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Respect Life Month

Archdiocese honors pro-life supporters for their service

By Mary Ann Wyand

Promoting the culture of life and helping save the lives of defenseless unborn babies are priorities for the 2010 recipients of archdiocesan pro-life volunteer service awards.

St. Joan of Arc parishioner Patricia Yeadon of Indianapolis, who has



Patricia Yeadon

faithfully volunteered as a pro-life sidewalk counselor outside abortion clinics for 24 years, will receive the Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara Respect Life Award for her distinguished

service to the cause of life at the conclusion of the archdiocesan Respect Life Mass on Oct. 3 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis.

Cardinal Ritter High School senior Alyssa Barnes, a member of St. Malachy Parish in Brownsburg and a dedicated



Alyssa Barnes

pro-life volunteer, is the recipient of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Pro-Life Youth Award, which also will be presented following the Respect Life liturgy.

Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general, will celebrate the Respect Life Mass at 1 p.m. on Oct. 3 on behalf of Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, who is leading a pilgrimage to holy sites in Austria and Germany.



St. Joseph parishioner Brian Weigel of St. Leon pounds a cross into the ground with the help of another youth in the parish on Sept. 18 along Route 1 just south of Interstate 74 in Dearborn County. The "Cemetery of the Innocents" display of 4,000 crosses represents the number of babies that die in legalized abortion each day in the United States. The traveling pro-life exhibit will be on display in St. Leon through Oct. 2.

Catholics in central and southern Indiana are invited to participate in the archdiocesan pro-life Mass, which is part of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' national Respect Life Sunday observance organized to educate people about the sanctity and dignity of life from conception until natural death.

After the Mass, Catholics are encouraged to join the Central Indiana Life Chain, an ecumenical, one-hour, pro-life prayer vigil along North Meridian Street in Indianapolis, at 2:30 p.m. to silently

pray for an end to abortion.

Respect Life Award

Yeadon began praying the rosary in front of abortion clinics in 1986, and her prayerful presence there evolved into pro-life sidewalk counseling as a volunteer with the ecumenical Truth and Compassion Ministry organization.

"I was trying to get St. Joan of Arc parishioners involved in going to the abortion mills to pray," she said. "That's how I started going there. I had no idea that

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Charities head marks 100 years with call for '21st-century solutions'

WASHINGTON (CNS)—One hundred years and a day after the founding of the national organization that became Catholic Charities USA, its president called for "21st-century solutions to 21st-century problems," and said keeping track of how many people are fed or given shelter for a night is no longer enough.

"We need to track not only money and services, but how many people have escaped the need for such services," said Father Larry Snyder, a priest of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis who has been



Fr. Larry Snyder

president and CEO of Catholic Charities USA since 2005.

Father Snyder spoke on Sept. 26 at his organization's centennial gathering in Washington, where it was founded by about 400 Catholic leaders in 1910.

The conference opened the day before with a Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and a group photo on the campus of The Catholic University of America, replicating a photo of the founding members 100 years ago.

Father Snyder acknowledged that "there will always be those who need the safety net"

of services, such as food, shelter or financial assistance, but said that for many, "the safety net is broken."

"It can trap families into a lifetime of need," he said. "Our efforts must be transformative," and must help place individuals and families on "the pathway to self-sufficiency," he added.

Outlining the history of the organization founded as the National Conference of Catholic Charities, Father Snyder said it was established "at a time of great social transformation" when the United States was moving from an agrarian to an

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Haitian bishops agree on broad-based program to oversee reconstruction of parishes and schools

WASHINGTON (CNS)—Haitian bishops agreed on Sept. 24 to the creation of a broad-based reconstruction program involving Church partners from around the world that will guide how parishes and Catholic schools destroyed in the Caribbean nation's January earthquake are rebuilt.

They met in Miami on Sept. 22-26 with Catholic officials from the United States, Argentina, Canada, Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, France, Germany, Guadeloupe and Mexico, and the Inter-American Development Bank. The bishops were considering the proposal developed over several months primarily by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic Relief Services.

The four-day gathering came on

the heels of meetings on Sept. 20-21 that the Haitian bishops had in Port-au-Prince, the Haitian capital, to discuss reconstruction needs and other Church programs.

Called the Program for the Reconstruction of the Church in Haiti, the plan would establish a commission with both Haitian and international members that will review and approve parish projects, and ensure that building plans meet construction standards based on appropriate building codes.

"As Haitians continue to struggle to recover from this unprecedented natural disaster, the Church walks with them, bearing the cross of Christ, in [the] hope that suffering will give way to new life and to a new

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Bishops from Haiti and Latin America process in for Mass at St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami on Sept. 25. The group of bishops, who also included bishops from Europe as well as the Miami Archdiocese, celebrated the Mass to close a meeting about a program to rebuild the Church in Haiti.

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I would continue, and that God would keep me going there for this many years.”

While there is “a lot of heartache involved in pro-life sidewalk counseling,” Yeadon said, there also are moments of overwhelming joy when women that experience crisis pregnancies decide to choose life for their unborn babies.

“I think God gives you a way to protect your heart when you do this in obedience to him,” she said. “It’s simply God’s grace. Even with the suffering comes joy because you know what you’re doing is the right thing. I think it comes back to knowing that God sent you out there, and being willing to listen to the Holy Spirit.”

The hardest part of sidewalk counseling is making a personal connection with women considering abortion, she said. “You have to truly show the women that you care about them. You have to expose your heart completely, and you are so vulnerable. Sometimes they will reject what you have said then go ahead and have an abortion. So you continue to pray for them, and offer information [about post-abortion syndrome and abortion reconciliation] when they come out.”

Yeadon doesn’t let bitter cold or extremely hot weather deter her from her tireless and often solitary prayer vigils outside abortion clinics all year long.

“Knowing that other people are praying helps immensely,” she said. “Prayers do make a difference because I can feel the presence of God so strongly even when I’m numb to the core from the cold and it’s time to go home or lose toes and fingers [from frostbite]. I think so often people forget how powerful prayer is.”

Yeadon always fasts from food and water as she prays continually between

opportunities to offer sidewalk counseling to expectant mothers outside abortion clinics during volunteer shifts that last from 7 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

“I fast for the babies,” she said, “and I pray the rosary or read Scripture, usually the psalms. I pray for the women that are already inside [the abortion clinic], pray for the staff and—if I know who the abortionist is—pray for him or her by name. Sometimes people come by from the neighborhood, and they want to stop and pray about something. I am there for whoever God sends my way.”

The daughter of Dolores Yeadon and the late Bill Yeadon grew up in a large family of 15 children that includes her twin sister, Nancy, as well as several adopted siblings and foster siblings.

“It was always a big thrill to have a new baby in the house,” she said, “so it’s hard for me to understand that sometimes people don’t welcome babies.”

Benedictine Sister Kathleen Yeadon, a member of Our Lady of Grace Monastery in Beech Grove, said her older sister schedules her home cleaning business and social activities to allow time for sidewalk counseling during busy days at clinics.

“Patty’s name is Patricia Ruth Ann Yeadon, and the first letters of her name spell ‘P-R-A-Y,’” Sister Kathleen said. “She is very faithful about praying for the babies and mothers. She also helps with the Gabriel Project, and takes her commitment to help women who have decided to keep their babies very seriously. Often, the money to help them comes from her own resources.”

Pro-Life Youth Award

Even with a busy class schedule at Cardinal Ritter High School, Alyssa Barnes makes time to participate in the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Youth Council and is the president of Ritter’s Pro-Life Club.

She prays outside abortion clinics in



A “Cemetery of the Innocents” at St. Joseph Parish in St. Leon educates people about the tragedy of legalized abortion. Father Scott Nobbe, the administrator of St. Joseph Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish in Dover, said about 150 parishioners participated in the pro-life project, including homebound people who prayed for an end to abortion. The crosses are part of a traveling pro-life exhibit created by Larry and Kay Sendelback of Cold Spring, Ky.

Indianapolis, attends the archdiocesan Helpers of God’s Precious Infants monthly Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Church, participates in the Central Indiana Life Chain and “40 Days for Life” prayer vigils, and walks in the National March for Life each January in Washington, D.C.

“I want any woman going into an abortion clinic to know that there is a better way,” Alyssa said, “and that life is never regrettable and that she doesn’t have to be alone.”

Matthew Hollowell, a faculty member and the Pro-Life Club moderator at the Indianapolis West Deanery high school, said Alyssa can always be counted on to enthusiastically promote respect for life.

“I have rarely met a student more committed to the cause of life than Alyssa,” Hollowell said. “... Alyssa played an instrumental role in Cardinal Ritter’s

first ever Pro-Life Week. ... She is a visible witness to the pro-life movement by praying at Planned Parenthood, and by attending—and encouraging other students to attend—the monthly pro-life Mass at St. Michael’s. The future of the pro-life movement is very blessed to have Alyssa leading the way.”

Alyssa helps her parents, Bill and Maria Barnes, as volunteers with the St. Elizabeth/Coleman Pregnancy and Adoption Services foster care program, Project Gabriel assistance for poor mothers and babies, and the archdiocesan Refugee Resettlement Program.

“My family has always been very open to life,” she said. “I have two sisters and two brothers. My youngest brother was adopted three years ago. That was a really cool experience. We tell him how much he is loved, and that his birth mother loves him. ... Adoption is always an option.” †

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industrial economy.

“But the progress came at a cost,” he added, including “a loss of recognition of the importance of human beings and a national sense of community.”

The Church brought its “rich tradition of social teachings” to the U.S. culture and left its “fingerprint on



Members of the St. Augustine Gospel Choir sing during Mass marking the centennial of Catholic Charities USA at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington on Sept. 25. Representatives from Catholic Charities agencies across the country, national and international Catholic leaders, and clients of Catholic Charities’ services participated in the liturgy.

some of the great social solutions of our day,” such as Social Security and various programs to fight poverty, he said.

“The conditions facing those we serve today are strikingly similar to those of 1910,” Father Snyder said, noting that the number of Americans living in poverty increased by more than 4 million during the past two years.

He criticized current attitudes of “intolerance, division and a lack of compassion for the ‘undeserving poor,’” and said they are based on “a refusal to see in the faces of the poor the image and likeness of God.”

“No matter how well disguised, we must still see the beauty of the image and likeness of God in each person,” he added.

Father Snyder said those involved in the work of Catholic Charities must be “immersed in the messiness of life,” and said now is “not the time for us to be timid about our faith.”

Like 100 years ago, “the age of visionaries and giants is still upon us,” he said.

Three panelists representing the corporate world, the academic world and politics then responded to Father Snyder’s talk.

Janet Lawson, director of Ford Volunteer Corps, part of the philanthropic arm of Ford Motor Co., said the organization, funded from Ford profits, has had to make do with a diminished budget to meet increasing needs, especially in the Detroit area.

Among the organization’s priorities have been mobile food pantries that can go quickly to where there is the most need, and “economic stability” programs that provide financial basics and job training in “alternatives to the manufacturing jobs that have gone overseas.”

Father J. Bryan Hehir, a professor of religion and public life

at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, said that although pundits disagree about how to end the current economic crisis, “there is general agreement that it will not end quickly.”

He said that Catholic Charities’ “commitment to professional excellence, combined with hope and faith, give us the capacity to be the long-distance runner.”

Father Hehir, who is also the secretary for social concerns and president of Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese of Boston, said the organization is “uniquely placed to contribute” to discussions about how the government distributes public resources.

“There is no substitute for the moral vision of leaders” in helping to ensure “the quality of life of all its citizens,” he said.

Joshua DuBois, the executive director of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, said the government can “learn a lot from Catholic Charities offices around the country,” especially their emphasis on “integral human development as well as emotional and spiritual support” for their clients.

Asked in a question-and-answer period about how to promote civility in the national dialogue, DuBois noted a “connection between civility and poverty.”

“If the public debate has deteriorated to the point that we can’t see ourselves in another person,” it is difficult to solve national problems together, he said.

Other speakers at the Sept. 25-28 Catholic Charities convention included Cardinal Paul J. Cordes, the president of the Pontifical Council Cor Unum; Dr. Regina Benjamin, the U.S. surgeon general; and Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan of New York. †

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Patients at Catholic hospital supply placentas for stem-cell research

CLEARWATER, Fla. (CNS)—Women giving birth by cesarean section at a Catholic hospital in Florida can contribute to cutting-edge research that could benefit burn victims, diabetics and wounded soldiers.

With the permission of the new mothers, St. Joseph's Women's Hospital in Tampa has been collecting placentas for use in stem-cell research by the regenerative medicine company Stemnion.

The Pittsburgh-based Stemnion recently opened a research facility in Clearwater so that cells can be extracted from the afterbirth tissue within a few hours of delivery. Since January, 77 women with prescheduled cesarean deliveries at St. Joseph's Women's Hospital have consented to the placental donations, and 63 placentas have been successfully donated.

Stemnion officials gathered on Sept. 23 at the Clearwater facility with Church leaders, including Bishop Robert N. Lynch of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Sister Carol Keehan, president and CEO of the Catholic Health Association, to celebrate the collaboration, which started when Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl of Washington, then bishop of Pittsburgh, first heard about the fledgling company six years ago.

Sister Carol, a Daughter of Charity, said she and the bishops "wanted to see morally upright, good stem-cell research



Sr. Carol Keehan, D.C.

many of those surgeries are not preplanned.

being done in our many Catholic hospitals."

St. Joseph's Women's Hospital was a good candidate for the program because about 7,000 babies are born there each year, nearly 3,000 of them by C-section, although

The research—morally acceptable under Catholic teaching since it does not involve the destruction of human embryos—is aimed at developing healing therapies, including a skin replacement barrier that could reduce disfigurement and contraction in severely burned patients.

"It's a great opportunity to be on the cutting edge and advance the care of severely injured people, both military and diabetics and people who are terribly burned," Sister Carol said.

William Golden, a co-founder, executive chairman, executive vice president and chief financial officer of Stemnion, said the company hopes its product "will help patients with burns to heal faster with less scarring and less pain, and get them out of the burn unit faster with fewer long-term consequences."

Golden said Stemnion does not do research involving embryonic stem cells. The Catholic Church opposes such research because it requires human embryos to be destroyed.

Franciscan Sister Patricia Shirley, vice president of mission for St. Joseph's Hospital, which is affiliated with St. Joseph's Women's Hospital under the umbrella of BayCare Health System, said the placenta donation program offers an opportunity for the hospital to "live out our mission in a different way.

"It's helping medical science and it's helping create opportunities for healing, which is very much a part of what we're part of," she said.

To promote physician support for the program, Stemnion had a wound care expert, Dr. David Steed, speak to the doctors and explain what the research was hoping to achieve.

"The purpose of the research is healing, and [the physicians are] invested in that already," Sister Patricia said.

"[Stemnion is] hoping to be able to use this for burn victims and for the healing of wounds for our military personnel, and



Bishop Robert N. Lynch of St. Petersburg, Fla., blesses the new Stemnion facility on Sept. 23 in Clearwater, Fla. The Pittsburgh-based regenerative medicine company recently opened the Florida lab near a Catholic hospital where placentas are donated for use in adult stem-cell research.

that is something again that strikes a chord in all of us, and is something that we would very much like to be a part of and help support."

Kimberly Guy, the administrator and chief operating officer at St. Joseph's Women's, said Stemnion reimburses the hospital for its minimal costs to participate, including courier services and the time of workers charged with obtaining the consent of patients.

The placentas are transported by courier in a sterile container to the Clearwater lab, about 20 miles from the hospital. Stemnion technicians then test, isolate and store the usable stem cells and eventually transport them to the company's main laboratory in Pittsburgh for use in research.

Each placenta collected has the capacity to yield several hundred million cells, and can produce many doses of the investigational medicine that the company

has in the trial phase, according to Stemnion.

The company conducted an initial clinical trial at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore and other burn centers, and it is now undergoing a safety trial.

Sister Patricia said the hospital is pleased to be involved in a project that promotes the use of adult stem cells, which have been found effective in more than 70 treatments, including therapies for diabetes, Parkinson's disease, and heart and spinal cord conditions, according to Do No Harm: The Coalition of Americans for Research Ethics.

"This is really about a very volatile issue, and the more opportunities that we have to show how adult stem cells are being used and furthering the cause of science and of healing, the less need there will be to use embryonic stem cells, which we would not be involved in," she said. †

In Respect Life message, Cardinal DiNardo promotes world vigil for life on Nov. 27

WASHINGTON (CNS)—In a message marking Respect Life Month in October, the chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities called on U.S. Catholics to join Pope Benedict XVI in a worldwide prayer vigil "for all nascent human life" on the Saturday evening of Thanksgiving weekend.

Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo of Galveston-Houston also encouraged Catholics to demonstrate their commitment to life "through a loving concern for the good of others," and to work to ensure that health care reform, in its implementation, "is not misused to promote abortion or to trample on rights of conscience.

"With each passing year, the need for personal and public witness grounded in God's boundless love for each and every human being grows more urgent," he said in a statement for Respect Life Month released on Sept. 28.

The cardinal cited three particular risks in today's society—abortion, embryonic stem-cell research and "a renewed campaign for legalizing physician-assisted suicide.

"Instead of addressing [seriously ill] patients' real problems by providing love, support and relief of suffering, this agenda urges us to eliminate the patient as though he or she is the problem," Cardinal DiNardo said. "While critics want to portray the Church's witness as a narrow and negative ideology, it is just the opposite—a positive vision of the dignity of each and every human being without exception, each loved equally by God and so equally deserving of our love and our

nation's respect."

He urged every Catholic to become "a voice for the child in the womb, and for the embryonic human being at risk of becoming a mere object of research, and for the neglected sick and elderly.

"The loss of even one child and the pain experienced by the child's mother and father in the aftermath of abortion should impel us to redouble our efforts to end legal abortion, and to ensure that every pregnant woman has whatever help she needs to turn away from this heartbreaking choice," he said.

The cardinal cited several recent surveys that show "the rift continues to widen between the moral principles expressed by a majority of Americans and the actions of government" on such public policy issues as federal funding of abortion and government support for embryonic stem-cell research.

"If we allow the dignity of every human life to guide the decisions we make as voters and public policy advocates, we can surely succeed in creating a more just and humane society," he said.

Cardinal DiNardo's message was issued to mark Respect Life Month, observed annually in October since 1972.

He said Catholics also will have an opportunity this year to join with Pope Benedict in response to his "unprecedented request" for a worldwide prayer vigil for life on Nov. 27.

"I heartily encourage all Catholics, whether at home or traveling over the Thanksgiving holidays, to take part in this special prayer, whose purpose, according to the Holy See, is to 'thank the Lord for his total self-giving to the world for his Incarnation, which gave every human life its real worth and dignity,' and to 'invoke the Lord's protection over every human being called into existence,'" he added. †

Archbishop says mass media today seems more hostile to Christian values

DENVER (CNS)—A new sentiment in the mass media seems more hostile to Christian values, Denver Archbishop Charles J. Chaput told a conference of 150 religion reporters on Sept. 24.



Archbishop Charles J. Chaput

He urged the journalists from across the nation and overseas "to understand believers and religious institutions as they understand themselves," and to have humility in their work.

"Freedom of the press clearly includes the right to question the actions and motives of religious figures and institutions," the archbishop told the gathering.

"But freedom doesn't excuse prejudice or poor handling of serious material, especially people's religious convictions," he said. "What's new today is the seeming collusion—or at least an active sympathy—between some media organizations and journalists, and political and sexual agendas hostile to traditional Christian beliefs."

Archbishop Chaput's talk, "Religion, Journalism and the New American Orthodoxy," was the keynote address at the Religion Newswriters Association's 61st annual conference in Denver.

"This new orthodoxy seems to influence the selection of religious news and how that news gets presented," he said. "It seems to frame which opinions are appropriate and which ones won't be heard. And it seems to guide the historical narrative that media present to their audiences.

"This new thinking seems to presume a society much more secular and much less religious than anything in America's past or warranted by present facts," he continued, "a society where people are free to worship and believe whatever they want so long as they don't intrude their religious idiosyncrasies on government, the economy or culture."

During the question-and-answer period after his talk, Laurie Goodstein, a national correspondent for *The New York Times*, asked the archbishop why he has not been taking her phone calls or granting interviews to her newspaper.

Archbishop Chaput said he made a judgment call based on a prior experience when he was misrepresented by the news organization.

His decision stems from a *Times* reporter misquoting him during John Kerry's presidential campaign in 2004, which was proved to be incorrect by a recording the archdiocese has. The paper claimed the Catholic bishops were trying to derail Kerry's campaign over the Catholic senator's support for legal abortion.

In his speech, Archbishop Chaput also stated that the *Times* "treated Pope Benedict XVI badly in the latest series of your chronicles [of abuse scandals]."

Highlighting how much he reads newspapers, he said that he is "addicted" to reading on his Kindle.

Describing religion journalists as some of "the most introspective people I have ever known in my life," Archbishop Chaput encouraged religion reporters to gain more understanding, to tend toward self-knowledge and self-criticism, and to be skeptical of social data which, while useful, he said, doesn't determine the future. †



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Editorial

Wanted: An educated laity

“I want a laity not arrogant, not rash in speech, not disputatious, but men [and women] who know their religion, who enter into it, who know just where they stand, who know what they hold and what they do not, who know their creed so well that they can give an account of it.”

That quotation is from Cardinal John Henry Newman, who wrote it back in 1851 in a small pamphlet called *The Present Position of Catholics in England*. (We took the liberty of adding “and women” to the original text.)

Pope Benedict XVI liked it so much that he quoted it on Sept. 19 in England while presiding at Cardinal Newman’s beatification liturgy. He said it should serve as a goal for catechists today.

Cardinal Newman indeed was a champion for the laity. His most famous article on the laity appeared in the periodical *The Rambler* in 1859. It was titled “On Consulting the Faithful in Matters of Doctrine,” and it discussed the *consensus fidelium* (consensus of the faithful), which later was adopted by the bishops at the Second Vatican Council. Pope Paul VI went so far as to say that Vatican II was “Newman’s council.”

However, as the quotation that leads this editorial stated, Blessed Newman insisted that he wanted an educated laity, those who know what the Catholic Church teaches and why it teaches it.

Let’s be quick to say, though, that the Church isn’t only for the educated. We know perfectly well that some of the most saintly people understand only the bare basics of their religion. They, too, are part of the lay apostolate.

The Vatican II Decree on the Apostolate of Lay People says, “On all Christians rests the noble obligation of working to bring all people throughout the whole world to hear and accept the divine message of salvation” (#3). The uneducated can do that through their example.

However, in our modern age, there is no good excuse for the laity to remain ignorant about Catholic doctrine. That is especially true among American Catholics, who are among the best educated people when it comes to secular subjects. Unfortunately, too often we see those same well-educated people with only a rudimentary understanding of the tenets of their religion.

All Catholic homes should have at least two basic publications: a Catholic Bible—preferably the *New American Bible* because of its footnotes—and either the *Catechism of The Catholic Church* or the *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*. An educated Catholic must have a good understanding of what is in those books.

Catholics should also have a book that contains the documents of the Second Vatican Council, and those documents should be read. Then add a Catholic encyclopedia, the annual *Catholic Almanac*, and one of many books about the lives of the saints.

Just as a well-educated man or woman in the professions—lawyers, doctors, engineers, tax specialists, etc.—must keep current on what is happening in



Pope Benedict XVI raises the host during the beatification Mass for Cardinal John Henry Newman at Cofton Park in Birmingham, England, on Sept. 19. Blessed Newman, a 19th-century theologian and a prolific writer on spiritual topics, left the Anglican Church and embraced Catholicism at the age of 44.

their line of work, so must a well-educated Catholic. That can start with *The Criterion*, but it shouldn’t end there. Read one of the national Catholic newspapers and several of the more than 80 Catholic magazines.

Then there are Catholic books. Visit a Catholic bookstore, a Barnes & Noble or Borders, or a public library and see the plethora of Catholic books.

Publishers such as Ignatius Press, Our Sunday Visitor Press, Alba House, St. Anthony Messenger Press and Paulist Press are only a few of the good Catholic book publishers.

Of course, there is also the Internet. Check out the Vatican’s website or the U.S. bishops’ website, the archdiocese’s website or other trustworthy Catholic websites for information on topics you are particularly interested in. There is simply no reason, except apathy or laziness, for a modern Catholic to be ill-informed about what the Catholic Church teaches.

Since today’s Catholic Church is so dependent upon the laity to staff its parishes because of the decrease in the number of our clergy and religious, it is great that there are already an estimated 31,000 lay ecclesial ministers with more than 20,000 people—80 percent of them women—in programs of formation to become ecclesial ministers.

At the same time, it is crucial to remember that the mission of all lay men and women is to proclaim and live out the faith in the middle of the secular world. As valuable as lay ministry is in the Church, only a very small percentage of the laity do this full or even part time.

Blessed Cardinal Newman would be happy indeed to see the laity more involved in ministry in the Catholic Church and in the broader society. (He would also undoubtedly be quite surprised.)

These are the educated laity that he wanted, and whom Pope Benedict wants today.

—John F. Fink

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Pope’s trip to Great Britain brings conversion, prayer and reconciliation

Bravo for the pope! Bravo for the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN)! Hurrah for the British people!

What a wonderful weekend of news that came to us from Great Britain as Pope Benedict XVI visited that island nation. He confronted his critics with



gentleness and encouraged his followers with hope.

Thanks to EWTN’s wall-to-wall coverage, I was able to watch the event unfold in all of its British splendor.

EWTN proved its value to the Church.

Raymond Arroyo and his companions, Father Joseph Sirico and Professor Joseph Pearce, gave real insight.

Listening to them was like a short course in Cardinal John Henry Newman’s thinking, and in English history and literature.

In my opinion, it even achieved three small miracles.

The first was a miracle of open-mindedness.

In the days before the papal visit, the British chattering classes became aggressive in their atheism and nearly hysterical in their anger.

Professional atheist Richard Dawkins called for the pope’s arrest as a criminal.

British journalist Claire Rayner wrote that the pope was so “disgusting, ... so repellent, ... and so hugely damaging that the only thing to do was get rid of him.”

Their extremely negative comments were so over the top that they achieved a miracle. They created sympathy for the pope in historically anti-Catholic Britain.

In a country where the monarch may never be a Catholic and which celebrates Nov. 5 as Guy Fawkes Day, a day when Catholics were regularly attacked, they created sympathy for the “pope of Rome.”

Even more significantly, they actually got people to listen to him. The pope drew crowds that rock stars and politicians could only envy. He gained the respect of the British, who are fundamentally fair-minded and decent.

The second miracle was a miracle

of prayer.

Everywhere, people were praying!

They prayed in Hyde Park. They prayed in Westminster Abbey. They prayed in cathedrals and universities. They prayed in beautiful English words and gracious silence.

The papal visit showed the universal hunger for prayer.

One of the most wonderful things was the invitation to silent reflection after each of Pope Benedict’s homilies. In a noisy world, people sat in perfect silence.

The prayers were poetic. The English are a poetic people. One of the most beautiful moments was at the beatification Mass for Cardinal Newman, when the choir sang his poem: “Praise to the holiest in the heights, and in the depths be praise. In all his works most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.” It was lovely.

The third miracle was one of reconciliation.

Rivals and enemies came together in discourse and embraced as friends. There was a gathering of religious leaders of all faiths at St. Mary’s University College in Twickenham, which is near London.

Only the pope could have drawn such a diverse group of rivals. Each of them talked about the universal call to holiness.

Pope Benedict said that the question concerning the ultimate meaning of our human existence is the quest for the sacred.

This “is the search for the one thing necessary, which alone satisfies the longings of the human heart,” he said.

The chief rabbi of Britain, Lord Jonathan Sacks, agreed. He spoke of what we offer the modern world: “In the face of a deeply individualistic culture, we offer community. Against consumerism, we talk about things that have value but not a price. Against cynicism, we dare to admire and respect. ... We hold life holy.”

Pope Benedict made us proud of our faith and our Church.

Unlike his critics, his voice was reasonable, courageous, intelligent, respectful and peaceful.

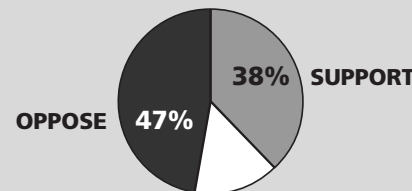
If the peaceful and conciliatory spirit of those four days can be continued, it was worth the trip to Great Britain.

(Father Peter Daly writes for *Catholic News Service*.) †

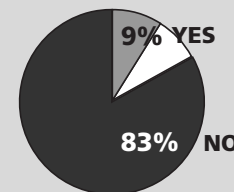
Stem-Cell Research

A new public opinion poll shows that nearly half of U.S. adults oppose federal funding of embryonic stem-cell research.

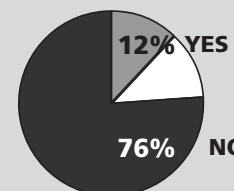
Q. Do you support or oppose using your federal tax dollars for experiments using stem cells from human embryos?



Q. Should scientists be allowed to use human cloning to try to create children for infertile couples?



Q. Should scientists be allowed to use human cloning to create a supply of human embryos to be destroyed in medical research?



Survey from a random sample of 1,006 adults conducted Sept. 8-14, 2010. Source: International Communications Research

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SEEKING THE FACE OF THE LORD

BUSCANDO LA CARA DEL SEÑOR

Religious artwork and imagination help deepen our faith

I am writing this column in advance because when it is published, God willing, I will be leading a pilgrimage to Oberammergau in Germany.

We pilgrims will be attending an all-day production of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ. (I am told there will be a break for food.)

This version of the Passion of Jesus is enacted by virtually all of the citizens of Oberammergau only on a 10-year cycle. I have always wanted to see the drama, but never had the opportunity. I've been to the German village before and have seen the stage sets, costumes and props, but not during the 10th year of production.

I look forward to the drama, not just out of idle curiosity. I have always had a love for and devotion to the Passion of Christ. The Way of the Cross is one of my favorite devotions. The play is in German. I am hopeful that my grasp of the language is good enough to follow an already familiar story. I will pray for all of you during it.

I remember being fascinated as a boy by the Stations of the Cross in the church of my youth, St. Joseph's in Jasper. I recall studying them with great admiration during Mass—and as we stood in line for confession.

I was impressed by the grandeur of their size. The stations are large, but I'm sure they seemed much larger to me then. I loved the presentation and the color of the images, and I still do. Of

course, the artistic effect was important for me in my boyhood but, more importantly, my love for the Way of the Cross and following the Passion of Jesus had its roots in that church.

I also recall studying the mosaics that decorate St. Joe's. The side of the church where our family always sat during Mass looked upon a large mosaic of the marriage of Joseph and Mary. You don't see many depictions of that marriage.

That mosaic impressed me with the idea of the sacredness of marriage, and the witness of Joseph and Mary. The depiction was from the medieval period so, of course, it wasn't intended to be a realistic reproduction of whatever had been the betrothal rite for Mary and Joseph.

In my earliest days, St. Joseph Parish was served by Benedictine monks from Saint Meinrad. (I was baptized by Benedictine Father James Reed.) I mention the monks because they were the builders of the monumental church, and there were a lot of Benedictine symbols all around the interior. In fact, until a later renovation, statues of St. Benedict and St. Scholastica were located on either side of the main altar. Incidentally, the formidable main, marble altar portrayed the sacrifice of Abraham and that of Melchizedek.

I didn't intend to get carried away with a verbal tour of the grand St. Joseph Church, although it is worth a visit if you find yourself in southern Indiana. It

dominates the Jasper skyline so you can't miss it.

It has been 65 years since my earliest impressions of religious faith were profoundly initiated in that home church. I am grateful for the sacred art that was such an important part of my young life and still is an important part of my life. We are visual people, and we need images that shape our imagination and make an imprint on our spiritual lives. I learned a lot about my Catholic faith from the artwork in old St. Joe's.

I think my experience is telling. It makes the case for the importance of images and imagination in the shaping of our faith in God. We can't simply depend only on words and philosophy and theology, as helpful and important as they may be, for the deeper understanding of what and why we believe what we Catholics believe.

I tend to agree with folks who maintain that we lost a lot in our local Catholic culture after the Second Vatican Council. In an effort to work some correctives in the way that we celebrated liturgy, I believe we went from a more pious rendition of sacred art and liturgical

decorations to admittedly austere renderings. I also tend to agree that we leaned heavily on the intellectualization of the presentation of our faith on the one hand and on the banal simplification of imagery on the other.

I am convinced that Passion plays and Stations of the Cross—and certainly the dignified celebration of the sacraments, rituals and sacramentals of the Catholic Church—help to shore up the foundations that our imaginations need to sustain the practice of the faith.

We are a visual people, and our religion and culture have much to offer to our vibrancy as a believing people. †

Do you have an intention for Archbishop Buechlein's prayer list? You may mail it to him at:

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Archbishop Buechlein's intention for vocations for October

Youth Ministers: that they may always encourage youth to consider service in the Church, especially as priests and religious.

Las obras de arte con motivos religiosos y la imaginación contribuyen a profundizar nuestra fe

Escribo esta columna con anticipación ya que, con el favor de Dios, para el momento en que se publique estaré encabezando una peregrinación a Oberammergau en Alemania.

Como peregrinos asistiremos a una producción sobre la Pasión de nuestro Señor Jesucristo que durará todo el día. (Me han informado que habrá un receso para comer.)

Esta versión de la Pasión de Jesús la interpretan prácticamente todos los ciudadanos de Oberammergau únicamente cada 10 años. Siempre he querido ver esta representación teatral pero nunca había tenido la oportunidad. He estado antes en ese pueblo alemán y he visto los escenarios armados, los trajes y los accesorios, pero nunca durante la producción en el undécimo año.

Espero con ansias ver la representación teatral pero no por pura curiosidad. Siempre he sentido devoción y amor por la Pasión de Cristo. El Vía Crucis es una de mis devociones predilectas. La obra es en alemán y espero que mis conocimientos del idioma sean lo suficientemente buenos para poder seguir el hilo de una historia que me es familiar. Rezaré por todos ustedes durante la obra.

Recuerdo que de niño me fascinaban las estaciones del Vía Crucis en la iglesia de mi juventud, San José, en Jasper. Recuerdo que las estudiaba con gran admiración durante la Misa y mientras hacíamos fila para confesarnos.

Me impresionaba la magnitud de su tamaño. Las estaciones son grandes, pero estoy bastante seguro de que por aquel entonces me parecían aún más grandes. Me

encantaba la presentación y los colores de las imágenes y todavía hoy en día me encantan. Por supuesto, como niño, el efecto artístico resultaba importante, pero lo que es aún más importante es que mi amor por el Vía Crucis y seguir la Pasión de Cristo tuvieron sus raíces en esa iglesia.

También recuerdo que analizaba los mosaicos que decoraban la iglesia de San José. El lado en el que nuestra familia siempre se colocaba para asistir a la Misa daba hacia un gran mosaico sobre la boda de María y José. No se ven muchas ilustraciones de ese matrimonio.

Ese mosaico me impresionó debido a la idea del carácter sagrado del matrimonio y el testimonio de María y José. La ilustración databa del período medieval más o menos y, por supuesto, no estaba destinada a ser una reproducción real de lo que haya sucedido en los esponsales de María y José.

Durante mis primeros años los monjes benedictinos de Saint Meinrad servían a la parroquia de San José. (Fui bautizado por el padre benedictino James Reed.)

Menciono a los monjes porque fueron los constructores de la monumental iglesia y en todo su interior había muchísimos símbolos benedictinos. De hecho, hasta una renovación posterior, las estatuas de San Benito y Santa Escolástica se ubicaban a cada lado del altar principal. Coincidentalmente el formidable altar principal de mármol ilustraba el sacrificio de Abraham y de Melquisedec.

No era mi intención explayarme en un recorrido verbal de la iglesia de San José, si bien vale la pena que se detenga a verla si se encuentra en el sur de Indiana.

Predomina sobre el horizonte de Jasper, de modo que no pasa desapercibida.

Han pasado 65 años desde que mis primeras impresiones sobre la fe religiosa se formaron con gran arraigo en esa iglesia de mi infancia. Me siento agradecido por las obras de arte sacras que constituyeron un aspecto importante de mi vida como joven y todavía siguen siendo una parte importante de mi vida. Somos seres visuales y necesitamos imágenes que modelen nuestra imaginación y dejen huella en nuestras vidas espirituales. Aprendí mucho sobre mi fe católica gracias a las obras de arte en la vieja iglesia de San José.

Pienso que mi experiencia resulta reveladora ya que apoya la importancia de las imágenes y la imaginación en el perfilado de nuestra fe en Dios. No podemos depender simple y únicamente de las palabras, la filosofía y la teología, con todo y lo importantes que puedan ser, para profundizar en el conocimiento de aquello en lo que los católicos creemos y el motivo por el que lo hacemos.

Tiendo a estar de acuerdo con las personas que sostienen que perdimos buena parte de nuestra cultura católica local después del Concilio Vaticano II. En un esfuerzo por aplicar algunos correctivos a la forma como celebrábamos la liturgia, considero que pasamos de una interpretación más piadosa del arte sacro y de los

ornamentos litúrgicos a interpretaciones sin duda alguna más austeras. También tiendo a convenir en que, por un lado, nos apoyamos enormemente en la intelectualización de la presentación de nuestra fe, y por otro, en la simplificación banal de las imágenes.

Estoy convencido de que las obras teatrales sobre la Pasión y el Vía Crucis (y ciertamente la celebración digna de los sacramentos, ritos y ceremonias de la Iglesia católica) contribuyen a reforzar las bases que nuestra imaginación necesita para apoyar la práctica de la fe.

Somos seres visuales y nuestra religión y cultura tiene mucho que aportar a nuestro dinamismo como pueblo creyente. †

¿Tiene una intención que desee incluir en la lista de oración del Arzobispo Buechlein? Puede enviar su correspondencia a:

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La intención del Arzobispo Buechlein para vocaciones en octubre

Pastores Juveniles: Que ellos siempre puedan animar a los jóvenes a considerar dando servicio a la iglesia, sobre todo como sacerdotes y religiosos.

Events Calendar

October 1

Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Parish, 520 Stevens St., Indianapolis. **Lumen Dei meeting**, 6:30 a.m. Mass, breakfast and program in Priori Hall, Servants of the Gospel of Life Sister Diane Carollo, presenter, \$15 members, \$20 non-members. Information: 317-435-3447 or e-mail macmac961@comcast.net.

Firefighters Union Hall, 748 Massachusetts Ave., Indianapolis. **St. Mary Parish "Fall AuctionFest,"** 6-9:30 p.m., \$8 adults, \$5 children 16 and under, \$20 per family. Information: 317-637-3983 or juliemarie.johnstone@gmail.com.

Roncalli High School, 3300 Prague Road, Indianapolis. Alumni Association, **Homecoming pre-game tent party**, "On the Circle for the Class of 1961," game, 7 p.m., post-game gathering, McQ's Pub and Eatery. Information: 317-787-8277, ext. 242.

West Chase Golf Club, 4 Holloway Blvd., Brownsburg. **St. Christopher Parish, seventh annual "Golf Outing,"** sign-in 10:30 a.m., shotgun start, noon, \$80 per person. Information: 317-241-6314 or golfouting@saintchristopherparish.org.

October 1-2

St. Vincent de Paul Parish, 4218 E. Michigan Road, Shelbyville. **St. Ann Altar Society, rummage and bake sale**, homemade noodles, 7 a.m.-2 p.m. Information: 765-525-6911 or ebeyer@simon.com.

October 2

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 1530 Union St., Indianapolis. **"Fall Festival,"** music, food, children's games, 1-11 p.m. Information: 317-638-5551.

St. Joseph Parish, 1375 S. Mickley Ave., Indianapolis. **Ladies Altar Society, fall craft sale**, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Information: 317-244-9002.

St. Paul Parish, 9798 N. Dearborn Road, Guilford. **Youth for Christ Conference, "Jesus**

Our Hope," students grades 7-12, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Mass, 4 p.m., \$10 per teen. Information: 812-623-0121 or mschmidl@nalu.net.

St. Mary Parish, 415 E. 8th St., New Albany. **"Fall Festival,"** food, games, 11 a.m. Information: 812-944-0888 or 812-944-0417.

October 3

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis. **Respect Life Sunday**, Mass, 1 p.m., Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, celebrant, Life Chain following Mass, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

St. Joan of Arc Parish, 4217 N. Central Ave., Indianapolis. **Health Fair**, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., no charge. Information: 317-283-5508.

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. **St. Theodora Guérin feast day Mass**, 11 a.m. Information: 812-535-4531.

St. Lawrence Ladies Auxiliary #100 of the Knights of St. John, 312 S. Wilder St.,

Greensburg. **"Fall Festival,"** turkey and roast beef dinners, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. adults \$8, children \$4. Information: 812-663-7893 or bmhead@verizon.net.

Holy Family Parish, 3027 Pearl St., Oldenburg. **"Fall Festival,"** 9 a.m.-8 p.m., chicken and roast beef dinners, booths, games. Information: 812-934-3013.

Saint Meinrad Archabbey and School of Theology, 200 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad. **Monte Cassino pilgrimage, "Mary, Queen of Peace,"** 2 p.m. Information: 812-357-6501.

Greenfield Central High School, gym, 810 N. Broadway, Greenfield. **"Changing Hearts" 2010 Ministry, concert of prayer**, 6 p.m. Information: 317-496-6045.

MKVS, Divine Mercy and Glorious Cross Center, Rexville, located on 925 South, .8 mile east of 421 South and 12 miles south of Versailles. **Mass, noon, on**

third Sunday holy hour and pitch-in, groups of 10 pray the Marian Way, 1 p.m., Father Elmer Burwinkel, celebrant. Information: 812-689-3551.

October 5

Saint Meinrad Archabbey and School of Theology, gallery, 200 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad. **John S. and Virginia Marten Lecture in Homiletics, "Communicating in a World of Landlines and iPhones—Preaching Across the Generations,"** Dominican Father Andrew Carl Wisdom, presenter, 7 p.m. Information: 800-682-0988 or saintmeinrad.edu.

October 6

St. Mary Parish, 317 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis. **Solo Seniors**, Catholic, educational, charitable and social singles, 50 and over, single, separated, widowed or divorced, new members welcome, 6:30 p.m. Information: 317-370-1189.

October 7

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 5333 E. Washington St., Indianapolis.

"Living Rosary," 2 p.m. Information: 317-356-7291.

October 8-9

St. Mary Parish, 415 E. 8th St., New Albany.

Yard sale and bake sale, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Information: 812-944-0417 or info@stmarysna.org.

October 9

St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, 4052 E. 38th St., Indianapolis. **Sixth annual "St. Andrew Fest," homecoming**, Mass, 4:30 p.m., fried chicken, entertainment, games, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Information: 317-546-1571.

St. Roch Parish, Family Life Center, 3603 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis. **Single Seniors**, meeting, 1 p.m., age 50 and over. Information: 317-784-4207.

October 10

St. Mary-of-the-Rock Parish, 17440 St. Mary's Road, Batesville. **Parish festival**, turkey dinner, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Information: 812-934-4165. †

Retreats and Programs

October 4

Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis. **"Seeking Hope, Seeking Employment—A Day for the Unemployed,"** John Vice and John Post, presenters, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., no charge, light breakfast and lunch provided. Information: 317-545-7681, ext. 15, or cmcsweeney@archindy.org.

October 5

Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis. **"Morning for Moms,"** Benedictine Sister Kathleen Yeadon and Rev. Callie Smith, presenters, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., \$30 per person includes breakfast and lunch, babysitting provided. Information: 317-545-7681 or spasotti@archindy.org.

October 7

Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove. **"Hours of Grace,"** retreat day, experience Benedictine spirituality, young adults ages 18-35, 10:45 a.m.-5 p.m., no charge. Information: 317-788-7581 or benedictinn@benedictinn.org.

October 8-10

Saint Meinrad Archabbey, 100 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad. **"St. Benedict's Way,"** Benedictine Brother Maurus Zoeller, presenter. Information: 800-581-6905 or MZoeller@saintmeinrad.edu.

October 9

St. Joseph Parish, 312 E. High St., Corydon. **"Divine Mercy Cenacle—Mercy Retreat,"** 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m., no reservations required. Information: 812-738-2742.

Kordes Retreat Center, 802 E. 10th St., Ferdinand, Ind. (Diocese of Evansville). **"Mom and Dad's Family Spirituality,"** Benedictine Sister Barbara Lynn Schmitz, presenter, 9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m., \$45 per person. Information: 812-367-1411 or www.thedome.org.

October 10

Our Lady of Grace Monastery, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove. **"Benedictine Spirituality,"** retreat day, young adults ages 18-35, 10:45 a.m.-5 p.m., no charge. Information: 317-787-3287, ext. 3032, or jennifermechtild@benedictine.com.

October 11

Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis. **"Recycling God's Word,"** day of reflection, Father Clem Davis, presenter, \$35 per person includes breakfast and lunch. Information: 317-545-7681 or spasotti@archindy.org.

October 11-15

Saint Meinrad Archabbey, 100 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad. **"Preaching John,"** priests' retreat, Benedictine Father Brendan Moss, presenter. Information: 800-581-6905 or MZoeller@saintmeinrad.edu.

October 15-16

St. Joseph Parish, 312 E. High St., Corydon. **"Living in the Present Moment,"** women's retreat, Benedictine Sister Anita Louise Lowe, presenter, \$20 per person includes meals. Information: 812-738-2759.

Our Lady of the Redeemer Retreat Center, 8220 W. State Road 48, Bloomington. **"St. Teresa of Avila,"** retreat, Franciscan of the Immaculate Father Elias Mary Mills, presenter. Information: 765-755-3329 or marie2002@juno.com.

October 15-17

Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis. **"Being and Belonging—Retreat for Separated and Divorced Catholics,"** \$150 per person. Information: 317-545-7681 or spasotti@archindy.org.

Saint-Mary-of-the-Woods, St. Mary-of-the-Woods. **Sisters of Providence, discernment weekend, "How Do I Know What God Wants Me to Do?"** Information: 800-860-1840, ext. 2897.

Flaget Retreat Center, 1935 Lewiston Drive, Louisville, Ky. (Diocese of Louisville). **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.** Information: 502-895-8997 or kgott@insightbb.com.

October 16

Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove. **"Spa Day,"** 8 a.m.-4 p.m., \$100 per person, register by Oct. 1 for special fee of \$80. Information: 317-788-7581 or benedictinn@benedictinn.org.

Oldenburg Franciscan Center, Oldenburg. **"Autumn Meditations of God's Creation—The Splendor of God is Alive Today!"** Franciscan Sister Marya Grathwohl, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., \$45 per person includes lunch. Information: 812-933-6437 or center@oldenburgosf.com.

Kordes Retreat Center, 802 E. 10th St., Ferdinand, Ind. (Diocese of Evansville). **"Saturday Morning at the Dome—Inner Peace: Staying Sane Amidst Turmoil,"** 9 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Information: 812-367-1411 or www.thedome.org.

October 18

Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis. **"Come Away and Rest Awhile—Silent Reflection Day,"** 8 a.m.-4 p.m., \$25 per person includes breakfast and lunch. Information: 317-545-7681 or spasotti@archindy.org.

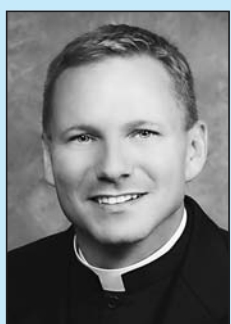
October 19

Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove. **"Catholic Identity and Doctrine—Navigating the Potholes: Living a Moral Life,"** Session 3 of four programs, Benedictine Sister Susan Marie Lindstrom, presenter, 6:30-9 p.m., \$25 per person includes dinner and presentation. Information: 317-788-7581 or benedictinn@benedictinn.org.

October 19-21

Saint Meinrad Archabbey, 100 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad. **"Tools of the Trade from the**

Father Rick Nagel to be interviewed on Catholic radio



Fr. Rick Nagel

An interview with Father Rick Nagel, director of the archdiocesan Young Adult and College Campus Ministry, will be broadcast on Catholic Radio Indy 89.1 FM's "Faith in Action" show on Oct. 4-9.

During the interview, Father Nagel talks to co-hosts Jim Ganley and Sean Gallagher about how young adult and college campus ministry is a high priority in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, and the blessings he has received in the ministry. He also offers suggestions to listeners

regarding how they can help strengthen the faith of young adult Catholics.

"Faith in Action" is broadcast at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Fridays, 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 9 a.m. on Saturdays.

Catholic Radio Indy can be heard throughout the archdiocese by logging on to www.catholicradioindy.org and clicking on the "listen now" button. Podcasts of previous shows are also available on the website. †

VIPs



Harold and Geraldine (Ripberger) Mitchell, members of St. Anne Parish in New Castle, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Oct. 8.

The couple was married on Oct. 8, 1950, at St. Elizabeth Church in Cambridge City.

They are the parents of seven children: Jane Barker, Lois Kukulewicz, Susann Wendel, Dale, Lawrence, Mark and Paul Mitchell. They have 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. †

St. Ambrose Parish in Seymour celebrates 150 years

By Sean Gallagher

Members of St. Ambrose Parish in Seymour began a yearlong celebration of the 150th anniversary of the founding of their parish with a Mass on June 27 at which Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein was the principal celebrant.

The parish in the heart of the Seymour Deanery was established in 1860 when a railroad was constructed through Jackson County, and German Catholic immigrants moved into the area.

However, St. Ambrose's current pastor, Father Daniel Staublin, noted that the Catholic population of Jackson County has always been dwarfed by the Catholics in Jennings County, its neighbor to the east.

"The Catholics all settled in Jennings County right next door," said Father Staublin with a laugh. "That's very Catholic. This is a very heavily Lutheran community."

Jennings County has four parishes. The only other parish in Jackson County is Our Lady of Providence Parish in Brownstown.

Despite the relatively small Catholic population in and around Seymour, St. Ambrose Parish has had a prominent place in the broader community throughout much of its history, according to Father Staublin.

"We're right downtown," he said. "St. Ambrose [Church] is very visible in the community. And the fact that it's been



Doloris Joray, a member of St. Ambrose Parish in Seymour, shakes hands with Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein after participating in the offertory procession during her parish's June 27 Mass to celebrate its 150th anniversary. St. Ambrose's pastor, Father Daniel Staublin, stands at right.

here 150 years makes it an intricate part of Seymour's history and Jackson County's, too."

The parish has held a special place in the hearts of many of its parishioners over the years.

Doloris Joray, 79, became a St. Ambrose parishioner at the age of 13 when her family moved to Seymour.

She later raised 10 children on her own after her husband left her. Joray lived half a block from the parish and half a block from Seymour's hospital, where she worked as a nurse.

"After work, I would always go to the church and pray," she said. "People asked me how I did it and I'd say, 'Well, the Lord did it.' But they were very kind to me. And the parish has been very helpful."

Joray joined a group of fellow longtime members of St. Ambrose's chapter of the Legion of Mary in bringing up the offertory gifts during the anniversary Mass.

"It was wonderful," she said. "People were really impressed. Some of them were in tears. They thought it was so beautiful. One of them said, 'There's sure a wealth of prayers going up that aisle.'"

Current members of St. Ambrose value the memories of pastors from past decades.

Father Irvin Mattingly was the pastor of St. Ambrose Parish from 1946-67.

"He was pretty strict," Joray said. "He was from the old school. He started the Legion of Mary [in the parish], which I belong to yet."

Msgr. Cornelius Sweeney led the parish from 1975-83.

"He was kind to everyone," said Mary Dominik, 88. "Even when he went to the hospital, some people were impressed with him because even if they weren't Catholic, he'd stop in and say a prayer with them."

Father Joseph Sheets was St. Ambrose's pastor from 1983 until 2001 and still lives in Seymour.

"He is the priest that I remember growing up," said Nathan Frey, 34. "I remember him being very stern, [but] in a good way. He was a very good leader. As a child, I guess you didn't question what he was saying. For me, anyway, he was a good role model to look up to."

Over the years, St. Ambrose Parish has



Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, right, shakes hands with Brett Sciarra, left, a member of St. Ambrose Parish in Seymour, on June 27 at the parish. Fred Sciarra, second from left, his father, and Arlene Calmer look on.

also become dear to newcomers to Seymour.

Joseph and Mary Dominik, both 88, moved there from Hammond in northwestern Indiana in 1961. Once they retired and their five children moved out of their family home, their relatives back in Hammond wondered why they didn't move back.

Part of their decision to remain in Seymour was the love they have for the town and their parish.

"I enjoyed it here," Mary said. "The people were always so nice and friendly. We really enjoyed them. We still do."

Those who moved to Seymour have also included people born outside the United States.

In the 1980s, several Vietnamese Catholic families became members of St. Ambrose Parish.

Frey was a student at St. Ambrose School at the time, and made friends with a Vietnamese classmate.

That experience, in part, paved the way for him to welcome a larger influx of Hispanic Catholics into the parish over the past two decades.

"You can definitely tell that the Catholic faith is very ingrained into their

society," Frey said. "I think it's been a positive influence for our parish and our community."

Father Staublin sees Hispanic Catholics as an important part of St. Ambrose Parish in the years to come.

"Those in the Hispanic community have really embraced being a part of the parish," he said. "And the Anglo community has really embraced them. It's still developing, but I've been amazed in just the seven or eight months that I've been here at how [both groups] really do just want to be [one] St. Ambrose. I look at that as a good sign for the future."

Parishioners like Frey are also working to build a strong future for St. Ambrose because they want it to be a place that can nurture their children's faith, just as it did for them when they were young.

"It's always been an active part of my life," said Frey, the father of two young children. "It's been a guidance for just about anything that I do. ... I hope that our children are involved with the Church as they grow up. I hope they build a relationship with God and go through the sacraments as I did." †

Archbishop Wuerl to guide Anglican groups joining U.S. Catholic Church



Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith has named Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl of Washington to guide the incorporation of Anglican groups into the Catholic Church in the United States.

His appointment was announced on Sept. 23 by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington.

In this position, the archbishop is a delegate of the congregation and heads the U.S. bishops' ad hoc committee charged with assisting the Vatican congregation in implementing the apostolic constitution "*Anglicanorum Coetibus*" ("Groups of

Anglicans"), which provides for creating personal ordinariates for Anglicans who want to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.

A personal ordinariate is a canonical structure similar to a diocese that covers the entire area of a bishops' conference. It allows Anglicans to join the Church while retaining their distinctive patrimony and liturgical practices.

The constitution was issued by Pope Benedict XVI last November. No ordinariates have been established anywhere yet, according to Vatican officials.

The announcement about Archbishop Wuerl said that the ad hoc committee's duties are to facilitate

implementation of the apostolic constitution in the United States, and "assess the level of interest in such an ordinariate" in the United States.

Other members of the ad hoc committee are Bishop Kevin W. Vann of Fort Worth, Texas, and Bishop Robert J. McManus of Worcester, Mass.

The committee will be assisted by Father Scott Hurd, who was ordained an Episcopal priest in 1993, joined the Catholic Church in 1996 and was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Washington in 2000. Father Hurd will assist Archbishop Wuerl as a staff member to the ad hoc committee and as a liaison to the USCCB. †

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Haiti,” the Haiti bishops’ conference said in a statement released on Sept. 24 in Miami.

The Church aims to “build up every Haitian man and woman in his or her totality—physically, intellectually, emotionally and spiritually,” it said.

“The task ahead remains formidable,” it continued. However, with the reconstruction plan is “an important stem to rebuild the Church’s infrastructure,” it added.

According to Richard Balmadier, a CRS adviser to the U.S. bishops who crafted much of the reconstruction plan, it is “going to create for both the Church in Haiti as well as the episcopal conferences around the world that want to support the Church in Haiti a forum where they can really work together in solidarity.

“It will provide support to the Church in Haiti by basically creating a capacity there to help it realize its mission,” he told Catholic News Service in an interview in Washington in advance of the Miami meeting.

The Haitian Church has struggled to recover since the magnitude 7 earthquake on Jan. 12 destroyed 70 parishes, including the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Assumption in Port-au-Prince, dozens of schools, several convents and the national seminary.

Three Port-au-Prince archdiocesan leaders—Archbishop Joseph Serge Miot, Msgr. Charles Benoit, vicar general, and Father Arnoux Chery, chancellor—were killed in the quake along with seven priests, 31 seminarians, and 31 men and women religious. The death of Archbishop Miot was particularly devastating because his concern for the poor made him a beloved figure among Haitian Catholics.

Archbishop Louis Kebreau of Cap-Haitien, president of the Haitian bishops’ conference, has worked to rally Church leadership to meet pastoral needs in the aftermath of the earthquake, which affected 20 percent of the country and a third of the population of 10 million. But Haiti’s overwhelming poverty, coupled with the needs of 1.3 million people who remain in makeshift shelters in hundreds of camps in the earthquake zone, has strangled the local Church’s ability to respond adequately.

“Here you have a Church that has suffered tremendous losses and is being called upon to do something that frankly a Church in the prime of health would be very, very hard pressed to do,” Balmadier told CNS. “To say they’re in a very difficult situation is an incredible understatement.”

Oblate Father Andrew Small, the director of the Collection for the Church in Latin America for the U.S. bishops, said the plan was developed in collaboration with Church representatives around the world, including officials in Haiti.

International partners in the effort include Development and Peace, the Canadian bishops’ development and relief agency; Adveniat, the German bishops’ agency for solidarity in Latin America; Caritas Haiti; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Conference of Religious of Haiti; and the U.S.-based Leadership Conference of Women Religious and Conference of Major Superiors of Men.

A working document outlining the program for the meeting’s participants stressed the importance of building “solidarity partnerships” so that the effort does not appear to be one imposed on the Haitian Church. It calls for building responsible local leadership that can respond to local needs and gradually become less dependent on outside help.

Father Small said the program also will require accountability and transparency, and allow people who contributed to Church special collections in the United States and elsewhere to know how money is being spent.

Through Sept. 23, American Catholics contributed \$148.5 million to Haitian relief efforts. Worldwide, Catholics have donated more than \$303 million for earthquake relief.

Of the total, \$82.3 million was donated during special collections in dioceses in the weeks after the quake. CRS has collected an additional \$66.2 million.

The U.S. bishops’ administrative committee decided in March to allocate 60 percent of the special collection to CRS for humanitarian needs and use the remaining 40 percent for ecclesial needs, such as the rebuilding of churches and parish schools and restarting ministries. Based on the funds collected, \$32.9 million is available for rebuilding the Haitian Church.

“If we’re doing this together,” Father Small said, “there’s the chance



A worker applies a glaze to a new Haiti earthquake monument to remember the deceased clergy, seminarians and parishioners at St. Louis King of France Parish in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Many people lost their lives when the church collapsed in the Jan. 12 catastrophe.



Archbishop Bernardito Auza, the papal nuncio to Haiti, center, talks with Miami Auxiliary Bishops John G. Noonan and Felipe J. Estevez before entering St. John Vianney Seminary in Miami on Sept. 25. Standing behind them is Miami Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski. The Mass closed a plenary meeting of Haitian bishops and their counterparts from several Latin American and European countries.

we’ll have development that’s truly sustainable, that’s owned and run by the Haitians themselves.”

Archbishop Bernardito Auza, the papal nuncio to Haiti, told CNS on Sept. 22 after arriving in Miami that the effort is “setting up what’s always been absent in the Church in Haiti.

“The idea [behind the commission] is to make sure the buildings will be built well and the money will be well spent,” he said.

In addition to rebuilding local parishes, the archbishop is particularly focused on rejuvenating the country’s formation program for priests.

He and Haitian Church officials have

identified a 650-acre tract of land 10 miles northeast of Port-au-Prince, and are negotiating to buy the property. The site would include two seminaries for 350 students, housing for religious men and women and students, an elementary school and parish, and a large-scale housing development.

The property is large enough to relocate the destroyed University of Notre Dame of Haiti as well, he said.

Estimated to cost \$5 million initially, the project would be funded separately from the money collected by Church agencies worldwide for earthquake relief, Archbishop Auza added. †

Golden Jubilee Mass is set for Oct. 17 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral

By Mary Ann Wyand

Four days after Marion “Bud” Galbo arrived home from the U.S. Navy, the World War II veteran married his childhood sweetheart, Mary Margaret Aust, on May 9, 1945.



Marion and Mary Galbo

“He got home on Sunday and everything was ready to go,” Mary Galbo said with a laugh during a recent phone interview. “We got married on Wednesday. Our kids always say, ‘Mom, who ever heard of getting married on a Wednesday?’”

The late Father Joseph Moriarty officiated at their wedding at Holy Cross Church in Indianapolis.

Sixty-five years after that memorable Wednesday, the Galbos will renew their marriage vows on a Sunday with other longtime married couples during the 27th annual archdiocesan Golden Jubilee Mass at 2 p.m. on Oct. 17 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St., in Indianapolis.

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein is scheduled to be the celebrant for the golden wedding anniversary liturgy for Catholic couples married for 50 years or longer.

Jubilant couples married for 60 or more years will be recognized during the Mass.

The Galbos are members of Holy Spirit Parish in Indianapolis. They have four children—Jim Galbo, Janie Landon, Mary Margaret Evans and Joe Galbo—as well as seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Several family members will join them for the spiritual reception in the Assembly Hall at the Archbishop O’Meara Catholic Center across the street.

“The Golden Jubilee Mass is always a beautiful event with couples who have been married for 50 years or

longer,” said David Bethuram, the director of the archdiocesan Office of Family Ministries.

“These couples really exemplify the sacrament of marriage,” Bethuram said. “Their faithful marital love gives us something to celebrate as a Church—and also for the wider community—because of the vocation that they have with one another.

We encourage those couples who have been married for 50 years or longer to come to the Mass on Oct. 17.”

There is still time to register with the Office of Family Ministries, he said, and participate in the special liturgy.

“We’re looking forward to coming to the Mass, health permitting,” said Bud Galbo, who retired from the Indianapolis Fire Department after 32 years of service. He also is a former union pipefitter.

“When I was overseas, I always kidded her [in letters] and said that she proposed to me instead of me proposing to her,” he recalled, “because she let me know that when I came home we were going to be getting married.”

During the war, he served on the U.S.S. Hamilton, a small destroyer that was converted to a high-speed minesweeper, in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters.

“I was overseas for three and a half years all together,” Bud Galbo said. “We saw a lot of action, and earned 10 battle stars. But four of the five ships that operated with us were sunk.”

The Galbos attended Holy Cross School together then he went to Arsenal Technical High School and she completed her education at the former St. Mary Academy.

“It was love at first sight for me in grade school, but I

don’t know about her,” he said. “I just feel like I was lucky to get the girl I got. You’ll have to ask her about it.”

Mary Galbo laughed as he handed her the phone.

“He said that because I was standing right next to him,” she said. “He’s still courting me, and he always kids me about that proposal. He still says that I proposed, but we saved all of our letters and I don’t think I did.”

The Galbos were members of St. Therese of the Infant Jesus (Little Flower) Parish in Indianapolis for 41 years before moving further east and joining Holy Spirit Parish.

They also renewed their wedding vows at the archdiocesan Golden Jubilee Mass three years ago.

“We went to the Mass when we were married 62 years,” Mary Galbo said. “There were a lot of priests there, and we saw Father [Glenn] O’Connor. As he walked by us [during the procession], he smiled and said, ‘I hope it lasts.’ We’re looking forward to the jubilee Mass.”

Looking back on their 65 years together, Mary Galbo reflected on how to share so many happy years of married life.

“My best advice [to young couples] is that you’ve got to give and take,” she said. “You’ve got to give your part.”

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(Registration for the Golden Jubilee Mass is required by calling the Office of Family Ministries at 317-236-1596 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1596, by Oct. 6. In order to accommodate all the longtime married couples that attend the celebration, each jubilarian couple is limited to four guest tickets for their family members.) †

Providence sisters celebrate 60-year jubilees

(Editor's note: Eighteen Sisters of Providence celebrated their 60th jubilees at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. Eleven of the sisters were featured in last week's issue of The Criterion. Seven sisters are featured this week.)

Eighteen Sisters of Providence recently celebrated their 60th jubilees at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.

They include Sisters Mary Stella Morrissey, Margaret Norris, Joann Quinkert, Estelle Scully, Regina Shaughnessy, Sharon Sullivan and Charles Van Hoy. A native of Newton, Iowa, Sister Mary Stella Morrissey ministers in prayer at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



Sr. Mary Stella Morrissey, S.P.

Sister Mary Stella entered the congregation on July 22, 1949, from St. Cecilia Parish in Ames, Iowa, and professed her perpetual vows on Jan. 23, 1957.

She earned a bachelor's degree in education at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College and licensed practical nursing certification at Indiana Vocational Technical College.

In the archdiocese, Sister Mary Stella taught at St. Thomas Aquinas School in Indianapolis from 1961-62.

At Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, she served on the infirmary staff from 1971-75 and 1976-77, outpatient care staff from 1988-89, health care services staff from 1991-96 and 2004-05, outpatient staff from 1996-2004, volunteer companion in 2005, and volunteer, driver and companion from 2005-06.

Sister Mary Stella also ministered at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College as the assistant director of student health services from 1977-78, a licensed practical nurse from 1978-86, charge nurse for outpatient care from 1986-88, and adjunct in health care and director of health services from 1990-91.

She also ministered in Illinois, Maryland and California.

A native of Jasper, Ind., Sister Margaret Norris ministers as a massage therapist at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



Sr. Margaret Norris, S.P.

Sister Margaret, formerly known as Sister Marie Angeline, earned a bachelor's degree in education at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College and master's degree in education at Indiana University.

In the archdiocese, Sister Margaret served as a teacher and principal at St. Michael School in Greenfield from 1965-69.

She also ministered at Catholic schools in Illinois, North Carolina and Missouri.

A native of New Albany, Sister Joann Quinkert ministers in outreach programs and residential services at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.

Sister Joann, formerly known as Sister Joan Margaret, entered the congregation on Jan. 6, 1949, from the former Holy Trinity Parish in New Albany, and professed her perpetual vows on Aug. 15, 1956.

She earned a bachelor's degree in education at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College and master's degree in

education at Indiana State University.

In the archdiocese, Sister Joann taught at St. Paul School in Sellersburg from 1956-57, served as the principal at St. Philip Neri School in Indianapolis from 1970-76, and ministered as a pastoral associate at St. Mary Parish in New Albany from 1976-80.



Sr. Joann Quinkert, S.P.

At Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, she served as the director of juniors from 1968-70.

She also ministered at Catholic schools in North Carolina, Iowa, Kentucky, Alabama and Illinois.

A native of Evanston, Ill., Sister Estelle Scully ministers in prayer at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



Sr. Estelle Scully, S.P.

Sister Estelle entered the congregation on July 22, 1949, from Immaculate Conception Parish in Highland Park, Ill., and professed her perpetual vows on Jan. 23, 1957.

She earned a bachelor's degree in English composition and journalism at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, and master's degree in American studies at the University of Notre Dame.

In the archdiocese, Sister Estelle taught at the former Schulte High School in Terre Haute from 1957-60, and served in public relations and on the alumni-alumnae merger staff at Cathedral High School in Indianapolis from 1976-77.

At Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, she ministered as the alumnae director and an assistant professor of English from 1961-71, public relations staff member for alumnae relations from 1975-76, and Women's External Degree program staff from 1998-2004 and 2006-08.

Sister Estelle also served on the Providence Self Sufficiency Ministry staff in Georgetown in 2002, and as a volunteer at St. Ann Clinic in Terre Haute from 1997-2002 and in 2004.

She also ministered in Illinois, California, New York, Colorado, Florida, Arkansas, Washington, D.C., and Wyoming.

A native of Indianapolis, Sister Regina Shaughnessy ministers in residential services at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



Sr. Regina Shaughnessy, S.P.

Sister Regina, formerly known as Sister Regina Therese, entered the congregation on July 22, 1949, and professed her perpetual vows on Jan. 23, 1957.

She earned a bachelor's degree in English at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College and master's degree in English at the University of Notre Dame.

In the archdiocese, Sister Regina taught at the former Chartrand High School in Indianapolis from 1965-68, the former Ladywood-

St. Agnes Academy in Indianapolis from 1970-76, and the

former Latin School in Indianapolis from 1976-77.

At Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, she served on the office of records staff from 1982-83, general administration staff from 1983-86, Archives staff from 1998-2008, and as coordinator of the Our Lady of Providence Shrine from 1999-2001.

She also ministered at Catholic schools in Illinois and California.

A native of Evansville, Sister Sharon Sullivan ministers as a volunteer in the archives at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.



Sr. Sharon Sullivan, S.P.

Sister Sharon, formerly known as Sister Barbara Mary, joined the congregation on July 22, 1949, from Sacred Heart Parish in Evansville, and professed her perpetual vows on Jan. 23, 1957.

She earned a bachelor's degree in education at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College and master's degree in education at Indiana State University.

In the archdiocese, Sister Barbara Mary served on the staff at St. Mary Parish in Indianapolis from 1970-72, and taught at St. Philip Neri School in Indianapolis from 1972-76.

At Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, she ministered on the generalate business office staff from 1981-86, in pastoral care from 1987-91, as the Owens Hall sacristan from 1989-91, as director of retirement activities from 1989-91, as director of funerals from 1991-94, on the express hall staff from 1999-2000, and as an assistant in the archives from 2000-03.

She also ministered at Catholic schools in Illinois and California.

A native of Bloomington, Sister Charles Van Hoy ministers as a volunteer for Providence Educational



Sr. Charles Van Hoy, S.P.

Services at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods.

Sister Charles entered the congregation on Feb. 2, 1949, from St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Bloomington, and professed her perpetual vows on Aug. 15, 1956.

She earned a bachelor's degree in education at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College and master's degree in library science at Spalding University in Louisville.

In the archdiocese, Sister Charles served as a teacher and principal at the former St. Anthony School in Indianapolis from 1964-70, and taught at the former All Saints School in Indianapolis from 1970-71.

She also ministered as a bookkeeper and adult education teacher for the United Southside Community Organization from 1975-83, and as a pastoral associate at St. Patrick Parish in Indianapolis and Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Parish in Indianapolis from 1983-93.

At Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Sister Charles served as director of the activity department from 1994-96 and coordinator of activities from 1996-2006.

She also ministered at Catholic schools in Oklahoma, Washington, D.C., Illinois, North Carolina and Maryland. †

Mideast Catholic leaders hope synod calls attention to their problems

BEIRUT (CNS)—Catholic Church leaders, anticipating the Synod of Bishops for the Middle East, view it as an opportunity to call attention to the problems facing Christians in the region.

The synod, to be held at the Vatican on Oct. 10-24, will focus on "communion and witness."

Chaldean Archbishop Louis Sako of Kirkuk, Iraq, who had asked the pope in January 2008 to convene such a synod, said the meeting "is an opportunity to revise the whole situation for Christians in the Middle East."



Archbishop Louis Sako

He said it is a pastoral and practical synod, and not a dogmatic one.

Archbishop Sako stressed that because there are so many crucial issues to tackle—liturgical reform; formation of clergy and other religious, dialogue among the Churches, and particularly the political status of Christians—that he hopes this synod will be highly productive.

Chaldean Auxiliary Bishop Shlemon Warduni of Baghdad said the synod represents "a big grace for the Middle East."

"We need it because our faithful are leaving their countries," he told Catholic News Service. "If we have peace and security, our people would not leave."

The Middle East has many Catholic rites, and there is some division among them, Bishop Warduni said, "but like the first Christians, we must have one spirit and one heart, as when the Holy Spirit descended upon them."

For those participating in the synod, he said, the Holy Spirit "will guide us to do what we must do for ecumenism and dialogue with other religions."

"We ask the Lord to give us the wisdom to guide each of us, so we can arrive at some solutions that will be good for the glory of the Lord, the good of the Church and the good of the faithful," Bishop Warduni said.

In Israel, Melkite Catholic Archbishop Elias Chacour of Haifa said local Church leaders would like the synod to articulate why Christians should remain in the Middle East.

He said he hopes the synod will "define the reason why we need to stay in this country, which is not very favorable to our presence. ... What reason is there for our presence here as Christians? To propagate and introduce the value of reconciliation, which is not on the political agenda in this country? We expect better understanding of our mission in this country, our role in the Catholic Church and more attention to our human presence than to that of the presence of the holy shrines. We are hoping for very simple things. We don't want miracles."

Though Catholics' role in the Holy Land is recognized by the Holy See, Archbishop Chacour said they would like to see more consciousness of what they should do as a Christian minority within two large majorities "facing the challenge of meeting every day thousands of pilgrims who come not only to walk on the dirt and see artifacts, but also to see what remains of Jesus Christ, the 'living stones.'"

Archbishop Chacour said he would like the Holy See to "encourage the local Christians here so they can really be aware of their role. We need the Catholic communion to become more real."

Msgr. Raphael Minassian, who administers the

Armenian Catholic Exarchate of Jerusalem and Amman, Jordan, said Catholics "have many hopes for the synod—hope to strengthen the communion between the Churches—to give knowledge to the [Western] Churches about the existence of the [Eastern] Churches, to define how the destiny of our land will be practiced, how to define our presence under the current conditions."

Msgr. Minassian identified the emigration of Christians from the region as a "major problem," and said the synod should work to "find a way to approach this problem and to solve it."

Syrian Catholic Patriarch Ignace Joseph III Younan of Antioch, who is co-president of the synod with Cardinal Leonardo Sandri, prefect of the Congregation for Eastern Churches, sees the synod as an opportunity for the world to look more carefully at the plight of Christians in the Middle East.

"I think we all, religious leaders of the Churches in the Middle East, hope that something will come out of this synod, particularly that the Western world will understand the region—its culture, its history—and urge people, governments and nations in the Middle East region to not only generally live together, but to abide by the laws of respecting civil liberties for all," the patriarch told Catholic News Service.

"I think until now we spoke very little of this need. Unfortunately, the countries of the West, especially the governments, have been linked to mostly compromise and silence regarding the civil rights of all citizens [in this region] because they think that in urging those governments to respect the human dignity and the laws for all means that they would insult Islam and, therefore, they prefer to keep silent," he said. †

Team shifts into high gear to collect bikes for the homeless

By John Shaughnessy

An 11-year-old boy and a 70-year-old woman form part of a team that has found an unusual way to help homeless people. Give them bicycles.

In the past year, the donated bicycles have been used by homeless people to get to doctor's appointments, ride to work and even attend classes at Ivy Tech Community College in Indianapolis.

Now the team from Holy Cross Parish in Indianapolis is shifting into high gear to continue its drive to collect adult bikes in good condition.

"We've given away 37 bikes, and we have a list of 147 people who are requesting them," says Maureen McLean, a 70-year-old member of Holy Cross Parish, who has dedicated much of her life to helping the needy.

For years, the St. Vincent de Paul Society chapter at Holy Cross Parish has provided food, clothing and blankets for the poor and the homeless. The bicycles became another major emphasis at the request of the homeless people they serve.

"We try to listen to what the poor say to us," McLean says. "In listening to them, some of the big needs they have are shoes, bus fare and bikes. Bus fare is close to \$60 a month. When it comes to finding jobs, keeping jobs, getting to medical appointments and other appointments to survive, it's hard to walk to these places. People said they needed the bikes."

So McLean, 11-year-old

Austin Busone, and his mother, 41-year-old Stephanie Singleton, have been collecting and fixing adults' bikes then giving them to people who show up at the Horizon House in Indianapolis, a nearby day shelter and resource center for the homeless.

"They give me a big hug when we give them a bike," McLean says. "For them, it's like, 'Wow! People care.' One of the first people I gave a bike to said, 'I just got a job. Now you have a bike for me so I can get there.' He's kept the job and now he has a truck. It's an old, old truck, but he's getting ahead."

Singleton calls the bicycles a "bridging" item for the homeless.

"This is an item that is necessary for people to get to their job, to make the transition to getting off the street," she says. "It's not an item that people think the homeless need, but it makes sense. It's the most requested item besides food and clothing."

At 11, Austin has learned to fix bikes from a training program at Tabernacle Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis. He helped deliver one of the bikes he fixed to a woman living in a tent near railroad tracks within the parish's boundaries.

"She was very happy, and I was very happy, too," he says. "It was fun fixing the bike."

Singleton says she is trying to teach her son to be compassionate toward others. It's a lesson that McLean says she learned from her father.

"My mother died when I was young," McLean says. "My father always said, 'We



Maureen McLean, left, Stephanie Singleton and Austin Busone of Holy Cross Parish in Indianapolis work together to collect donated adult bicycles for homeless people. The bikes help the homeless people get to jobs, medical appointments and even college classes.

always have room for one more. We always help others because that's what God wants us to do.' My Catholic education taught me to do that, too."

Besides the bicycles, the team also collects backpacks, watches, alarm clocks and reading glasses for the homeless.

If anyone wants to donate an adult bicycle in good condition, McLean says to call her at 317-631-4369. She figures many people have bikes in their garage or basement that are seldom or

never used. She even offers to pick up the bikes.

She knows the bikes will make a difference to the people who will use them. And helping them makes a difference to her.

"It energizes me. It comforts my soul," McLean says. "Nothing is better than helping these people who are trying to survive in this world. It's a tough, tough time for them. You have to give them hope." †

Reading is great, pope tells children

CASTEL GANDOLFO, Italy (CNS)—Being able to read and write is a really great thing, Pope Benedict XVI told about 400 school children.

Learning those skills, "we can know what others think, [and] read newspapers and books. We can know what was written 2,000 years ago or even longer ago," but even better, we can read the Bible, he told the children on Sept. 23.



Pope Benedict XVI

During the special evening audience in the courtyard of the papal summer villa, the pope met students from the Paul VI Pontifical School, an elementary school in Castel Gandolfo.

The 83-year-old Pope Benedict told the children, "Here's something extraordinary—God wrote a book, that is, he spoke to us humans and found people who wrote the book with the word of God," the pope explained. "Reading it, we, too, can read what God has to say to us."

The pope also said that school is a great place to make friends.

But a Christian's first best friend should be Jesus, "who is everyone's friend and really shows us the path of life," he said. †

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Strengthening marriages should be a priority for parishes

By H. Richard McCord

In many U.S. parishes, we pray regularly for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. We also undertake other efforts to identify and support parishioners who might be good candidates for these vocations. All of this is good and necessary. We need to keep at it!

At the same time, we may be overlooking an even greater vocation crisis that threatens the vitality of the Church.

Last year Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan of New York identified four challenges facing the Church in the United States. He placed marriage at the top of his list, saying, "We have a vocation crisis to lifelong, life-giving, loving, faithful marriage. If we take care of that one, we'll have all the priests and nuns we need for the Church."

Perhaps you've never thought of marriage as a vocation, that is, as a call from God to a life of holiness and service. Perhaps you haven't yet considered how all Christian vocations are related, and why we should feel responsible for cultivating them, especially in our families and parishes.

The U.S. bishops want Catholics to think again about these questions. In their new pastoral letter "Marriage: Love and Life in the Divine Plan," they write: "As a vocation, marriage is just as necessary and valuable to the Church as other vocations. For this reason, all of us should pray that men and women will enter into marriage with the proper understanding and motivation and that they will live it generously and joyfully."

A parish that believes and invests in the vocation of marriage is an example of a marriage-building Church. In the same pastoral letter, the bishops issue a call to action with these words: "We pledge to be a marriage-building Church, drawing strength from God's grace while using creatively the gifts and resources entrusted to us."

In June 2010, hundreds of ordained and lay Catholic leaders from parishes, diocesan agencies, national organizations, universities and publishing companies responded to the bishops' call by participating in a three-day conference at Xavier University in Cincinnati titled "Marriage-Building Parishes: Blueprints and Building Plans."

The National Association of Catholic Family Life Ministers was the main conference convener, assisted by the U.S. bishops' Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth as well as other national groups working with different aspects of marriage and family life.

Whether it was expressed explicitly or implicitly, there was solid agreement among the sponsors and participants that the parish has a natural and necessary role in strengthening marriages.

But do most married couples experience their parish as a marriage-building community?

Four years ago, the bishops sponsored a national program of focus groups to get an answer to this and

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—Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan

situation by observing that, after the wedding day, "Married people are treated like a completed project instead of being offered sermons, enrichments and programs to help them grow in love and understanding."

other questions. The results were mixed, at best.

The majority of couples did not see their parish as providing much direct support for married life. Most said they were hoping for more ministry avenues—educational, spiritual, service-oriented and social groups—that could help build solidarity among married couples.

Many wanted more homilies concerned with marriage and family life as well as support groups, occasional retreats and anniversary celebrations. The need for counseling services was often mentioned along with other forms of crisis intervention.

Though most did not expect parish priests or deacons to offer in-depth therapy, they did expect that these ministers would be able to refer individuals and couples for professional help.

The gap is a wide one between what people experience and what they expect of parish ministries for marriage. One focus group of older couples, married 25 or more years, described the

situation by observing that, after the wedding day, "Married people are treated like a completed project instead of being offered sermons, enrichments and programs to help them grow in love and understanding."



Archbishop Charles J. Chaput of Denver watches Steve and Kathy Beirne of Portland, Ore., share cake at a 2007 event in Denver launching the U.S. bishops' Web effort and public service announcements to promote better marriages. Parishes use a wide array of tools to strengthen marriages.

This is a sad commentary!

At the same time, however, many people who could not find parish ministries directly aimed at marriage building were able to acknowledge that parish life could indirectly benefit their marriage.

For example, couples seemed to appreciate the chance to work together on parish outreach activities, to participate together in small faith communities and Bible study, and to join in various social gatherings.

Being a marriage-building parish seems to run the gamut of offering direct and indirect support, of both providing special programs and adopting a "marriage-building perspective" in other things that a parish might ordinarily do.

The key to success is to be more intentional and deliberate about all these efforts. What a difference it would make if more engaged and married couples, as well as single people who are considering marriage, could turn to a Catholic parish and discover that their vocation is valued, understood, celebrated and supported in practical ways.

If this were the case, as Archbishop Dolan intimated, then we might not have to worry about a vocation crisis in the Church or about a lot of other things.

(Log on to <http://foryourmarriage.org> to view the U.S. bishops' website dedicated to strengthening marriage. H. Richard McCord is the director of the U.S. bishops' Secretariat of Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth.) †

Discussion Point

Marriage enrichment programs can help spouses

This Week's Question

After you were married, did either you or your spouse see a need to attend workshops or Marriage Encounters to enhance your marriage?

"I would like to go, but with four young children it's hard to go as a couple. I am glad they're offered, however, because they seem beneficial."
(Theresa Dodd, Dallas, Ga.)

"Yes, I'm for it, because even if you think your marriage is strong, everyone can benefit from [these programs]."
(Celeste Schmidt, Murphy, Texas)

"I certainly think there's a need for some support. My wife and I grew up in the '70s and got married in the '80s, and we didn't seem to have the richness of

marriage preparation that exists today." (Paul Flynn, Almont, Mich.)

"We never felt the need. I think we've been blessed by being happy, and haven't felt the need or desire to go."
(Laura Snow, Canton, Ohio)

Lend Us Your Voice

An upcoming edition asks: Are you ready for the new English translation of the *Roman Missal* (the book that contains the texts of the Mass) that is coming to parishes next year? Have you heard anything about it?

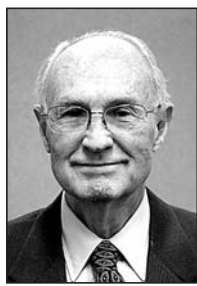
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From the Editor Emeritus/John F. Fink

Wisdom of the saints: St. Therese of Lisieux

The Church celebrates the feast of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus on Oct. 1.



Also known as St. Thérèse of Lisieux to distinguish her from St. Teresa of Avila, she is one of our most popular saints.

She entered the Carmelite monastery at Lisieux, France, when she was 15 and died there in 1897 at the age of 24. She never performed any spectacular feats. Nevertheless, by living a life of humility and simplicity, she became an example for all.

From her monastery, she also wrote letters to missionaries to encourage them in their work. Because of that, she was declared patroness of foreign missions in 1927.

In obedience to her superior, who was also one of her older sisters, Thérèse wrote her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*. From the lessons she taught in that book, Pope John Paul II declared her one of the

33 doctors of the Church in 1997.

In her book, she wrote about her search for meaning in her life, for what God was calling her to do. She found her answer in the 12th and 13th chapters of St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. In Chapter 12, Paul explained that we are all given different gifts. Just as a body has many parts, so is Christ's Mystical Body.

Therefore, Thérèse wrote, she learned that not everyone can be an Apostle, prophet or teacher, just as the eye cannot be the hand or the head cannot be the foot. But this didn't satisfy her, she wrote. It told her what she couldn't do, but not what she should do.

So she continued reading. Chapter 13 is where St. Paul writes about the necessity of love. Thérèse wrote, "For the Apostle insists that the greater gifts are nothing at all without love and that this same love is surely the best path leading directly to God. At length I had found peace of mind."

She said that she had not recognized herself in any of the members of the Mystical Body that Paul described, and

yet she wanted to distinguish herself within that body. Therefore, "Love appeared to me to be the hinge of my vocation."

The Church has a heart, she wrote, a heart aflame with love. It was that love that drove the members of the Mystical Body to action. If that love was ever extinguished, the Apostles would no longer proclaim the Gospel and the martyrs would no longer shed their blood. St. Paul was right when he wrote about the necessity of love because love, she wrote, "sets off the bounds of all vocations."

When Thérèse realized this, she said that she was nearly ecstatic with the supreme joy of her soul. "I proclaimed," she wrote, "O Jesus, my love, at last I have found my calling: my call is love. Certainly I have found my proper place in the Church, and you gave me that very place, my God. In the heart of the Church, my mother, I will be love, and thus I will be all things, as my desire finds its direction." †

It's All Good/Patti Lamb

Suffering can transform our hearts and give us wings

My son Henry's kindergarten class is studying the life cycle of butterflies.



Recently, I asked him to explain it to me, and his explanation shed some light on a rather complex issue. Sometimes wisdom surfaces in the simplest places.

"First it's an egg, then a caterpillar, a chrysalis and a

butterfly," he said. He stumbled over the word "chrysalis," and I wanted to see if he understood what that is.

"What's a chrysalis?" I asked.

"It's a dark and scary place [that] caterpillars have to go before they become butterflies," he said. "If you want to be a butterfly, you've got to go through a chrysalis first."

"That doesn't sound like fun," I said.

"It's not fun, but that's just part of it, Mom," he said.

I repeated that last part out loud so that I would remember: "That's just part of it."

The caterpillar is sucked to the pavement by Earth's gravitational pull. He thinks his little legs, though many, will never get him off the ground. He then becomes secluded in a dark cocoon, and time painfully passes. Eventually, however, he emerges and takes flight.

I think suffering is like being caught in the chrysalis stage of butterfly development. I have a friend who is stuck in a chrysalis. It is dark in there. She is

lonely and trapped in misery. My heart aches for her.

I'll never understand why there is suffering, and how it can be manifest in so many forms. We come upon suffering through loss, mistakes, poor health and just plain happenstance.

All I can figure is that it ultimately leads us to realize that we can't do it on our own, and that we must turn to God.

I once read on a church sign, "Your greatest weakness is God's greatest opportunity." When we understand that we can't do it all by ourselves, and we open up to God, then his spirit can flow. And he can work in us.

I'm learning that as much as we don't want our crosses and trials and as much as we want to hoist them away, they are "part of it," as my son says. They are part of being human.

I am not saying that God wants us to suffer. I don't think that's the case. He knows what suffering is like.

Suffering, no matter what form it takes, slowly brings about a kind of transformation in our hearts. It changes us. It gives us a perspective we didn't

others' souls. We gain perspective about what's truly important.

After suffering, we are able to see with a keener ability the depths of others' hearts. So we begin to be gentler with

others' souls. We gain perspective about what's truly important.

Antoine de Saint-Exupery put it well. "It is only with the heart that one can see rightly. What is essential is invisible to the eye."

Sometimes it is only after suffering that we begin to see in a new way—with our hearts.

To paraphrase the lyrics of a song loved by many people, the time will come when our hopes will break the boundaries of our fears.

To my friend who is stuck in her chrysalis, this is my message: Keep the faith. You will emerge from this.

Depend on God, who

brings beauty out of sorrow.

Just look at the butterfly.

(Patti Lamb, a member of St. Susanna Parish in Plainfield, is a regular columnist for The Criterion.) †

Faithful Lines/Shirley Vogler Meister

How can we help 'call back' lapsed Catholics?

The moment that I learned about the Liguori Publication book about Catholics who left the faith then returned to the Church, I knew I wanted to read it and review it for "Faithful Lines" readers.



My father joined the Church as an adult so both of my parents are Catholic.

When's God Gonna Call Me Back?: Reconnecting with your Creator was written by Marge Fenelon, a columnist for the *Catholic Herald* in Milwaukee and the author of *When's God Gonna Show Up?*

The back cover of the book reads: "Too many people who claim to be Catholic are simply going through the motions. They brush up against the Church only in episodic ways—at Christmas and Easter, weddings and funerals. What can be done

to encourage these 'part-timers' to come home without adding to the guilt they may already feel?"

Fenelon's book offers answers.

As I read it, I discovered that another paragraph on the back cover describes the book well: "Through more than 30 real-life stories, reflections, Scripture passages and discussion questions, author Marge Fenelon lets people whose Catholicism has cooled realize they are not alone—and that it is possible to reignite the embers of their faith and their love for the Catholic Church."

Who among us hasn't questioned our faith at some point in time?

I certainly did many times through the years, especially when discouraged by negative news that taints our remarkable legacy, which comes from Jesus Christ himself!

Through faith, hope and love, I weathered my doubts.

Fenelon's book was inspired by a conversation at a nephew's wedding. She

was approached by a relative that had been critical of her Catholic faith, a woman that she had unsuccessfully debated religion with in the past.

"As long as we talked about inconsequential things like the weather, we were OK," Fenelon wrote. "But if the Church came up, it could escalate into full-blown war. I was on guard."

She was stunned to hear praise instead. The woman said her husband thinks that Marge is "a good writer."

Marge thanked her then the woman added, "You know, you should write a book like that for people like me ... you know, lapsed Catholics. ... If you wrote a book like that for people like me, I'd come back to the Church."

So Marge did, and her book is a winner!

(Shirley Vogler Meister, a member of Christ the King Parish in Indianapolis, is a regular columnist for The Criterion.) †

Faith, Hope and Charity/

David Siler

100 years of help and hope

On Sept. 25, 1910, at the request of the bishops of the United States, hundreds of people from various Catholic ministries dedicated to serving the least among us gathered at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. This historic



event marked the formation of the National Conference of Catholic Charities, which would later change its name to Catholic Charities USA.

Fast forward 100 years to Sept. 25, 2010, and you will find Catholic Charities as

one of our nation's largest associations of social service providers.

In fact, in 2009, 1,700 Catholic Charities agencies, organizations and institutions provided help and created hope for more than 9 million people—regardless of their religious, social, ethnic, or economic background. The only requirement to be served by Catholic Charities is to be in need.

Many people mistakenly think that we only serve Catholics, which is completely inaccurate. As John Etling, our agency director at Catholic Charities in Terre Haute likes to say, "We serve everyone—even Catholics."

If you are Catholic or in any way a contributor to the Church, you are part of this vast network of individuals committed to carry out the work of Jesus Christ in serving those in need—since all of the work carried out by Catholic Charities is done so in the name of the Church.

The Archdiocese of Indianapolis has had a presence from nearly the beginning of Catholic Charities' formal history. St. Elizabeth/Coleman Pregnancy and Adoption Services, originally called St. Elizabeth's Home, was founded locally in 1917—thanks to the Daughters of Isabella—and is now one of the nearly 35 programs that we operate in central and southern Indiana.

History is certainly important, so today we stand proudly on the shoulders of all those who came before us and have witnessed to us how to share the love of Christ with our vulnerable brothers and sisters.

At the same time, we stand firmly in the present and recognize that this anniversary affords us the opportunity to recommit ourselves to the holy work of sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the prisoner, caring for the orphan and the widow, and welcoming the stranger.

Catholic Charities USA, our national organization, has taken this opportunity to look back in order to learn from the past, and to chart a path for the future that will mean fewer people living in poverty.

Our present social service "system" in the United States is in desperate need of an overhaul. Catholic Charities has much to teach our nation's leaders about giving people a "hand up" while providing a "hand out" when necessary.

Catholic Charities USA has presented a framework for new national legislation that is designed to revamp the systems that were originally designed to pull people out of poverty but have, in practice, worked in reverse.

I invite you to join us in celebrating 100 years of service. I also ask for your prayers for a revised national agenda to reduce poverty and for our local work, which is carried out each day to shine Christ's light on some of the darkest places.

To learn about Catholic Charities USA, log on to www.CatholicCharitiesUSA.org. To learn about Catholic Charities Indianapolis, log on to www.CatholicCharitiesIndy.org.

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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time/Msgr. Owen F. Campion

The Sunday Readings

Sunday, Oct. 3, 2010

- Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
- 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
- Luke 17:5-10

This weekend's first reading is from the Book of Habakkuk, which is—by



comparison among the other prophets—a short work of only three chapters.

In some cases, little is known about the author of a given book. But in this case, the prophet identifies himself by name (Hb 1:1, 3:1).

Some experts believe that Habakkuk was a prophet associated with the temple in Jerusalem. The most accepted opinion is that Habakkuk wrote this work in the latter part of the seventh century B.C.

At the time, the struggles among the great powers of the Middle East were numerous and intense, and the small Jewish community was threatened in the accompanying clash.

It is not hard to imagine the fear and anxiety experienced by the people of God, and how desperation and confusion easily led them away from strict obedience to God.

Like the other prophets, Habakkuk appealed to his contemporaries to call to God for protection in the uncertain international situation. The prophet insists, however, that the “just” will survive.

St. Paul's second Epistle to Timothy gives us the second reading.

In this letter, the Apostle reminds Timothy of the strength available to him as a bishop.

Indeed, the reading refers to the ancient gesture of laying on hands on the head of the candidate, which is still an essential and primary act in the ordination of deacons, priests and bishops—not only for Roman Catholics, but also for Episcopalians and Orthodox.

Timothy is instructed not to preach his own mind, but instead to preach the Gospel of Christ.

St. Luke's Gospel is the source of the third reading.

This Gospel was read during the liturgies of recently preceding weekends. Therefore, what has already been heard in these earlier readings forms an umbrella over what is read this weekend.

The overall theme is that following Jesus requires strong determination and much faith. The Lord has many disciples who stumble and fall. It is a world of sin and selfishness. Temptations are rampant.

Most critically, God, in Jesus, always forgives those sinners who earnestly repent.

Into this scene comes this weekend's reading. As have been the other recent Gospel readings, this passage is a parable.

Scholars cannot agree on the term used to describe the servant. Is he worthless, useless, unprofitable or unproductive?

One ancient Greek text describes the servant as “owning nothing.” It is clear, however, that the servant is not so worthless as to be beyond God's love.

Also clear is that the master in no way relies upon the servant. Still, the context is that the servant is kept, not discharged. Indeed, the relationship between the servant and master is such that the servant assumes to have a place at the master's table.

Reflection

For weeks, through Scriptures read at Mass, the Church has been summoning us to discipleship. It has been no call to drift along the primrose path. It has not exalted human nature above and beyond what human nature is in fact. Rather, it has been frank and even somberly warning at times.

This is the background for these readings. Taken together, they are instructive, alerting us to dangers. They also console us with assurances of hope and of life.

Each sincere follower of Jesus must see herself or himself as the servant mentioned this weekend in Luke's Gospel.

As sinning so well demonstrates, we are not as successful in finding heaven as we might think we are. We need God to show us the way.

Habakkuk lets us know that there are many detours and obstacles lying before us.

However, God will assist us, if we allow him to guide us. We must allow his help to come by being firm in our resolve to follow Christ. †

Daily Readings

Monday, Oct. 4
Francis of Assisi, religious
Galatians 1:6-12
Psalm 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c
Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday, Oct. 5
Galatians 1:13-24
Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-15
Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday, Oct. 6
Bruno, priest
Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher,
virgin
Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14
Psalm 117:1bc, 2
Luke 11:1-4

Thursday, Oct. 7
Our Lady of the Rosary
Galatians 3:1-5
(Response) Luke 1:69-75
Luke 11:5-13

Friday, Oct. 8
Galatians 3:7-14
Psalm 111:1b-6
Luke 11:15-26

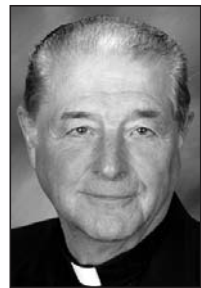
Saturday, Oct. 9
Denis, bishop and martyr
and his companions, martyrs
John Leonardi, priest
Galatians 3:22-29
Psalm 105:2-7
Luke 11:27-28

Sunday, Oct. 10
Twenty-eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
2 Kings 5:14-17
Psalm 98:1-4
2 Timothy 2:8-13
Luke 17:11-19

Question Corner/Fr. John Dietzen

It's never too late to take instructions for full communion in the Church

Q My wife and I have been married for 66 years. She is Catholic. I am not, but I want to join the Church if that's possible.



We have gone to Mass together through all those years, except when I stayed home with our young children so she could go.

She now has Alzheimer's disease, but I still take her to Mass every Sunday. She doesn't want to walk up to Communion anymore. I offered to go up with her, but she says no. She's never alone.

Can you help me? What do I need to do to become Catholic? (Virginia)

A It sounds as if you have had an unusually rich and blessed married life. In spite of the present suffering that your wife's dementia is causing for both of you, I'm happy for you. You have much to be proud of.

Have you talked with the pastor of your parish, or perhaps another priest with whom you may be acquainted, about your desire to come into the full communion of the Church?

Considering your history of Catholic worship with your wife, the “journey” would be a very short one for you—mainly perhaps just making a profession of faith, going to confession, and starting to receive the Eucharist and other sacraments.

It's true that the usual path to membership in the Catholic faith is through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program, a months-long process of study and Catholic practice leading to reception into the Church, usually at Easter time.

For various reasons, however, that is often not possible or practical for people like yourself. A considerably briefer time can be arranged that is quite sufficient to fill in the details you might need to live a full Catholic life.

Based on the information you give, something like this could readily be done in your case. Please talk to a priest soon, and take advantage of the time that God is still giving you.

Q If a man leaves the priesthood to get married, is he excommunicated from the Church?

This happened a few years ago to a friend of ours, but we receive different messages from different priests. (Massachusetts)

A No, he is not excommunicated. According to canon law, a cleric who attempts a civil marriage incurs an automatic suspension from ministry, which is not the same as excommunication.

Without going into detail, this means that a priest in these circumstances is forbidden to exercise those acts or functions that are normally his as a priest.

The same canon (#1394) adds that, if after such an attempted marriage he is given a warning, but doesn't have a change of heart and continues to give scandal, he can be punished with other sanctions, even to dismissal from the clerical state, which is called “laicization.”

All these sanctions are different from excommunication. Of course, if the priest has been removed from the clerical state by action of the Holy Father, none of these sanctions possibly apply. He still cannot exercise his priestly ministry except when it may be needed in extreme emergencies.

Q I've been an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion for several years and recently moved to a new parish.

One woman receives Communion on Saturday evening and takes hosts home with her to give Communion to residents at a nursing home on the following morning.

Since I'm new in the parish, I hesitate to ask the pastor about it, but it sounds strange to me.

Is this permitted? (Ohio)

A Unless there are extremely special circumstances—possibly great distances involved—keeping the Eucharist at home this way is not proper.

The parish you speak of should have explicit rules about it.

Perhaps the woman in question is not familiar with the rules, if they are in place, or does not recognize the inappropriateness, at least, of what she is doing.

If you're aware of it, other parishioners possibly are as well and could be confused.

The opportunity to receive the Eucharist from extraordinary ministers of holy Communion is an immeasurable blessing for people who cannot be present for Mass, and an enormous spiritual benefit to the parish.

All parishioners that participate in such sacramental programs always need to keep these larger concerns in mind by showing a proper reverence for the Eucharist as well as a charitable concern for the faith and understandable sensitivities of others in the parish community. †

My Journey to God

Mary's 'Yes'

It was not fanfare and trumpet blast that alerted Mary to the extraordinary presence of God, but a gentle, quiet, whispered voice traveling on light beams and angel's wings.

The hopes of generations came to rest on Mary ...

In Mary ... this woman, this gentle, faithful keeper of the stories, pray-er of the Psalms, greeted by angel's whispers, called into the fulfillment of womanhood by the God who loved her, touched by the Spirit moving within her and around her.

Mary, with her questions and concerns, her rooted beliefs, sensed a “yes” welling up within her ... a “yes” that set her people on a new journey, a “yes” that launched her deep into the mystery and wonder of her God



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to ponder the mystery of all that is good,
all that is human,
all that is woman,
all that is holy.

By Sister Susan Marie Lindstrom,
O.S.B.

(Benedictine Sister Susan Marie Lindstrom is a member of Our Lady of Grace Monastery in Beech Grove. She teaches religion and chairs the religion department at Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis, where she also serves as co-sponsor of the senior class. This historic portrait of the Blessed Mother and Child Jesus was photographed at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Indianapolis. The artist is unknown.)

Rest in peace

Please submit in writing to our office by 10 a.m. Thursday before the week of publication; be sure to state date of death. Obituaries of archdiocesan priests serving our archdiocese are listed elsewhere in *The Criterion*. Order priests and religious sisters and brothers are included here, unless they are natives of the archdiocese or have other connections to it; those are separate obituaries on this page.

BEYER, Charlene, 76, St. Joseph, Shelbyville, Sept. 11. Mother of Annie and Greg Baker. Sister of Norma Browning, Elizabeth Hewitt, Clara, James and John Beyer Jr. Grandmother of one.

BUTLER, Mary Ann, 81, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Aug. 15. Mother of Eileen Laham, Kathleen, Maureen, Michael, Terrance and Timothy Butler. Sister of Catherine Helmer. Grandmother of four.

CURSON, Harold R., 84, St. Pius X, Indianapolis, Sept. 18. Husband of Sophie Curson. Father of Bruce, David, Kevin and Scott Curson. Grandfather of nine. Great-grandfather of one.

DUDLEY, Suzanne J., 72, St. Bartholomew, Columbus, Sept. 11. Wife of Jim Dudley. Mother of Laura Liotti, Renea Whicker and Eric Dudley. Sister of Rosemary Goodrich and James Puvel. Grandmother of eight.

FOX, Mary Elizabeth, 69, SS. Francis and Clare, Greenwood, Sept. 15. Mother of Carrie Ailes, Janet Layne and Gary Fox.

GREENE, Thomas Gilbert, 77, St. Joseph, Shelbyville, Sept. 19. Husband of Helen (Bauer) Greene.

Father of Linda Beatty, Barbara Cooper and Edward Greene. Brother of Sharon Smith, Mary Wake and William Greene. Grandfather of 12. Great-grandfather of 11.

HOLDAWAY, Richard A., 55, St. Therese of the Infant Jesus (Little Flower), Indianapolis, Sept. 1.

HURRLE, Barbara Jean, 56, Most Holy Name of Jesus, Beech Grove, Sept. 14. Wife of Steve Hurrle. Mother of Sarah Kegerreis, Sam and Steve Hurrle. Daughter of Robert and Jean Straight. Sister of Beth Armstrong, Cheryl Greene and Diane Miller. Grandmother of three.

JENNINGS, Delia Rose, 86, St. Mark the Evangelist, Indianapolis, Sept. 5. Sister of Julia O'Farrell and George Jennings. Aunt of several.

JEWELL, Dorothy L., 90, St. Mary, Greensburg, Sept. 14. Mother of Joyce Wilder and Mike Jewell. Sister of Carol Unseld. Grandmother of five. Great-grandmother of seven.

KLENE, David George, 57, St. Mark the Evangelist, Indianapolis, Sept. 12. Husband of Mary (Barker) Klene. Father of Julie, Rachel and David Klene. Brother of Christine, Dan, Jim, Mark, Steve and Tom Klene. Grandfather of one.

LEWIS, J. Richard, 76, St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Aurora, Sept. 1. Husband of Clara Lewis.

LIBS, Eva F. (Fisher) Andres, 90, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Sept. 16. Mother of Jane Best, Cathy Boone,

Carolyn Gehlbach, Vernetta Gettelfinger, Pat Hutt, Jo Ann Pendleton, Linda Smith, Alice Volpert, Bruce and Robert Andres, Dick and Robert Libs. Sister of Patsy Armstrong, Phyllis Fouts, Sharon Stiner, Eddie and Maurice Fisher. Grandmother of several.

LYDAY, Geraldine, 80, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Sept. 7. Mother of Kathy Carrico, Jackie Downs, Mary Ann Hefner, Terri Lewis, Jackie Matern, Christine Swartz, Mark and Peter Lyday. Grandmother of 10. Great-grandmother of one.

McCALLISTER, Rosemary, 89, St. Mary, Rushville, Sept. 5. Mother of David, Mark and Michael McCallister. Grandmother of 11. Great-grandmother of three.

MELTON, Marianne, 42, St. Barnabas, Indianapolis, Aug. 25. Mother of Aaron, Cody and Travis Melton. Daughter of Robert and Dorothy (Sylvester) Evans. Sister of Theresa Frausto and Tim Evans.

NOBBE, Charles J., 87, St. Anne, Hamburg, Sept. 20. Husband of Helen Nobbe. Father of Sharon Nobbe. Brother of Anna Mae Kruthaupt.

POHLMAN, Kathleen E., 81, St. Louis, Batesville, Sept. 18. Wife of John Pohlman. Mother of Lisa Durkin, Janice Enneking, Linda Wolters, Mary and Timothy Pohlman. Sister of Helen Enneking and John Oesterling. Grandmother of 14. Great-grandmother of six.

POLSTON, Jarrod T., 18, SS. Francis and Clare, Greenwood, Sept. 11. Son of Carl Polston and Marty Cangany. Brother of Ashleigh Polston, Jasmine and Peyton Cangany. Grandson of Ron and Sue Basey, Peg Pike and Frank Polston.

PURDUE-WORRELL, Mary Ellen, 94, St. Agnes, Nashville, Sept. 7. Mother of Sheryl Priddy.

Stepmother of Georgena Heeringa and Frank Worrell. Grandmother of 10. Step-grandmother of seven. Great-grandmother of 22. Step-great-grandmother of six. Great-great-grandmother of one.

RANKIN, Richard A., 88, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Sept. 17. Father of Patty Martin, Linda Wibbels and Michael Rankin. Grandfather of six. Great-grandfather of 12.

ROSENBERGER, Richard, 47, Holy Guardian Angels, Cedar Grove, Sept. 20. Husband of Trisha Rosenberger. Father of Brittany and Blake Rosenberger. Son of Richard Rosenberger. Brother of Darcelle Bullock, Sharon Green and Connie Mergenthal.

ROSS, Ralph, 78, St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Aurora, Sept. 1. Husband of Nanci Ross.

SAUNDERS, Mona, 94, St. Vincent de Paul, Bedford, Sept. 8. Mother of Donna Jaccard, Barbara Murphy and Jean Saunders. Grandmother of several.

SHANNON, Sharon Kay, 68, St. Mary, New Albany, Sept. 13. Mother of Laura Ranieri and Steven Shannon. Daughter of Norma Piper. Sister of Cheryl Wilson and Earl Bealmear II. Grandmother of four.

SPRIGLER, Wolford, 85, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Sept. 11. Husband of Genny (Book) Sprigler. Father of Mary Ann Harritt, Linda Morgan, Norma Reutman and William Sprigler. Brother of Ann Eckert, Minnie Larson, Jane Navialle and Robert Sprigler. Grandfather of eight. Great-grandfather of five.

WILSON, Sharon, 70, St. Joseph, Universal, Sept. 10. Mother of Donna Cottrell and Regina Hendrixson. Grandmother of two. †

Providence Sister Margaret Ann McNamara served as a teacher, principal and general councilor

Providence Sister Margaret Ann McNamara, the former Sister Marie Nicholas, died on Sept. 1 at Mother Theodore Hall at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. She was 75.

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Sept. 4 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception at the motherhouse. Burial followed at the sisters' cemetery.

Sister Margaret Ann was born on Aug. 5, 1935, in Chicago.

She entered the congregation of the Sisters of Providence on July 22, 1955, professed her first vows on Jan. 23, 1958, and professed her final vows on Aug. 15, 1963.

Sister Margaret Ann earned a bachelor's degree in education at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, a master's degree in elementary education at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., and a master's degree in pastoral ministry at Loyola University in Chicago.

During 55 years as a Sister of Providence, she served as a teacher or principal at Catholic schools in Indiana and Illinois for 13 years.

In the archdiocese, Sister Margaret Ann taught at Holy Family School in New Albany from 1960-63.

In 1973, she began working in administrative positions for the American Society of Clinical Pathologists in Chicago.

In 1983, Sister Margaret Ann was elected to the provincial leadership in the St. Joseph Province, and served her congregation in that capacity for eight years.

She also ministered as vice president for mission services with Wheaton Franciscan Services in Wheaton, Ill., from 1992-94.

Sister Margaret also served as the director of the deacon formation program for the Archdiocese of Chicago from 1994-96.

In 1996, Sister Margaret Ann was elected to a five-year term in the generalate leadership in the congregation, and served as a general councilor until 2001.

In 2004, she began her ministry of prayer full-time at the motherhouse.

Surviving are a brother, James McNamara of Chicago, and several nieces and nephews.

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Two women complete Ecclesial Lay Ministry formation program

By Sean Gallagher

Two women were honored on Sept. 20 in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis as the latest people to complete the archdiocese's Ecclesial Lay Ministry (ELM) formation program.

Becky Cope, who ministers at Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish in Greenwood, and Mary Margaret Lynch, who serves at St. Joseph Parish in Shelbyville, received a certificate of completion and an archdiocesan lapel pin during a prayer service at which Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein presided.

Edward Isakson, archdiocesan human resources director and coordinator of lay ministry formation, spoke to Cope and Lynch during a reflection he gave during the prayer service.

"As lay ministers in the Church, we are blessed by the people we minister to and the people we minister with," Isakson said. "Becky and Margaret, the Church has been blessed by your devotion and we are very thankful for you."

Archbishop Buechlein praised the ELM program, saying that it "helps assure our parishes and our archdiocese that these lay ministers are well prepared in a holistic way."

ELM, which was launched in the archdiocese in 1999, provides theological, spiritual and pastoral formation for lay ministers in the archdiocese.

Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in St. Meinrad provides ELM's instructors and organizes its workshops, which take place at varying locations in the archdiocese.

Cope, 60, who serves Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish as the coordinator of religious education and volunteer coordinator, spent five years in the ELM program and said that she is sorry to see her time in it come to an end.

"It was wonderful learning [and] going through it," Cope said after the prayer service. "But I'm going to miss it."



Becky Cope, left, and Mary Margaret Lynch, right, pose with Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein on Sept. 20 in the rectory of SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis after the two lay ministers were honored for completing the archdiocese's Ecclesial Lay Ministry program. Cope ministers at Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish in Greenwood. Lynch ministers at St. Joseph Parish in Shelbyville.

I'm going to miss going to class, and being with the other people and learning."

Lynch, 71, began her participation in ELM 10 years ago, close to the time that the program began. She has volunteered in various ministries at archdiocesan parishes for approximately 30 years. She currently directs adult faith formation programs at St. Joseph Parish in Shelbyville.

Lynch believes so strongly in lay ministry that in 2005 she helped establish a Catholic Community Foundation

endowment that supports formation for lay ministry in the archdiocese.

"I just feel very driven to bring the face of Jesus to people," Lynch said. "Right now, I'm just working with adults, but I've worked with teenagers and grade school kids and I've loved it all."

(For more information about ELM, log on to www.archindy.org/layministry or call 317-236-1594 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1594.) †

Notre Dame president names coordinator for university life initiatives



A student at the University of Notre Dame prays at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on campus on Aug. 18. Holy Cross Father John Jenkins, president of the University of Notre Dame, recently named Mary Daly to the newly created position of coordinator for university life initiatives.

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (CNS)—Holy Cross Father John Jenkins, president of the University of Notre Dame, has named Mary Daly to the newly created position of coordinator for university life initiatives.

Daly, a 2010 Notre Dame graduate, was president of the Notre Dame Right to Life organization as a student.

The university announced on Sept. 20 that Father Jenkins created the post in response to a recommendation from the Task Force on Supporting the Choice for Life, which said structures must be created to implement previous recommendations and continue the work of the group. The task force completed its term of service in May.

Earlier this year, it issued a set of preliminary recommendations designed to "broaden and deepen the pro-life culture" at the university.

The group called for undergraduate "witness to life" research opportunities in various academic disciplines, adoption of a policy statement on the university's "support for Catholic teaching on the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death," and guidelines on how to "avoid formal or immediate material complicity in evils such as abortion and torture" in charitable gifts and investments.

Since then, the pro-life policy statement has been adopted and the guidelines regarding gifts and investments have been developed.



Fr. John Jenkins, C.S.C.

In addition, Father Jenkins' participation this past January in the March for Life in Washington came out of the task force recommendations.

Daly will coordinate efforts already under way to implement the task force suggestions, and serve as a liaison between various university units to facilitate collaboration on life issues. She also will seek ways to broaden and deepen respect for the sanctity of life from conception to natural death within the Notre Dame community and beyond.

Her office will be in the Institute for Church Life and she will report to John Cavadini, the institute's director and co-chair of the task force. She will report to Father Jenkins through Cavadini.

One of her first duties will be to help organize a faculty advisory committee to be chaired by Cavadini.

Father Jenkins formed the task force a year ago to consider ways that Notre Dame can support the sanctity of life. Its creation followed what Father Jenkins called "the vigorous discussions" surrounding President Barack Obama's visit to campus to deliver the commencement address in May 2009. He



Mary Daly

also received an honorary law degree. Critics of Obama's appearance on campus, including dozens of U.S. bishops, said the president's support of legal abortion and embryonic stem-cell research made him an inappropriate choice.

The situation ignited a national debate on the university's status as a Catholic university. When he appointed the task force, Father Jenkins charged its members with outlining how "the university could increase and manifest its own commitment to a culture of life across our campus and in partnership with other constituencies in the Notre Dame family, including our alumni." †

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Pope asks young people to learn from beatified Focolarina

CASTEL GANDOLFO, Italy (CNS)—Blessed Chiara Badano, an Italian who died of bone cancer just before her 19th birthday, witnessed to the world the fact that God's love is stronger than suffering and death, Pope Benedict XVI said.

"Only Love with a capital L gives true happiness," and that is what Blessed Badano showed her family, her friends and her fellow members of the Focolare Movement, the pope said on Sept. 26 during his midday Angelus address.

At Rome's Sanctuary of Our Lady of Divine Love on Sept. 25, Archbishop Angelo Amato, prefect of the Congregation for Saints' Causes, presided over the beatification of the young Italian, who died in 1990.

Pope Benedict said young people can find in Blessed Badano "an example of

Christian consistency" because she was certain of God's love and trusted in that love even as she was dying.

"We give praise to God because his love is stronger than evil and death, and we give thanks to the Virgin Mary, who leads young

people, even in the midst of difficulty and suffering, to fall in love with Jesus and discover the beauty of life," the pope said.

At the beatification Mass, Archbishop Amato called Blessed Badano a missionary of Jesus, "who invites us to rediscover the freshness and enthusiasm of the faith."

Even as she lost the use of her legs and was dying, she shared her faith and God's love with the dozens of people who would visit her each day, he said.

"Her last gift was her corneas, the only organs that were still transplantable" because they were not damaged by the cancer that had spread throughout her body, the archbishop

said. "They were given to two young people who can see today thanks to her."

Blessed Badano's parents, Teresa and Ruggero, attended the beatification Mass.

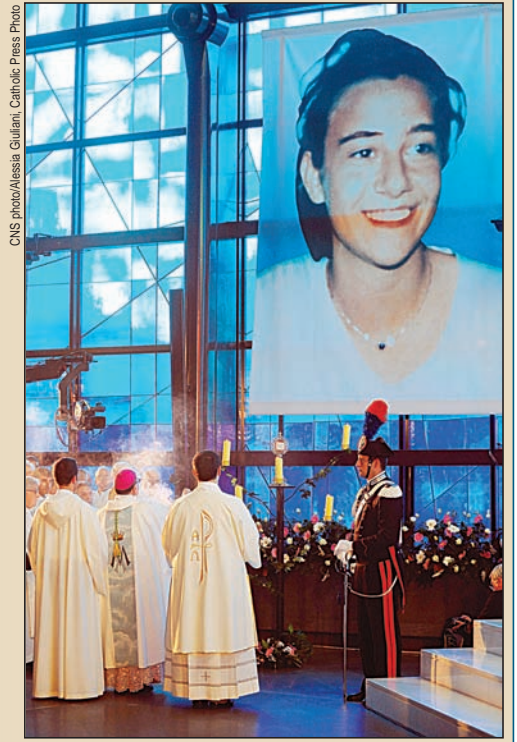
Her mother told Vatican Radio that Chiara's religiosity grew gradually and normally.

When Chiara got sick, Teresa Badano said, "She taught us how to do God's will, like she did, because you don't just say 'yes' when everything is going well."

After the beatification Mass, about 8,000 young members of the Focolare Movement gathered in the Vatican audience hall for a nighttime celebration of Blessed Badano's life with readings and singing. †

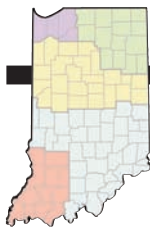
'She taught us how to do God's will, like she did, because you don't just say 'yes' when everything is going well.'

—Teresa Badano



Right, incense is burned in front of an image of Blessed Chiara Badano during her beatification Mass celebrated by Archbishop Angelo Amato at the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Divine Love in Rome on Sept. 25. Blessed Badano was an Italian teen who witnessed to Christ before dying of cancer in 1990 just before her 19th birthday.

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DIocese of Evansville

Evansville Diocesan Choir travels to Italy for 10-day pilgrimage

EVANSVILLE—There will be high notes and strong voices during the Diocesan Choir's pilgrimage to Italy, but Jeremy Korba is hoping that the pilgrims are touched by the quiet moments because those are the times, he believes, when faith can come alive.

He is the director of the choir, which began a 10-day trip to Italy on Sept. 21. The itinerary includes visits to Venice, Florence, Siena, Assisi, Padua, Rome and Vatican City.

Korba has been the director of the Diocesan Choir for five years. Its members, which often include as many as 110 people from parishes throughout the diocese, sing at ordinations and other diocesan events, including the annual chrisM Mass.

Of that larger group, 35 members traveled to Italy, along with 25 others, including spouses.



Benedictine Father Gregory Chamberlin offers a blessing to the diocesan choir on Sept. 19 at the conclusion of their concert at St. Benedict Cathedral in Evansville, where he serves as the pastor. The choir left on Sept. 21 for a 10-day trip to Italy.

On Sept. 19, the choir presented a concert at St. Benedict Cathedral in Evansville, which featured several of the songs they are singing in Italy.

Terri Abbot was the first person to arrive for the concert. "I came early," she said, "so I can hear everything they are doing. I just know the music today will be exceptional. It will be really beautiful."

Before the concert began, four members of the Colbert family talked about the upcoming pilgrimage.

Colton Colbert is 12, and a male soprano in the choir. He said he was "very excited" about the trip, and looking forward to seeing Pope Benedict XVI.

His older brother, Remington, who is a tenor with the choir, said, "I'm looking forward to the food."

The family, which also includes their father, Ken, has sung with the Diocesan Choir during chrisM Masses and at the last diaconate ordination.

About 400 people attended the concert at the cathedral, which began with an introduction by the choir director, who told the audience that the group will sing during a high Mass at St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City, perform a short recital in the Sistine Chapel, and sing during a papal audience.

(For this story and more news from the Diocese of Evansville, log on to the website of The Message at www.themessageonline.org.) †

DIocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

Inaugural Indiana Catholic Cross County Championships are off to a fast start

NOBLESVILLE—Amanda McCauley is a 17-year-old senior at Our Lady of Providence High School in Clarksville, Ind., across the Ohio River from Louisville. She has been running in cross country races since she was in the sixth grade.

But the inaugural Indiana Catholic Cross Country Championships, held on Sept. 11 at St. Theodore Guérin High School in Noblesville, were refreshingly different.

"We don't have any all-Catholic meets," she said shortly before toeing the starting line. "It's good competition, and there are some way bigger schools up here. We don't play any of them in any other sports."

"We're getting different comments. Already, during warm-ups, people are saying, 'Good job!' and 'Good luck!' They're a lot nicer than the people from the public schools we run against."

More than 700 fleet-footed teenagers from 18 Catholic high schools traveled from all over the state to take part in the rain-dampened races. The event featured four 3.1-mile races for varsity boys, varsity girls, junior varsity boys and junior varsity girls.

All that was followed by a Mass then a lunch provided by Guérin boosters.

"This event is not about cross country, but about our shared faith and a celebration of the Indiana [Catholic] high school community," said Cliff Babbey, the event director. His son, Mark, is on the Guérin High School cross country team.

"This is the only sport where this concept is possible, and we are thrilled, stunned and humbled to see how enthusiastically folks have taken to the event," he said.

Mark Brunzman, 18, is a runner for Oldenburg Academy of the Immaculate Conception in Oldenburg, about 45 minutes from Cincinnati.

"I felt united, as a Catholic, to see all those Catholic [school] names. Some had crosses on the backs of their shirts," he said. "It was a new experience to run in an all-Catholic race. It has more of a social aspect than a normal meet."



Teammates from Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School in Indianapolis gather before a race at the first Indiana Catholic Cross Country Championships held on Sept. 11 at St. Theodore Guérin High School in Noblesville.

Participating teams came from as far away as Lake Michigan to the north and the Ohio River on the south, and from the Illinois border on the west to the Ohio line on the east.

Lafayette diocesan priest is excited to run in New York City Marathon on Nov. 7

NOBLESVILLE—Nov. 7 will mark the culmination of years of training for Father Joshua Janko as he will be among the more than 45,000 runners participating in the ING New York City Marathon.

The 26.2-mile race, with a course through New York City's five boroughs, is one of the premier running events in the United States. One of the largest marathons in the world, it had 43,659 finishers in 2009. More than 100,000 runners apply annually to take part in the race so a lottery drawing is held to select the participants.

Father Janko, 34, is the associate pastor of St. Alphonsus Parish in Zionsville. He said he was flipping through TV channels last November, "and all of a sudden I saw part of the New York City Marathon. I saw the man who won. He was a naturalized citizen, and he was so excited and proud that it triggered something in me. I had been talking about doing this for 10 years. I trained a couple times, but I kept getting injured. I just said, 'I want to be there next year.'"

He applied early this year to participate, and found out that he had been selected in April.

In 1995, while still in college, Father Janko took part in the OneAmerica 500 Festival Mini-Marathon, a race in downtown Indianapolis that draws nearly 40,000 runners. He has missed running the "Mini" only twice since then.

"It's been an annual event for me," he said. "It's neat because it starts off the season for the Indianapolis 500, and because of the sheer number of people there."

During the New York City Marathon, he will wear the same "Race for Vocations" shirt worn by hundreds of runners in the Mini.

"I started practicing my faith more in my junior year in high school, and I started to think about God more as I ran," Father Janko said. "I always pray before I run."

People who would like to sponsor Father Janko spiritually can post prayer pledges on his blog site at <http://fatherjoshua.blogspot.com>.

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