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Owensboro Is Preparing A Place for You.**

I'M READY



We Have A New Priest Among Us

Many people from towns and cities in the Western Kentucky Diocese of Owensboro came to St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro on June 1, 2013 to celebrate the Mass of Priesthood Ordination of Father Julio Evaristo Barrera Martinez, in the foreground of the picture above. In this scene, the Mass had just ended and the priests present gathered outside their front doors of the Cathedral to applaud Father Julio. His smile was and is genuine, Father Julio's joy evident and inspiring as Bishop William Medley led the Rite of Ordination which includes the laying on of hands, Prayer of Ordination, investiture, and anointing of hands, handing over of the Bread and Wine, and a fraternal kiss of peace. Above, the priests of the diocese and visiting priests congratulated Father Julio as spontaneous applause broke out, lasting several minutes. As the opening song of the Mass of Ordination proclaimed, "This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia." Photo by Jim Creighton

*Please see pages 24-26 for more pictures and article
about Father Julio's ordination on June 1.*

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Persuade, Educate Others With Respect and Always in Charity



Most Reverend William F. Medley, Bishop of Owensboro

"In essential matters, unity; in non-essential matters, liberty; in all things, charity."

Dear sisters and brothers,

It would be helpful to identify the origin of this quote, but research has only led me to conclude that the wisdom of these words is ancient and has found expression in many ways over the ages. St. Augustine is the most commonly attributed writer, but others are quick to point to even older variations. In modern times Pope John XXIII, bishop of Rome from 1958 – 1963, popularized the quote.

As the ancient origin of the words would suggest, men and women of all ages have sought to make a point, to win the day, by their rhetoric. That rhetoric all too often is directed toward the character of an opponent or adversary, rather than to the objectionable idea or thought. In an age of mass media and instant communication though, the easy shortcut to making a point is too often to attack the person, not the idea.

As Catholics, as Christians, in our very secular culture, we often find ourselves ridiculed when we speak on matters of morality and justice. Some of this ridicule is subtle, some is blatant and, frankly, bigoted. Most sad, I suppose, are those times when even within our Church a shade of difference is amplified to question one another's genuine faith and morality.

But I write this month not to attack our attackers, but to call ourselves as people of faith to the high road, to call us in all things to charity.

Our Church today often finds itself at odds with the prevailing culture. The issues can be abortion, artificial contraception, same-sex relationships, capital punishment, euthanasia, religious liberty, immigration reform, the use of human torture and the list can go on and on. The shortcut to making our point can too easily be to

question the integrity or the morality of those who have a different point of view.

The Catholic Church and we as Catholic citizens have a place in every public discussion. This is at the heart of the most recent debates about religious liberty. Often the point of view that we may espouse is crystal clear to us. From our vantage point, our position has been one achieved through the study of divine revelation and centuries-old tradition. It is admittedly hard at times to see merit in an opposing point of view. For example, for those of us who see all human life as created in the image and likeness of God, it is incomprehensible that others advocate abortion on demand. For us, such a question (and many more like it) represents an unalterable violation of the law of God, a law we believe easily revealed in human reason – apart from divine revelation.

In our pluralistic culture, when we disparage those with whom we disagree, it may not take long before we are a coalition of one. Our adversary on questions of human life becomes our ally on immigration reform. Our ally in defense of marriage may become our adversary on capital punishment.

Yes, there can and will be times when bigotry just has to be called bigotry, when flagrant immorality is simply a manifestation of evil. But more often than not our own errors or the errors of those who disagree with us are not rooted in sin as much as in misinformation.

Can we step back and reframe our dialogue to presume good will on the part of those with whom we disagree? Though we hold our beliefs and convictions passionately, it must not be assumed that others might not have come to different convictions with equal ardor. With respect then, we can strive to educate and persuade others, but always in charity.

May God bless you all.

+William F. Medley

+Most Reverend William F. Medley, Bishop of Owensboro

Bishop Medley's calendar for August 2013:

August 3	4:00 p.m.	Confirmation, Holy Name of Jesus, Henderson
August 6	11:30 a.m.	Priest Age Group 3 Gathering/Luncheon
August 8	12:00 p.m.	Owensboro West Deanery Meeting, St. Mary Magdalene, Owensboro
August 10	4:00 p.m.	Mass/New Pastor Installation, Fr. Pat Bittel, St. Martin, Rome
August 11	8:30 a.m.	Mass/New Pastor Installation, Fr. John Ighacho, St. Sebastian/St. Charles @ St. Sebastian
August 11	5:00 p.m.	Rural Life Celebration, Sportscenter, Owensboro
August 12	5:00 p.m.	Dinner with Seminarians and Vocations Office
August 13		Catholic Conference of Kentucky Executive Board Meeting, Louisville and Provincial Meeting, Louisville, KY
August 14		Provincial Meeting, Louisville, KY
August 15	6:00 p.m.	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mass and Dedication of Altar and Ambo, St. Romuald, Hardinsburg
August 17	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation, St. Michael, Sebree
August 19	9:30 a.m.	Priest Personnel Board Meeting, CPC
	1:30 p.m.	Priests' Council Meeting, CPC
August 20	9:00 a.m.	Staff Mass and Meeting, CPC
August 21	11:30 a.m.	Priest Age Group 4 Gathering/Luncheon
August 22	11:30 a.m.	Priest Age Group 5 Gathering/Luncheon
August 24	1:30 p.m.	Golden Jubilee Mass for Mother Catherine Marie, CP, Passionist Monastery
August 25	9:00 a.m.	Mass/New Pastor Installation, Fr. John Thomas Holy Spirit Parish, Bowling Green
August 26	11:30 a.m.	Priest Age Group 6 Gathering/Luncheon
August 27	10-3:00 p.m.	Paducah Office, Lourdes Hospital, Paducah

Angela & the Gift of Contemplation

Saturday, Aug. 17, 2013

Retreat Hours:

10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Retreat Facilitators:

Sister Marietta Wethington
Sister Ann McGrew

Join us for:

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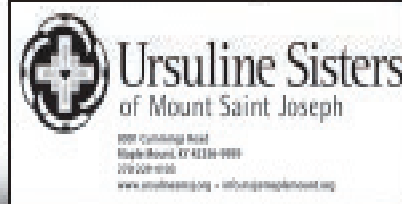


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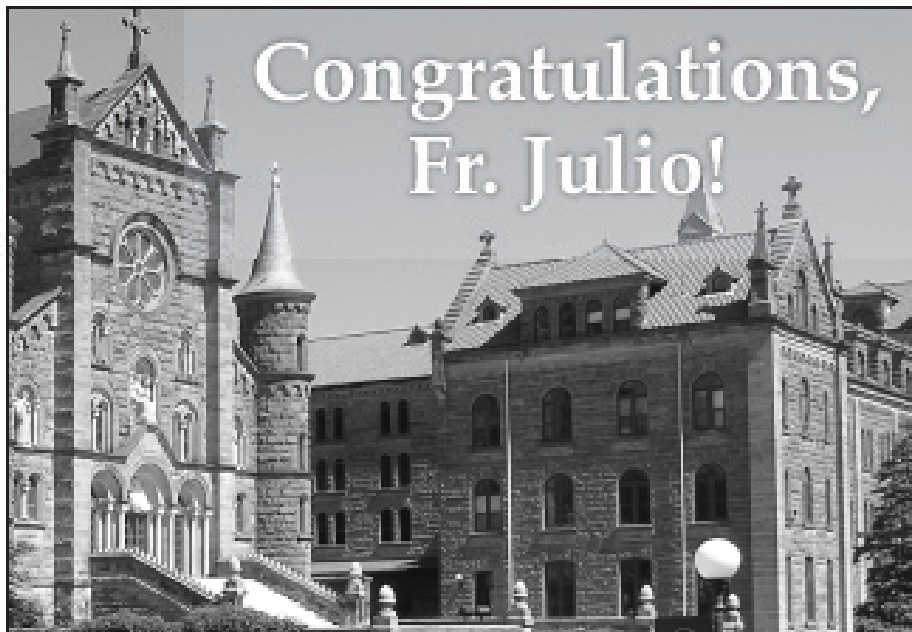
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**Congratulations,
Fr. Julio!**

*We are happy to congratulate
Saint Meinrad graduate Rev. Julio Barrera
on his ordination to the priesthood.*

*Very Rev. Don Ingleton, O.S.A.,
and the students, faculty, parents and staff
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Eucharistic Adoration
1 p.m.- 5 p.m.



2nd Sunday of the month - Maple Mount

The Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph invite you to join them for Eucharistic Adoration on the second Sunday of every month to pray for vocations.* Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Motherhouse Chapel (located 12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56). Adoration will conclude with evening prayer.

Those who cannot attend are asked to pray for new members to hear the call to the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph or a vocation within the church. Thank you!


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*Note: There will be no adoration on Sept. 8th because of the Mount Saint Joseph Picnic.

DIOCESE OF OWENSBORO PRIEST ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2013
(updated 6/04/2013)

PARISH PASTOR

- Baker, Rev. Jerry: Pastor, St. John the Baptist, Fordsville, Kentucky will continue as pastor of St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville effective June 11, 2013
- Bittel, Rev. Pat: Pastor, St. Martin Parish, Rome, Kentucky effective June 11, 2013
- Ighacho, Rev. John: Pastor, St. Sebastian Parish, Calhoun and St. Charles Parish, Livermore, Kentucky, effective June 11, 2013.
- Okoro, Rev. John: Pastor, St. William/St. Lawrence Parishes, Philpot, Kentucky effective June 11, 2013
- Riney, Rev. Jerry: Pastor of St. Stephen Cathedral and Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Owensboro, Kentucky effective June 11, 2013
- Thomas, Rev. John: Pastor of Holy Spirit Parish, Bowling Green, Kentucky effective June 11, 2013
- Vaughan, Rev. John: Pastor of Christ the King Parish, Madisonville, Kentucky, effective June 11, 2013

PAROCHIAL VICAR

- Barrera, Rev. Julio: Parochial Vicar of Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, as well as assisting with Sacramental Ministry at Saint Susan Parish in Elkton, Kentucky and Saints Mary and James Parish in Guthrie, Kentucky effective June 11, 2013.
- Dillard, Rev. Daniel: Parochial Vicar of Holy Spirit Parish, Bowling Green, Kentucky effective June 11, 2013
- Geraci, Rev. Kenneth, CPM: Parochial Vicar of St. John the Baptist, Fordsville, Kentucky will continue as Parochial Vicar of St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville effective June 11, 2013
- Harpole, Rev. Ryan: Parochial Vicar of Saint Leo Parish in Murray, Kentucky, and assist in the pastoral ministry of the Newman Center of Murray State University effective June 11, 2013.
- Jimenez, Rev. Carmelo: Parochial Vicar of St. Joseph Parish, Bowling Green, Kentucky, effective June 11, 2013
- Mathew, Rev. Suneesh, HGN: Parochial Vicar of St. Stephen Cathedral and Blessed Sacrament Chapel Owensboro, Kentucky effective June 11, 2013
- McCarty, Rev. Joshua: Parochial Vicar of Sts. Joseph and Paul Parish, Owensboro, Kentucky, effective June 11, 2013
- Williams, Rev. Brandon: Parochial Vicar of Saint Thomas More Parish, Paducah, Kentucky and Saint Mary Parish, in LaCenter, Kentucky effective June 11, 2013.

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

- McClure, Rev. Jason: Director to the Diocesan Office for Vocations while continuing as pastor of St. Leo Parish, Murray, Kentucky effective June 11, 2013.
- Larbes, Deacon Terry: Director of the Ecumenical Office
- Cash, Rev. Richard: Chaplain, Carmel Home, Owensboro, Kentucky; Pastoral Ministry, Owensboro Health hospital effective June 11, 2013
- Riney, Rev. Maury: Substitution and special assignment work in parishes effective June 11, 2013
- Goetz, Rev. Ray: Director of Formation for the Diocesan Office for the Permanent Diaconate, effective June 11, 2013
- Rodriguez, Deacon Heriberto: Director of the Diocesan Office for the Permanent Diaconate, effective June 11, 2013

Come celebrate your marriage with Bishop Medley!

Your commitment and the love you share is a gift to each other, your family, the community and society.

We do not take this for granted and would like to congratulate you and rejoice with you. Join us on Sunday, September 22th at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro for the annual Marriage Celebration. Mass begins at 2:00pm with a cake and punch reception immediately following.

All are invited and families are welcome, we only ask that those coming RSVP to Charlotte Hedges at (270)683-1545 or charlotte.hedges@pastoral.org .

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Contemporary Woman Program Announces Programs for Fall Semester 2013

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Brescia University's Contemporary Woman Program, directed by Ursuline Sister of Mount Saint Joseph Rose Marita O'Bryan, enters the fall semester with a variety of programs in continued celebration of its 50th year.

New and continuing programs are available to both women and men:

- Spirituality of Beauty, exploring the theme of beauty and its important role in spirituality, is presented on three Thursday afternoons, beginning on October 3 from 1:30-2:20.
- The Canticle Group, examining materials that develop issues of spirituality, peace, and justice, meets on

twelve Friday mornings from 10 till noon, beginning on September 6. This semester the group will be exploring talks given by Joseph Campbell, mythology scholar, that have been filmed and initially seen on PBS.

- The Partnership Group, in its 24th year, meets on the second Wednesday of each month, 7 to 9 p.m., beginning September 11 and continuing through May. The book chosen for dialogue is "The Untethered Soul" by Michael A Singer.
- Soul Gardening with the Elements, a special opportunity for four Tuesday afternoons in November from 1:30-2:30, consists of guided reflections on the universe elements of wind, water, fire and earth.
- Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, a program based on the life and writings of Pierre

Groundbreaking for new St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store

A groundbreaking for a new St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store will take place Tuesday, Aug. 6 at 5:30 p.m. in Owensboro. All are invited to attend. The event will take place at the corner of 18th Street & J.R. Miller at the former Roberts Motor Sales

Inc. location. The new, spacious store will eventually become a consolidation of the two current stores. Once it is completed, the new thrift store will provide a more convenient and centrally located place for dropping off donated items and for shopping. Remodeling on the new store is projected to be finished on Dec. 1. All of the St. Vincent de Paul store proceeds are donated back to the community by helping needy individuals and families. Last year, St. Vincent de Paul helped over 12,000 of its neighbors in this district. If you would like more information about the groundbreaking, contact Angela Settle at 270-316-2328.

Teilhard de Chardin, is offered on three Thursday evenings on October 3, 10 and 24 from 6:30-7:20.

- The Return of the Global Sex Trade and How We Can Fight It, a program of three Monday morning sessions which begins on October 7 from 10:30 -11:20, explores the alarming rise of human slavery and what is being done to end this appalling epidemic.
- Hildegard of Bingen: Sybil of the Rhine, which begins on October 2 from 10:30-11:20, continues for four Wednesday mornings through October 23.
- Julian of Norwich: Icon of the Motherhood of God, beginning September 4 from 10:30-11:20, continues for four Wednesday mornings in September.
- AND on Tuesday evening, October

29th, the Contemporary Woman Program will welcome internationally respected speaker and writer Michael Morwood to Taylor Lecture Hall at Brescia University. His presentation "Living Between Stories: Exploring the Questions" will integrate and deepen our understanding of consciousness, cosmology, spirituality and evolution helping us see what God is revealing to us through science.

For a brochure and/or more information regarding programs, dates, and costs, contact Sister Rose Marita O'Bryan, OSU, at Brescia University, 717 Frederica Street, Owensboro, KY 42301; 270-686-4275; rosemarita.obryan@brescia.edu. Participants are asked to pre-register at least two weeks in advance for each program.

MOUNT SAINT JOSEPH CONFERENCE AND RETREAT CENTER CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

August 2013

- 3 Yarn Spinning Day
- 4-11 St. Francis de Sales/St. Louis Choir Retreat
- 6 Sts. Peter & Paul Staff Retreat Day
- 8 Study of the Catholic Catechism for Adults
- 10 Private Family Reunion
- 11 Seminarians Retreat
- 17 Angela & the Gift of Contemplation
- 17 DPE Day
- 23-25 Spirit & Truth Conference

Center-sponsored programs are in **BOLD** type. Please call to register.

To register or schedule an event, call Kathy McCarty: 270-229-0206
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September 2013

- 8 Mount Saint Joseph 43rd Annual BBQ Picnic
- 9-13 Glenmary Priests Retreat
- 12 Study of the Catholic Catechism for Adults
- 17-20 Runaway Quilters
- 27-29 Diocese of Owensboro Permanent Diaconate Program
- 27-29 Retrouvaille
- 30-4 Diocesan Priests Retreat

October 2013

- 7-9 Midwest Retreat Center Directors
- 10 Study of the Catholic Catechism for Adults
- 11-13 Yoga & Meditation Retreat
- 12-13 Catholic Engaged (1 night)
- 14-18 Spiritual Direction Training Program - Week 1
- 18-19 First United Methodist Women's Retreat
- 19 Yarn Spinning Day
- 19 Young Daughters of Saint Angela Training Workshop
- 25-27 Diocese of Owensboro Permanent Diaconate Program
- 26-27 Marion Retreat
- 28 First Baptist Church Choir
- 28 Quilt Club of Cadiz

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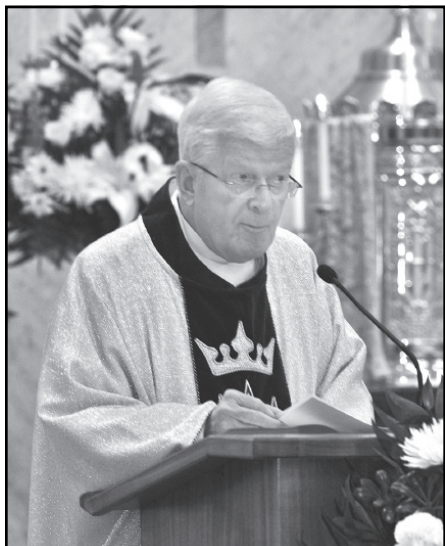
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65th Anniversary Celebrated With Fr. Al Powers, Fr. Paul Powell, and Fr. Phil Riney April 27, 2013 at Carmel Home



Father Joe Mills Delivered the homily for the April 27, 2013 Mass at Carmel Home celebrating the 65th Anniversaries of Ordination of Fr. Al Powers, Fr. Paul Powell, and Fr. Phil Riney. Mel Howard Photos

Homily for the 65th Anniversary Mass for Frs. Powers, Powell, Riney - April 27, 2013 at Carmel Home

By Father Joe Mills

At the (2013) Chrism Mass, on Tuesday of Holy Week, Bishop Medley presided at the mass and the renewal of our priestly commitments. It's always a very special and blessed occasion when Bishops, priests and people gather like this. The Bishop asked us "are you resolved to be more united with the Lord Jesus and more closely conformed to him.? Then, "Are you resolved to be faithful stewards of the mysteries of God in the Holy Eucharist... and to discharge faithfully the sacred office of teaching? The Bishop then asked the people in attendance to pray for their priests, that the Lord may bless them in their priestly vocation. Finally, the Bishop asked all of us, people and priests, to pray for him to be the perfect image of Christ the Priest, the Good Shepherd, the Teacher and Servant of all.

As we gather this morning here at Carmel Home, I'm reminded of that Chrism Mass at the Sportscenter. We are all invited to draw close around Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, Priest,



Father Joe Mills, second from right, welcomed the families, friends, brother priests, and residents of Carmel Home in Owensboro on April 27 to a Mass and

Prophet and Servant-King, all together with bishop, people and priests..

We're gathered as a Eucharistic people to express in the best way we know our gratitude for the 65 years of priestly ministry of these three men. One is known to be gentle, kind and so wise. Another is a kind of patriarch. I'm reminded of that expression : "Still waters run deep." : A third one will always let us know what he's thinking. He is also known for his hospitality.

In 1948, as they remind us, their monthly salary was "\$33.00 a month. But then gasoline was 16 cents a gallon. You do the math. The day after their ordination, they went to altar and began the prayers at the foot of the altar: *"Introibo*

celebration of the 65th Anniversaries of Frs. Al Powers, Paul Powell, and Phil Riney. In this picture are from left, Msgr. George Hancock, Bishop-

ad altare Dei, ad Deum quae laetificat juventutem meum." "I will go the altar of God, to the God who gives joy to my youth."

After these many years, I'm sure our honored guests will agree with the Psalmist: The Lord does indeed bring joy to our hearts. According to a number of independent surveys, priests are among the happiest of any of the vocations or professions. Joy is a fruit of the Spirit and an on-going gift from Jesus. Sts Paul and Barnabas tell us the same thing in our first reading this morning, despite the hardships they encountered..

I like what Pope Emeritus Benedict said of priests: He said "The faithful expect only one thing from priests - that

emeritus John McRaith, Fr. Phil Riney, Fr. Al Powers, Fr Joe Mills, and Fr Paul Powell.

they be specialists in promoting the encounter between man and God, between men, women and God." A collection of excerpts from the homilies of Pope Emeritus Benedict on priesthood is entitled **THE PRIEST - A BRIDGE TO GOD.**

Does this mean that a priest is better or holier than others in the Church? I recall a talk given to us priests at a convocation at Barkley Lake, by Fr Stephen Rossetti, the former president of St Luke's Institute and now an associate professor at Catholic University. He told of speaking to an auditorium full of 300 priests and three bishops. After profiling the role and ministry of the priests, this young-faced priest from the back of the

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auditorium stood up and asked “Father, are you saying that priests are better or holier than everyone else in the Church? He said he gasped to himself, then quickly added a payer to the Holy Spirit, and immediately recalled what the Vatican II fathers of the Church had written: The priest is not better or holier than others, but there is an essential difference before priests and the lay faithful... an essential difference, but he noted that the Bishops did not tell us what that essential difference is.

Over the recent years when we’ve all been challenged about certain scandals in the Church, I’ve suggested that the inquirer go back to the New Testament account of Jesus’ selection of the Twelve Apostles. One of them betrayed Jesus, another denied three times even knowing Jesus. The other ten abandoned Jesus on Good Friday. Jesus knew the strength and weaknesses of the twelve apostles when he called them. He knows my strengths and weaknesses and yours as well.

The priest is conformed to Jesus Christ the High Priest in a unique way. This is especially true when the priest takes the host in his hands at Mass and says, with Jesus “This is my body.” It’s the body of Jesus, to be sure. It’s the most sacred moment in the life of the priest - to be identified with Jesus ; the two are one. The bread is changed into Jesus. The pronoun “I” of the priest is now one with the pronoun “I” of Jesus. When the priest at Mass pronounces the words of Jesus over the bread - this is no less a show of God’s power than we read about in Genesis when God said `Let there be light.”

In his role as confessor in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the priest says “I absolve you,” it’s an awesome power. We must never take this for granted. What a joy to be an instrument of peace and reconciliation with God’s special people. Our people, full of faith, will share with the priest things they will never share with anyone else. Somehow their faith is in the person of the priest, and in the person of Christ who joins in the act of absolution. We must fight against routine in so sacred a moment.

Recall that in the Old Testament, the high priests would offer up a lamb, or a goat, or a pair of turtledoves as a sacrifice to God for the sins of the people. Then remember that when St John the Baptist spied Jesus coming towards him in the River Jordan, he said “Behold, there is the Lamb of God.” Yes, Jesus would be the Lamb of God - the victim - the one offered. Jesus, as priest, would offer himself as Victim.. Nothing less is happening in the life of the priest. Bishop Sheen spoke frequently about the priest being at the same time the victim, being ready to sacrifice himself.

When a young lad enters the seminary, he doesn’t realize it but he’s really preparing - God willing - to be a priest -victim. He must realize in time that he’s called to minister to God’s people, be that an easy or a difficult assignment.

In your own vocation - all of you, married, single, in consecrated religious vows - you too know some thing about being a victim. Years ago, I presided at a wedding of a very fine young couple. Two years later, I ran into her at the grocery store. She greeted me, then said “Father, why didn’t you tell me marriage is so hard?” I think I said “I



Bishop-emeritus John J. McRaith posed with Diocesan Priest Jubilarians Father Al Powers, left, Father Phil Riney, and Father Paul Powell at Carmel Home. Mel Howard Photos

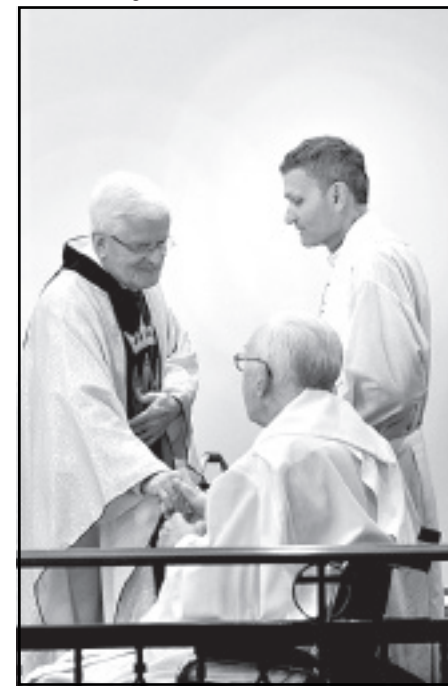
tried to.” Of course in everyone’s vocation, there are challenges every day to give oneself, to deny oneself, for the sake of the other, be that Christ, or one in whom Christ has disguised himself.

A symbolic gift for a newly ordained priest might be a set of towels. A small towel, to dry his fingers at Mass and a large towel to dry the feet of his people whose feet he has washed. These three men, in their years of service, have used both kinds of towels, as it were, in their priestly ministry, many times, tens of thousands of times.

Years ago, when my brother and his wife invited me to their home after their little boy had made his first communion, for a special celebration of the occasion, I was thrilled to join the family. It was such a delightful gathering. On my drive back to my rectory, I noticed that I was a bit down, a bit depressed. I prayed: “ Lord, it would have been so wonderful to have a child like that myself.” The Lord said - as it were - “You have many children.... !” I suspect similar thoughts have been experienced by our jubilarians too.

The retired archbishop of San Francisco, John R Quinn, some time ago wrote an article in AMERICA magazine about the priesthood. He described the hostility that exists in some parts of our country against the Church and the priesthood. He asks why in such an environment anyone would want to be a priest. He quotes St Francis de Sales who said “There is no other wisdom except that which comes from the Holy Spirit and that wisdom is given only to the humble.” He goes on to ask what is the underling reality of the vocation to the priesthood? He says that certain scriptures tell us that the focal point of a priestly vocation was to “be with Jesus.” He spells it out: “To share in the poverty and humiliation and vulnerability and the pain of Christ. One should not seek the vocation to priesthood for honor, acclaim, applause, acceptance and success, but the poverty and the vulnerability of Christ.”

This eagerness to be with Jesus reminds me of a story a brother priest told me. He went to a monastery to spend a few days in



Father Joe Mills exchanged a Sign of Peace with Father Carl Glahn, seated, Fr. Al Bremer at right, April 27 during a Mass at Carmel Home.

prayer. When he arrived , he met Father Prior. “Father, I’m here for a few days for prayer and quiet. What should I do? Father Prior said: “Hang around with Jesus.”

Archbishop Quinn said it’s the best time I the history of the Church to be a priest. He concludes his article, quoting Pope Pius XI who said “We should thank God that we live in times when it is no longer permitted to anyone to be mediocre.” I think that “anyone” means all of us, whether ordained, lay, vowed, whatever.

Not to lift a text out of its setting, but Philip’s words to Jesus are so appropriate for this celebration. Philip said to Jesus: “Master, show us the Father.” For these many years, people have been coming up to our priest jubilarians and saying `Show us the Father, show us God.”

When the Argentine archbishop was elected Pope, one of the first things he did, as he looked out over the balcony of St Peter’s on the thousands and thousands gathered in the Square was to bow his head and ask for the prayers of the people. Can we do anything less?

Our hearts are filled with gratitude, joy and love on this wonderful occasion.



Congratulation to these children that received their First Communion at **Saint Agnes Church, Uniontown**, on Sunday, April 21, 2013: Elijah Baird, Layton Burgess, Trevor Burke, Alyssa George, Tanner Clark, Halle Duncan, Austin Ellis, Emma Floyd, Mati Hagan,, Preston Hayes, Tristan Moore, Madison Morris, Kayson Pierson, and Aiden Schneider. Submitted by Kathy Humphrey



The second grade students at Mary Carrico Catholic School in Knottsville made their First Communion on May 5, 2013. Pictured from left to right front row: Gavin Howard, Abby Payne, and Eli Mattingly. Back row left to right: Josie Aull, Garit Haycraft, Shelby Horn, and their teacher, Ms. Hermann. Submitted By Amy Mattingly



Saint Joseph, Mayfield, 2013 First Communion Class. Top Row: Melissa Armstrong (DRE), Father Eric Riley, Nancy Wells (Catechist); Second row: Elijah Powell, Anna Kimbler, Skylar Bobbett, Natalie Elder, Clayton Pickard. Front Row: Jaelyn Thompson, Carley Givens, Nickolas Magee. Submitted by Melissa G. Armstrong.

A Women's retreat at Saints Joseph and Paul Parish

A Women's Retreat on Oct. 19, 2013. The retreat is for all women, open to the public. Presented by the Sts. Joseph and Paul Catholic Church Spiritual Life Team, the Retreat will be held at Sts. Joseph and Paul's parish hall. Our speaker is world-renowned author and EWTN presenter, Donna-Marie Cooper O'Boyle. Times are 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., with Mass to follow. Breakfast, lunch, and snacks provided. The cost is \$15.00 per participant.

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The Blessed Mother Parish's First Communion Class posing for a group picture on May 4, 2013 were, in alphabetical order, First Communicants from Blessed Mother: Luke Beaver, Logan Bell, Seth Bruner, Ella Grace Buckman, Monica Castlen, Aiden Espinoza, Johnathan Ford, Ella Claire Goetz, January Grant, Bailey Hamilton, Brooke Hamilton, Sarah Hayden, Ava Hyland, Michael Hyland, Wyatt



Nearly 40 second graders received the sacrament of First Eucharist on Sunday, April 28, 2013 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass of **St. Thomas More Catholic Church**. Family, friends, and parishioners gathered to celebrate as the students took communion for the first time after months of preparation and formation. Congratulations to: Karson Baker, Carrie Bell, Jordan Bufford, Kaitlynn Burrus, Jack Butts, Sadie Cook, Ella Ann Crider, Megan Dallas, Marliese Dawson, Molly Denton, Collin Drake, Georgie Entrup, Abigail Fonzo, Abby Gaines, Meghan Gruber, Emma Henderson, Sophia Hoffman, Mackenzie Kaletch, Nathan King, Reese Kupper, Banks LaFont, Kate Lurtz, Kate Morrow, Madison Patel, Noel Puertollano, Brandon Quigley, Rayna Rogers, Ellie Roof, Palmer Sims, Grant Stoerger, Ashley Sullivan, Kenlin Thomas, Lucas Wadley, Emma Waltmon, Daniel Willett, Abigail Wurth, & Isabella Wurth. Photo by Bob Dotson.



Jenkins, Anthony Gage Johnson, Mary Grace Johnson, Molly Oborski, Randi Porter, Katherine Riney, Landon Shupe, Kayla Snyder, Andrew Stevens, Mary Elizabeth Vaught, and Abigail Williams. Pastor Father John Meredith in May 5, 2013 Parish Bulletin wrote, "We congratulate our First Communion children as they receive the Lord Jesus for the first time. May they continue to grow in their love for the Lord and the Church."

Photo courtesy of Sheila Hopewell, Hopewell Photography.

St Pius Tenth, Calvert City, KC Council And Parishioners Honors First Communicants August, 2013 9

CALVERT CITY, Ky. - A breakfast provided by the Knights of Columbus and sponsored by St Pius Tenth Parish here. This breakfast celebrated the parish's First Communicants and the Mothers of the Parish on May 5th, 2013 after 10:00 AM mass.



Current Deputy Grand Knight and past Grand Knight Joe Cirrito enjoys breakfast on May 5, 2013.



Past Grand Knight and Chef Kurt Schmidt enjoys providing breakfast for our First Communicants.



St. Pius Tenth Parish, Calvert City First Communicants (Left to Right) Jacob Wilson, Linsey Lucas, Alex Baeza, Anthony Capuano, and Paul Kollak (not pictured). Photos submitted by RJ Witowski, KC Council # 10988



Knights working the breakfast, pictured (left to right, foreground): Jeff Hunter, Chuck Fisher, Kurt Schmidt, RJ Witowski, Austin Shea (dependent), Joseph Cirrito. Background: Kenneth Matthews, Chris Hunter, Israel Tabigue, John Brooks, Danny Shea, Father Anthoni, Russell Tomlinson with Grandson Colin.

CONFIRMATION AT ST. HENRY



St Henry Confirmandi and Their Sponsors - Front row (L-R) Father Babu Kulathumkal, Martin Mikulcik, Makayla Willett, Bishop Medley, Benjamin Thome, Joseph Fredrick, Alexander

Thome; Back row (L-R) Ken Vasquez, Pat Day, Deacon Randy Potempa, Bob Nord, Carol York. Submitted by Rich Long.



These boys and girls were confirmed on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 by Bishop Wm. Medley at Sacred Heart Parish in Waverly. The boys and girls from St. Agnes Catholic Church, Uniontown, KY were: Alexis Catherine Elder, Cortni Deann Morse, Justin Wynn Spaulding, James "Bryce" Wedding, Austin Chandler Clements, Bryan Alexander Ellis, Lane Vincent Hancock, Travis Wayne Morse and Darrian Mikel Miller. The boys and girls from St. Peter Catholic Church, Waverly, KY were: Kaitlyn Dayle Butler, London Catherine Chambers, Audrey Ann Kramer, David Patrick Wolfe, Christopher Daniel French, Brett William Royster and Rodney Jacob Simms with Father Dave Johnson at back center. Classes were held at St. Agnes Catholic Church, Uniontown, KY with Fr. Terry Devine, at right back in this picture. Submitted by Kathy Humphrey.

AURORA, Ky. - On Saturday, April 27, four young men and one young woman confirmed their Catholic faith at St. Henry Catholic Church in Aurora, KY. Bishop William Medley presided over the ceremony and conferred his blessing on the candidates as they received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Joseph Fredrick, 8th grader from Murray, KY; Martin Mikulcik, 9th grader from Murray; Alexander (8th grade) and Benjamin (9th grade) Thome from Murray, and Makayla Willett, 9th grader from Calvert City, KY all received the Sacrament at the 4:00 P.M. mass.

Many thanks to Carol York for

her two years of work tutoring the confirmandi, primarily studying the four pillars of the Catholic Church – Creed, Prayer, Morality, and Sacraments.

Following the ceremony, a celebratory dinner was held in the parish hall where each of the young sacrament recipients received gifts of Confirmation crosses from St. Henry and gift bibles with their names engraved from the Knights of Columbus.

The members of St. Henry parish congratulate all these young people and sincerely wish that they continue to embrace their Catholic faith in the years ahead.

Celebrating the The Brescia Difference



Members of the Brescia University Class of 2013 gathered in the student center, above, before baccalaureate ceremonies May 10, 2013. Brescia University awarded degrees to 110 graduating seniors, below, at the RiverPark Center during the Commencement ceremony on May 11, 2013. Photos by Tina Kasey





Austin Baker



Sally Ballard



Elliott Bray



William Broadbent



Nicole Burks



Canon Carper



Lawrence Cloyd



Emily Curtsinger



Louis Derose



Andrew Durham



Zachary Hayes



Jessica Higgins



Caitlin Hodges



Melissa Howard



Samantha Ingram



Joseph Mayo



Lydia McManus



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St. Mary High School



Class of 2013



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Matthew Rea



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The 2013 Kentucky Council of Churches annual assembly is October 24th noon to 25th at 2:30

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Registration begins on July 15, 2013 at <http://www.kycouncilofchurches.org/register-for-assembly/>

The opening plenary speaker will be RENEE SHAW.

The second plenary speaker will be KATHRYN JOHNSON

More information about the Council and the assembly: Vennie Constant at 502-456-1986 or Karen Smith at 859-269-7715 or kcc@kycouncilofchurches.org

On May 22, 2013 the Knights of Columbus Fr. Saffer Council #6897 in Murray Ky, awarded 4 high school seniors from **St. Leo's Catholic Church** monetary scholarships for their dedication to continued religious education. Students receiving the \$1,000.00 scholarships are from left to right are Justin Parish, Stephen Orr, Brianna Ohnemus & Elizabeth Hernandez. Photo by Kevin D'Angelo



The 2013 **St. Ann** 8th grade students in Morganfield, Ky. participated in graduation ceremonies with a mass and reception on May 21st. Graduates include: Colt Scates, Austin Hite, Katy Dezember, Taylor Clements, Tori French, Lauren Willett, Tyler Steelman, and Ashley Duckworth. Submitted by Beth Hendrickson



Ursuline Sisters Celebrate Jubilees

Fifteen Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph are celebrating anniversaries of religious profession this year.



Sister Naomi (Mary Benigna) Aull, a native of Knottsville, is celebrating 70 years. Sister Naomi taught at Blessed Mother School, Owensboro (1948-52) and St. Thomas More School, Paducah (1958-61).

She was a teacher for 32 years in schools in Kentucky, New Mexico, Nebraska and Missouri. She also served in outreach ministry in Louisville at St. Boniface, St. Martin and the Schuhmann Social Services Center. She retired to Mount Saint Joseph in 2002.



Sister Emma Cecilia Busam, a native of Owensboro, is celebrating 70 years. For 38 years she was a teacher in Kentucky schools, including St. Joseph, Central City (1945-46); St. William, Knottsville

(1946-51); St. Charles, Bardwell (1958-60); Blessed Mother (1960-61) and Sts. Joseph and Paul (1961-66), Owensboro, and St. Anthony, Axtel (1966-70). She taught art at Owensboro Catholic High School (1971-82), Mount Saint Joseph Academy (1982-83), and part time at Brescia College (now University) from 1960-66 and 1970-82. She also taught adult education part time for the Owensboro Public Schools from 1971-83. Sister Emma Cecilia began serving as an archivist in 1983, first for the Ursuline community and then for the Diocese of Owensboro (1991-2011). She was certified by the Academy of Certified Archivists in 1989 and is a founding member of the Archivists for Congregations of Women Religious. She is now an archives consultant at Maple Mount and a volunteer/Eucharistic minister for Owensboro Health Regional Hospital.



Sister Annalita Lancaster, a native of Flaherty, is celebrating 70 years. For 31 years she was engaged in education, including service as a teacher, organist and principal in schools in Kentucky and Nebraska.

She was major superior of the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph from 1972-80. She was director of admissions for Brescia College (now University) from 1980-84. She served as associate director of the Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center (1984-88) and in other administrative roles in her community. She was pastoral associate at St. Jude Parish, Clinton (1988-95). Since retiring in 2005, she has been an archives assistant at the Motherhouse.



Sister Marie Bosco Wathen, a native of Marion County, is celebrating 70 years. She was involved in educational ministry in Kentucky and Missouri for 59 years. This

included teaching at Immaculate School, Owensboro (1966-70). She was a professor of education at Brescia College (now University) from 1974-1997 and their institutional research assistant from 1997-2005. Also during that time, she was co-director of the Ursuline Associate program for six years. She retired to the Motherhouse in 2005 and is an archives assistant.



Sister Margaret Ann Aull, a native of St. Lawrence, is celebrating 60 years. She was a teacher at St. Joseph School, Mayfield (1959-65), Immaculate School, Owensboro (1968-71) and religion teacher at Owensboro Catholic

High School (1978-81, 1982-86); principal at St. Paul School, Princeton (1965-68), St. Pius Tenth School, Owensboro (1971-74), St. Peter of Alcantara School, Stanley (1976-78) and Precious Blood School, Owensboro (1981-82). She was parish minister at St. Anthony Parish, Peonia (1974-76) and pastoral associate at St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro (1986-96) and Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Henderson (2000-2010). She was assistant superior of the Ursuline Sisters from 1996-2000. She also taught at one school in Louisville. Since 2010 she has served as coordinator of pastoral care at Immaculate Parish in Owensboro.



Sister Catherine Therese Barber, a native of Springfield, is celebrating 60 years. She taught at Immaculate School, Owensboro (1965-67) and at St. Thomas More School, Paducah (1970-75). She served in health care and pastoral care at the Ursuline Motherhouse (1977-86), as a patient representative at Mercy Hospital and Owensboro Mercy Health System (1987-97), and as a receptionist at Brescia University (1999-2002). Her Motherhouse ministries include serving on the archives staff (1997-98), in hospitality at the Conference and Retreat Center (1998-99), information receptionist (2002-04), chapel sacristan (2004-08), and since 2008, assistant in Mission Advancement. She also served in the Archdiocese of Louisville.



Sister Paul Marie Greenwell, a native of New Haven, is celebrating 60 years. She was a teacher at St. Benedict School, Wax (1955-62), St. Denis School, Fancy

Farm (1962-63) and St. Peter of Antioch School, Waverly (1968-70). She was secretary at the Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center (1986-89) and at St. Mary Magdalene Parish (1990-91), served in outreach in Marshall County (1989-90), and served as administrative

assistant to St. William and St. Lawrence parishes, Knottsville (1991-2006). She also ministered in Nelson County and in St. Louis. Since 2008 she has been an assistant to the archivist at the Ursuline Motherhouse.



Sister Rita Lavigne, a native of Topeka, Kan., is celebrating 60 years. She was an Ursuline Sister of Paola, Kan., prior to the merger of that community with Mount Saint Joseph in 2008. She

ministered in the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kan., mostly as a teacher and business administrator. Since 2009, she has served as assistant to the archivist at the Ursuline Motherhouse.



Sister Mary Gerald Payne, a native of Knottsville, is celebrating 60 years. She taught at St. Romuald School, Hardinsburg (1955-56), St. Benedict, Wax (1956-59), St.

Paul, Leitchfield (1959-64), Christ the King, Madisonville (1989-97) and Mary Carrico Memorial School, Knottsville (1997-2000). She also served in the Archdiocese of Louisville, in New Mexico and Missouri. Since 2003 she has ministered in transportation and as a craft maker at the Motherhouse.



Sister Mary Agnes VonderHaar, a native of Vine Grove, is celebrating 60 years. She was a teacher at St. Thomas More School, Paducah (1955-60); principal of St. Alphonsus School, St.

Joseph (1960-64) and St. Joseph Inter-parochial School, Bowling Green (1975-81); assistant superior and director of retirement for the Ursuline Sisters (1988-96); pastoral associate, Sacred Heart

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Parish, Hickman (1996-2004); apostolic minister (2004-08) and now ministry of presence (2008-present), St. Mary of the Woods, McQuady, and St. Anthony Parish, Axtel. She also served in the Archdiocese of Louisville.



Sister Kathleen Dueber, a native of Shawnee Mission, Kan., is celebrating 50 years. She was an Ursuline Sister of Paola, Kan., prior to the merger of that community with Mount Saint

Joseph in 2008. She ministered in the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kan., before moving to Maple Mount in 2009. She currently serves as a member of the Ursuline leadership Council and in transportation for the sisters.



Sister Patricia Rhoten, a native of Palmyra, Neb., is celebrating 50 years. She was the principal and taught at St. Pius Tenth School, Owensboro (1974-79) and was vice principal of Mount

Saint Joseph Academy, Maple Mount (1979-80). She taught at St. Thomas More School, Paducah (1969-72) and St. Romuald School, Hardinsburg (1980-83), serving as principal there from 1981-83. She was assistant to the president of Brescia College/University (1993-96). She served as the Motherhouse local community life coordinator from 1999-2005. She has taught elsewhere in Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska and Louisiana. Sister Pat now serves as an archives assistant at Mount Saint Joseph.



Sister Mary Lois Speaks, a native of Henderson, is celebrating 50 years. She taught at St. Alphonsus, St. Joseph (1966-67); Blessed Mother, Owensboro (1967), and was

parish coordinator at St. Pius Tenth, Owensboro (1972-76). She was principal and taught at Sacred Heart School, Russellville (1970-72) and also taught in Nebraska. She provided parish outreach for St. Pius Tenth, Calvert City (1997). She was director of the Ursuline Associate program for the Ursuline Sisters from 1991-96. She also served in the Archdiocese of Louisville. She now provides spiritual direction and outreach in the Raywick area.



Sister Mary Celine Weidenbener, a native of Glennonville, Mo., is celebrating 50 years. She was a teacher at St. Peter of Alcantara, Stanley (1967-71), St. Joseph School, Mayfield (1985-

89) and St. Mary Middle School, Paducah (1991-2006); principal of St. Alphonsus School, St. Joseph (1976-85); and a day care worker at Precious Blood Day Care,

well as St. Pius Tenth pastor Fr Julian Ibemere and Our Lady of Lourdes Pastor Fr. Brad Whistle). Each game each night throughout the season begins with a prayer and so it was very fitting for our Bishop to come and help us celebrate another opening season.

The Owensboro Catholic League Summer Sports Program (league) had six fields opening May 6 with double headers on three of the fields most nights. The league has 43 teams with over 500 players from among over 300 families). The age groups of the league (Pee Wee, Rookie, 8u girls, 10u girls, 13u girls Minor and Major leagues) includes children ranging from five years old to 13 years old.

The individual Catholic Churches of the Owensboro area deaneries combined in 2008 to form the Owensboro Catholic League Summer Sports which started with five divisions and now have seven.

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Owensboro (2006-07). She also taught in the Archdiocese of Louisville. Since 2007 she has been a teacher at Mary Carrico Memorial School, Knottsville.



Sister Jacinta Powers, a native of Curdsville, is celebrating 40 years. She taught at Mount Saint Joseph Academy (1977-79) and Mary Carrico School, Knottsville (1983). She also taught in Lebanon and Nebraska, and

briefly provided parish ministry in Chile. She was a health care administrator for the Mount Saint Joseph Infirmary (1986-88 and 2003-04); a dialysis nurse at the hospital in Owensboro (1990-2000), and director of the AmeriCorps and Bridge to Health Programs for the Owensboro Diocese (2004-08). She was also a member of her community's leadership council (1996-2004). She was a nurse in Louisville and taught and provided health care in Jamaica. Sister Jacinta has been a nurse for the Church Health Center in Memphis, Tenn., since 2009.

Jubilee congratulations can be sent to 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, KY 42356.

Play Ball! Send Me In, Coach!



Bishop William Medley blessed the players, families and the fields for The Owensboro Catholic League behind St. Pius X Church in Owensboro May 6, 2013. Below, Bishop Medley held up his number: "Send me, Coach!"

Mel Howard Photos



The Owensboro Catholic League Summer Sports Program officially opened the 2013 season on May 6, 2013 at the Owensboro Catholic League Summer Sports Complex (field behind St. Pius Church on Highway 60).

Bishop William F. Medley was present to bless the fields and open the season (as



Molly Roberts filling out league forms on May 6, first day of play, for her daughter, Millie, who plays for The Angels.

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OWENSBORO, Ky. - On April 18, 2013 Bishop William Medley hosted a celebration of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth's presence in the diocese at St. Stephen Cathedral.

"The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth became fixtures of the Catholic communities of western Kentucky, first as part the diocese of Bardstown," said Bishop Medley "The celebration gives our local church an opportunity to express gratitude." The Owensboro diocesan celebration was unique for the Sisters of Charity's 200th Anniversary celebrations because representatives from all the Owensboro Diocesan schools were present on a school day in St. Stephen Cathedral for the Mass and reception.

The program started with a history of the SCN founding as Rita Davis portrayed Mother Catherine Spalding who founded the order in 1812. Sister Eula Johnson finished the narrative of the early history of the order, followed by a video of SCN modern missions.

The Sisters of Charity traveled from Bardstown to Union County in 1820, founding there St. Vincent Academy. In later years, These Owensboro Diocesan Schools were staffed by SCNs: (years indicate when SCNs first started teaching at the school; from SCN Archives) St Mary Academy (1858)/High School (1965), Paducah; St Francis de Sales School (1965), Paducah; St. Jerome, Fancy Farm (1892), St Jerome Public School (1932); St. Louis School (1872), Holy Name 1886); St. Stephen School for Boys (1879), Owensboro; St. Frances Academy (1849); Catholic Colored School (1940)/Blessed Sacrament (1946), Owensboro; Blessed Mother School (1939), Owensboro; St. Stephen Cathedral School (1951), Owensboro; Owensboro Catholic High School (1951); Our Lady of Lourdes School (1959), Owensboro; St. Mary of the Woods (1901), Whitesville; St. Columba Academy (1863)/ St. Joseph (1912); St. Ann (1912), Morganfield; St. Agnes (1922), Uniontown; St. Rose (1872), Uniontown; St. Romuald (1876), Hardinsburg; St. Vincent (1820), Union County; St Bernard (1890), Earlington.

"We've been a part of the Diocese of Owensboro for a long time," Sister Eula said. "Many of us still live and work in western Kentucky. It means a lot to us." Sister Eula entered the SCN convent in 1951 and retired from the Boulware Mission in 2011. She lives in Owensboro.

The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth also have missions in 19 states, Belize, Botswana, India and Nepal. From their focus on the poor to their nursing missions for soldiers effected by health

Diocese Celebrated Sisters of Charity of Nazareth Bicentennial



Srs. Teresa Kotturan, Mary Elizabeth Miller and Susan Gatz, of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth talk before Mass with Joan Perry, a former OCHS teacher

and an organizer of Owensboro's April 18 celebration of SCNs 200th Anniversary. Mel Howard Photos this page.



Allison Bennett and Anna Claire Bennett carried a poster for the OCES-K3 school celebrating the history of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.



Bishop William Medley presided at the April 18 Mass in St. Stephen Cathedral, and delivered the homily. "The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth became fixtures of the Catholic communities of western Kentucky, first as part of the diocese of Bardstown. Today's celebration gives our local church an opportunity to express gratitude."

epidemics during the Civil War and World War I, Sister Eula said the sisters have been true to Mother Catherine's vision. "Her vision was for us to always respond to the most pressing needs of the day,"



Rita Davis SCN, dressed in traditional SCN habit, portraying Mother Catherine Spalding, spoke of the early SCN history in Kentucky.

she said. "We take in orphans, form schools, help AIDS patients ... the needs change with the times, but we continue to try to meet up to her standards. It's important to look back and appreciate our history," she said. "To exist and see



Holy Name Elementary School principal Sandy Fleming and HNS teacher Pattye Tweddell greeted Sr. Molly Thompson, SCN April 18 before Mass in St Stephen Cathedral.

worldwide influence for 200 years — that keeps us motivated in service."

Some Information in this article is reprinted from "Diocese to celebrate 200-year-old order," April 18, 2013, by Angela Oliver, Messenger-Inquirer.

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Sister Mary Eula Johnson, at right, the only member of the SCN Family in the diocese today, helped organize the celebration at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro, which included a procession, presentation of the SCN's history and Mass at which Bishop William Medley presided.



Descendants of Whitesville Catholic schools alumni, above, taught by the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth since 1901, still attend Catholic School at Trinity High School. The Sisters' lessons, taught well, became foundational Faith and life lessons for the Catholic families who still support Catholic Education in eastern Daviess County.



Trinity High School students Mary Wathen (L) and Brianna Johnson (R) carried into St. Stephen Cathedral April 18 their school's poster commemorating Sisters of Charity's history of teaching in the Whitesville Catholic schools.



In the picture at left, Claudette Wilson Mills, Sister Rachel Willett, SCN, former OCHS teacher and Bishop John McRaith's first secretary in 1982, viewed school posters with Father David Willett in the Cathedral Undercroft April 18.

At right, Diocesan Catholic School students and alumni met members of the Sisters of Charity during a reception in the Cathedral Undercroft April 18.



At left, in the Owensboro Diocese, the SCN's presence can still be felt in the region. These students from Holy Name Catholic School in Henderson whose grandparents or parents were taught by the sisters and who have remained in the area, many of whom became leaders in their communities. Many of the teachers for Holy Name School were members of the SCN which founded the parish school as St. Louis School on Sept. 7, 1872. Mel Howard Photos this page



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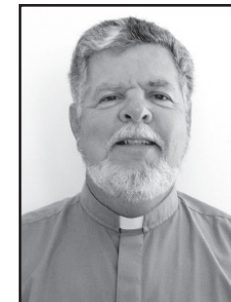
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A Long Conversation

By Deacon Terry Larbes,
Director of the Ecumenical Office



Deacon Terry Larbes

Ecumenism: Promotion of the restoration of unity among all Christians ... through prayer, dialogue and cooperation.

As friends became aware that I was appointed to be the Director of Ecumenism for the diocese they would ask, "What is that?" or "What does that mean?" If I had been appointed Director of the Annual Picnic, they would have asked an entirely different question or perhaps would have made a statement, "You need to change the time ... you need to change the location." If I had been appointed Director of Religious Education, they would have responded with specific questions and statements.

The other question that I would get was, "Why do you want to do that?" Part of my decision to accept the appointment is because I expected the "What is that?" and "What does that mean?" questions. Those questions are a significant indicator of how much is known about Ecumenism and how broadly our participation in Ecumenical activities is communicated.

The "Why do you want to do that?" question usually came from people who understood that Ecumenism tends to be a big fuzzy cloud that is difficult to wrap your arms around. Implied in the question was ... there are other ministries that are well defined and well known. Ministries that are like "apple pie and motherhood", everyone likes them. Ecumenism? When you beat the drum for Ecumenism, who responds?

This provides two of the reasons why I accepted the appointment: ecumenism is a topic that needs to be communicated and implementing ecumenism still has a long way to go. There are other reasons why I accepted the appointment. One of those reasons is rooted in personal relationship that started when I was 13 and lasted for 46 years.

When I was 13, I mowed yards and did general yard work in the neighborhood to earn spending money. One of the yards that I took care of was the Moss's, Bill and Ora. After working in their yard I would sit on the porch with Ora, drink ice tea with mint and talk. The conversation always moved in the direction of God and bible. She would talk about her growing up in east Kentucky, Knott County, as the daughter of preacher during the 1920's and the depression. I'd tell her about being a Catholic kid in a small city north of Cincinnati. She would talk about fundamental scripture; I would talk about going to a Catholic school.

Ora moved back to Kentucky, then to Florida and then to Oregon; along the way she became a widow. When she moved to Oregon, it was to take up residence in a retirement community dedicated to the study of scripture. The retirement community was operated by an off shoot of the Jehovah's Witness; fundamental to the core. At first she was a caregiver to the residents but eventually with old age and chronic pain she was on the receiving end of care. Ora accepted the graces that came with suffering. Her only desire became to "pass-over to the Lord's house" which she did in May 2009 at the age of 96.

I moved back and forth between Kentucky - Ohio - Texas, and eventually to western Kentucky; along the way I became a husband, father and grandfather. My wife and I transitioned through Marriage Encounter, Engaged Encounter team, Cursillo and various other Catholic ministries. I became conservative in Catholic beliefs and practices. Eventually, I found peace when I joined the formation program to become a permanent Deacon; to be of service to God's children. As Ora "passed over to the Lord's house", I would continue the work in God's Kingdom.

For 46 years, Ora and I asked each other the same questions about scripture, faith, and God. It was a long conversation that never grew old because the answers changed just enough as each of us continued to mature in Christ. The purpose of the conversation was not to change each other. Life already does that, change us. The purpose was to understand how we responded to life's changes in the context of Christ and Christ's gospel.

Ecumenism is a long conversation. You are invited to join the conversation.

Ecumenism is Alive in Grayson County

By Deacon Bill Grant

Last year, 6 months before my ordination to the permanent diaconate, I was approached by two of the Non-Catholic Christian ministers serving in Grayson County. They asked me to be a part of the Grayson County Ministerial Association (GCMA). When I attended my first meeting, I was very apprehensive. How would a Catholic be welcomed by the Non-Catholic membership? I soon discovered that I was not only welcomed but encouraged to take an active role in their activities. Grayson County is the home of 159 Christian Churches including 6 Catholic parishes. Every month 20 plus ministers meet to discuss ways that united Christians can both serve Christ and community. The GCMA has been active for the past 15 years.

They endeavor to celebrate the beliefs that we hold in common and to strive to not let our differences be a barrier to helping those in need. Every year the GCMA distributes 1000 Christmas baskets to those in need. Every month they partner with Community Action and the St. Vincent de Paul Society to provide emergency relief to the poor. For the past two years, the GCMA has sponsored a week of prayer for Christian unity. Congregations from many denominations meet three times during the week in three different churches to sing, pray, read the Sacred Scriptures and hear a message on Christian unity. St. Augustine is a host church each year. We average over 100 participants at each service.

Each Thursday, throughout Lent, the Christians of Grayson County meet at the First Methodist Church for a Lenten Service. A different minister or Catholic priest preaches the message and we conclude with a communal lunch. We averaged over 120 in attendance at each session this year. On Good Friday, we conclude, with a one mile cross walk through Leitchfield. This year over 60 people walked behind the cross, taking turns carrying it - all in a cold rain. The cross was heavy. I know, because I was blessed to have a turn carrying it. A young teenager was walking beside me when she expressed an interest to carry the cross. She was reluctant because she was small in stature weighing only about 70 pounds. She did indeed carry the cross for a short distance. When she had finished carrying the cross she said to me, "It was heavier than I thought, but I guess our sins made Christ's cross heavy too." It was then that I became aware that I was not walking with Catholics, or Methodists, or Baptists but instead I was walking with Christians - all followers of Christ.

We have many problem and needs in Grayson County - more than any one church or denomination can tackle by themselves. But the GCMA realizes, if unite together as Christians we can accomplish so much more. They have made a believer out of me. What a great start in bringing about Christ's prayer: "That they all may be made one".

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For more information or to attend the sessions please contact Melinda Prunty, Office of Youth Ministry at 270-338-6635 or Elaine Robertson, Office of Faith Formation at 270-683-1545.

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Strong Catholic Families: Strong Catholic Youth

A parish/school process that engages parents in reflecting, assessing, and actively sharing with parish/school leaders the specific support and formation they need to form their families in the Catholic faith.

The research on teens and faith cannot be clearer: parents matter...a lot! So what is the Church doing to engage and partner with parents in supporting them in their rightful role as primary formers of faith for their family? And what can parents do to take ownership for leading their children and teens toward a vibrant faith that embraces discipleship?

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St. Joseph Parishioners Tour St. Meinrad Archabbey



Father Randy Howard, pastor of St. Joseph's Church and St. Meinrad Seminarian (and St. Joseph's member), Jamie Dennis, at center, conducting a tour of Saint Meinrad Archabbey. Photos by Karen Taylor

Submitted By Karen Taylor

LEITCHFIELD, Ky. - The newly formed Social Committee at St. Joseph's Parish in Leitchfield, KY provided a parish trip to St. Meinrad Archabbey on Sunday, April 7th. Forty parishioners boarded a coach bus and enjoyed the two hour drive to Indiana.

After visiting Abbey Press Gift Shop, the group was met by Caneyville, Grayson County, native son and Owensboro Diocesan Seminarian, Jamie Dennis (of St. Joseph's parish), who along with St. Joseph's pastor, Fr. Randy Howard, led the group through the beautiful Archabbey Church, the monk's Chapter Room, the Seminarian's chapel, and the Byzantine Chapel. The group then attended Vespers with the monks and visited the Monte Cassino Shrine built in 1870 and dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Other trips and activities are being planned including tours of Gethsemane, St. Catharine, Loretto, and other sites around Nelson County.



The St. Joseph Parish tour group entering Monte Cassino Shrine at St. Meinrad. The chapel is the site of Marian pilgrimages hosted by the Archabbey during the Sundays of October.

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2013-2015

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Spiritual Direction	Jan. 13-17, 2014
The Inner Journey	April 7-11, 2014
Prayer and Scripture	July 21-25, 2014
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Supervision	April 13-17, 2015
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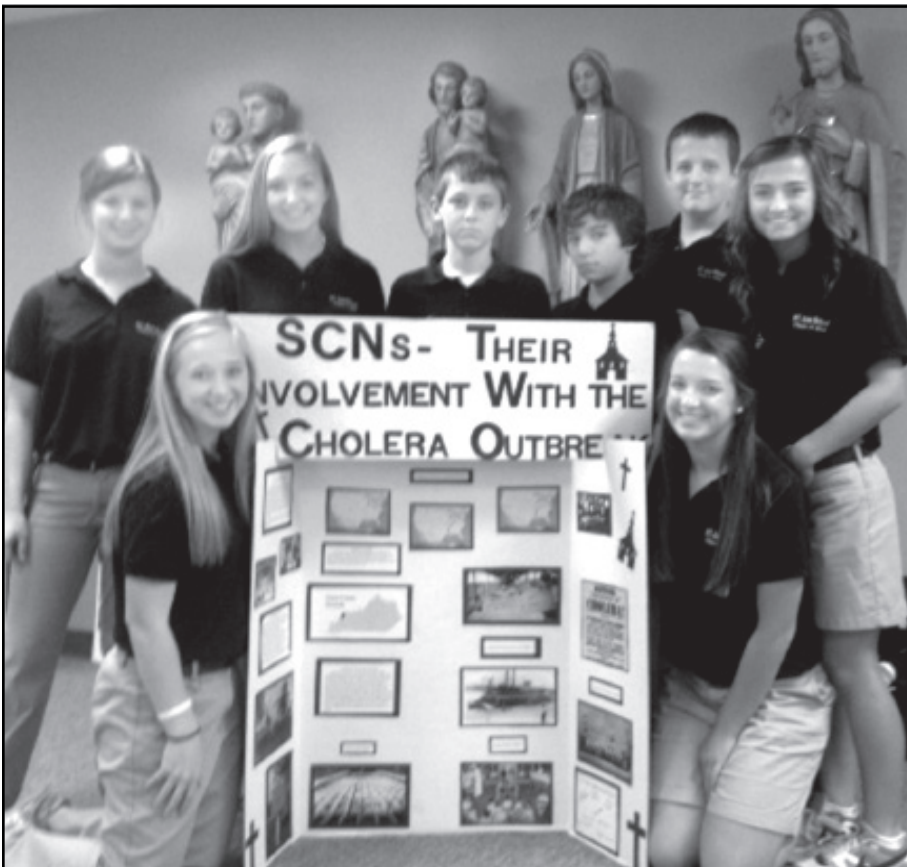


Amelia Barr, daughter of Shannon and Jamie Barr, has been named the first recipient of the annual "Margie Money Scholarship" at St. Romuald Interparochial School. The \$500 scholarship was given in honor of Margie Whitfill Erwin Sweeney, a 1970 graduate of St. Romuald High School, who passed away in January 2013. At the time of Margie's passing, her children asked that donations be made to the school in her name to help launch this scholarship. Under the direction and support of Margie's children – Terri Foster, Anthony Erwin and

Alison Hansen – this scholarship will continue indefinitely. The "Margie Money Scholarship" will be given to one 7th grade student each year and applied towards their St. Romuald School tuition. 7th graders were asked to write an essay titled "What My Catholic Education Means to Me" emphasizing service and how their Catholic education will be used once they have left St. Romuald School. Essays were submitted anonymously to readers who selected the recipient. Those wishing to support the "Margie Money" Scholarship should make donations directly to St. Romuald School, 408 Hwy 259, Hardinsburg, KY 40143, marked "Margie Money".



On Sunday, May 5th at St. Romuald Catholic Church, a beautiful Dogwood tree was dedicated in the Memory of Bryson Manning Miller. Bryson passed away at the young age of 10 years old. Bryson was a student in the St. Romuald K-6th Religious Education program. At the tree dedication, Fr. Tony Bickett spoke to all the K-6th Religious Education students, Catechists & Bryson's family & lead everyone in prayer. The beautiful marker was created by Crume/Bickett Monuments. Submitted by Kim Brumfield / CRE K-6th Pictured with the tree are Bryson's aunt Mary Nell Bertolasio, his mother Marcella Miller, uncle Bert Bertolasio, brother Benjamin Miller and grandmother Patricia Henning. Photo by Kim Brumfield



Union County Students Honor The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth
On Thursday, April 18th, St. Ann's 8th Grade class traveled to St. Stephen's Cathedral in Owensboro to participate in the bicentennial celebration of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth (SCN). The Celebration included the history of the SCNs in our local education. Representatives from all of the remaining schools chartered by the SCNs in the Owensboro Diocese were there to celebrate. The SCNs began their work in education in Union County with the opening of St. Vincent's Academy in the 1920s. They also started several other schools in Union County (the only remaining school is St. Ann Interparochial School). The SCNs also branched out into other areas such as health care and social issues, due to lack of resources in the rural areas where schools had been established. Their health care outreach began in the 1930s during the cholera outbreak that started along the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. The 8th Grade students researched and presented their findings at the bicentennial celebration. The project will be on display throughout the summer at SCNs home on Bardstown as part of their continued celebration. **Students shown here in the Cathedral Undercroft: Taylor Clements, Ashley Duckworth, Katy Dezember, Lauren Willett, Austin Hite, Colt Scates, Tyler Steelman, and Tori French. Submitted by Beth Hendrickson**

St. Paul Catholic School Holds Benefactor Dinner

On Friday, April 12, St. Paul Catholic School parents, students, and a few other dedicated volunteers came together to give thanks to the many wonderful benefactors of the school. It began as an idea that took several months in the planning. Karen Skees, the school's librarian and one of the event coordinators, said, "These people have done so much for the school; this would be something we could do to show them how much we appreciate all they do for us."

Once the idea was presented to the school board and approved, the planning began. Beth Geary, parent and also one of the event coordinators, said, "This needs to be a nice dinner where the guests are served. The students could help with the serving and maybe have some sort of presentation during the meal." That is indeed what happened. Through donations and the work of adult and student volunteers the event was a huge success.

Several guests were former students. For some of them it was like a walk down memory lane, especially with a tour of the school later that night. The teachers and parents wanted the guests to see some of the changes in the school. One of the guests, Mr. Thompson, reminisced about his days as a teenager when the school used to be a high school. He, along with many other attendees repeatedly thanked the volunteers for the wonderful evening.

On display were old yearbooks, pictures and church directories of the school and parish. During the meal the students in Mrs. Joan Butterworth's class came to the microphone and told a little bit about their school. One by one they stood before the crowd and told of different events and trips they had gotten to take part in because of benefactor support. They didn't forget those who donated their time to help the school and those who collected items such as soup labels, box tops, canceled stamps, ink cartridges, & Coca Cola points. It just showed that it's not only monetary support that is important. People can help in so many ways. The students told of different equipment and supplies the school was able to purchase with the items collected.

Then Mrs. Emily Drake's class performed a play. The evening's entertainment concluded with one child singing a song "One Small Voice." The song re-



Fr. Steve Hohman talks with guests at the benefactor dinner. Submitted by Gina Sims



Maggie Lush, former St. Paul student, and Lydia Mudd, present student, worked all evening serving and bussing tables during the meal. Guests, Gwen Thompson and her daughter, Stacey, regularly volunteer at the school.

ferred to things starting small and growing into something big by everyone helping. As the song continued all the students present came out of the crowd and onto the stage to sing altogether. As they did the signs for the song the audience watched and listened attentively.

To conclude, Fr. Steve Hohman, pastor of St. Paul and St. Elizabeth parishes, spoke about the changes that were taking place at the school and how grateful the school was for all the generosity shown by so many throughout the years. Fr. Steve ended the event with a prayer and invited everyone to the school for a tour.



Honored guests enjoy the meal with Fr. Steve Hohman.



Representing the Knights of Columbus, Joe Reuther, and his wife Ann enjoy good conversation with Michelle Robinson, Donna Darst, & Carol Ward.

At right, Corbin Geary, future St. Paul student, having a discussion with his father, Tim Geary.



Marriage In Christ



Father Richard Meredith

Editor's Note: Father Richard Meredith, pastor of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Hopkinsville, Ky., contributed this second article in a series about Christian Marriage's role in the New

Evangelization. He wrote this about the series, "I tell people that I personally believe the "New Evangelization" will be borne by spouses upholding the truth of Christian Marriage, or it will not occur at all. I teach that Catholics need to know and be able to speak our doctrine on the Sacrament of Marriage. I believe that if I(we) do not teach loudly and clearly, the cultural tidal wave to sweep the sacrament away will be nigh overwhelming.

"In every respect my ideal is to speak the truth with love."

Marriage In The Lord

By Father Richard Meredith

Because of the damages to humanity reaching back to the fall of our first parents, and the damages due to the human history of sin, it can be very difficult to see the reality of the characteristics I said before are essential to Marriage. Chris-

tians found a great light shining upon the human reality of marriage and family in Jesus Christ. In the light of Jesus Christ it is possible to see the Creator's original design and to describe the anthropology based in human nature. It is further possible to see how Christ has raised up our damaged nature and the damaged state of marriage in the light of the Kingdom of God. The Catholic Church proclaims Marriage as re-founded in Jesus Christ to be one of the seven Sacraments of the New Covenant. We teach that it closely parallels the Sacrament of the Eucharist and that Eucharist discloses the transcendent fulfillment of Marriage in the eternal and heavenly wedding banquet of the Lamb of God. But before we can see marriage in the light of Christ and the Kingdom, we need to take stock of it as affected by sin and as reformed by the Torah of Moses and the Prophets of Israel.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church continues:

Marriage under the regime of sin

1606 Every man experiences evil around him and within himself. This experience makes itself felt in the relationships between man and woman. Their union has always been threatened by discord, a spirit of domination, infidelity, jealousy, and conflicts that can escalate into hatred and separation. This disorder can manifest itself more or less acutely, and can be more or less overcome accord-

ing to the circumstances of cultures, eras, and individuals, but it does seem to have a universal character.

1607 According to faith the disorder we notice so painfully does not stem from the nature of man and woman, nor from the nature of their relations, but from sin. As a break with God, the first sin had for its first consequence the rupture of the original communion between man and woman. Their relations were distorted by mutual recriminations; their mutual attraction, the Creator's own gift, changed into a relationship of domination and lust; and the beautiful vocation of man and woman to be fruitful, multiply, and subdue the earth was burdened by the pain of childbirth and the toil of work.

1608 Nevertheless, the order of creation persists, though seriously disturbed. To heal the wounds of sin, man and woman need the help of the grace that God in his infinite mercy never refuses them. Without his help man and woman cannot achieve the union of their lives for which God created them "in the beginning."

Marriage under the pedagogy of the Law

1609 In his mercy God has not forsaken sinful man. the punishments consequent upon sin, "pain in childbearing" and toil "in the sweat of your brow," also embody remedies that limit the damaging effects of sin. After the fall, marriage

helps to overcome self-absorption, egoism, pursuit of one's own pleasure, and to open oneself to the other, to mutual aid and to self-giving.

1610 Moral conscience concerning the unity and indissolubility of marriage developed under the pedagogy of the old law. In the Old Testament the polygamy of patriarchs and kings is not yet explicitly rejected. Nevertheless, the law given to Moses aims at protecting the wife from arbitrary domination by the husband, even though according to the Lord's words it still carries traces of man's "hardness of heart" which was the reason Moses permitted men to divorce their wives.

1611 Seeing God's covenant with Israel in the image of exclusive and faithful married love, the prophets prepared the Chosen People's conscience for a deepened understanding of the unity and indissolubility of marriage. The books of Ruth and Tobit bear moving witness to an elevated sense of marriage and to the fidelity and tenderness of spouses. Tradition has always seen in the Song of Solomon a unique expression of human love, a pure reflection of God's love - a love "strong as death" that "many waters cannot quench."

Next issue we will continue with the Catechism's "Marriage in the Lord."

Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of Sister Francis Joseph Porter, OSU and Sister Frances Miriam Spalding, OSU



Sister Francis Joseph Porter

Maple Mount — Sister Francis Joseph Porter, 79, an Ursuline Sister of Mount Saint Joseph, died July 7 at Mount Saint Joseph, in her 51st year of religious life. She was a native of Owensboro, born to the late Joseph Oldham Porter and Frances Evelyn Hayden Porter.

Sister Francis Joseph was very prayerful and loved the beauty of nature. She was up early watering her many flowers or feeding a stray animal, but always made time to share a smile and a kind word for all who crossed her path.

She ministered in the Mount Saint Joseph Post Office for 28 of the past 29 years, most of those years as postmaster. She was director of food services at Maple Mount (1980-84) and a teacher at Mount Saint Joseph Academy (1967-68), St. Peter of Antioch School, Waverly (1970-73) and St. Mary of the Woods School, Whitesville (1977-80). She also taught in the Archdiocese of Louisville.

Survivors include her sister, Betty Lou Abel, of Jacksonville, Fla., her brother-in-law Mike Cecil, Chicago, nieces and nephews and the members of her religious community.

The funeral Mass was July 10 at Mount Saint Joseph, with burial in the convent cemetery. Glenn Funeral Home and Crematory, Owensboro, was in charge of arrangements. Memorial gifts for Sister Francis Joseph may take the form of donations to the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph, 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, KY 42356.



Sister Frances Miriam Spalding

Maple Mount — Sister Frances Miriam Spalding, 94, an Ursuline Sister of Mount Saint Joseph, died May 9 at Mount Saint Joseph, in her 73rd year of religious life. She was a native of Bardstown.

Sister Frances Miriam never slowed down and was always available to help anyone in need. She loved praying with her sisters, was devoted to St. Therese of Lisieux and thrilled to see the St. Louis Cardinals win one more World Series.

Sister Frances Miriam taught at St. Joseph and Paul School, Owensboro, 1960-64, and St. Mary Magdalene School, Sorgho, 1980-81, and was principal at Immaculate School, Owensboro, from 1964-70. She was principal of St. Thomas More School in Paducah from 1970-74, a parish minister at St. William Church in Marion from 1985-96, as well as in Sturgis, Henshaw and Eddyville, and served in outreach ministry in Benton from 1996-2003. She was director of transportation at the Ursuline Motherhouse from 1981-85, and head of activities for retired sisters from 2003 until her retirement in 2007. She also ministered in the Archdiocese of Louisville and in Missouri.

Survivors include nieces and nephews and the members of her religious community. The funeral Mass was May 13 at Mount Saint Joseph, with burial in the convent cemetery. Glenn Funeral Home and Crematory, Owensboro, was in charge of arrangements. Memorial gifts for Sister Frances Miriam may take the form of donations to the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph, 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, KY 42356.

22 August, 2013 St. Michael the Archangel Church, Oak Grove, To Build New Church

OAK GROVE, Ky. - On May 13, 2013, approximately 100 people joined Bishop William Medley for a ground breaking ceremony to begin the building of the new church at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church in Oak Grove, KY. Father David Kennedy, Deacon Jack Cheasty, and Deacon Tom Torson helped officiate the ceremony.

The new church building, which will take ten months to construct, will be built on the church grounds and will seat in excess of 400 people. The building will be built by Clark Construction and was designed by architect Jon Clark.

The ceremony was also attended by the members of the Parish Council, Parish Committee Chairpersons and Kevin Kauffield and Ernie Taliaferro, both representatives of the Diocese of Owensboro.



The groundbreaking date for the new Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic Church at 448 State Line Road in Oak Grove finally arrived. Bishop William Medley, Chancellor Kevin Kauffeld and Ernie Taliaferro - Chief Financial Officer for the Diocese of Owensboro, shown in the photo at left, came to the church grounds May 13 for prayer and to break ground, shown above, for the construction of a new church building in front of the present building dedicated in 1998. Mel Howard Photos



Above is a group picture of a new Grupo Pastoral Familiar for Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Bowling Green. The group received their blessing & presentation to the Parish Community on July 14, 2013, by our Pastor Rev. D. Andrew Garner. They are Carlos y Desiree Casas, Felipe y Sonia Nieto Torres, Manuel y Susana Peña Bonilla, Juan y Juana Valencia, Leonard y Lizzett Zapata, Nelson y Morena Espinoza Murillo, Jesus y Verónica Castro Méndez. Photo by Kathleen Baumgarten

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COMING UP . . .

- Suggested dates for Season Three are October 13 to November 22.
- Training will be in August and September.
Watch for more specific information via e-mail.
- January 23, 2014 is set for the workshop on "Preparing A Place: Becoming a Welcoming Parish to Young Adults."
(Flyers will be available at the Season Three training.)



Things seen and unseen: Sometimes what seems like drudgery or obstacles turns out to be a stepping stone to amazing and miraculous new life!

Lori Lewis Wins Bishop John J. McRaith Catechetical Award

August, 2013 23

OWENSBORO, Ky. - Lori Lewis accepted the position of Pastoral Associate with Holy Spirit Parish in July 2006. She came to us from the Diocese of Manchester, New Hampshire with a variety of catechetical experiences: RCIA/RCIC, Campus Minister/Theology Teacher, FOCCUS, Christ Renews His Church, Retreat facilitator, and Religious Education Office Associate for the St. Joseph Dover, NH Community. In the context of a large and dynamic parish of roughly 1100 households at Holy Spirit, we are indeed blessed to have Lori at the helm of our faith formation endeavors. Lori's expertise and enthusiasm is the perfect fit for us. The many formation opportunities offered at Holy Spirit are evident of her commitment to life-long faith formation. Lori came to us at a time when we as a parish had been exploring Whole Community Catechesis (WCC) as our approach to faith formation. Her experience in WCC, curriculum development; and her leadership abilities facilitated this significant paradigm shift. Lori is energizing, creative, and a model of excellence in her field. She is a "spirit-led", joyful, and prayerful minister in all these endeavors. Lori works well with members of the Pastoral Team and parishioners. She enjoys collaborating on projects and is a team player; therefore, The Pastoral Staff of Holy Spirit Parish enthusiastically recommends Lori Lewis for the Bishop John J. McRaith Catechetical Award.

Lori's commitment as a Catechetical Leader is absolute. She brings an incredible spirit, enthusiasm, and creativity to the work of catechesis. She recognizes needs and can target individuals and groups "where they are" and encourages them and guides them to seek a deeper truth. Lori's love for the RCIA journey and small faith sharing groups is evident in her work with RCIA/RCIC, Koinonia, ECHO (Our WCC approach-Enriching Church and Home Opportunities for Faith), Baptismal Prep and ARISE-not only with the participants but with the leadership teams as well. In addition, her energy is reflected in the variety of opportunities we have at Holy Spirit. She has introduced numerous Fr. Robert Baron short courses, a men's prayer group, several book groups, encouraged a "Movie Ministry" with concessions and post-movie discussions, and our mom's group, "FIAT", to name a few. Lori is also



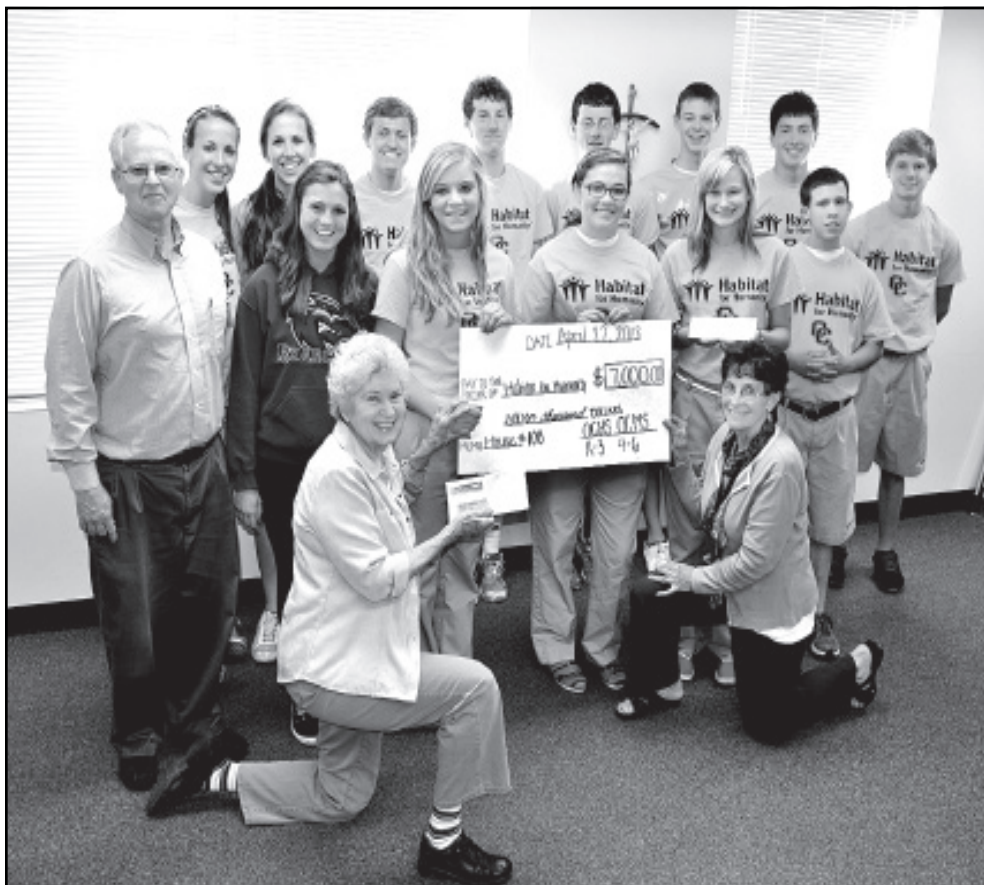
2013 Bishop John J. McRaith Catechetical Award winner Lori Lewis, Pastoral Associate with Holy Spirit Parish in Bowling Green, was recognized for her outstanding leadership in Catechesis. Mel Howard Photos

an excellent retreat facilitator with numerous creative retreat opportunities tied to the seasons of the liturgical year. Lori has reinvigorated our Prayer Shawl Ministry and Ministers of Praise (homebound parishioners who are commissioned to pray for the needs of the church), and she created our parish prayer phone tree, A Wing and a Prayer, which offers up prayers for those undergoing emergency surgery or crisis in their lives. Lori offers compassion to the recently bereaved. She meets with the families to do the funeral intake and sets up for visitation in our Pentecost Room off the narthex.

In addition to Lori's genuine commitment as a catechetical leader, she has aided catechists and small group leaders in improving their ministries by tirelessly pursuing continued formation for those in leadership roles. Lori has brought to Holy Spirit several national speakers in the field of catechesis such as Leif Kehrwald, Leisa Anslinger, and Fr. Rob Ruhnke. One of Lori's gifts is her keen awareness of the strengths of others. She has a nat-

ural ability to tap them and foster them. Lori has empowered many to engage in ministry roles with confidence; confidence they didn't realize they possessed.

Lori is a true model of Christian living as she is joyful and lives out the Gospel message in that light. One of her favorite quotes from the saints is from St. Irenaeus, "The glory of God is the human being fully alive." This quote is taken to heart as Lori is passionate about her work and lives out her vocation in deep faith, prayer, and with the grace of the sacraments. Lori is also a minister of presence to all those she encounters. She is always approachable, compassionate, and effective in times of need. Her outreach to the community comes in the form of "feeding the hungry" as she is a marvelous cook. Though she is not a member of a formal organization, she uses those talents to feed not only the body, but the soul. Lori truly lives the Beatitudes always erring on the side of compassion at all times. She is an inspiration to many!



Hearts In Building Homes

The Diocese of Owensboro Owensboro and the Catholic High School Habitat for Humanity Chapter with the Brescia University HFH Chapter presented checks on April 22, 2013 to Virginia Braswell, Executive Director of Owensboro's Habitat For Humanity. Totalling \$25,000, the money was the sponsors' portion of funding for Build #108, the Catholic Jubilee House at 1545 West Fourth St. in Owensboro. Gathering in the Owensboro Catholic School System meeting room for the occasion were Back Row- Caroline Hayden, Stephanie Hayden, Isaac Settle, Paul Reid, Luke Reid, Michael Chlore, Mason Robertson, Cameron O'Nan; Front Row- Richard Murphy, Director of the Diocesan Office of Social Concerns, Emily Adkins, Brescia University Habitat For Humanity Chapter president, Meghan Mattingly, OCHS HFH president, Hayley Frey, Hailey Poole, Luke Riney; Front-Virginia Braswell and Bev Howard, OCHS HFH Adviser. Mel Howard Photo

A New Priest, Long Devoted, Now United with the Hearts of Jesus and Mary in His Holy Priesthood

By Father Joshua McCarty
and Larena Lawson

"In the heart and mind of a Mexican boy there was planted a seed of faith."

Coming before an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus when he was young, his loving mother dedicated him to God. She placed him into the care of the precious Heart of Jesus. Many years would pass and that seed of faith, nurtured by his family, his parish community, and certainly by God most High, grew to transform the boy's heart into a heart desirous to serve the Lord. Even when the dream of becoming a priest seemed all but lost, through trying times for the family, God stepped in to keep it a possibility. The road opened up to lead the young man in the pursuit of his dream, his vocation, even in spite of the bumps and twists and turns that would be his path. The Heart of Jesus wrapped him in His loving care.

Julio Evaristo Barrera Martinez came to the United States, to the Diocese of Owensboro, where the winding and challenging road of his discernment led him. Having finished his philosophy studies in Mexico, he began here in the states studying English, while attending St. John Vianney Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. Upon completion of his ESL classes he studied Theology at St. Meinrad Seminary in Indiana. He was ordained Deacon in 2012 at St. Joseph Parish in Bowling Green, Kentucky, and by the grace of God and through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by Bishop William F. Medley, was ordained to the Order of Presbyter on Saturday, June 1, 2013, at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro, Kentucky. Father Julio's heart was then forever joined to the Sacred Heart of Jesus through the Sacrament of



The ordinand, Julio Barrera, lays prostrate in the church of St. Stephen in Owensboro, KY. The prostration during the Rite of Ordination is one of the most powerful moments in the Liturgy when the ordinand gives a visible sign of his commitment to lay down his life for his friends and himself receives the support of the saints gathered around.

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Kissing the hands of the newly ordained is a common custom in Mexico. It shows the peoples respect for the priest and for the service he gives using his anointed hands. These hands will be used to consecrate the Eucharist, to anoint the sick, to baptize with water, and to wipe away sins.

Holy Orders. The bond that was sought and initiated when he was but a child had now become an indelible distinction that called him to be a priest forever.

Father Julio offered his first Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, June 2, at St. Joseph Parish in Bowling Green, the feast of Corpus Christi, after which, he concelebrated the Mass in Spanish that was followed by a solemn Eucharistic Procession through the downtown. It was a joyous day of thanksgiving offered by him and his family, friends and faith community. The celebrations appropriately exemplified the meaning of Corpus Christi; the Eucharist; which means, thanksgiving. Now the newly ordained Father Julio has the power to bring Jesus to the people in the Holy Eucharist, through the gift of his priesthood.

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The thanksgiving celebrations didn't end there. Father Julio traveled back to his hometown of Amecameca, Mexico, to offer Masses of Thanksgiving there with his family, friends and home parish. As if it had all been divinely planned from the very beginning, Father Julio's Mass of Thanksgiving in his home parish, Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de la Anunciación (Church of Our Lady of the Assumption,) was offered on June 7, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It all seemed to come full circle. The young boy who was dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and whose devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus had grown ever the more vigorous and passionate through the years, had been richly blessed to be able to return home to where it all began, after years of study and formation to be a priest. Escorted by his family, brother priests and supporting friends from the Diocese of Owensboro, Father Julio walked the few blocks to the parish church that morning,

as mariachi music heightened the spirit. All along the way he was greeted with jovial smiles and wishes of congratulations and care. There was an abundance of hearty expressions of love and respect shown to the new priest, making the walk slow and pleasantly interrupted. That love and exuberant spirit was maintained and served as a powerful source of enthusiasm as the celebration continued. When Father Julio processed into the church at the beginning of the Mass, he was visually lost in the mystical smoke of the incense lifting to the heavens that enhanced the profound significance of the occasion.

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Fr. Julio's niece, Leslie, wipes a tear from the face of Fr. Julio's Father, Julio after the celebration of the Mass in Chalco, Mexico. Don Julio, Fr. Julio's Father, holds a wooden case in which is the stole Fr. Julio used to hear his first confession. This gift was presented during the Mass in Chalco. Also, Sara, Fr. Julio's mother, received the gift of the little towel that was used to wipe the chrism oil from Fr. Julio's hands during the ordination Mass.

Fr. Julio Barrera, his family and guests make their way through the streets to the church of the Assumption in Amecameca, Mexico accompanied by a mariachi band. At this First Mass, also called a Sung Mass, Fr. Julio will celebrate the sacred liturgy at his home parish for the first time. See the famous volcano, Popocatepetl, in the background.



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Continuing up the long aisle of the baroque style 16th century church that was beautifully adorned with a multitude of fresh, yellow gladiolus, he finally reached the steps to the altar where he was embraced by his family. Their gestures of welcome captured the enormity of the gift of the occasion and his priesthood. Tears of joy streamed down their faces. Along with them, this holy sacrifice of the Mass brought together hundreds of people from the community and surrounding areas. It was a genuine gathering of love and thanksgiving to God.

At the closing of Father Julio's Mass of Thanksgiving at his home parish, the people crowded toward the front of the church below the altar to share in a special expression of love and congratulation for their newly ordained. The people came before Father Julio so happy and eager to receive his priestly blessing



Above: Father Julio elevates the Eucharist at his first Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Joseph Church in Bowling Green on June 2.

At right: Father Julio carries the Blessed Sacrament through the streets of downtown Bowling Green during the Corpus Christi Procession on June 2, as they make their way back to St. Joseph Parish. Larena Lawson Photos

and to show their intense love of the priesthood by kissing his newly anointed hands. One after the other, families with children, young and old, they came to show their respect and to be blessed. The power of the office of the priesthood manifested itself. It was evident that the richness of the Catholic faith was strong and thriving in Mexico.

The testament of the extraordinary faith of the Mexican people continued the next morning as Father Julio and two charter buses of people left for Mexico City to attend another Mass of Thanksgiving at the Basilica de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe (The Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe.) It is one of the most visited pilgrimage sites in the world. It is also a place that is held meaningful to Father Julio's heart, as it is to countless others. He had long hoped to one day be able to be a priest and offer Mass on that holy ground.

This extraordinary day was also a Marian feast day, the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, fittingly suitable for Father Julio's thanksgiving Mass. With Our Lady of Guadalupe being the Patroness of the Americas, it was also very special for the Americans who were present. It was a joining of the cultures, united in faith, a coming together to celebrate and give thanks



Father Julio celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City on June 8th. Concelebrating with him from left to right were, Frs. Joshua McCarty, Ken Davis, Brandon Williams and Andy Garner.

for the priestly vocation of Father Julio. He was born and raised in Mexico and yet, called to serve in the United States. It was a time of pause and giving thanks to God and honor to His mother, Our Lady of Guadalupe, who has helped Father Julio and many others like him along the way. After the celebration of the Mass, Father Julio knelt before the holy and sacred image of Mary to pray, a beautiful ex-

pression of his love and affection for her, as well as, her love and protection of him.

Amid the thanksgiving celebrations and the grand fiestas that followed, the joy of the ordination of a new priest of Jesus Christ, who will serve in the Diocese of Owensboro, overflowed. It was God who brought Father Julio's vocation to fruition and diverse cultures together. This vocation is truly a gift to us all. Please pray that God will bless the ministry of Father Julio Barrera in the Diocese of Owensboro and that God will send many more workers into the harvest!

Father Julio Barrera has been appointed to serve as Parochial Vicar of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish in Hopkinsville. He will also serve as Sacramental Minister for the parishes of St. Susan in Elkton and Sts. Mary and James in Guthrie. May God richly bless his priesthood.

“O Sacred Heart of Jesus, remember that we are consecrated and belong to you. Bless and protect us all. Make our home a shrine of Your love and Your grace. Strengthen the bond of affection that unites us together. Help us to bear one another's burdens in peace and harmony and unselfishness. Keep us always near to You and to Your Blessed Mother. Amen.”



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Be Prepared

Daniel Hardesty on the left, son of Chuck and Rita Hardesty of Whitesville, Ky., and Drew Mills on the right, son of Lee and Sue Mills, also of Whitesville, were awarded the rank of Eagle Scout from the Boy Scouts



of America at a ceremony on February 24, 2013. Both belong to Troop 247, chartered to the Whitesville Lion's Club under Scout Master Dr. Bob Cinnamond.

Do A Good Turn Daily

Daniel's Eagle Project involved restoration of old stones and adding some new veteran's markers at St. Mary of the Woods Cemetery. Drew built a stage at the Whitesville City Park for his project, along with some other minor park improvements. Both just completed their freshman year at Trinity High School. Submitted by Sue Mills

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John Foreman, owner of Old Hickory BBQ, wins BIG in National Competition!



John Foreman showing us his slow cooking technique

By Nicole Gray

OWENSBORO, KY – On January 20th, 2013 Old Hickory BBQ was featured on Destination America's: BBQ Pitmasters for having championship Western Kentucky BBQ, cooked here in the "Barbecue Capitol of the World." Owner John Foreman earned the honor for his family restaurant by competing in a cookoff last summer in Munfordville, Ky.

John Foreman explains how he was crowned champion of the nationally known competition, which airs on Destination

America, called BBQ Pitmasters:

"BBQ PITMASTERS contacted me to be on the show last summer. Thousands of people contact them to be on the show, but they called me. That was a great honor in itself. The way the show works, is you and one person make up your team. They give you 2 meats to cook, and choose a winner among 3 competing teams. You do not know what you will get until you get there. When I was first contacted, I didn't have a portable pit. I had never been in a contest, and usually borrowed one if I needed it. I ended up buying a pit about a month before the competition. I was only able to practice on it 3 times before the show. Keep in



BBQ Pitmaster's Trophy

mind it takes a year to season a pit properly. I was very nervous going in to show. I felt like even though I had a lot to gain, I had just as much to lose. I didn't want to do poorly and embarrass my family or my restaurant. The judges on that show are really tough and "restaurant guys" do not typically do well. There is a big difference in competition food and restaurant food. I practiced with my long time friend and manager, Steve Ford. We have been cooking together for 25 years. We were confident in our cooking and ready to go. Two days before we left, Steve got real sick and couldn't go. That really got me worked up. We had been practicing, we both knew the pit, and we had worked together so long that we practically knew each others thoughts. So, you can imagine how I felt when he went down. Now what was I going to do?

"I called my step-brother to come and help me. He worked here when he was younger, and has a real passion for BBQ. We got there and met the other competitors. One was from Owensboro (more pressure to win). Got set up. Then we got our meats. One was fresh pork ham, and the other was mutton shoulder. When I saw the mutton I was really confident. This is not only something I cook every day, but also my favorite cut. The pork ham was different. This piece had hardly any fat on it. I knew it would be a challenge. I planned on using every bit of the time they gave us to cook. Everything was going well, but I did have some concern for the fresh pork ham. It's progress really stalled. It seemed like it just wasn't doing anything. It just seemed like it

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tion innocent and childlike. Those are my precious memories of my dad; giving back to him in a way that I never thought imaginable. The strolls around Whitesville in his wheelchair, oh it would be nice for one more stroll! We stayed around the clock the last

A Look Back on Time

John A. (Tom) Morris

May 16, 1926 - November 21, 2009

By Robin Beatty

A look back on time.....My life the last few years.....well.....wow.....Life is an amazing, exciting, frustrating, sometimes paralyzing journey. 4 years ago at this time, what was I doing? I was helping my mom and my brothers and sister care for my dad. His Alzheimer's had taken its toll, but there would be a time or two that he might would have recognized me. That spring and summer no matter how difficult it was, holds some of my most precious memories of my dad. We as children never expect to care for our parents the way we need to sometimes. To watch your father go from a strong dependent man to the innocence of a child does something to your soul, which changes you forever. You don't expect to have to brush their teeth, shave them, feed them, and wipe their behinds. You don't expect to walk into their bedroom day after day finding them curled up in the fetal posi-



The John A. Morris family on the occasion of 70th birthday party. Back row, from left, are Danny, Keith, father John, mother Carolie, Jerry and Kenny; in the front row are from left, Roger, Karen and Robin. Submitted Photo

few months of his life. The night before he died, mom, dad and all 7 of us kids were in the same house one last time, the last time that happened when all of us were together was when I was 5 years old. God BLESSED us with so many blessings during his final time. Oh, How I miss him. But I know he is whole in heaven and in no pain, has his memory, doesn't have to worry about cancer, COPD, kidney failure, emphysema, Alzheimer's; he knows his wife's name and all of his children, he is spending time with his parents and his brothers and sisters that he hasn't seen in years. I was honored as were the rest of my family to be with him when he took his final breath. Oh, how I miss him. Today, I graduate college, I know he is looking down on me and he is proud of my accomplishments, but he is proud of me whether I graduate college, be a stay at home mom or whatever I choose to do. And for that I am eternally grateful. He turns 87 on May 16, 2013. My, how times flies. I love you dad!!!!

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Old Hickory Wins Big

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was never going to get done. Then we had to leave our pit to film some stuff for the show. They said it would be 30 minutes away from our pit. I put what I thought was enough wood to sustain it for that long, but when I went back the pit had cooled down severely. I got it back to temperature and all was well. Then, they said we had to do it again. This time I put an extra log on it to keep it up to temperature. When we went back to check it, it had shot up to 550 degrees. This wasn't good. However, I checked the meat, and everything had just slightly seared the outside. In the end, it finished the pork, and the mutton was perfect. I felt really good about what we had done.

"As far as ingredients I used, I used the same cooking dip and finishing dip we use at Old Hickory. The other guys seem to



During a private viewing party at Old Hickory BBQ, the crowd anxiously awaits the big announcement



Link Bell, Steve Ford and John Foreman of Old Hickory BBQ

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be working on the fly trying to fit what they thought the judges traditionally liked. I figured they said they wanted "Western KY BBQ", and that was what I was going to give them. I'm proud of our style of cooking, and wasn't going to change to try and win using any other style. I figured they asked me here for a reason. They wanted the true "old school" style of BBQ. The judging was tense. I had never run through emotions that way. There were so many highs and lows. When they finally announced that I had won, I pretty much lost it emotionally. I really wanted to represent Owensboro the best that I could. I wanted the rest of the country to know our passion and excellence in BBQ. I also wanted to make my family proud. They are the ones who have to endure the long hours away from them. Especially around the holidays when you really want to be there with them. I also wanted to make my father proud. If you knew my dad you would understand what big shoes I have to fill. Believe me, it's not easy. And finally, I wondered what the generations before me would think. Were they proud? Were they there with me? Like I said it was a very emotional day. One I will never forget. I'm pretty sure I broke down every time I saw somebody. I've been really lucky to have such great people in my life. I really can't say thanks enough to my step-brother Brad, and my father-in-law Link Bell for being on my team in Munfordville.

Brief Background of John Harl Foreman

Wife: Whitney Foreman
Kids: Emily, Macy, Anna Lee
Church: Parish of the Immaculate
Committees: Parish Council
President & Immaculate Men's Club
Old Hickory's Six Generations:
 1) Charles "Pappy" Foreman
 2) Landrum Foreman
 3) Harl Foreman Sr.
 4) Harl Foreman Jr.
 5) John Foreman
 6) All my kids (tradition to change when oldest child starts to work)

I couldn't have done it with out them. Also, all the people I have behind me including my crew at Old Hickory and all my family and friends.

"Since the show aired, we have been really busy. It seems to get busier every day. I hope it keeps up. We just added on last year, and things are going great. As far as what the future holds, I don't really know right now. I think I would like to try another contest, but it's nice to be 1-0. We have won many awards for our BBQ. We have been voted best BBQ in Owensboro the last 4 years in a row, have been in several magazines and publications, are going to appear on 'Bizarre Foods', 'BBQ CRAWL' and more. I have added some new things to our menu. Maybe we will keep growing that way. I just hope people keep coming to the restaurant, and enjoy what they are getting!"

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On May 4, 2013, Bishop William Medley celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with Christ The King Parish in Scottsville. After the Mass Bishop Medley posed with Daniel (George) Gonzalez, Lorena (Sarah) Monterossas, Madison (Cecelia) Marsh, Rebecca (Mary) Moser, Olivia (Frances) Obermyer and Fr. Vic Subb. Photo by Catherine Grapes

Bowling Green Deanery Continued Diocesan Jubilee Celebration with "Faith Building" project

By Terry Clayton

As we continue to engage this Easter season, the Bowling Green Deanery is hard at work with "Faith Building" hands and tools, time, talents and treasures. We want to ensure that a family is sheltered in a new Habitat home before the conclusion of our Owensboro Diocese Jubilee year. Almost a year ago, Father Jerry Riney challenged the Holy Spirit Social Concerns Committee to lead a Bowling Green Deanery project that

Join our next Spinning Day!
Saturday, August 3

Whether you are an experienced spinner, weaver, knitter, crocheter or a beginner, you are welcome to attend the Arts at the Mount spinning gatherings at Mount Saint Joseph (located 12 miles west of Owensboro on Highway 56).

Enjoy the fellowship of those who appreciate this traditional skill.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. • The \$15 fee includes lunch

The group plans to "spin, knit and talk until we're done!"

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St. Pius Tenth Parish, Calvert City celebrated on celebrated with First Communicants and the Mothers of the Parish on May 5, 2013 after 10:00 AM mass. First Communicants (Left to Right) Jacob Wilson, Linsey Lucas, Alex Baeza, Anthony Capuano, and Paul Kollak (not pictured). RJ Witowski Photo

would build a new house for a deserving family to celebrate our Diocese Seventy-Fifth Jubilee.

Our local Habitat for Humanity was very happy to partner with us on this project - providing a wealth of information on how to proceed. WKU students from St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Campus center who had worked on similar projects, as well as members of St Joseph's parish contributed helpful ideas on all areas, especially fundraising strategies. St Joseph's School students accepted the call to design a logo for our project by holding a school wide contest. Deacon Matt Kaiser engaged Holy Spirit Youth Ministry to fundraise with several holiday activities. Tanya Lancaster was an inspiring example as she led a fundraiser night at Penn Station East Coast Subs and acquired our first corporate sponsor.

Since then, our corporate sponsors list continues to grow (we now have over \$20,000 in pledges) and volunteers throughout our Deanery are offering to help with their gifts of labor, time and treasure.

Mass of Thanksgiving for the Gift of the Holy Priesthood

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Rev. David Kenneth Gayhart, the son of Janie and Mark Gayhart from Chrisney, Indiana, grandson of Joe Payne of Whitesville, Ky. was ordained May 25, 2013.

He attended St. Gregory the Great Seminary in Seward, Nebraska for minor seminary and Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland for major seminary. He was ordained in the Diocese of Lincoln, Nebraska and is assigned as Associate Pastor of St. Teresa Church in Lincoln.

He presided at a Mass of Thanksgiving in the chapel of the Passionist Nuns near Whitesville on June 2, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Father David is pictured here elevating the chalice during the Consecration.

Among other priests, Father Gerald Baker, pastor of St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church in Whitesville, encouraged Father David to consider studying for the priesthood. Father David chose to study in the Diocese of Lincoln. Photo by Mel Howard

Corpus Christi Celebration at St. Joseph Church, Bowling Green

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. - The weekend of June 2 was an exceptionally full celebration beginning with the ordination of Rev. Julio Barrera on Saturday, June 1, at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro. Thank you to the parishioners of St. Joseph who took the trip to Owensboro to share in that experience.

On Sunday, June 2 at St. Joseph Parish, Rev. Julio celebrated his Mass of Thanksgiving at our 10:30 Mass. This was a very special occasion, followed by our 12:30 bilingual Mass for the feast of Corpus Christi. This was Fr. Josh's last official Mass as Parochial Vicar at St. Joseph. The Mass was followed by our 3rd Annual Corpus Christi procession, taking Jesus to the streets of Bowling Green! We are greatly appreciative to the BGPD, who were a great help and also greatly affected by our witness. And then we thank all those who processed and prayed and sang and those who met us at fountain square.

We then enjoyed a wonderful celebration of the entire weekend with the backdrop of Corpus Christi as we congratulated Fr. Julio and said our farewells to Fr. Josh. The parish hall and church were beautiful and the food excellent.

Este pasado fin de semana fue excepcional, las celebraciones se iniciaron con la ordenación del Rev.

Julio Barrera el sábado 1 de junio, en la Catedral de San Esteban en Owensboro. Gracias a todos los feligreses de San José quienes viajaron a Owensboro para compartir esta experiencia. El domingo 2 de junio en la Parroquia San José, el Rev. Julio celebró su Misa de Acción de Gracias en nuestra misa de las 10:30am. Esta fue una ocasión muy especial,

seguido de nuestra Misa bilingüe a las 12:30 por la Fiesta de Corpus Christi. Esta fue oficialmente la última misa como Vicario Parroquial en San José del Padre Josué. ¡Esta Misa fue seguida de nuestra 3ra procesión Anual de Corpus Christi, llevando a Jesús a las calles de Bowling Green! Estamos muy agradecidos de BGPD, quienes fueron una gran ayuda y también grandemente afectados por nuestro testimonio. También, agradecemos a aquellos que caminaron la procesión y rezaron y cantaron; y aquellos que se nos unieron en el parque.

Después disfrutamos una maravillosa celebración de todo el fin de semana con el contexto de fondo de la celebración de Corpus Christi, mientras felicitamos al Padre Julio y dimos nuestra despedida al Padre Josué. El salón parroquial y la iglesia estuvieron bellísimos y la comida fue excelente.



Father Gerald Baker carried the Blessed Sacrament through Whitesville city streets on June 2 during the celebration of the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Every Catholic parish in the diocese was encouraged to celebrate a Corpus Christi procession in their town or city on this feast day. Mel Howard Photo

At left, Father Moisés holding the monstrance with the Blessed Sacrament on Bowling Green's Fountain Square for adoration by the people during St. Joseph Catholic Church's 3rd Annual Corpus Christi Procession on June 2. We said goodbye to Fr. Joshua McCarty this day and welcomed Fr. Carmelo!

Padre Moisés alzando la custodia con el Santísimo Sacramento en el Parque de Fountain Square para la adoración de las personas durante nuestra 3ra Procesión Anual de Corpus Christi el domingo pasado.

¡Esta semana decimos adiós al Padre Josué y bienvenido al Padre Carmelo!

Photos by Kathleen Baumgarten



By Bob Davis

Was it because someone in your parish told you that it would make you understand what being a Christian is?

You felt spiritually alive after making a Koinonia and heard that a Cursillo Weekend would give you the same spiritual high?

You were in the mood for a Christian retreat and the Cursillo Weekend fit your schedule?

The requirements for making a Cursillo

Did You Make a Cursillo Weekend to do Battle?

Weekend intrigued you and seemed like a Christian challenge to prove you knew Jesus?

Most of your friends had made a Cursillo Weekend so you wanted to fit in?

How many Catholics made a Cursillo Weekend to make it their primary apostolate? How many realized that the original purpose of the Cursillo Movement was to:

1. Transform man/woman first using the means of love and friendship.
2. Live what is fundamental for being Christian together with our fellow man
3. Grouping to transform the world from savages who kill their own to human and from human to divine.



VBS 2013 for St. Denis and St. Charles

This year is the Year of Faith. It is to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of Vatican Council II. In January 2012, the Vatican issued guidelines for how the Church at all levels should celebrate the Year of Faith, which started in October 2012.

The introduction to the guidelines explains that the Year of Faith is "intended to contribute to a renewed conversion to the Lord Jesus and to the rediscovery of faith, so that the members of the Church will be credible and joy-filled witnesses to the risen Lord, capable of leading those many people who are seeking it to the door of faith."

It is with this in mind that the VBS Program for St. Denis Parish in Fancy Farm and St. Charles in Bardwell was developed. The title of the VBS Program was "A Journey on the Boat of Peter: Our Faith Formation."

Several of the Fathers of St. Denis and St. Charles dressed up as the Early Church Fathers. They are pictured with Father Dave Willett and some of the children and volunteers. Special thanks to (L to R) Morgan Dunn (St. Augustine), Wayne Wilson (St. Ambrose) Robert Ellegood (St. Jerome) Kyle Thomas (St. John Chrystostom), and Rodney Wiley (St. Athanasius).

This apostolate is an instrument to help us join with other Catholics and Christians to do fierce battle. They have our backs in the continuous battle for souls. It is a battle in our society which is as real as any fought on any battleground in history, except that in this battle there are no civilians. There is no neutral ground. In the book of Revelations 3:15-16 we hear Jesus telling the church in Laodicea: "I know your deeds. I know you are neither hot nor cold. How I wish you were one or the other--hot or cold! But because you are lukewarm, neither hot nor cold. I will vomit you out of my mouth!"

As active Catholic cursillistas we hold a strategic position in this battle as we

can significantly influence the way the battle goes in the lives of our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers and parishes in our square meter of moving and living. We influence others by our actions and by our words. Our first action needs to be prayer; our first words,

words of surrender to God. The life of God we received in Baptism is strengthened, renewed, refreshed, nourished and restored through the sacraments. These sacraments must be carried into our entire lives. Only in this way can we ever hope to fight the Lord's battle in his way. Onward, Catholic Cursillos in Christianity!



Sophia Award Nomination

The 15th annual Sophia Awards Mass is Sunday, September 29, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro, Kentucky. A reception will be held in the St. Stephen undercroft following Mass.

Sophia Awards are a way to honor our senior citizens who have given so generously to the Church of Western Kentucky. Who would you like to receive the Sophia Award from your parish? Sophia Award recipients are nominated by individuals from the parish. (Please, Only One nomination per person.) The person receiving the most nominations from their parish, will be a Sophia Award recipient for 2013. Every parish in the diocese can participate in this process. If all parishes participate, we can have as many as 79 Sophia Award winners!

The nominee(s): must be sixty-five years of age or older; should be an outstanding example of their Catholic faith; can be lay, a member of a religious community or ordained (priest or deacon); a married couple can be nominated and receive the award jointly; can be homebound; can be nominated based on past outstanding contributions; may be nominated posthumously.

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Parish: _____

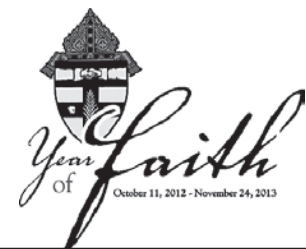
Information about the person(s) being nominated (Why I think he/she should receive the award):

Signature: _____

Please return this form to:

Cathy Hagan, Catholic Pastoral Center,
600 Locust Street, Owensboro, KY 42301-2130
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or submit it on our website at: www.rcdok.org/sophia



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Kirk & Libby Griggs, 25
Raymond & Theresa Payne, 53
Joseph & Geraldine Jarboe, 40
David & Martha Lashbrook, 52

Blessed Sacrament, Owensboro

Les & Nancy Bumm, 53
Christ the King, Madisonville
David & Mary Albin, 12
Allan & Adrianna Lebbin, 56
David & Ellen Waters, 54

Holy Name of Jesus, Henderson

Thomas & Dorothy Barron, 66
Donald & Carolyn Beaven, 58
Arthur & Theresa Bickers 25
Danny & Debbie Bullock, 40
David & Jo Ettensohn, 50
James & Wanda Gibson, 56
Paul & Sharon Hagan, 58
Charles & Virginia Knight, 64
Scottie & Cynthia Long, 40

Larry & Mary Martin, 51

Bill & Judy McClellan, 50

Bobby & Donna Nally, 53

David & Diana O'Nan, 63

Roger & Nancy Thomas, 25

Holy Spirit, Bowling Green

David & Julie Waldvogel, 25
John & Sue Goessling, 51
James & Sylvia Weis, 57

Thomas & Margaret Cahill, 53

Immaculate Conception, Hawesville

Dan & Shirley Hagman, 53

Clay & Shirlene Quinn, 58

Our Lady of Lourdes, Owensboro

Raymond & Wilma Hayden, 50

James & Barbara Sanders, 50

Kenneth & Johanna Boarman, 51

Donald & Mary Cundiff, 64

John & Margaret Kutsor, 51

Joseph & Frances Lewis, 56

William & Adell O'Bryan, 55

Parish of the Immaculate, Owensboro

William Thomas & Marilyn Ann Strong, 40

J. Albert & Rose Virginia Clark, Jr., 57

J. Richard & Alma K. Gaw, 61

Billie & Sue Helen Hill, 58

William Joseph & Harriett Louise Potts, 55

David Lee & Mary Natalie Jones, 55

Paul & Mary Juanita Kaelin, 57

James Robert & Sharon Gaye Logsdon, 56

Marvin & Shirley Rushing, 55

John & Margie Wathen, 58

Thomas & Juliana Whitten, 61

Precious Blood, Owensboro

Jerry & Margaret Birge, 55

Bill & Rita Elder, 53

Roger & Linda Haynes, 40

Billy & Lillian Taylor, 56

Sacred Heart, Hickman

Jimmy & Pat Cooley, 53

Sacred Heart, Waverly

Paul & Florence Clements, 73

Anthony & Virginia Livers, 51

St. Agnes, Uniontown

Bobby & Irene Jennings, 57

St. Ambrose, Henshaw

Don & Sheila Slusher, 25

St. Ann, Morganfield

Thomas & Allegera Luckett, 73

John & Kay McShane, 60

Bill & Helen Dixon, 58

Bud & Marylyn Ervin, 57

James & Dorothy Buckman, 56

St. Anthony of Padua, Grand Rivers

Ernest & Sonia Ayo, 40

St. Augustine, Grayson Springs

David & Mary Doris Simon, 55

St. Columba, Lewisport

Paul & Ruth Madden, 52

Joe & Jeanette Taylor, 53

St. Denis, Fancy Farm

John & Frances Vessells, 62

St. Edward, Fulton

Jerry & Mary Ann Hobbs, 53

Ben & Joy Davis, 55

St. Elizabeth, Curdsville

Robert & Peggy McCarthy, 51

St. Francis Borgia, Sturgis

Bob & Faye Greenwell, 55

St. Francis de Sales, Paducah

Darrell & Cindy Boyd, 40

Joseph & Patricia Scholl, 25

Johnny & Kathy Caruthers, 25

William T. & Judith Hayden, 54

James & Frances Harbison, 50

St. Henry, Aurora

Ed & Angela Thorne, 25

Gary & Lavonne Hanlon, 55

James & Ethel Cantrell, 58

St. Jerome, Fancy Farm

Billy & Angela Higdon, 40

Raymond & Carole Ballard, 56

St. John the Evangelist, Paducah

William & Heidi Ballard, 50

Frank & Kay Kern, 50

St. Joseph, Bowling Green

Bill & Nancy Blacketer, 40

St. Joseph, Leitchfield

Mark & Annette Cannon, 25

Robert & Anna Rea Kindade, 57

St. Joseph, Mayfield

Mark & Mary Jean Young, 40

Mike & Nancy Weber, 51

Kenneth & Rosemary Clem, 56

Frank & Ursula Elliott, 56

St. Jude, Clinton

James Dellios & Bertha Marie Myers, 54

St. Leo, Murray

Alex & Mary Paluch, 66

Eldridge & Carolyn Haas, 55

Ronald & Dorothy Urbon, 54

St. Martin, Rome

Wade & Diane Lossie, 25

Kenneth & Alice Drochter, 59

St. Mary Magdalene, Sorgho

Dan & Beth Greenwell, 25

Edward & Kathleen Leming, 56

Larry & Benita Riney, 58

St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville

Donnie & Connie Clark, 40

Jerry & Cecelia Wilkerson, 40

St. Michael, Sebree

Robert & Susie Blanford, 50

Robert L. & Dorothy Taylor, 54

St. Peter, Waverly

Ralph & Kay Wolfe, 40

St. Pius Tenth, Calvert City

Joe & Barb Cirrito, 57

Joe & Marilyn Hayden, 55

Ray & Alice Lucas, 56

Bob & Bette Zilligen, 53

St. Pius Tenth, Owensboro

Greg & Marion Bates, 40

Richard & Mary Coy, 52

Tommy R. & Janet Hayden, 62

St. Romuald, Hardinsburg

Larry & Patti Mattingly, 51

Raymond & Margie Wethington, 53

Don & Rooney Alexander, 51

Jerry & Kim Jarboe, 25

Robert & Virginia Jackey, 50

St. Rose, Cloverport

Andre' & Jane Chustz, 53

St. Sebastian, Calhoun

Matt & Patricia Hayden, 25

Jerry & Earlene Abney, 54

St. Stephen, Cadiz

Gary & Karen McKenzie, 51

St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro

Douglas L. & Cheryl Hayden, 25

David & Sandra Young, 50

Bernard J. & Juanita Clark, 63

Elmo & Dora Thompson, 51

Bernard & Mary Hagan, 52

William & June Johnson, 53

Robert & Joan Englert, 61

Raymond & Barbara Trogolo, 56

St. Thomas More, Paducah

Anthony & Cecilia Toren, 50

Rich & JoAnne Miller, 52

Ray & Mikel Fields, 55

Bill & Carlene Dannemueller, 57

James & Margaret Elder, 65

St. William, Knottsville

Charles & Helen Lanham, 53

St. William of Vercelli, Marion

Tom & Ruth Harris, 54

Sts. Joseph & Paul, Owensboro

Steve & Linda McDonald, 40

John W. & Rose Roberts, 50

Paul R. & Sarah Jane Johnson, 58

Sts. Peter & Paul, Hopkinsville

Paul & Patricia Kremer, 54



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St. Romuald Parish Dedicates New Veteran's Memorial



Cemetery committee members - Tim Bandy, Shirley Bland, PJ O'Donoghue, Nancy Duncan, Audrey Mercer, Don Payne, Kay Payne, Wayne Hardesty, Paul O'Reilly and Janet Board. Absent were Billy Ward McGary & Gail Pollock.

Article submitted by Cemetery Committee and photos by Kim Brumfield.

HARDINSBURG, Ky. - On Saturday, May 18, 2013, a vision became a reality when Fr. Tony Bickett blessed the Veterans' Memorial, located in the cemetery of St. Romuald Church in Hardinsburg, Kentucky.

Over 200 individuals attended the dedication ceremony, which began with an opening prayer by Rev. Corey Nelson, a Methodist minister and Marine veteran. Then, Senator Brett Guthrie, retired Senator Ron Lewis, Representative Dwight Butler, Breckinridge County Judge/Executive Maurice Lucas, and Hardinsburg Mayor Wayne Macy delivered speeches.

Following speeches, veterans presented the colors: Merl Kannapel, World War II, American Flag; Bob Rhodes, Korean War, Kentucky State Flag; Don Payne, Vietnam War, Christian Flag. Veterans Taylor Tivitt, Persian Gulf War; and Tony Tivitt, Desert Storm War, then raised the flags as the Breckinridge County High School Marching Band and Chamber Singers performed "The Star Spangled Banner", "My Old Kentucky Home", and "Onward Christian Soldiers".

Tim Bandy, cemetery chairman, stated, "The Memorial evolved from the talk stage, which began some 10 years ago, with the actual planning and construction



of it over the past year and a half." Bandy also said, "Although the Memorial is located in the Catholic cemetery, it is for all veterans and their families, regardless of race or religion, to visit and remember."

Veterans present represented a range from World War II to the present actions in the Middle East. Parishioners documented that 108 veterans since the War of 1812 are buried in the 203 year old cemetery.

Fall, 2013 Parish Picnic Schedule

DATE	SERVING TIME	PARISH
Aug. 3	11:00 a.m.	St. Jerome, Fancy Farm
Aug. 3	Noon	Blessed Sacrament, Owensboro
Aug. 3	5:00 p.m.	St. Martin, Rome
Aug. 10	4:00 p.m.	Blessed Mother, Owensboro
Aug. 17	3:00 p.m. (EST)	Holy Guardian Angels, Irvington
Aug. 24	4:30 p.m.	St. Columba, Lewisport
Aug. 25	1:00 p.m.	parish family picnic, St. Thomas More, Paducah
Aug. 25	following Mass at Noble Park	Rosary Chapel, Paducah
Sept. 7	11am to 9 pm	St. John the Evangelist, Paducah
Sept. 7	4:30 p.m.	St. Agnes, Uniontown
Sept. 8	11:30 a.m.	Mount St. Joseph, Maple Mount
Sept 13-14		Holy Name Fall Festival, Henderson
Sept. 15	12:00 Noon	Immaculate Conception, Hawesville
Sept. 15	11:00 a.m.	St. Lawrence/St. William Parishes
Sept. 21	2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro
Sept. 21	4:00 p.m.	Christ the King, Madisonville
Sept. 22	11:00 a.m.	St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville
Sept 28	3:00 p.m.	Immaculate, Owensboro
Sept. 29		St. Leo, Murray
Sept. 29	10:00 a.m.	St. Joseph, Central City



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- How do I walk with others, leading them to see the wonder and closeness of God in everyday life?

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August 17, 2013
Mount St. Joseph Retreat Center
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Schedule:

9:30—10:00 Registration
10:00 Retreat
Noon Lunch
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4:15 Sunday Vigil Mass

Cost: \$15 (includes lunch)

Registration Form: Please return to Donna Biggs, 600 Locust Street, Owensboro, KY 42301 or e-mail information to

Donna.biggs@pastoral.org by August 10, 2013.

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Parish: _____

Payment of \$15 (includes lunch) Payment Enclosed Bill Me Bill my parish

Mount Saint Joseph Academy Alumnae Weekend

August, 2013 43

MAPLE MOUNT, Ky. - More than 100 alumnae of Mount Saint Joseph Academy or Junior College came to Maple Mount on May 19 for the annual Alumnae Reunion. They shared in a business meeting of the Alumnae Association, attended Mass with their former teacher Monsignor Bernard Powers, celebrated at a banquet afterward and shared in the annual awarding of the Maple Leaf Award to two deserving members. The Maple Leaf Award recognizes women and men who are making a difference in our world. The nominees must personify the value of their MSJ education in contributions to their local faith communities, civic communities and/or Mount Saint Joseph.



Lila Basham Frederick, left, Mary Ann Stenger Seely, center, and Ursuline Sister Karla Kaelin, all of the class of 1963, talk following Mass. Seely served as a lector for the Mass.



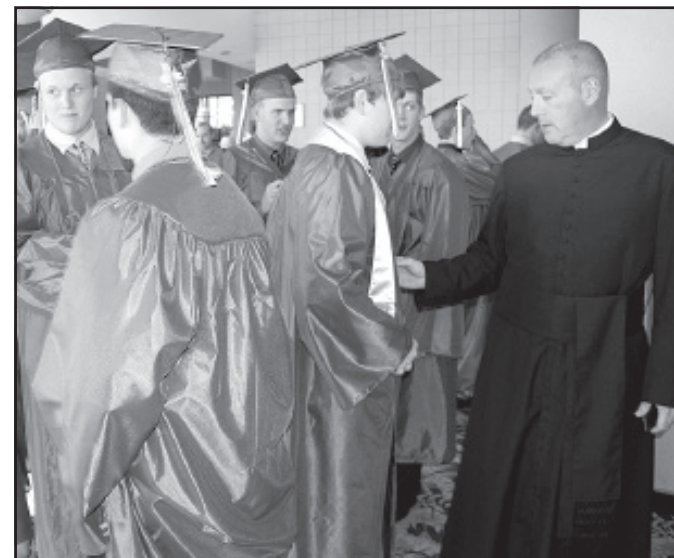
Mary Ann Shewmaker Payne, A72, second from left, accepts her Maple Leaf Award, along with Stephanie Warren, A73, left, vice president of the Mount Saint Joseph Alumnae Association, Rita Thomas Tanner, A72, and Bernadette Murphy Barnard, A72, who both nominated her for the award.



Ursuline Sister Michael Marie Friedman, left, is pictured with her Maple Leaf Award, along with her nominator, Anna Mattingly, center, and Stephanie Warren, A73, vice president of the Mount Saint Joseph Alumnae Association.



Maruchi Morales Abascal, A83, talks with Monsignor Bernard Powers following Mass. She came from Guatemala for the reunion.



A Father's Care

Father Gerald Baker, pastor of St. Mary of St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church in Whitesville pays attention to the details during Trinity High School's graduation ceremony in the Hines Center, Philpot. "Let's straighten up that National Honor Society stole here, young man!" Photo by Christina Rhodes

You Can Help Your Marriage

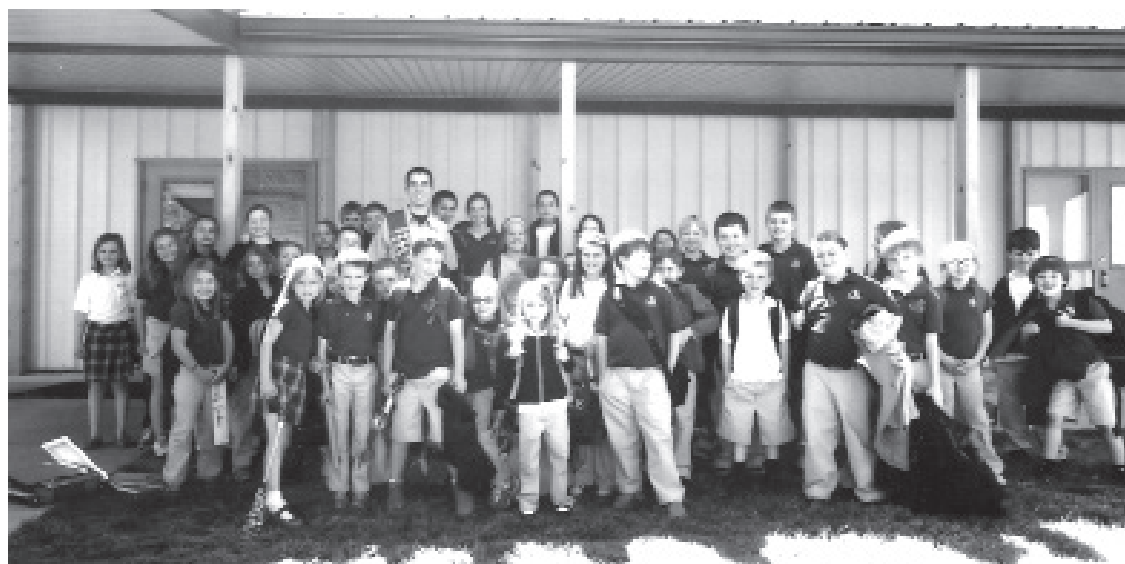
- Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the September program beginning with a weekend on Sept 27, 2013 call 270-683-1545 ext 346 or email: sherryvincent@insightbb.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

Jungblom earns Eagle Scout rank

By Rita Jungblom

HANSON, Ky. - Charlie Jungblom recently earned his Eagle Scout award by completing a project that will benefit many children for years to come. His Eagle Scout project consisted of designing and building an overhead shelter on the back of Christ The King School so children can enter and exit the school while being protected from the weather. He obtained donations from the church, school families, and the community to finance the project. Various businesses also donated manpower and supplies to help.

Charlie began his scouting experience as a Tiger Cub in Indiana. After moving to Kentucky, he progressed through scouts and became the Senior Patrol Leader in Troop 90 at Christ The King Catholic Church. Charlie graduated from Christ The King School in 2009 and is a 2013 graduate of Madisonville North Hopkins High School. He was awarded the Provost Scholarship by Murray State University and accepted into the Honors Program. He will be starting college in the Fall of 2013. Charlie is the son of Bill and Rita Jungblom of Hanson, KY.





Holy Name Parish Youth Mission Detroit 2013 Reflection

By Lauren Douglas

HENDERSON, Ky. - "Don't get shot", "Come back alive", "Watch out for gangs." When explaining to my friends and family that I was going on a mission trip to Detroit, Michigan these phrases were thrown around. Going into this mission trip I was nervous and anxious on what the week had to offer. With this being my first mission trip, I could not wait to see what all the hype of mission trips was about. Little did I know how much of an impact those eight days would have on my life.

St. Dominic's is where I was stationed at all week. St. Dominic's is a basic outreach program for people who are living in true poverty. Food, clothing, hygiene kits, and basic needs are all provided for people who need the help. Ms. Sherron is the program director of St. Dominic's and she honestly is a gift to this world. She never turns anyone down who comes to her door and needs help. Sherron has so much love in her heart for helping people that it is truly inspiring. Seeing people walk in her doors and sit down in her waiting room for food because they were starving made me realize how lucky and blessed I am. Seeing how grateful these people were to get four grocery sacks full of food opened my eyes to how desperate they were. At the end of the day, I thank God for putting food on my plate and how blessed I am to be healthy.

This mission trip also allowed me to open up more to people. There

were 110 youth in the Young Neighbors program that week in Detroit. I made so many new friends who I fully intend to keep in touch with. About halfway through the week I realized why I could connect with these people. We were all there for the same reason – God. We all were there to serve him and live out his mission. All of us connected on a deeper level because of our faith and passion to help people. Opening up to people is something I personally struggle with and I did not have any problems with it at all in Detroit, and I am thoroughly convinced that God was working through me so I could get the most possible out of the week that I could.

Working all day at St. Dominic's was one of the most rewarding feelings I have ever experienced. Knowing I truly made a difference in someone's life to help them survive another day is a feeling I will never forget. A mother with her five year old daughter was waiting in the waiting room, she told me that it was people like me that gave her hope. Hope that things could and would turn around for her and her family so in the future they could be the ones helping others instead of receiving the help. By helping all these people, I was really helping myself more than I realized. I learned so much about myself and grew in my faith ways I did not know was possible. I saw God in every single person I met that week. Despite all the rumors about Detroit, I saw a city that is struggling, but a beautiful



Holy Name Youth Mission Missouri 2013 Reflection

By Dylan Payne

HENDERSON, Ky. - Last month, a group of 35 adults and high school youth departed from Holy Name Church on a trip to the small town of Caruthersville, Missouri. Each year, members of the Holy Name Youth Group, along with a hand full of adults, go to Caruthersville to serve the community in a variety of ways. From Vacation Bible School to home construction, there is always a way to help change the lives of others. Caruthersville is an extremely impoverished town.

Recently, a tornado swept through the community, further affecting the lives of those who already had very little. Despite the unfortunate circumstances in which many of the town's inhabitants live, they are always able to smile and enjoy life. The children at Vacation Bible School always exhibit pure joy, although many of them face harsh realities at home. This same joy can be seen on the faces of those whose living conditions are drastically improved through construction projects.

The citizens of Caruthersville thrive not through material possessions, but through fellowship and love of one another. Seeing this happiness in the faces of all those we serve has a huge impact on our lives. The whole mission experience provides a new vision of life and uncovers the endless possibilities of service. It is safe to say that by the end of the week, our own lives have been changed just as much as the lives of those we came to serve.

So, take time to serve others in the community in any way possible. Not only is it a responsibility, but it is also a privilege. Improve your own life by improving the lives of those around you. The reward for your service might be greater than you expect.

city thriving behind the scenes. Detroit and its people are full of passion. I saw the love and pride in people's eyes and they were not ashamed of asking for help. Asking for help takes a strong person, inside and out. These people taught me that asking for help is okay and that tough times will come one way in life eventually. Mission Detroit was a huge success in my eyes and something I am

so glad I got to experience. Mother Teresa once said, "The fruit of service is peace." This quote is now painted on a stone outside back at St. Dominic's along with my hand prints on another stone with everyone's names around them. We left our mark at St. Dominic's and it left its mark on us in unspeakable ways.

PADUCAH,Ky. - The Bishops of the United States called all the faithful to celebrate a Fortnight for Freedom from Friday, June 21, 2013 until Thursday, July 4, 2013. This 14 day period was the celebration of the many rights we enjoy as American citizens and we patriotically prayed for our nation. Fr. J. Patrick Reynolds served as the main celebrant for the opening Mass held at St. Thomas More, June 21 at 7:00pm with over 200 Catholics from surrounding parishes in attendance. Concelebrants of the Mass included Fr. Brandon Williams, Fr. Tom Buckman, and Fr. Uwen Enoch, along with Deacon Terry Larbes, Mike Clapp, and Paul Bachi assisting. A combined choir of the local parishes including brass instrumental accompaniment provided the sacred music, the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Honor Guard from councils in the area assisted with the Mass, and the Divine Mercy Council of the Knights of Columbus served on the altar. This was also the vigil of Saint Thomas More, Martyr and all in attendance were invited to the parish hall to enjoy fellowship at an ice cream social reception immediately after the Mass.



Both the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Honor Guard and members of the surrounding councils made the opening Mass of a Fortnight for Freedom very special for all.



Fr. J. Patrick Reynolds served as the main celebrant with (standing L to R) Fr. Tom Buckman, Fr. Uwen Enoch, and Fr. Brandon Williams concelebrating and (kneeling L to R) Deacon Mike Clapp and Deacon Paul Bachi assisting.



Members of the Divine Mercy Council of the Knights of Columbus (L to R) Craig Willett, Vernon Arboleda, and Pat Spoden served on the altar as Deacon Paul Bachi read the Holy Gospel.

What can schools sell instead of candy? Trash bags

By Beth J. Harpaz/AP/The Gleaner

HENDERSON,Ky. - When Beth Hendrickson first proposed selling garbage bags instead of candy as a school fundraiser, “people laughed at us.”

They don’t laugh anymore. Hendrickson, principal of St. Ann Interparochial School in Morganfield, says the school makes \$20,000 a year selling garbage bags. And it’s not just parents of the school’s 230 students who buy them. Local businesses and government offices in Morganfield — population 3,500 — buy garbage bags from the school as well.

“Nobody needs candy,” Hendrickson says. “But trash bags — that’s something everybody needs.”



This July 15, 2013 photo shows Beth Hendrickson, principal of St. Ann Interparochial School, showing some of the trash bags being sold to raise money for the school in Morganfield, Ky. Many schools and PTAs sell candy and gift wrap to raise money for activities and supplies, but St. Ann makes \$20,000 a year selling trash bags to supplement the school budget. Hendrickson says the trash bags are bought by parents of the school’s 230 students as well as by residents, businesses and offices in Morganfield, population 3,500. (AP Photo/The Gleaner, Mike Lawrence)

The trash bag sale, done through Bags for Bucks, is just one alternative to the candy-and-gift wrap sales that so many communities hold when school fundraising efforts resume each fall. Some PTAs are going high-tech, using online platforms to solicit and process donations, selling digital images of kids’ artwork on coffee mugs or magnets, and hosting scavenger hunts where clues are collected with cellphone photos. And a

few school groups have stopped selling products altogether, instead encouraging parents to simply write checks.

But others, like Hendrickson, are experimenting with sales of unusual products. The garbage bags were such a hit that when a company called Amadora approached Hendrickson about selling bed sheets, she gave it a try. The first year, the school sold about \$16,000 worth of sheets to fund new classroom technology. Last year, sheet sales dropped to \$9,000 — after all, how many sheets do families at one small school need? — but the company introduced new prints this year, so Hendrickson’s giving it another go.

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46 August, 2013 Christian Leadership Institute Held at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center

MAPLE MOUNT, Ky. - A group of high school students and a team of parish and school leaders stayed at Mount Saint Joseph June 23-28, 2013 for the annual Christian Leadership Institute. A majority of their activities took place at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center. The retreat was organized by Melinda Prunty, director of the Office of Youth Ministry for the Diocese of Owensboro, Ky. Also in attendance was Father Ryan Harpole, a priest/spiritual director.

CLI is a week-long leadership training experience for those who have completed at least their freshman year of high school through just graduated seniors. It provides a way for young people to discover their God-given talents and to find ways to use them in their parishes, schools and communities.



The CLI group headed outdoors, where students helped others who were blindfolded as they participated in activities and walked along marked paths.



The entire CLI group gathered June 28, 2013 on their last day at the retreat center for a group photo. Diocesan Director of Youth Ministry, Melinda Prunty, is front and center; Father Ryan Harpole is at the end of the front row, left' Luis Aju, Jr., director of Catholic Hispanic Youth Programs for the Diocese of Owensboro., is at the right end of the front row. But where in the world is Deacon Matt Keyser? MSJ Photos

Father Ryan Harpole, right, helps tie a blindfold on a CLI student during a teamwork activity. Father Ryan is the parochial vicar of Saint Leo Parish in Murray, Ky., and assists in the pastoral ministry of the Newman Center of Murray State University.



En materia esencial, unidad; en lo no esencial, libertad; en todas las cosas, caridad.



Monseñor William F. Medley
Obispo de Owensboro

Queridos hermanos y hermanas,

Sería de gran ayuda identificar el origen de esta cita, pero la investigación sólo me ha llevado a concluir que la sabiduría de estas palabras es antigua y se ha expresado de muchas maneras a través

del tiempo. San Agustín es el escritor más comúnmente atribuido, sin embargo otros se apresuran a señalar variaciones aún más antiguas. En los tiempos modernos el Papa Juan XXIII, obispo de Roma desde 1958 - 1963, popularizó esta cita. .

Como el antiguo origen de las palabras sugiere, los hombres y mujeres de todas las edades han tratado de hacer un punto para ganarle al día, por su retórica. Esa retórica con demasiada frecuencia se dirige hacia el carácter de un oponente o adversario, en lugar de a la idea objetable o pensamiento. En la era de los medios de comunicación y la comunicación instantánea, sin embargo, el atajo fácil de hacer un punto es demasiado a menudo para atacar a la persona, y no a la idea.

Como católicos, como cristianos, en nuestra cultura muy secular, nos encontramos a menudo ridiculizados cuando hablamos sobre asuntos de moralidad y justicia. Parte de esta burla es sutil, algo es evidente y, francamente, intolerante. Más triste, supongo, son los momentos en que incluso dentro de nuestra Iglesia un matiz de diferencia se amplifica y se pone en pregunta la fe genuina y la moral de cada quien.

Pero escribo este mes no atacar a nuestros atacantes, sino a llamarnos a nosotros mismos como personas de fe a el camino más alto, que nos llame en todas las cosas a la caridad.

Nuestra Iglesia en la actualidad se encuentra a menudo en contradicción con la cultura dominante. El tema puede ser el aborto, la anticoncepción artificial, las relaciones homosexuales, la pena de muerte, la eutanasia, la libertad religiosa, la reforma de la inmi-

gración, el empleo de la tortura humana y la lista puede seguir y seguir. El acceso directo para hacer que nuestro punto puede ser fácil para poner en duda la integridad o la moralidad de los que tienen un punto de vista diferente.

La Iglesia Católica y nosotros, como ciudadanos católicos tenemos un lugar en todos los debates públicos. Esto está en el corazón de los más recientes debates sobre la libertad religiosa. A menudo, el punto de vista al cual podemos abrazar es muy claro para nosotros. Desde nuestro punto de vista, nuestra posición ha sido conseguida a través del estudio de la revelación divina y la tradición de siglos de antigüedad. Es cierto que es difícil a veces para ver el mérito de un punto de vista opuesto. Por ejemplo, para aquellos de nosotros que vemos la vida humana, creada a imagen y semejanza de Dios, es incomprensible que otros abogan el aborto a petición inmediata. Para nosotros, esa pregunta (y muchas más semejantes) representa una violación inalterable de la ley de Dios, una ley que creemos fácilmente revelada en la razón humana - aparte de la revelación divina.

En nuestra cultura pluralista, cuando despreciamos a aquellos con quienes no estamos de acuerdo, no toma mucho antes de que nos volvamos una coalición de uno. Nuestro adversario en cuestiones de la vida humana se convierte en nuestro aliado en la reforma migratoria. Nuestro aliado en la defensa del matrimonio puede llegar a ser el adversario de la pena capital.

Sí, sí, puede y habrán momentos en que la intolerancia sólo tiene que ser llamada fanatismo, cuando la inmoralidad flagrante es simplemente una manifestación del mal. Pero más a menudo que nuestros propios error o los errores de los que no están de acuerdo con nosotros no tienen su origen en el pecado, tanto como en la desinformación.

¿Podemos dar un paso atrás y replantear nuestro diálogo presumir buena voluntad por parte de aquellos con quienes no estamos de acuerdo? Aunque tenemos nuestras creencias y convicciones con pasión, no hay que suponer que otros

Agosto, 2013 Calendario del Obispo Medley

3 de agosto	4:00 p.m.	Confirmación, Holy Name of Jesús, Henderson
6 de agosto	11:30 a.m.	Encuentro de Priest Age Group 3 /Almuerzo
8 de agosto	12:00 p.m.	Reunión de Decanato del Oeste de Owensboro St. Mary Magdalene, Owensboro
10 de agosto	4:00 p.m.	Misa/Instalación de nuevo pastor, Pr. Pat Bittel, St. Martin, Rome
11 de agosto	8:30 a.m.	Misa/ Instalación de Nuevo Pastor, Pr. John Ighacho, St. Sebastian/St. Charles @ St. Sebastian
11 de agosto	5:00 p.m.	Celebración de Vida Rural, Sportscenter,
12 de agosto	5:00 p.m.	Cena con seminaristas y la oficina de vocaciones
13 de agosto		Conferencia Católica Kentucky Mesa Directiva Ejecutiva, Louisville, KY Reunión Provincial, Louisville, KY
14 de agosto		Reunión Provincial, Louisville, KY
15 de agosto	6:00 p.m.	Asunción de la Sagrada Virgen María, Misa y Dedicación de Altar y Ambon, St. Romuald, Hardinsburg
17 de agosto	5:00 p.m.	Confirmación, St. Michael, Sebre
19 de agosto	9:30 a.m.	Reunión del Personal de Sacerdocio, CPC
	1:30 p.m.	Reunión del Consejo de Reunión, CPC
20 de agosto	9:00 a.m.	Misa de Staff y Reunión, CPC
21 de agosto	11:30 a.m.	Encuentro Priest Age Group 4/Almuerzo
22 de agosto	11:30 a.m.	Encuentro Priest Age Group 5/Almuerzo
24 de agosto	1:30 p.m.	Jubileo de Oro Misa para la Madre Catherine Marie, CP, Passionist Monastery
25 de agosto	9:00 a.m.	Misa/Instalación de Nuevo Pastor, Pr. John Thomas, Parroquia Holy Spirit, Bowling Green
26 de agosto	11:30 a.m.	Encuentro Priest Age Group 6/Almuerzo
27 de agosto	10-3:00 p.m.	Oficina en Paducah, Lourdes Hospital, Paducah

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está ahora disponible como una aplicación de teléfono.
A continuación se muestra la información
acerca de cómo obtener el enlace.

no podrían haber llegado a diferentes convicciones con igual ardor. Con respeto, podemos esforzarnos por educar y persuadir a los demás, pero siempre en la caridad.

Suyos en Cristo,

William F. Medley

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Tenemos Un Nuevo Sacerdote Entre Nosotros

Muchas personas de pueblos y ciudades de la Western Kentucky Diócesis de Owensboro llegaron a la Catedral de San Esteban en Owensboro 1 de junio de 2013 para celebrar la Misa de Ordenación Sacerdotal del Padre Julio Evaristo Barrera Martínez, en el primer plano de la imagen de arriba. En esta escena, la misa acababa de terminar y los sacerdotes presentes se reunieron fuera de las puertas delanteras de la Catedral de aplaudir Padre Julio. Su sonrisa era y es verdadera, la alegría del Padre Julio evidente e inspiradora como Obispo William Medley lideró el rito de la ordenación que incluye la imposición de manos, oración

de ordenación, investidura, y la unción de las manos, la entrega del pan y del vino, y un beso fraterno de paz. Por encima de los preiostes de los sacerdotes que visitan diócesis y otra y felicitó al Padre Julio y espontáneo aplauso estalló entre ellos, que dura varios minutos. Como dice la canción de apertura de la Misa de Ordenación proclamó: "Esta es la fiesta de la victoria de nuestro Dios. Aleluya" Foto por Jim Creighton

Por favor, consulte las páginas 24-26 en la sección de Inglés para obtener más imágenes y el artículo sobre la ordenación del Padre Julio en junio e 1.

Grupo De Pastoral Familiar De La Iglesia Católica San José En Bowling Green



Arriba hay una foto de grupo de un nuevo Grupo de Pastoral Familiar de la Iglesia Católica San José en Bowling Green. El grupo recibió su bendición y su presentación a la comunidad parroquial el 14 de julio de 2013, por nuestro Pastor Rev. D. Andrew Garner. Son Carlos y Desiree Casas, Felipe y Sonia Nieto Torres, Manuel y Susana Peña Bonilla, Juan y Juana Valencia, Leonard y Lizzett Zapata, Nelson y Morena Espinoza Murillo, Jesús y Verónica Castro Méndez. Foto por Kathleen Baumgarten

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Viernes agosto 16	6:30-9:30 PM	Bowling Green San José
Sábado agosto 17	9:30 AM - NOON	Hopkinsville Santos Pedro y Pablo
Sábado agosto 17	6:00 - 8:30 PM	Mayfield San José
Domingo agosto 18	5:00 - 7:30 PM	Owensboro Santos José y Pablo

Calendario para las sesiones Levántate
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