it is our obligation as Catholics to oppose them.

(Editor's note: The full text of the statement of Cardinal Rigali and Bishop Murphy can be found online at: www.usccb.org/prolife/Rigali-Murphy-Joint-Statement.pdf.)

Holy Hours to foster a 'quiet stillness of prayer'

Program cites Saint Paul to boost vocations

BY DANIEL PETERSON

Special to *The Catholic Advocate*

AREA—The Vocations Office of the Archdiocese of Newark is sponsoring seven eucharistic Holy Hours for the Year of Saint Paul.

Father John D. Gabriel, archdiocesan vocations director, said that beginning Nov. 20 at Saint Aloysius Parish, 219 Bloomfield Ave., Caldwell, and culminating June 4, 2009 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 89 Ridge St., Newark, the monthly Holy Hour services are designed to pray and “plead the Father to send His Holy Spirit upon the Church for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.”

Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, will preside at the opening Holy Hour at Saint Aloysius and Archbishop John J. Myers will celebrate the concluding rite. Each Holy Hour will begin 7:30 p.m.

During his journey to the United States earlier this year, Pope Benedict XVI, reminded the country's bishops that “in the Gospel, Jesus tells us to pray that the Lord of the harvest will send workers. He even admits that the workers are few in comparison with the abundance of the harvest (Mt 9:37-38).”

The pope declared June 2008 to June 2009 as the Year of Saint Paul. In response, Archbishop Myers and the auxiliary bishops will highlight each eucharistic Holy Hour with a theme from one of the epistles of Saint Paul. The Nov. 20 theme will be: *Dispensatores Mysteriorum Dei* (1Cor 4: 1-5)—Stewards of the Mysteries of God.”

“It is in Saint Paul's first letter to the Corinthians

that we find the oldest account of the Last Supper in the New Testament, so it is fitting that these eucharistic Holy Hours are being held in conjunction with The Year of Saint Paul,” Father Thomas A. Dente, director of the archdiocesan Office of Divine Worship, said. “We are hopeful that these times of prayer will stir the hearts of participants to consider a vocation to the ordained or religious life.”

The presiding bishop at each Holy Hour will expose the Blessed Sacrament for adoration. After a period of prayerful silence, he will read from a letter of Saint Paul and then offer a reflection and how it applies to individuals who are being called to the priesthood or consecrated life. A seminarian from Immaculate Conception Seminary in South Orange will give a witness talk about his own vocation story and how he responded to the Lord's call. The Holy Hour will end with a benediction and reposition.

“The role of the Blessed Sacrament is central to all vocations,” Fr. Gabriel explained. “I find that so many men experience the first stirrings of an interior awareness of Christ's call to priesthood during a time of adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. It is in the quiet stillness of prayer that the Lord is revealing His holy will to these young men.” Fr. Gabriel said he hopes the Holy Hour effort will draw faithful from throughout the archdiocese.

The second Holy Hour service will be held Dec. 11 at Holy Trinity Parish, 34 Maple Ave., Hackensack, featuring the theme: “This is My Body, Which is for You” (1 Cor 11:23-25). Most Rev. Charles J. McDonnell, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Newark, will lead the service.



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A prayerful image of Saint Paul is depicted in a stained-glass window at Saint Paul Parish, Ramsey. *The Catholic Advocate* has published several articles on the Year of Saint Paul—most recently the two-part “Living Church” series (Oct. 8 and Sept. 17) by Father Lawrence Frizzell, columnist and the director of Judaeo-Christian studies at Seton Hall University, South Orange.

Time, talent, treasure and tunes



Advocate photos – M. Gabriele

SINGING PRAISES OF STEWARDSHIP—The Archdiocese of Newark held its annual Stewardship Day conference Oct. 18 at Paramus Catholic High School. Msgr. Michael J. Corona, pastor of Saint Philip and Saint James Parish in Phillipsburg, gave the keynote address. He is pictured in the above photo with Carla L. Gonzalez, the executive director of the archdiocesan Office of Development, which sponsors the annual gathering. Sister Marilyn Minter, C.S.S.F., director of music and liturgy at the provincial house in Lodi and Sister Maria Magdalena, C.S.S.F., B.A., M.A., (left photo) kicked off the day with soul-stirring morning wake-up music. Father John J. Galeano, the pastor of Saint Francis De Sales Parish, Lodi, was a featured speaker in the Spanish-language track presentations.

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'Peoria connection' praises Archbishop Fulton Sheen

Mass at CSE to reflect on beatification

BY WARD MIELE
 Managing Editor

CONVENT STATION — Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli, Bishop of the Paterson Diocese, will be the main celebrant at the 29th annual Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Foundation Memorial Mass Tuesday, Dec. 9, 5 p.m., at Holy Family Chapel on the campus of the College of Saint Elizabeth (CSE).

The Mass, in support of Archbishop Sheen's beatification, is expected to draw faithful from throughout the nation, Garden State and New York. The venue for the Dec. 9 Mass is historically significant. Years ago, as a young priest, Father Sheen preached the homily at a graduation Mass for CSE.

The Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Foundation is headquartered in Peoria, IL. Archbishop Sheen was ordained to the priesthood in the Diocese of Peoria on Sept. 20, 1919. Born in El Paso, IL, he died on Dec. 9, 1979 at the age of 85. During his long, noteworthy ministry Archbishop Sheen penned more than 70 books, was a scholar and university professor,

and became an iconic figure in the Catholic Church through his popular television program during the 1950s.

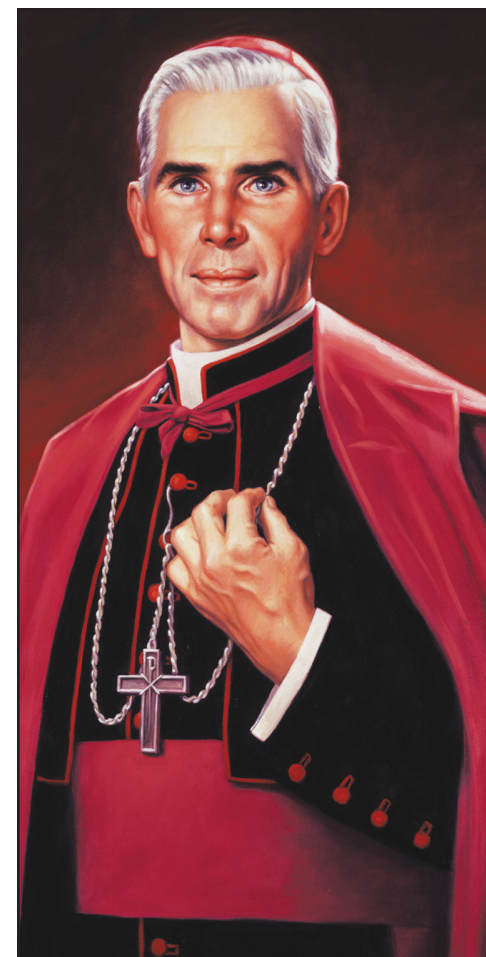
Archbishop John J. Myers, who came to the Archdiocese of Newark in 2001 from the Diocese of Peoria, has strong personal and spiritual ties to Archbishop Sheen. "There are so many reasons why I support the cause for sainthood for Archbishop Sheen, and the fact that we share a kinship as priests ordained for the Diocese of Peoria is only one of them," Archbishop Myers said, commenting on the upcoming Mass and cause for Archbishop Sheen's beatification.

"This man undoubtedly was one of the greatest evangelists of our age or any age," Archbishop Myers continued. "He brought the truth of Christ's Gospel to millions in his books, his television and radio programs and his work with the Propagation of the Faith. His words still inspire us to live a life worth living in service to Christ and His Church."

The Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Foundation was established a decade ago. It was the foundation that first approached John Cardinal O'Connor, Archbishop of New York at the time, for permission to begin the cause of canonization for Archbishop Sheen.

According to the foundation's Web site (www.archbishopsheencause.org) Edward Cardinal Egan—Cardinal O'Connor's succes-

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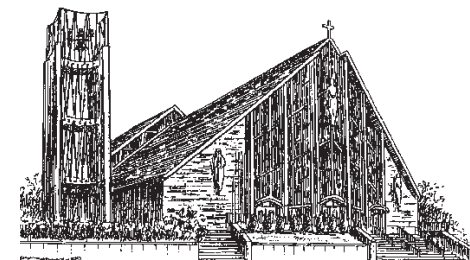


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This dramatic painting of Archbishop Sheen by New Jersey artist Greg Hildebrandt will be prominently displayed at the Dec. 9 Memorial Mass at the College of Saint Elizabeth in support of the archbishop's beatification cause. (Greg Hildebrandt, all rights reserved, courtesy of Spiderwebart; Spiderwebart.com.)



CENTURY CELEBRATION—Holy Family Parish, Nutley, marked its 100th anniversary with a special Mass Oct. 25, with Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V. (right), serving as the main celebrant. Msgr. Paul L. Bochicchio (left), Holy Family Pastor, welcomed families to the celebration and used the occasion to cut the ribbon on the new parish center, located in the old parish church. The Oct.



25 Mass featured joyful music and the combined voices of several choirs, led by Susan Loricchio, parish music minister. Numerous banners and posters decorated the church. The current church was blessed and opened by Archbishop Thomas A. Boland on Aug. 28, 1965. Most Reverend Michael A. Saltarelli, D.D., the recently retired Bishop of the Diocese of Wilmington, DE—who served Holy Family as a parochial vicar during the 1960s—was unable to attend the Nutley celebration due to illness.

Advocate photo — M. Gabriele

Pope congratulates Obama on victory

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Pope Benedict XVI sent a personal message of congratulations to President-elect Barack Obama the day after the U.S. presidential election. The pope offered his prayers for Obama, his wife and two daughters, and for all the people of the United States. Father Federico Lombardi, a Vatican spokesman, explained that, because the pope's message was addressed personally to Obama, the Vatican did not plan to publish it. Fr. Lombardi did say the papal message to Obama opened by referring to the "historical occasion" of the election, marking the first time an African-American has been elected as president of the United States.

Mixed results on ballot issues

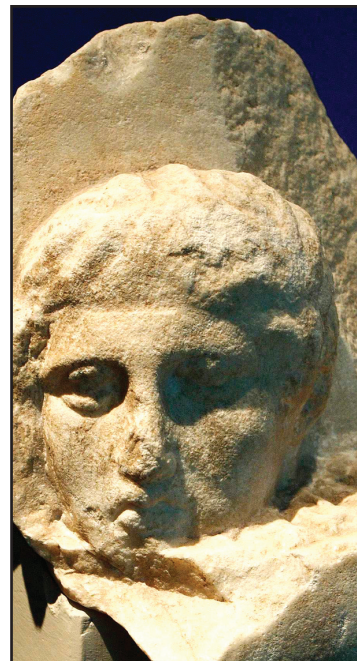
WASHINGTON (CNS)—In voting on 2008 ballot questions across the country, the Catholic Church's view against same-sex marriage prevailed, but most Catholic efforts to influence voting related to abortion, doctor-assisted suicide, embryonic stem-cell research and gambling failed. Voters approved California's Proposition 8, which would amend the state constitution as the union of one man and one woman, by a 52- to 48-percent margin, although opponents said the counting of absentee ballots could change the outcome. Similar proposals were approved in Arizona (57 to 43 percent) and Florida (62 to 38 percent).

Catholics assist victims of quake

QUETTA, Pakistan (CNS)—Catholic agencies and parishes around the world have begun delivering aid to people affected by the recent deadly earthquake in a remote part of Balochistan province. Parishioners of Saint Pius X Parish in Quetta traveled nearly 50 miles northeast to Wam and distributed aid they collected among themselves. Quetta is the capital of Balochistan, which is considered Pakistan's poorest, most underdeveloped province. "After visiting the affected families for a few hours, we handed over packets of lentils, tea and sugar," Father Maqsood Nazir, the parish priest, said. The Nov. 1 delivery was the first response of aid from the Catholic Church following the Oct. 29 earthquake. Three-hundred people died and an estimated 40,000 were left homeless when the magnitude-6.4 quake struck before dawn.

Cardinal: 'Vitae' has cut off many

ROME (CNS)—Italian Cardinal Carlo Maria Martini said the



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SKAPHEPHOROS—A fragment of the decorations of the Parthenon, depicting a head of a "skaphephoros" (man carrying a tray), was placed inside the new Acropolis museum in Athens, Greece, Nov. 5. The Vatican loaned this small fragment of the Parthenon Marbles to Greece for one year, following a request for its return by the late Greek Orthodox Archbishop Christopoulos at a meeting with Pope Benedict in 2006. The Acropolis Museum, parts of which opened to the public earlier this year, houses some of the most important sculptures of ancient Greek art. In recent years Greece has sought to recover statues and fragments removed from the Parthenon in the early 1800s. Sweden, Germany and Italy recently have returned pieces taken from the Acropolis.

1968 encyclical *Humanae Vitae* (Of Human Life) has cut off the Church from many of the people who most need its advice about human sexuality. The encyclical, which taught that artificial birth control was morally wrong (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Aug. 20 and Aug. 6), caused a large number of people to stop taking the Church's views into serious consideration during the last 40 years,

Cardinal Martini said. "Many have distanced themselves from the Church, and the Church from the people. Serious damage was done." Cardinal Martini, an 81-year-old Jesuit and the former archbishop of Milan, made the comments in a book-length interview "Nighttime Conversations in Jerusalem." The cardinal did not specifically address the issue of the morality of contraception.

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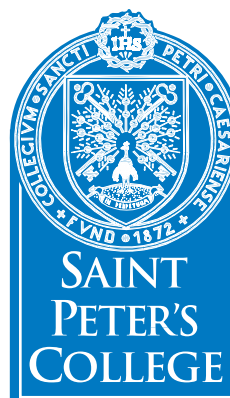
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Fr. Nickas, 68, succumbs; guided outreach programs at St. Rocco

AREA—A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Oct. 20 at Saint Aloysius Parish, Caldwell, for Father John P. Nickas, 68, who died Oct. 9 while on pilgrimage in Turkey.

Fr. Nickas was made pastor emeritus of Saint Peter Claver Parish, Montclair, in 2005. He served as pastor of the parish from 1996-2004 and founded the Healing Mass, belonged to the Health Ministry, Peace Action and Homecall, which provides housing to the poor. He also worked as the coordinator of the AIDS Ministry for Essex County.

Born in Newark, Fr. Nickas was raised in Maplewood and was a graduate of Our Lady of Sorrows School in South Orange, Seton Hall Prep, West Orange, and Seton Hall University (SHU). He studied for the priesthood at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Mahwah and was ordained on May 28, 1966.

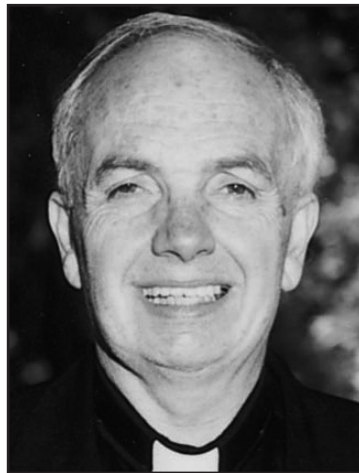
He earned a Master of Divinity degree in pastoral ministry at Immaculate Conception Seminary in 1975 and studied for a doctorate degree at Drew University. Fr. Nickas also did graduate work at SHU, Kean College, Rutgers University, the University of Notre Dame and the University of Arizona.

His first pastoral assignment was at Blessed Sacrament Parish,

Franklin Lakes, from 1966 to 1967. He then was assigned to Saint Patrick Pro-Cathedral, Newark, until 1969. He became parochial vicar at Saint Rocco Parish, Newark, where he became pastor on Sept. 16, 1977.

Serving as the pastor of Saint Rocco Parish, he began several community outreach programs. He worked with homeless men and families, founding two shelters in Newark in 1981. That same year, he opened the Saint Rocco Parish children's center and was founder and executive director of The Learning Experience Alternative High School in Newark.

In 1972, Fr. Nickas founded Saint Joseph's Day Care Center in



Father John P. Nickas

Newark and a year later, established Saint Ann's Community Day Care Center.

SHU to host economic forum

SOUTH ORANGE—Veteran journalist David Brancaccio, the host of Public Broadcasting Service's investigative news-magazine NOW, will be featured at a Seton Hall University (SHU) forum Wednesday, Nov. 19, 4 p.m., to discuss the global economic crisis.

Presented by the SHU Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations, the forum is free and open to the public. Brancaccio, a Maplewood resident, is author of "Squandering Aimlessly," a book about money and values in the United States. Call (973) 378-9835 for details.

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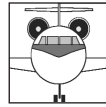
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November 13

St. Stanislaus Parish, Newark, Polish Apostolate meeting, 7:30 p.m., (973) 642-7961.

November 14

Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark, Mass in honor of law enforcement, 10 a.m., (973) 484-4600.

St. Joseph Parish, East Orange, Rosary Altar Society auction, 7:30 p.m., cost: \$10, (973) 678-4030.

November 15

Immaculate Conception Parish, Montclair, Oratorio Society of New Jersey performance, 8 p.m., cost: \$15, call Preston L. Dibble at (973) 509-1111.



St. John the Baptist Parish, Hillsdale, the Holy Name Society will hold its annual clothing drive from 9 a.m. to noon in the parking lot in front of the rectory, 69 Valley St.

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Bloomfield, "Forgiveness: A Necessary Part of Life," 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., cost: \$20, call Anna at (973) 338-9538.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Jersey City, tricky tray, 7 p.m., cost: \$20, call Bernadette at (201) 433-0500.

November 16

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, South Orange, "Nigeria to Newark: Pilgrimage of the Igbo People," 9 a.m., call Frank Franzonia at (973) 378-9039.

Mothers of Priests (Chapter 6), Queen of Peace Convent Chapel, North Arlington, Holy Hour, 1:15 p.m., call Rosalie D'Andrea at (973) 667-5674.

Knights of Columbus Council 3428 Ladies Auxiliary, North Arlington, Harvest Moon Dinner Dance, 3-7 p.m., cost: \$20 for adults/ \$10 for children, call Carolyn at (201) 955-2240.

St. Aloysius Parish, Caldwell, organ recital, 4 p.m., call Susan Brennan at (973) 226-0221.

St. Anne Parish, Fair Lawn, 50th Anniversary Mass, noon, (201) 791-1616.

November 17

Seton Hall University, South Orange, Stillman School of Business Integrity and Professionalism Convocation, 6:15 p.m., call Pamela Dungee at (973) 378-9844.

St. Michael Parish, Cranford, Parish Mission "From Fragmentation to Wholeness," through Nov. 21, masses at 7 p.m. each day, (908) 276-0360.



November 18

Bergen County Federation of Holy Name Societies, quarterly convention, St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 624 Page Ave., Lyndhurst, following a 7:30 p.m. Mass. The Spiritual Directors' Dinner will be discussed.

Xavier Retreat Center, Convent Station, "Many Faces of Prayer," four Tuesdays through Dec. 9, 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., cost: \$40 for four sessions, call Dian Lamb at (973) 290-5133.

Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth, "Losing Precious Sleep: Why Can't I Fall Asleep?" 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., (908) 994-5138.

Lumen Center, Caldwell, "Prayer, Mediation, Problem Solving: How Does it Work?" supper followed by reflection, 5 p.m., (973) 403-3331 ext. 25.



Holy Name Hospital, Teaneck, blood drive in parking lot, 1-6:30 p.m., call Marie Forrestal at (732) 616-0798.

November 19

Holy Family Parish, Nutley, St. Lucy Filippini Sodality meeting, 8 p.m., call Jo-Ann Brown at (973) 667-2633.

Resurrection School, Jersey City, Harvest Festival at Casino in the Park, 6 p.m., RSVP to (201) 653-1699.

November 21

Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark, "Annie," through Nov. 23, 7:30 p.m., cost: \$10/ \$5 for senior citizens and children, call (732) 382-1952 any weekday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. for tickets.

St. John the Evangelist Parish, Bergenfield, pre-Thanksgiving Prayer and Healing Service, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., call Oscar Ocampo at (201) 923-8685.

November 22

Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center, Kearny, Catholic Charities international adoption information meeting, 10 a.m. - noon, RSVP by Nov. 19, (201) 246-7378.

Catholic War Veterans Post 1612, Bayonne, blood drive, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., (201) 652-3210.

Caldwell College, Holiday Craft Show, also on Nov. 23, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., call Sharon Kievit at (973) 618-3547.

College of St. Elizabeth, Convent Station, "True Love Waits 2" adult training seminar, 8:45 a.m. - 3 p.m., cost: \$90 if registered by Nov. 15, \$100 thereafter, call Rebecca O'Keefe at (201) 804-8331.

Little Sisters of the Poor, Totowa, Christmas craft/ bake sale and tricky tray, at St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., (973) 942-0300.

Knights of Columbus Council 3962, Ramsey, Las Vegas Casino Night, 7 p.m.-midnight, cost: \$50 per person, call Kevin Kelly at (201) 264-4566.

Xavier Retreat Center, Convent Station, "A Day of Reflection for Married Couples," 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., cost: \$95 per couple, call Archdiocesan Family Life Office at (973) 497-4323.

Blessed Sacrament/ St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Newark, fifth anniversary celebration for the pastor, Father Anselm Nwaorgu, at the Sheraton Hotel, 7 p.m., cost: \$75 for adults/ \$35 for children, call Pat Ross at (973) 624-4123.

Other

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Nutley, Filipino Mass, the first Sunday of every month, 3 p.m., (973) 667-2580.

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



Angry educator blasts 'vicious lies' about Pius XII

BY ANDREW J. MACDONALD
Special to *The Catholic Advocate*

Shame on *The New York Post* for printing the anti-Catholic screed ("He's no saint," Oct. 26) where the writer picks up the old slur that Pope Pius XII, in particular, and Catholics, in general, "did nothing" to stop the criminal genocide of the Nazi era.

The article includes a cheap-shot photo of the then-future pope on a visit to Weimar-era Germany where a pre-Nazi German soldier stands guard as then Cardinal Pacelli descends a staircase. Shame on the *Post* either for participation in a lie or for outright stupidity.

We can put all of this in context by remembering Joseph Goebel's dictum that if one wants to get away with a lie, it must be big enough and told often enough and people will eventually believe that it is true. Such is the case "proving" that Pius XII and other Catholics did nothing for the Jews of Europe. At best, it is misinformed; at worst, it is a vicious slander on Catholics everywhere.

First and foremost, remember that Pius XII was behind enemy lines in Italy during the war. He said nothing? If that is the case, why did *The New York Times* single him out for praise with editorials on Christmas in 1941 and 1942? In 1941, the *Times* editorial stated: "The voice of Pope Pius XII is a lonely voice in the silence and darkness enveloping Europe this Christmas... He left no doubt that the Nazi aims are also irreconcilable with his own consecration of Christian peace." On Christmas, 1942, the *Times*, editorialized: "This Christmas season, more than ever, he (Pius XII) is a lonely voice crying out in the silence of a continent."

Upon his death in 1958, *The New York Times* once again

praised the pope as a great man who did much to alleviate the suffering of European Jews during the Nazi era. Contrast the pope's condemnation—from behind enemy lines—of Nazism, with the silence of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and others who, from the safety of Washington, D.C., never said anything about the Holocaust.

Again, for those who fault the pope for "doing nothing," what was he supposed to do—pick up and gun and start shooting? Along these lines, one must remember Stalin's famous question: "How many (military) divisions has the pope?"

As for Catholics in general "doing nothing," that is nothing less than a vicious slur against the millions of Catholics from the United States, Canada, Europe and elsewhere who fought and those many who died to free the world of the scourge of Nazism. Perhaps the Church's detractors have never seen the row upon row of crosses over the graves of men who died fighting against Nazi fascism. One can surmise that 20 to 25 percent of Americans who died in World War II were Catholic.

Finally, I never cease to be amazed at the "bravery" of those who condemn Pius XII and other Catholics for "doing nothing" to stop Nazism. The 20th century was drenched in the blood of innocent people who were victims of Nazism and communism. How many of the brave souls who condemn the Catholic Church would have stood up to risk their necks and speak out against the anti-Christian crimes of Lenin and Stalin? I suspect, not one.

(A resident of Fanwood, Andrew J. MacDonald is a teacher at Marylawn of the Oranges High School, South Orange.)

Sr. Margherita's book sheds light on 'truth'

Sister Margherita Marchione's new book, *The Truth Will Set You Free*, (Paulist Press, 2008) commemorates the 50th anniversary of Pope Pius XII's death. A member of the Religious Teachers Filippini, Morristown, Sr. Margherita, M.P.F., has written several tomes on Pope Pius.

In the book's introduction, Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone strongly defends Pope Pius XII against critics and gives testimony of why he is worthy of beatification.

Pope Pius XII did what the Vicar of Christ had to do during World War II, according to Sister Margherita. Catholics throughout the world continue to venerate Pius XII, whose efforts during World War II saved thousands of Jews from the Holocaust, she said.



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Pope Benedict XVI, pictured at left with others, descends to the grotto of Saint Peter's Basilica at the Vatican Oct. 9 to view the crypt of Pope Pius XII on the 50th anniversary of his death. Pope Benedict said Pope Pius worked "secretly and silently" during World War II to "avoid the worst and save the greatest possible number of Jews." Pope Pius' pontificate began in 1939 just as "the threatening clouds of a new world conflict were gathering over Europe and the rest of the world," Pope Benedict said. Last year the pope appointed a commission to study new archival information about Pope Pius and how his beatification would affect Catholic-Jewish and Vatican-Israeli relations (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Oct. 22). The commission has yet to issue a report and the pope has called for "a time of reflection." Pope Benedict XVI has strongly praised Pope Pius and prayed that his sainthood cause would make progress, however he made no announcement about Pope Pius' beatification—an important step toward sainthood. According to reports in Catholic News Service, there is strong Church sentiment inside and outside the Vatican for beatification, especially among those who feel Pope Pius has been wrongly accused of not doing enough to save Jewish lives during World War II.

Holocaust Museum asks Vatican to share more archival material

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum has called on the Vatican to fully open its records concerning Pope Pius XII's actions during World War II.

A group of Christian and Jewish scholars from the United States, Canada and Europe issued a statement on Oct. 21 asking the pope to put "a hold on a consideration of Pius XII's beatification/canonization until all relevant archival material is made available and scrutinized." Pope Pius led the Church from 1939 to 1958.

In its statement, the Holocaust museum (Web site: www.ushmm.org) made a plea to the Vatican to open its archives for public scrutiny. The museum "views with concern recent indications that definitive conclusions are being drawn regarding the record of Pope Pius XII during the Holocaust," according to the statement.

"Over a quarter-century ago, the Vatican published 11 volumes of selected archival material from the Holocaust period," the museum noted. "However, these volumes are not

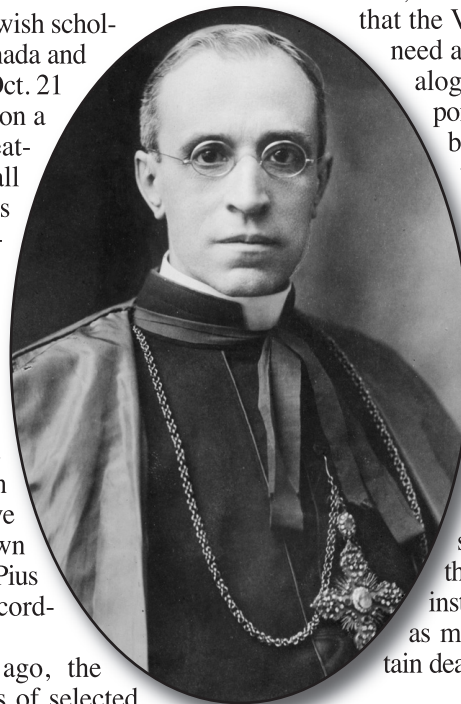
a complete record of the Vatican's actions during the Holocaust."

Bishop Sergio Pagano, prefect of the Vatican archives, recently told *The Jerusalem Post* that the Vatican's five archivists would need another five or six years to catalog documents from Pope Pius' pontificate. "Regarding Pius XII's beatification, as a historian, I would think it prudent to wait a few years after the opening of the archives," Bishop Pagano said.

Separately, Gary Krupp, founder and president of Pave the Way Foundation Inc., New York (Web site: www.ptwf.org) spoke at a symposium on Pope Pius XII in Rome Sept. 17. In a speech to Pope Benedict XVI, Krupp said "the Catholic Church, under the pontificate of Pius XII, was instrumental in saving the lives of as many as 860,000 Jews from certain death at Nazi hands."

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Cardinal Eugenio Pacelli, who became Pope Pius XII, is seen in this 1929 file photo.



Pray for God's children, smokers, to kick the habit

Thursday, Nov. 20, will be a significant day in many people's lives. For at least the last 28 years, the third Thursday of November is "The Great American Smokeout."

The initial event was held in 1971 in Randolph, MA. Arthur P. Mullaney asked people to give cigarettes up for one day and donate the money saved to a local high school scholarship fund. Three years later, Lynn Smith spearheaded Minnesota's first "Don't Smoke Day." On Nov. 18, 1976, the California Division of the American Cancer Society succeeded in getting a million smokers to quit for the day.

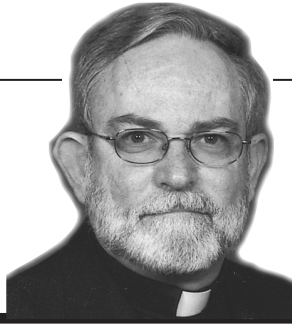
The first national Great American Smokeout was held in 1977. Through the years, this event has helped to spotlight the dangers of tobacco use and the challenges of quitting, and has set the stage for the cultural revolution in tobacco use which has occurred.

Previously, smoking seemed the rule, and not-smoking the exception. These days, smoking is publicly prohibited or restricted in many states, including our own, as another attempt to diminish it as acceptable behavior.

One of my high school Christian Brother teachers cautioned us to refrain from 'burning incense to the Goddess Nicotine.'

SEEING & BELIEVING

By Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Arnhols



Currently, according to the American Cancer Society, 47 million adults still smoke in the United States. Approximately half of these will die prematurely from smoking. Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death for men and women. This year alone, 169,500 new cases will be diagnosed in the United States. More than 80 percent of lung cancers are thought to result from smoking.

My father smoked for many years, but gave it up in his early fifties on the advice of his doctor after undergoing nine intestinal surgeries in two years. This was just about the time I would have joined the teen craze of smoking. Seeing my dad's condition frightened me enough to never want to even try a cigarette. Happily, he lived a healthier life thereafter, until his death at age 87.

Teens, of course, still seem vulnerable to be

sucked into the myth of smoking's "coolness" and consider themselves impervious to its effects. One of my high school Christian Brother teachers cautioned us to refrain from "burning incense to the Goddess Nicotine."

Second-hand smoking's threats to health and life have also been more clearly documented in recent years. I pity children whose parents smoke in their homes or cars. Even the smell of smoke starts to give me a headache, and if I end up in a smoke-filled room, as many parish bingo halls used to be, I can feel my heart race.

I don't know how far second-hand smoke retains its deleterious effect, but I do know from personal experience at the beach that the strong smell of cigar smoke can travel hundreds of feet on summer breezes. I've learned to position my umbrella upwind instead of downwind of a daily aficionado.

Some people can give up smoking with a simple decision. Others find it much more challenging, requiring step programs and medications. Some find the addictive effect of the nicotine too difficult to overcome, and some simply don't want to even try.

Whatever the circumstance, smokers and non-smokers alike should treat one another with respect and charity. Let's pray for all who will try to "kick the habit" this month.

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

Employing talents at the service of our vocation

Readings: Proverbs 31:10-31; Psalm 128; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30.

One of the perennial models for a humorous assessment of married life in this country is "Blondie"—the wife who succeeds in making her incompetent husband look good in the various situations in which he finds himself. Indeed, an important aspect of marital bliss is the support that each partner should offer to the other.

However, it would be tragic if the self-effacing, patient efforts of the wife were not appreciated by her husband. Just as important would be his commitment to reciprocate in areas where his talents should shine.

How many husbands today take the time to show loving appreciation to their respective spouses in elegant poetry or even heartwarming prose? The last part of the Book of Proverbs (31:10-31) constitutes a paean of praise to the good wife. Each verse begins with the succeeding letter of the alphabet, a disciplined effort to show the intention to be comprehensive in extolling the virtues of this woman.

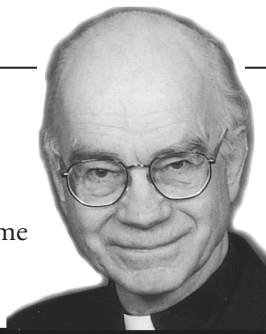
Did the poet compose this piece to honor his wife as a personal tribute? Did he perhaps sing it to her in the presence of their children? Whatever the circumstances of its origin, the poem (or parts of it) have been used for centuries by the man who recognizes how ideal his wife is for him.

This poem portrays the many-faceted competence of the ideal homemaker. Every aspect of household economics came under her purview. Her husband trusted her decisions implicitly and her industry enabled him to devote himself to civic affairs (Prv 31:23). Of course, one hopes that he also took his domestic and parental duties seriously!

SUNDAY READINGS

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
(Nov. 16, 2008)

By Rev. Lawrence Frizzell



Along with the Song of Solomon (the Canticle), this poem describes marriage as a partnership of equals. The woman is also described in the creation hymn (Gn 1:1-2:4) as the equal of her husband in the twofold vocation of cooperating with God in raising a family and exercising stewardship over the earth (1:26-28).

In "the parable of the talents," Jesus stressed the doctrine that, created in the divine image and likeness, each person must accept and use the divine gifts unique to his or her situation. There should not be any comparison between individuals because only God can discern what is true success in life. Only God knows both the gifts and burdens of each person. Therefore, the commendation and reward are the same in each case. "Well done. You are an industrious and reliable servant...Come, share your Master's joy."

The third servant buried the gift entrusted to him because he feared that he would never be able to please his master. He was condemned for his failure to try to cooperate with God. An essential aspect of his education was wanting. The doctrine that each

person is created in the divine image should be the basis for a healthy self-esteem. In a totalitarian, tightly structured system of government people may develop the attitude that by doing little and never taking any initiative they will keep out of trouble. That attitude has no place in the Christian life.

This parable, with its theme of divine judgment, is very appropriate for the month of November and the end of the Church's year. Saint Paul wrote to the Thessalonians in order to exhort them to live each day as preparation of the great purpose of God's plan for creation. The time when God brings history to its consummation is not to be revealed, nor should we try to calculate its arrival (see Mk 13:32; Acts 1:7).

The task of each person is to live so that death will not catch him or her unawares. We have been enlightened by the virtue of faith and graced by many gifts of the natural and supernatural orders. Our task is to pray constantly for the alertness necessary to live so that we will be worthy of the Lord's call: "Come, share your Master's joy."

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

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‘Love of neighbor’ offers a beacon to guide Islam, Christian relations

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Professing faith in one God, the creator of all humanity, obliges Catholics and Muslims to respect one another and to work together to defend human rights and help those who are suffering, Pope Benedict XVI said.

The commandments of love of God and love of neighbor are at “the heart of Islam and Christianity alike” and always go together, the pope told members of the Catholic-Muslim Forum. The pope met forum members—28 Catholic and 28 Muslim representatives—at the end of their Nov. 4-6 meeting at the Vatican.

After 138 Muslim scholars from around the world wrote to Pope Benedict and other Christian leaders in October 2007 proposing a new level of Christian-Muslim dialogue, the Vatican and the scholars established the Catholic-Muslim Forum.

The letter from the Muslim scholars presented the dual commandment of love of God and love of neighbor as a “common word” of Islam and Christianity and as a possible topic for a dialogue that would go deeper than discussing traditional moral, social and cultural values by focusing on theological and spiritual similarities and differences.

Meeting forum participants, Pope Benedict said the chosen theme highlights even more clearly the theological and spiritual foundations of a central teaching of our respective religions.

“The Christian tradition proclaims that God is love,” the pope told them. God created the universe out of love, and motivated by love He became human in Jesus Christ, handing Himself over to death “in order to restore full dignity to each person and to bring us salvation.” As people who

recognize the one God, he said, “together we must show, by our mutual respect and solidarity, that we consider ourselves members of one family.”

Love for God and neighbor, he said, also requires believers to respect the dignity of each person and to work together to ensure that each person’s rights—especially the right to freely profess and practice one’s faith—are guaranteed. The pope said political and religious leaders “have the duty of ensuring the free exercise of these rights.”

Pope Benedict praised the annual meetings that take place between the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue and al-Azhar University in Cairo, Egypt. He said this collaborative effort aims to “open a path toward reciprocal understanding and respect between Islam and Christianity.” While much progress has been made, more remains to be done, he said.



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Pope Benedict XVI (right) greets a Muslim scholar during the Catholic-Muslim Forum held Nov. 4-6 at the Vatican. The pope said the fruits of interreligious dialogue must trickle down to everyday people if communities are to build a culture of respect and understanding. During the forum the pope met with Lamia Aly Hamada Mekhemar, Egypt’s new ambassador to the Vatican.

Beatification

Continued from page 3

sor and the archbishop of New York—gave permission to approach the Bishop of Peoria regarding the possibility of opening Archbishop Sheen’s cause. On April 15 of this year, the “Cause for the Beatification and Canonization of Archbishop Sheen” officially opened in Rome at a ceremony in the offices of the Vatican Congregation for the Causes of Saints.

If the congregation makes a declaration that Archbishop Sheen lived a life of “heroic virtue,” he will be accorded the title “venerable.” The next step is beatification after which he would be called “blessed.” Certification of a miracle attributed to his intercession is required for beatification.

Family was especially important to Archbishop Sheen. Among his many family members was his niece, Jean Sheen Cunningham, who said the cause for her uncle’s beatification is “coming along nicely.” Archbishop Sheen was, Cunningham recalled fondly, a holy man. Describing him as someone who accepted life as it came along and always moved on, she said the Catholic Church “was everything to him.”

Archbishop Sheen, his niece added, prayed the Holy Hour every day of his life. She said the spiritual message that made him a national and international figure on radio and television appealed to people of all faiths. He had for example, she noted, “many Jewish friends who were close to him.”

Deacon and Dr. Francis P. McQuade, professor emeritus at



Deacon Francis P. McQuade

Seton Hall Law School where he taught state and local government for four decades, was appointed president of the Fulton Sheen Advisory Council by Bishop Daniel J. Jenky of the Diocese of Peoria in September. Deacon McQuade also was among Archbishop Sheen’s last students at Catholic University in Washington, D.C. where McQuade received a Ph.D. in philosophy.

Deacon McQuade, a Knight of Malta and parishioner at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in South Orange who served for two decades as a delegate to the United Nations for the Holy See Mission’s Legal Committee, described Archbishop Sheen as a “marvelous teacher” and very popular. “Everyone tried to get into his class—even those who did not sign up for his class,” he said. The archbishop, Deacon McQuade remarked, never used the words “Protestant” or “non-Catholic.”

Archbishop Sheen supervised McQuade’s doctoral dissertation. “It

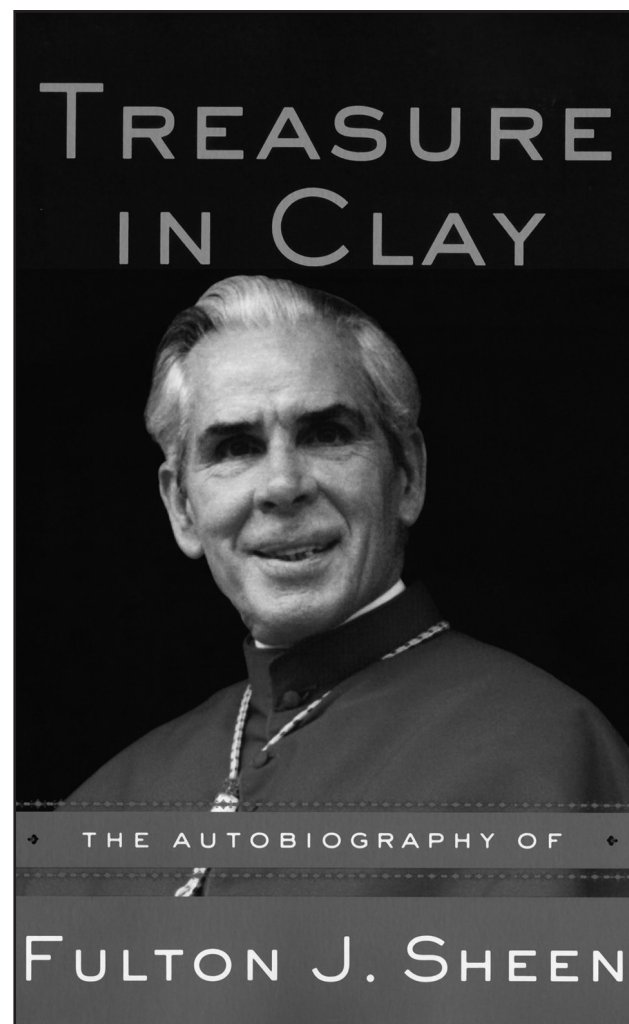
was a pleasure to go to his house,” he recalled with a smile. Citing his “excellent” teaching style, Deacon McQuade noted that Archbishop Sheen had a gift for nurturing his students’ thinking process. He also said Archbishop Sheen was an extremely hard worker with a tremendous sense of humor.

As a beloved teacher, Archbishop Sheen had a profound impact on Deacon McQuade’s spiritual and professional life. “He was a very kind man who always had time for his students despite the fact he always quite busy,” he said.

Archbishop Sheen was known for tearing up his notes at the end of the school year with the explanation that they should not be used year after year, Deacon McQuade recalled with a chuckle. He was, Deacon McQuade went on, the same person in the classroom that became well known to millions on radio and television.

“I am so happy that Bishop Serratelli has invited the Sheen Foundation into the diocese to celebrate this anniversary Mass. God sent Fulton Sheen from Peoria to the East Coast to serve as a great teacher, an influential preacher and as a holy bishop,” Bishop Jenky, who will concelebrate the Mass, commented.

“Archbishop Sheen played such an important role in the faith formation of so many generations of Americans and continues that work even today through his books, talks and television reruns,” he said. “We are honored to have Bishop Serratelli as the main celebrant of the Mass and to have Father Andrew Apostoli, C.F.R., as the homilist. As the Bishop of Peoria, I am excited to follow in the footsteps of Fulton Sheen.”



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Earlier this year the Doubleday Publishing Group (Web site: www.doubleday.com) republished Archbishop Sheen’s autobiography, “Treasure in Clay,” completed shortly before his death in 1979. The book recounts his life as the national director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and his participation in the Second Vatican Council.

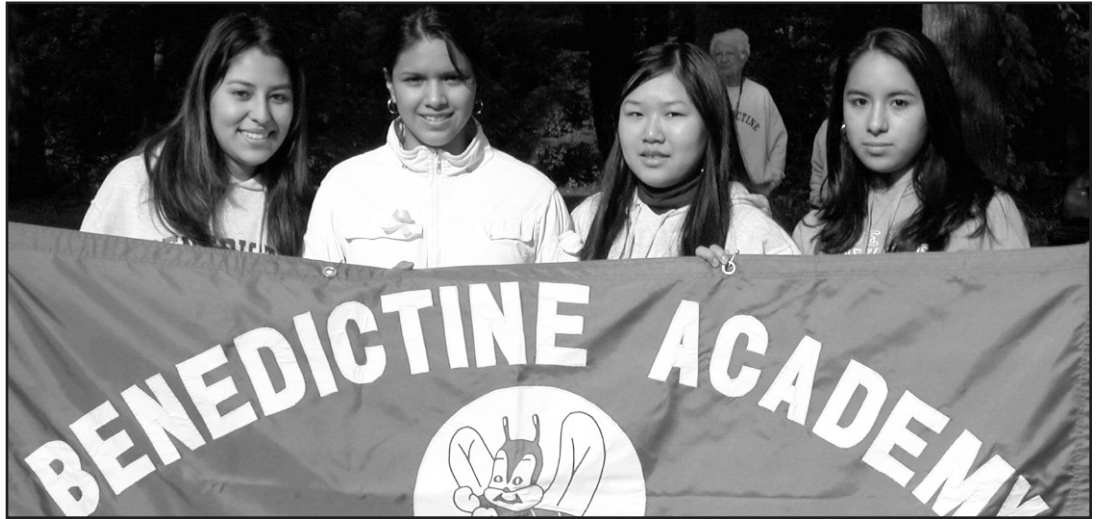
Order of Malta gives grant to assist homeless shelter

NEWARK—The American Association of the Order of Malta has awarded Several Sources' Ladies' Rest with a \$5,000 grant. The funds will help keep open the daytime shelter for homeless and abused woman and children in the state's largest city.

A portion of the grant is earmarked to provide food certificates to local supermarkets for used by participants in the Special Families program.

Special Sources Foundation helps the poor, sick and needy with food, clothing and financial support. It also provides counseling for housing, health issues, job training and employment.

The Order of Malta (Web site: www.orderofmalta.org) is a 900-year-old worldwide lay, religious order of the Church that promotes the sanctification of each member through his or her work with the sick and the poor as a witness of the Catholic Faith.



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BREAST CANCER AWARENESS—Nearly 190 students, faculty, staff and administrators at Benedictine Academy, Elizabeth, recently staged a walk-a-thon to raise funds to combat breast cancer. Academy seniors Stephany Sanchez, Ninoshka Celi, Erika Yang and Stefannye Barragan (left to right) proudly displayed the school's banner during the march. Wearing pink ribbons, symbolic of breast cancer awareness, more than \$2,200 was raised through pledges secured from family, friends and neighbors. Proceeds will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Fight For the Cure Foundation to fund breast cancer research. The school's Portuguese Club, led by Luisa Rodrigues, a business manager at Benedictine Academy, organized the event.

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Perez to sing in recital at St. Henry's



Lazarita Carmen Perez

BAYONNE—Saint Henry's Parish, 82 West 29th St., will host a classical music recital Sunday, Nov. 16, 4 p.m., featuring vocalist Lazarita Carmen Perez and pianist Angela Yurchenko.

Admission is free and the public is cordially invited to attend. A reception will be held in the parish center following the performance. Call (201) 780-8305 for more information.

The program will feature music by Liszt, Verdi, Wagner, Chopin, Copland, Massenet and a variety of Latin composers.

Perez, a dramatic soprano, holds a Bachelor of Music degree in vocal performance from Hunter College, New York. Her resume includes over 70 performances with the Amato and Dicapo operas, both located in Manhattan. She sings in English, Spanish, Latin, French, German and Italian and has won numerous grants including the National Hispanic Scholarship at the Mannes College of Music, New York.

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MESSENGER OF PEACE—Sister Pauline Acayo, Catholic Relief Service peacebuilding officer for the African nation of Uganda, addressed students at Saint Vincent Academy—an all-girls high school in Newark—on Oct. 9. Sr. Pauline discussed the conflict in Uganda between the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) and the government. She described the peacebuilding programs she runs in Uganda and called on the Saint Vincent students to be peacebuilders in their school and communities.



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AT THE POLLS—Students at Visitation Academy, Paramus, cast their votes for the president of the United States on Nov. 4. Sherre Breen, Visitation kindergarten teacher, educated the children on voting procedures and their future responsibilities as informed citizens.

Fund-raiser at Lacordaire to aid Jersey City parish

UPPER MONTCLAIR—Students at Lacordaire Academy, 155 Lorraine Ave., are hard at work for this year's traditional Mission Club bizarre, a gala holiday fund-raiser that will be held Friday, Dec. 5, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.

This year's beneficiary will be the food and clothing pantry at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Jersey City. Last year Lacordaire students raised \$4,021, which was donated to Centro Fey Alegria Espiritu Santo—a Catholic school in the Dominican Republic.

Led by teacher Dolores Grabowski, the bizarre is the Mission Club's primary annual event, which reflects the academy's Dominican tradition. Preparations began in October as each class selects a theme with a Christmas message for the bizarre. Students decorate classrooms, create games and wear costumes to emphasize the theme of the bizarre.

Students sell food, crafts, holiday gift items and trinkets, hold raffles and provide entertainment for visitors. Call Lisa Molle Padilla in the academy's advancement office at (973) 744-1156 for details.

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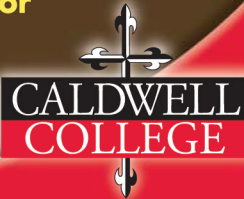
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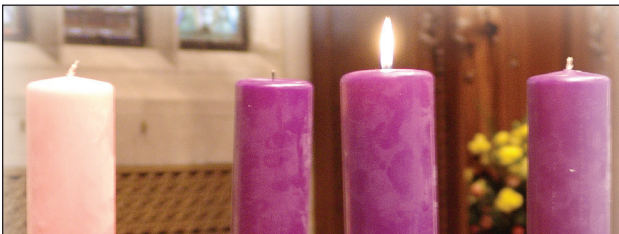
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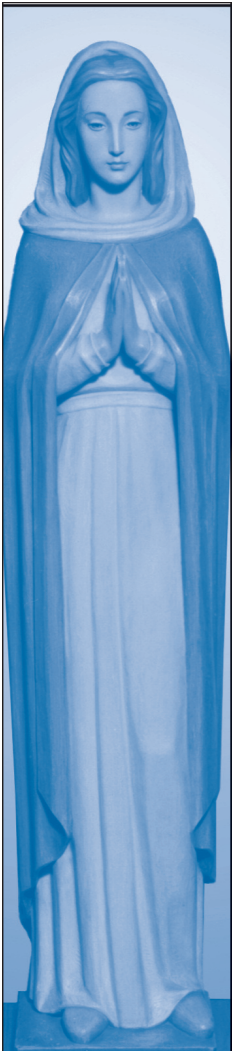


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YOUNG PEOPLE SALUTED—Most Rev. Manuel A. Cruz, the Archdiocese of Newark's newest bishop (ordained in September), presided at this year's annual Youth Ministry Recognition Sunday Mass and awards presentation Oct. 26 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. Bishop Cruz told the young people and their families that the awards were not so much for their accomplishments but for their "selflessness." They are, he told them, the future of the Church. Bishop Cruz made individual presentations to each award winner and to adults cited for their work with young people. The Msgr. John J. Kiley Award, named for the founder of the archdiocese's original youth ministry then known as CYO, went to Father Scott Attanasio, parochial vicar of Queen of Peace Parish, North Arlington; Father Eugene J. Field, pastor of Saint Francis of Assisi Parish, Ridgeland Park and assistant chaplain of the Catholic Committee on Scouting; and Father Esterminio Chico, parochial vicar at Saint Mary of the Assumption Parish, Elizabeth. The Pope John Paul II Award, the highest recognition from the Archdiocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, went to David and Patricia Rodriguez of the Religious Education and Youth Ministry at Saint Joseph Parish, Bogota.



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BEREAVEMENT REFLECTIONS—The annual Mass for funeral directors, cemeterians and bereavement counselors was held Oct. 30 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark. David B. Feeney (right), managing partner of Feeney Funeral Home, Ridgewood, and the president of the Bergen County Funeral Directors Association, was a featured reader at the Mass, celebrated by Archbishop John J. Myers. Feeney is pictured with Father Thomas A. Dente, director of the archdiocesan Office of Divine Worship. Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Newark, led by Andrew P. Schafer, executive director, organizes the annual event.

Dwyer center accelerates pace to detect, treat breast cancer

NEWARK—The Connie Dwyer Breast Center at Saint Michael's Medical Center offers a "Rapid Diagnosis" program that provides patients with same-day biopsy results and diagnosis.

Breast cancer, which affects one out of eight women, is most often discovered through mammography testing. When an abnormality is found, a biopsy is performed.

Though definitive test results typically can take days, patients at the Connie Dwyer Breast Center who receive a biopsy in the morning can receive their results that same day. Patients with a cancer diagnosis then can receive information immediately about medical treatment options and support services available.

The Rapid Diagnosis program makes use of a PELORIS Rapid Tissue Processing unit; a Leica BOND Staining unit; and a Nikon dual-view microscope with a digital camera system.

The Breast Center's Harvest of Hope dinner dance, which was held last month, raised more than \$250,000 to fund the purchase of the technology necessary to implement the program.

"The addition of the Rapid Diagnosis program at The Connie Dwyer Breast Center is part of our ongoing efforts to provide the latest and best diagnostic care and treatment available anywhere," Robert Evans, chief executive officer of Saint Michael's Medical Center, said.

For further information on The Connie Dwyer Breast Center, contact Janet Lesko, director of development, at (973) 877-2624.

Saint Michael's Medical Center, 111 Central Ave., marked the transfer of sponsorship to Catholic Health East, Newtown Square, PA, from the Archdiocese of Newark in a special ceremony held Oct. 17 (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Oct. 22).



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A benefit gala last month sponsored by the Connie Dwyer Breast Center raised funds towards the purchase of technology that now enables patients to receive biopsy results and diagnosis the same day. Attending the gala with 350 guests were, left to right, Dr. Jan A. Huston, medical director of the breast center; Bob and Connie Dwyer, and Robert Evans, chief executive officer of Saint Michael's Medical Center.

National group lauds Trinitas nursing education program

ELIZABETH—Trinitas School of Nursing has been designated as a National League for Nursing (NLN) "Center of Excellence" in nursing education for 2008-2011 in recognition of its sustained efforts to create environments that promote student learning and professional development.

"This is the highest honor a nursing school can achieve. It represents the ultimate stamp of quality," Gary S. Horan, a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives (FACHE), president and chief executive officer of Trinitas Hospital, said. "I couldn't be more proud of our school's faculty and administration for their success in creating such an outstanding learning environment."

Since 2004 New York-based NLN (Web site: www.nln.org) has invited nursing schools to apply based on their ability to demonstrate sustained excellence in faculty development, nursing education research, or student learning and professional development. Nursing schools must also have a proven commitment to continuous quality improvement. There are 13 schools nationally with this designation. Trinitas is the first school in New Jersey and the first cooperative program in the nation to receive the award.

Mary Elizabeth Lebreck Kelley, M.S.N., M. Ed., R.N., C.N.E., A.N.E.F., dean of the Trinitas School of Nursing, received the NLN award on Sept. 20 at NLN's annual educational summit held in San Antonio, TX.

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Pitkin emergency center focuses on 'big picture'

TEANECK — Holy Name Hospital's new George P. Pitkin M.D. Emergency Care Center has established a healthcare benchmark through innovative design, which employs state-of-the-art technology to deliver rapid response to patient needs.

The facility is the vision of Richard Schwab, M.D., director of Emergency Medicine at Holy

Name Hospital. "Our goal was to center every function, every piece of technology around delivering an excellent patient experience," Schwab said.

Along with accommodating the increased patient volume at the hospital, the center used "big-picture" thinking to not only create efficiencies, but to address the potential need for dedicated

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Michael Maron, chief executive officer and president of Holy Name Hospital, said the new Emergency Care Center is a local achievement that serves the greater good. "Along with providing care to our families, neighbors and friends, we have also been designated a 'Medical Coordination Center' for large-scale emergencies—a symbol of the strength of our commitment to emergency preparedness."

communication capabilities. There are all-digital radiology services contiguous to the Emergency Care Center and specimens are sent to the lab using pneumatic-tube transport device.

In an effort to provide as much comfort and privacy as possible for patients, there are private and semi-private rooms. There are distinct treatment areas and dedicated clinical teams for major specialty services, including orthopedics, pediatrics, chest pain and stroke.

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The lower level of the Emergency Care Center was designed in consultation with international healthcare systems to ensure a highly refined program that maximizes public safety, Maron said. Innovative technology can be found throughout the center. Mobile bedside computers provide instant access to patients' paperless, online medical records by the healthcare team, increasing the speed at which care can be delivered. Wireless staff-to-staff communications and remote-patient monitoring are two other technological efficiencies.

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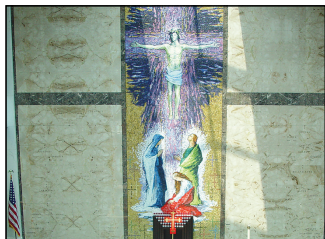
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A WALK FOR WISHES AND HOPE—Eight Bergen Catholic High School students assisted staff members at the N.A. Blesham Regional Day School in Paramus at its Oct. 23 walk-a-thon. The fund-raiser benefited the Make-A-Wish-Foundation of New Jersey (Web site: www.wishnj.org) and the charities of the court-appointed Special Advocate of New Jersey. Blesham, part of the Bergen County Special Service School District, provides programs to support students with special learning needs. Among those taking part were, left to right, Bergen Catholic seniors Brian Lee and John Golio.

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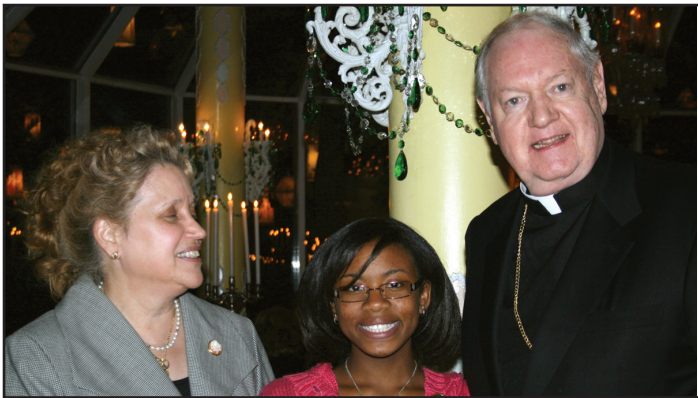
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SOAR AWARD—Kathy DiFiore (left), a member of Saint Paul's Parish in Ramsey and the founder of Several Sources Shelters (Web site: www.severalsources.net), a refuge for women and their babies, received the Supporting Our Aging Religious (SOAR) Mother Seton Award at the organization's annual fund-raising dinner, held Oct. 7 at Tavern on the Green, New York. Nearly 30 years ago DiFiore left the corporate world and turned her home into a shelter for mothers and their babies. She eventually organized four residential shelters in New Jersey, along with a 24-hour national hotline for pregnant women in crisis. A fifth shelter, Ladies Rest, located in Newark, assists poor and homeless women. DiFiore is pictured with Edward Cardinal Egan, the Archbishop of New York, who was the guest of honor at the Oct. 7 dinner.

Weighing time when seniors feel 'ready'

NORTH BERGEN—Decisions on when an elderly family member should enter a retirement community can be difficult and complex. There are emotional and financial matters to consider. "I'm not ready" is a common remark many senior citizens make when considering a move to a retirement community, according to Noreen Wendt, marketing director of Fritz Reuter Retirement Community.

"I tell them—when you think you are ready it may be too late. Making the decision to move out of your house is very traumatic," Wendt said. "However, if you move into a retirement community and then need to move again into a nursing home if 24-hour care is needed, it is very difficult."

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DISTINGUISHED DOCTOR—Dr. David V. Rasa will receive the "Distinguished Physician Award" from the Saint Joseph's Wayne Hospital Foundation during the group's annual charity ball, which will be held Nov. 22 at the Glenpointe Marriot in Teaneck. Rasa is the president of High Mountain Health, a family practice located in Wayne. He will be honored for his commitment to clinical excellence, devotion to his patients, leadership and outstanding commitment to Saint Joseph's Wayne Hospital, Saint Joseph's Healthcare System and the community.

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'Unseen' crisis: hunger rends quality of life in archdiocese

Pantries say donations at all-time low

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE
Editor

NEWARK—As the bountiful Thanksgiving holiday season approaches, Church-based food pantries throughout the Archdiocese of Newark are experiencing longer lines of desperate people in need of assistance and rapidly shrinking supplies of food.

Tragically, hunger remains a severe, daily problem for those in the archdiocese who live in

poverty—a situation that has become especially critical against the backdrop of the looming global economic crisis.

"The food pantries are overwhelmed," Sharon Reilly-Tobin, program manager of the Catholic Charities Emergency Food & Nutrition Network (EFNN), lamented. "Donations and supplies are down but the need for food has dramatically increased." Demand for food assistance is up more than 25 percent compared with the same period last year, she said. On average, EFNN's 75 emergency food pantries located throughout Bergen, Essex, Hudson and Union counties assist more than 45,000 people each year.

A recent EFNN survey indicated 70 percent of its pantries have reported food donations are at an all-time low and requests for emergency assistance cannot be met. The rising demand is due to increased costs for food and fuel, which have strained many household budgets.

Reilly-Tobin estimated that one out of five New Jersey families does not earn enough to afford basic necessities—housing, food, healthcare and child care—although 85 percent of these households have at least one family member who is working.

"It is not surprising that many of the people most consistently vulnerable to hunger

are the 'working poor,'" she said. "However, what's most disturbing is the alarming number of children being served by the food pantries. Forty-five percent of people served by the archdiocesan pantry network are children.

"Numerous studies have shown when children are hungry, they get sick more often and do not learn (in school) as well," she continued. "There is an increased risk of developmental delays, behavioral and emotional problems for children living with food insecurity on a consistent basis."

There are 36 million Americans, including one in six children, who live below the federal poverty line (\$20,000 for a family of four). According to information provided earlier this year by the New Jersey Catholic Conference, Trenton, and the Anti-Poverty Network (APN) of New Jersey, Edison, nearly 740,000 Garden State residents live below the poverty line.

Last December the APN held its eighth-annual conference in Trenton (see *The Catholic Advocate*, Dec. 5, 2007). Kay Furlani, the director of the archdiocesan Office of Human Concerns, took part in the event.

The primary mission of EFNN is to provide direct food relief through its archdiocesan pantry network. Parish-based food drives are encouraged and supported by the EFNN. So far this year over 112 tons of food has been donated by parishes, schools, businesses and community organizations. In addition, monetary donations are used to purchase food items in short supply.

EFNN distributes food throughout the year and sponsors special seasonal programs such as the annual "Help A Family at Christmas" and "Harvest of Hope." Contact EFNN, 37 Evergreen Place, East Orange, at (973) 266-7966 for more information.

Newark center to offer diabetes info

NEWARK—The Diabetes Management Center at Saint Michael's Medical Center, in observance of National Diabetes Month, is providing a series of screenings and educational programs.

Free blood-glucose testing and diabetes education will be offered by the center on Saturday, Nov. 22, 9 a.m. to noon, at the Saint James Campus, 155 Jefferson St., located in the Ironbound section of the city. The program is open to the public and no appointment is necessary. Call the center at (973) 877-2885 for more information.

The Saint Michael's program is designed to provide patients with the skills and knowledge necessary to live successfully with diabetes, manage their symptoms and adopt healthy eating

habits. The American Diabetes Association (Web site: www.diabetes.org), based in Alexandria, VA, has recognized the Diabetes Management Center at Saint Michael's Medical Center as meeting the national standards for diabetes self-management education.

"More than 23 million Americans have diabetes and an estimated 5.7 million of those don't even know they have it," said Patrice Paoletta, M.P.H., R.D., C.D.E., director of the Saint Michael's Diabetes Management Center. "It's the sixth-leading cause of death in the United States and can lead to serious complications such as heart disease, stroke, kidney disease, blindness and amputation."



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VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS THINK PINK—Lois V. Green, center, president of the board of trustees for the Susan G. Komen Fight for the Cure, North Jersey Affiliate, joined forces with students of Marylawn of the Oranges, South Orange, for an all-day program to promote awareness of breast cancer. Participants wore pink as part of the program. The day ended with a volleyball match between Marylawn and Newark's Saint Vincent Academy. The Marylawn volleyball team raised nearly \$500 for the local Komen affiliate. Picture at the far right is Marylawn volleyball coach Deb Ferguson-Ulmer.



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Archbishop John J. Myers, (left), Father Charles Kelly (center), and Deacon Matthew Dooley prepare to bless the Repository Chapel at Queen of Peace, North Arlington, during a Mass celebrated Nov. 2. Two hundred relics from throughout the Archdiocese of Newark are on permanent display at the chapel.

Relics

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Explaining that the saints’ relics had been stored at several locations throughout the archdiocese and that some had been the property of several archbishops, Father Charles M. Kelly, parochial vicar at Queen of Peace Parish and a member of the archdiocesan Patrimony Commission, stressed such holy and sacred items “are to be venerated.” A public place as his parish, Fr. Kelly added, will be an especially powerful element in the prayer life of those who visit the chapel.

Among the more prominent relics, Fr. Kelly stressed, are those from the “true cross,” a veil of Our Blessed Mother and another of Saint Joseph. He cited too other saints whose relics will be on per-



manent display in the chapel including the first American saints— Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and Saint John Newmann. Available for veneration as well are relics of Saint Patrick, Saint Anthony, Saint Jude, the Apostles, Saint Martin de Porres and Saint Stanislaus Kostka.

Archdiocesan archivist, Rev. Msgr. Francis R. Seymour, speaking from his offices at Seton Hall University in South Orange, noted that many of the relics had been stored in the archives. Another storage site, Msgr. Seymour added, was a vault in the former chancery office on Mulberry Street in Newark.

He concurred with Fr. Kelly’s feeling that relics should be venerated. The repository chapel at Queen of Peace Parish, Msgr. Seymour said, is much more preferable than the relics just “sitting on a shelf.”

Calling the relics “proof of our faith” and “representing what our faith is,” Msgr. Seymour emphasized how the chapel will enhance and nurture a person’s spirituality.

Queen of Peace pastor, Rev. Msgr. William J. Fadrowski, said it was an honor for the chapel at his parish to house the relics. He called the site an appropriate setting for the relics and for providing the opportunity for the faithful to venerate them.

For too long throughout Church history, the veneration of relics has fallen out of “popular piety” Msgr. Fadrowski explained. Relics, he added, are a “link to our Catholic heritage” while the chapel is a place where the faithful can get closer to the saints, particularly to ones to whom they have a particular devotion.

The repository chapel will be accessible when the Queen of Peace church is open—every day between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Fr. Kelly said anyone in the archdiocese who has a relic and would like to donate it to the chapel should call him at (201) 997-0700.

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BABY SHOWER—Father Joseph A. Petrillo (second from left), pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, West Orange, visited the baby shower collection station established by the parish's Catholic Daughters of America, Court Bernadette No. 782. Clothes and blankets are distributed to area programs that combat abortion by persuading unwed mothers to keep their babies. Pictured with Fr. Petrillo are (left to right) Margret Christiano, Regent Ann Pflug, Katherine Sheridan and shower chair Peg Shelly.

Sister Peggy earns Peacemaker Award

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Jersey City native Sister Peggy O'Neill, a Sister of Charity of Saint Elizabeth, was honored for her 21 years of work in El Salvador with the "Peacemaker Award" of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace Chapter in West Long Branch.

Sister Peggy, from the Centro Arte par la Paz in El Salvador, was nominated for her "outstanding contribution to peace making and work for justice."



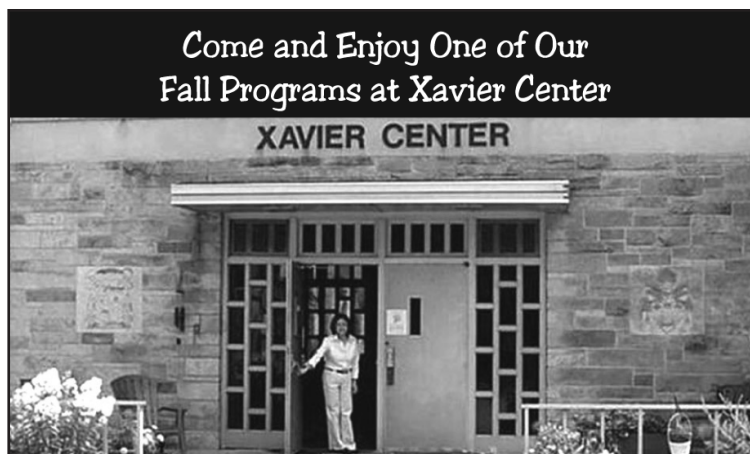
Sister Peggy O'Neill

A theologian, Sister Peggy served on the faculty of Iona College in New Rochelle, NY, and went to El Salvador in 1987. For a dozen years, she taught at Iona College six months a year and lived in El Salvador the other six months.

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and Earth, I humbly beseech you
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Deacon Roberto Ortiz

Callahan, auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, conferred the sacrament.

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Official Appointments

Archbishop John J. Myers has announced the following appointments:

ARCHDIOCESAN AGENCY/MINISTRY

Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.V.D., D.D., Regional Bishop for Essex County, has been reappointed a consultor of the Archdiocese of Newark for a term of five years effective Nov. 21.

Reverend Andreas Hellman has been appointed rector of Saint Anthony of Padua Chapel, West Orange, effective immediately.

PASTOR

Reverend Jungsoo Kim, administrator of Saint Joseph Parish and Saint Joseph Korean Catholic Parish, Demarest, was appointed pastor of the newly merged parish of Saint Joseph, Demarest, effective Oct. 1.

Reverend George M. Reilly, pastor of Saint Joseph Parish, New Milford, has had his pastorate extended two years ending June 30, 2010.

ADMINISTRATOR

Reverend Max Osias, parochial vicar of Holy Spirit/Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, East Orange, was appointed administrator of Holy Spirit/Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, East Orange, effective Nov. 5.

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Reverend Matthew Eraly, chaplain at the Veterans' Administration Hospital, East Orange, was appointed to residence at Saint Philomena Rectory, Livingston, effective Nov. 1.

Reverend Oscar D. Fonseca, parochial vicar at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark, has been appointed parochial vicar of Saint Joseph of the Palisades Parish, West New York, effective Nov. 12.

RELEASE

Reverend Francisco de Asis Trujillo, parochial vicar of Saint Joseph of the Palisades Parish, West New York, has been released to begin pastoral service within the Diocese of Peoria, IL, for a period of three years, beginning Nov. 12.

RETIREMENT

Very Reverend John F. Connor, V.F., staff member of the Metropolitan Tribunal and dean of the North Newark Deanery, has been granted retirement effective Feb. 1, 2009.



CHAPLAIN

Reverend Monsignor William J. Fadrowski, pastor of Queen of Peace Parish, North Arlington, has been appointed deputy chaplain of the Order of Malta for the Archdiocese of Newark, effective immediately.

Reverend Ward P. Moore, pastor of Saint Thomas More Parish, Fairfield, has been appointed chaplain of the North Essex Chapter of Serra International, effective immediately.

INCARDINATION

Reverend Eustace Edomobi, chaplain at Saint Michael's Medical Center, Newark, was incardinated into the Archdiocese of Newark Sept. 23.

Reverend Josephat K. Kalema, administrator of Transfiguration Parish, Newark, was incardinated into the Archdiocese of Newark Sept. 23.

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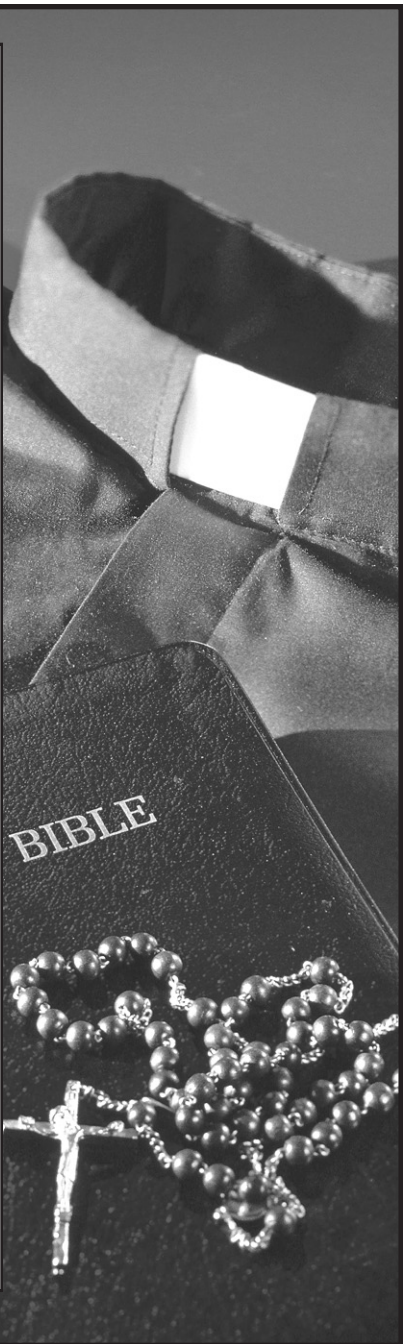
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Job seekers

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the career ministry is having a difficult time keeping up with the demand. "I have been receiving many résumés via e-mail," McCabe said. "We don't have enough people helping out. (The current economic situation) is scary and sad."

The ministry advertises throughout the archdiocese but the workshops are gaining popularity through word of mouth. The sessions are open to non-parishioners and non-Catholics throughout the four counties of the archdiocese—part of the ministry's interfaith community outreach.

Shea, who has worked in senior recruitment and staffing for 20 years, shares her skills with the myriad that attend. "In career counseling, I help direct people in what way they should go," she said. "We teach them how to network and lead them to Internet sites for their area of expertise."

"The workshop provides people with the tools to help themselves."

—Carol Shea

The workshops provide a hospitable environment for everyone to share their stories. McCabe, who conducts the sessions, knows the plight of those searching for a new job. A former senior vice-president at J.P. Morgan Chase and human resource director for all of New Jersey, McCabe's job was eliminated in 1995 and he was uncertain of his future. "I was 53 years-old and looking for a job for the first time in 31 years."

McCabe shares his story with those who attend the workshops and lets them know he can relate. "I try to give them stories to make them more comfortable; it is not just academic."

Expressing shared experiences makes the workshops more real, Shea believes, and people can empathize with each other. In those instances, networking happens within the group.

Shea stresses that the workshops have a proactive approach to the job search. "The workshop provides people with the tools to help themselves." An Our Lady of Mount Carmel parishioner for 35 years, she was more than willing to help launch the Career Resources Ministry almost eight years ago.

"People are despondent, frustrated and don't know where to turn when they lose their jobs," she said. "Our ministry provides

a casual, light-hearted atmosphere while providing useful information."

An inviting and warm networking environment is especially helpful in today's unstable economy. Those who attend the career workshops are from every field of business, demonstrating the financial trouble impacts everyone. "I am concerned with the stock market. People come (to the workshops) from all levels of industry: from secretaries, to vice presidents and other executives. People are concerned with keeping their kids in college and paying their mortgage. Companies are taking away benefits and healthcare costs are increasing," Shea explains.

McCabe may start a résumé clinic to keep up with the increasing interest in the workshop. After losing one's job, a person's confidence can be shaken, decreasing a level of productivity. "At the sessions, we try to stop this downward spiral of anxiety, anger and depression. The fatal mistake a person can make is to believe they can do it alone. If a person chooses not to network, it can prevent them from getting a job. Only 10 percent of jobs are advertised."

Shea said that providing her expertise to those in need is spiritually rewarding. "It feels good when we are helping people find a job. I feel like I am doing God's work. We do not proselytize at our meetings, we just live it. It is wonderful to have a purpose in life."

The sessions will continue as long as they are helpful, according to McCabe. In an ideal situation, the career workshops won't be needed and no one would venture downstairs at noon on Sundays for advice. However, given the widespread reach of the unfolding financial crisis, that "best-case scenario" will not be happening anytime in the near future.

"It is a full-time job finding a full-time job," Shea said. "You have to be proactive and (Career Resources Ministry) will always be there." McCabe encourages those looking for employment not to panic. "Come to us. Many people do not know the skills to find a job. We are the experts and we can teach them how to market their skills."

Ginny Brinkerhoff, a former human resource executive at Konica Minolta Group Companies, discovered an ad for Career Resources Ministry in a local newspaper. Since attending the workshop in September, she has gained renewed focus in her job search.

"Ed and Carol are friendly and supportive and they assist professionals to understand how to market themselves," Brinkerhoff

said. "The workshop gives us focus on who we are and what we have to sell."

Brinkerhoff was with her former company for over 20 years and had to familiarize herself with the modern job market. "The people at the ministry really care and the sessions are extremely informative and quite detailed. I can see how far I have come in my search and I know I have progressed."

Losing her job has been a "profound and surreal experience," but Brinkerhoff has made positive steps toward her future due to the ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish. "I value the relationships I have made and the interviews I have landed. Career Resources Ministry provides a calming environment that is needed in such a faced-paced world."



Advocate photo—Melissa McNally

Spiritual outreach drives the Career Resources Ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Ridgewood, where Msgr. Ronald J. Rozniak is the pastor. Career coach Ed McCabe (left) believes the Holy Spirit is needed to guide those looking for a new career. For more information about the Career Resources Ministry, contact Carol Shea (right) at (201) 447-4215.

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"For more than 37 years, Trinitas has been the fiercest advocate for its widely diverse student body," Kelly said. "The schools historical commitment to open access and educational mobility provides an opportunity for life-changing educational attainment for individuals who want it."

Dr. Beverly Malone, chief executive officer of NLN, said her organization is proud to recognize those schools whose faculty is doing outstanding work that sets them apart from others. Malone explained that the Center for Excellence program is a way "to recognize schools that have demonstrated a commitment to excellence and invested resources over a sustained period of time to distinguish themselves in a specific area related to nursing education. It is an honor to count Trinitas School of Nursing among the outstanding group of recipients of this designation."

Trinitas School of Nursing offers a diploma in nursing from Trinitas School of Nursing and an associate in science degree from Union County College. "The Trinitas School of Nursing is attracting thousands of highly qualified people into the nursing profession and is fulfilling a crucial role as it provides an invaluable supply of nurses for our community and region," Victor M. Richel, chairman of the board of both Trinitas Hospital

and Union County College, stated. "I am particularly proud of the excellent working relationship that exists between Trinitas and Union County College, which has resulted in tremendous benefits to our student nurses over the years."

With an enrollment nearing 2,000 students, the Trinitas School of Nursing is the sixth-largest nursing school in the United States. The school will occupy an entire floor of Union County College's new education building under construction at the College's Elizabeth Campus.



"Open access to Trinitas provides students with a viable option to becoming a nurse and the school facilitates their educational mobility," Rose Santee, M.A., R.N., N.E.A.-B.C., C.N.E., and associate dean, stated. Santee said the College of Saint Elizabeth, which offers a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, started in 2004, and a Master of Science in Nursing, established last year, is a partner in the program.

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HOLY NAME DONATION—Members of the Bergen County Federation of Holy Name Societies presented Kathleen Wrona (far left) of Several Sources Foundation with a \$600 check to support the group’s shelters for mothers and babies. The donation was gathered from proceeds from the Holy Name Spiritual Directors’ Dinner and the “Pennies from Heaven” program. Holy Name members pictured with Wrona include (left to right) Don Stein, Joe Borowski, Elton Ekstrom, Alfred DiGrazia, Jr., Peter Giessner, Sal Scialdone and Alfred Lombardi.



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HATS OFF TO HATS-ON DAY—Saint Joseph’s elementary school, Maplewood, participated in “Hats-On Day” to raise \$400 for the Foundation for Children with Cancer, St. Louis. Principal Susan Jurevich led the effort as the school this year is focusing on community outreach and service to help those in need. Students currently are involved in a food drive to stock the shelves at food pantries at Saint Mary’s Parish, Newark, and Saint Joseph Parish, Maplewood.



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MISSIONARY AWARENESS—To raise awareness in support of worldwide missionary efforts, Saint Bartholomew Parish, Scotch Plains, celebrated World Mission Sunday at the Oct. 19 Family Mass. Students offered hand-made containers with money they had collected for the missions to Msgr. Robert Fuhrman, the director of the archdiocesan Pontifical Mission Societies office.

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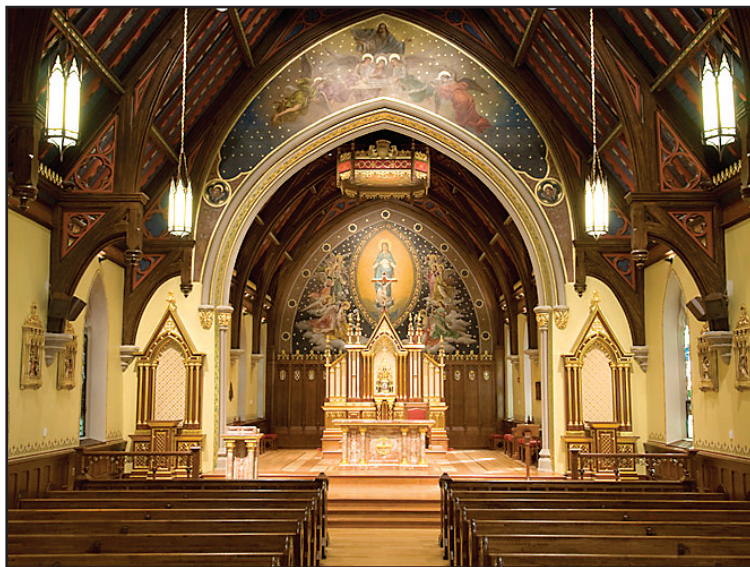
Sublime Gothic Revival chapel warms spiritual heart of SHU

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE
Editor

SOUTH ORANGE—It is a sparkling new (and old) jewel that glistens on the campus of Seton Hall University (SHU).

A Mass of Dedication for the renovated Chapel of the Immaculate Conception was celebrated Oct. 31. The Mass formally unveiled the historic chapel to students, faculty, clergy and friends of the university. Archbishop John J. Myers was the main celebrant while Msgr. Robert Sheeran, SHU president, served as the homilist.

Since opening 145 years ago, the chapel has been the spiritual heart of SHU. Designed by Jeremiah O'Rourke, the noted Newark architect, it was built of local sandstone in the Gothic Revival style of the mid-19th century. In size and design, the chapel is similar to a medieval English village church. Most Rev. James R. Bayley, the first bishop of Newark, laid the cornerstone of



the chapel on May 21, 1863 and it was dedicated on Feb. 7, 1870.

Msgr. Sheeran, in developing the university's "Ever Forward" capital campaign, made the restoration of the chapel a top priority and appointed a committee to oversee the project. Father Paul Holmes chaired the committee and was succeeded by Father C.

Anthony Ziccardi. Committee members included Msgr. James M. Cafone, Msgr. Robert Wister and Father James Spera.

Michael A. Marconi, SHU project manager for facilities engineering, coordinated the restoration effort. Work began Dec. 27, 2007 and was completed in October. The nephew of Most

Rev. Dominic A. Marconi, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Newark, Marconi said the words "renovation, restoration, and renewal" have guided the project.

Barteluce Architects & Associates, New York, was chosen as coordinating architect for the project renovation and Frankoski Construction, East Orange, was selected as the general contractor providing construction management and coordination for all of the various trades. Elite Restora-

tion, Philadelphia, replaced stone and pointed the mortar. The chapel's masonry restoration received the 2007 New Jersey Golden Trowel Award for best restoration, presented by the International Masonry Institute, Annapolis, MD.

Granda Liturgical of Madrid, Spain, was responsible for interior liturgical elements and wood-working and Evergreene Painting Studios, New York, restored the chapel's murals. Femenalla & Associates, Annandale, renovated the chapel's stained-glass windows, originally installed by Franz Meyer of Munich, Germany, in 1908 and 1931.

The restored ceiling beams display a distinctive chevron design highlighted by the use of gold leaf. The backdrop for the beams is a blue ceiling with silver-leaf stars, which is typical for many Gothic and Gothic Revival churches. Along the walls, the Stations of the Cross, designed by Raffl Studios of Paris in 1936, have been restored to their original form and color.

(Editor's note: Msgr. Robert Wister, associate professor of Church History at Immaculate Conception Seminary, SHU, provided background information for this article.)



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